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EDUCATIONAL  
OUTREACH  
Belong. Learn. Succeed.

SEPTEMBER 2022

The MEO  
Star  
Newsletter for Marian Educational Outreach

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Sister Beata



Sr. Beata Mehling served as  
the the principal at Marian  
Day School for 18 years.  
(1927-2022)

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS AS

## MARIAN EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

Marian Day School was established in 1955. In order to expand the mission, serve more students, and practice a more inclusive environment amongst our Catholic Schools, the name was changed to Marian Educational Outreach. This year marks 20 years since that change took place and 67 years since Marian Day School was established.

# A Night to Remember....

## Annual Gala 2022

### with Dueling Pianos



A BIG 'Thank You' to our volunteers, sponsors, and all who attended to support our mission. We had a wonderful evening and raised over \$60,000 for the students. Many thanks for an incredible event. Much fun was had by all!

**Gold Sponsors in 2022 include Klenc Company, The Love Foundation, Jerry & Cherie Burgdorf, The Koch Foundation, Will & Julie Baldwin, and The Goulet Family**



Marian Educational Outreach is a gift to the Diocese of Evansville. In my years of teaching, community volunteering (including serving on MEO's board), and raising a family, I have learned that God has blessed all of our children with special gifts and talents that allow each one of them to experience success in school if given the right opportunities to do so. These gifts and talents may range from academics, athletics, the arts, and even to their wonderful, individual personalities that enrich our world. The gift of learning benefits from many different academic styles that lead to success and positive self-esteem. Every child is special and unique and wants to achieve their full potential, and will do so if given the teaching strategies they need.

My husband and I have supported MEO for many years because we believe in this basic concept, "God made every child special and gifted." MEO strives to support and bring out the best in every student they serve. Our contributions help our diocesan schools provide trained and dedicated teachers, workshops, supplies, and programs that enable all our children with different learning styles to remain in our diocesan schools to receive academic help on their level of understanding and learning.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our children learn and succeed at all academic levels.

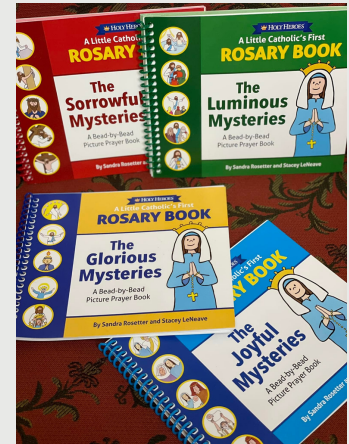
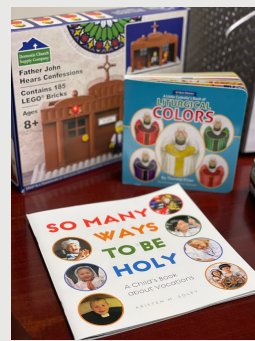
Sincerely,  
Linda Feulner

*Continuing the mission...*

*...supporting all students.*

# ENGBERS ENRICHMENT KIT FOR CATHOLICS

Please use these materials as you see fit for the children and young adults preparing and enriching their Catholic faith and sacramental preparation.



WE ARE EXCITED TO INTRODUCE THE 'ENGBERS ENRICHMENT KIT FOR CATHOLICS' IN HONOR OF OUR PAST BOARD CHAIR, TRENT ENGBERS. THIS PROJECT FOCUSES ATTENTION ON SACRAMENTAL PREP AND ENRICHING MASS EXPERIENCE FOR THOSE WHO NEED ADAPTIVE MATERIAL.

OUR LATEST PROJECT IS AVAILABLE FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL OR PARISH MEMBER IN THE DIOCESE OF EVANSVILLE TO BORROW TO AID IN THE LEARNING OF AND PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS. OUR GOAL OF THIS INITIATIVE IS TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL ARE EMBRACED IN THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH AND CONTINUE SPREADING AWARENESS ABOUT THE TOOLS AND MATERIALS AVAILABLE FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED ASSISTANCE DURING MASS OR SCHOOL.

PLEASE REACH OUT TO US IF YOU OR YOUR PARISH WOULD LIKE TO BORROW THE MATERIAL.

## Grant Cycle Information:

Marian Educational Outreach is excited to be offering two grant cycles this school year. This allows for teachers the opportunity to receive funds to support their project needs during two different times of the school year. Marian Educational Outreach would not be able to continue increasing the amount we give to the Diocesan schools without your support. This past winter, we gave almost \$7,000 to seven schools. Our next cycle will open this month!

