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Celebrating 70 years of Profession

I have enjoyed my life as a Marianist. My life as an active Marianist could be seen as a life as a teacher, a counselor, and a coach. My life as a Marianist is a constant backdrop to this life.

When I began teaching, I was more interested in “doing the job.” I did not think of being a service to the students. It was only over time that I learned of the impact my teaching had on the students’ lives. When I became a counselor, my first concern was to assist the students. I did not realize the impact that I had on them. When I coached, I thought of preparing the athletes to do their best with the hope that they would win. I believe that my presence was the important part of the equation. Now, on occasion, I will attend class reunions or meet up with former students, counselees, or athletes. It is only then that I realize the service I provided. Over time, I discovered that being a Marianist, I took in more than the students I taught, counseled, or coached and all whom I met.

Finally, is my life as a Marianist. When I retired from working in high schools and moved to Cincinnati, I realized more clearly my life as a life of service to the people with whom I work and to my community.