



STATE OF THE SOCIETY

March 19, 2024

Dear Drew,

This is the inaugural Women of Marian *State of the Society*—an update that keeps you connected with and informed of your favorite ladies.

Please enjoy the contents of this letter, celebrate the powerful women that are a part of our society, and join us in growing our membership.

If you have feedback or announcements you'd like to see in upcoming editions, please contact Becky Frey at bfrey@marian.edu.



WOMEN OF MARIAN FOUNDERS TO BE HONORED

The vision and dedication of three very inspiring women made the Women of Marian Society a possibility: Beth Elsener, Patti Curran, and Denise Feser (pictured above). Thanks to their commitment, our society boasts 140+ members.

In recognition of all they've done, they've been selected as the honorees for the 2024 Marian University Founders Classic golf outing! This much-deserved honoring will spread awareness of the Women of Marian Society and our mission. In addition, the funds raised for this event will directly benefit the Women of Marian Scholarship Endowment.

We encourage you to participate in this event, be it as a golfer or attendee for the reception, to support our fearless leaders. **So, mark your calendar for September 5, 2024** (location: Broadmoor Country Club).

More details about this event to come.

ENDOWMENT UPDATE



Thanks to our new and loyal members, our endowment continues to increase. We are happy to report that our current value for the endowment is \$208,000—which allows us to provide scholarships for three total students.

Our current scholarship recipients are: **Savanna Gilmore '26**, studying public health, **Cristina Avello '27**, studying biology, and **Leah Guinn '27**, studying exercise science.

Additionally, one incoming freshman (class of 2028) will be awarded a scholarship at the Summer Luncheon. We will share more details about her at a later time.

CONTINUED GROWTH

Our vision for Women of Marian is to award two scholarships for each incoming class. That means we will award eight scholarships in an academic year. In order to do this, we need to further grow our endowment—meaning grow our membership.

So if you've brought a guest (or guests) to any of our events, we ask that you speak with them further about joining, or have them contact Danielle Roudebush (droudebush@marian.edu | 317.955.6391) from the Office of Institutional Advancement. They can join with a **monthly** or **annual** gift!

This is important, because as a private university, Marian depends on gifts to make education accessible.



GALENTINE'S DAY CELEBRATION

On Saturday, February 10, we hosted our third annual Galentine's Day celebration. We are so impressed by the growth of this event and want to thank all 100+ women who gathered to celebrate, mingle, and participate, for making this such a success.

Something that is so beautiful about this event is that it brings women from all generations together to learn from each other—furthering our mission to be a group of like-minded, philanthropic, and social women, focused on bettering Marian University and its graduates.

If you missed this event or want to relive the magic, you can find all the photos [here](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This is a future segment, where any announcements that you submit will be housed. Please provide announcements you would like included to Becky Frey at bfrey@marian.edu.

NEW MEMBER REPORT

Each report, we will welcome our most recent new members to the Women of Marian Society. Please join us in welcoming:

Women of Marian Society

Marian Hooton Armbrrecht '76
Tia Bell '00
Nichole Ellis Cook
Amanda Duchemin Cook '00
Teresa Cuttall '85
Shele French
Kris Ronzone Froehlke '68
Robyn Fuchs
Barbara Franz Jansen '64
Lauren Kenny '22
Anna Kompar '22
Veronica Quiroz '23
Julie Rebensdorf '77
Abigail Riehle '22
Danielle Roudebush
Donna Rund '92
Christine McCormick Schuermann '76
Anna Murphy Smith '09
Cassandra Vance '22
Rachel Yockey '03

1851 Student Circle

Rylie Boezeman '27
Allison Bohman '26
Reece Davis '26
Caroline Doorley '27
Leah Guinn '27
Macie Hadley '25
Launa Hamaker '27
Emma Hendrix '26
Ashley Hoffman '27
Lindsay Huston '26
Hayli Irvin '25
Brylee Koontz '24
Tandess O'Neal '25
Avery Pierce '27
Samantha Sarvak '24
Lucy Schenk '25
Anna Siler '25
Adriyanna Staten '27
Alli E Taylor '26

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 19, 2024

Senior Celebration Night

Join us as we celebrate our 1851 Circle graduates and welcome them to continue their journeys as Young Alumni Circle members. Society members only.

July 27, 2024

Summer Luncheon

Honoring women working within business.

December 5, 2024

Holiday Wine Tasting

Open to Young Alumni, Dillhoff, and Clare Circle members

OUR HISTORY

The Women of Marian Society serves to honor Marian University's foundresses, the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, Indiana.

The name "Women of Marian" was originally coined for graduates of Marian College, as it served as a women's college until 1954. The first gatherings of these original Women of Marian were called "Tea on the Terrace," which was an annual social opportunity for women graduates. In 2010, this evolved into a luncheon for women stakeholders of the university.

It was in 2019 that the Women of Marian Society, as it's known now, injected philanthropy and structure into these former all-women gatherings. Since then, the

organization has seen tremendous growth and significantly impacted multiple young women.

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