To support classroom grant projects, visit our website and donate online at [www.meoforkids.org/give](http://www.meoforkids.org/give) or mail checks to 520 S Bennighof Ave. Evansville IN 47714.



**Grant Recipients from January 2022 pictured above.** Westside Catholic, St. Matthews, St. Joe (Co), Holy Trinity, St. John the Baptist, St. Bernard, and Christ the King

# Free Dress Fundraiser

Earlier this year, many westside schools partnered together and hosted a free dress fundraiser day for Marian Educational Outreach. Hundreds of families participated and students got to wear free dress for the day with their donation!

Thank you to all who participated and a special thanks to these schools who participated raising over \$2,000 for MEO!

Participating schools included: Mater Dei, St. Philip, Corpus Christi, Resurrection, St. James, St. Matthews, St. Joe, and Westside Catholic

**Why is the mission of MEO to include all students in our Catholic schools so important?**

*"Every student who wants to receive a Catholic education should get one." - Warren*

*"Its important to include everyone so that people who are different can get a chance, too." - Violet*

*"We are called to include and love everyone to the best of our ability." - Jessie*



Students Pictured and Interviewed:  
Warren Hall  
Jessie Bacon  
Violet Simmons

## Are you ready for the Fall Festival? Visit our Booth! #98

The A-men's Club and all of the parishioners at All Saints Parish are excited to partner again this year with Marian Education Outreach to provide some of the best food on Franklin Street! Back by popular demand we are returning with our famous street tacos and Mexican street corn. We expect this year to be bigger and better and look forward to seeing our supporters forming lines on both sides of the booth.

In addition to our wonderful choices of chorizo and chicken tacos, we are adding an new offering of Taco Al Pastor this year which is an amazing grilled pork loin with pineapple which will be a sure hit. Our teams have been working hard to get the booth ready and we are excited to head down to Franklin Street in just a few short weeks. Come see us!



Marian Educational Outreach is an organization committed to providing opportunities for students with unique learning needs to reach their highest potential while remaining in the Catholic school system of the Diocese of Evansville, Indiana.

Board Members gather for an annual retreat each summer. Pictured below include: Trent Engbers, Josh Reising, Molly Harris, Erin Pope, Katy Gilberg, Jason Gries, Martha Pitt, Stephanie Smith, Emily Schnapf

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*Thank you to those who have served this past year on our Board!*

*Josh Gilberg*

*Jessica Fehrenbacher*

## *Legacy for Learning*

### **Have you considered Marian Educational Outreach in your will?**

When you invest in including Marian Educational Outreach in your will, you are giving hundreds of students the opportunity to achieve higher success in their Catholic education. Your gift means that families are able to send their children to the same school and ideally, to their home parish school. Gifts from planned giving are investment to our mission of long term growth projects that fulfill the mission of providing Catholic education for any child who wishes to attend a Catholic school.



**Thank you to those who gave to Marian Educational Outreach through the gifts of planned giving.**

***Georgia Muensterman***

***Joseph and Betty Blankenburger***

*In memory of their daughter, Caroline Marie Blankenburger*

## We thank all of our supporters who graciously donate to Marian Educational Outreach in memory of Sister Beata Mehling.

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*"I have no greater  
joy than to hear that  
my children are  
walking in the  
truth."*

*3 John 1.4*



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# Save the Date: Marian Educational Outreach Celebration Night April 29, 2023



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[www.meoforkids.org](http://www.meoforkids.org)



## A Note From Our Director:

2022 has brought me so much joy. For the first time since the pandemic began, we were able to gather together in April for a Gala and celebrate the mission of supporting students with unique needs in the Diocese of Evansville. Marian Educational Outreach continues the long lying mission of spreading awareness, advocacy for all students in our Catholic schools and direct support for Holy Spirit School and Westside Catholic School. I am so blessed to be able to see all the good work that our schools are achieving and watch students grow in their Catholic education. I remain committed to the work of MEO and continue keeping the mission at the forefront of all projects and funding that is taking place within Marian Educational Outreach. I am thankful for your support and blessed to have such a tried and true community standing beside me to support the work of MEO, I can not to do this without you and your gifts do not go unnoticed! May God bless you and your families always. May the legacy, passions, and commitment of Sr. Beata live on in the work of Marian Educational Outreach.



**Emily Schnapf**  
Executive Director  
Marian Educational Outreach

Blessings,

*Emily Schnapf*