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Class of '89 to have outdoor Commencement

by Ilse Martin

Commencement ceremonies this year will be held outdoors — rain or shine — for the first time in at least a decade, according to the Commencement Committee.

The outdoor event will take place in the Lowell Thomas Communications Center parking lot, which is estimated to accommodate 6,000 seats.

The President's Cabinet approved a proposal by the senior class last semester, on the condition that graduates understand the ceremony would be rain or shine, said

Jonathan Urban, president of the senior class.

Graduates will be able to invite more guests than in the past, when the ceremony was held in the McCann Center and students were restricted to three or four tickets.

The Commencement Committee estimates that each graduate will be given six priority-seating tickets, which will guarantee seating for those guests, according to Deborah Bell, committee member and assistant dean of student affairs.

"This is not being done as a restrictive measure, but just for priority seating," Bell said.

Additional guests will be seated in remaining seats or may be limited to standing room.

The Commencement Committee also considered the McCann Center parking lot, the Champagnat Hall parking lot, and Leonidoff Field as possible sites for Commencement this year, according to Donna Berger, executive assistant to the academic vice president and Commencement Committee chairperson.

"It was agreed early on that a parking lot would be the best location in case of rain, because I'm told the ground gets very soggy,"

said Berger.

The Champagnat and McCann lots were eliminated because they are sloped and have more objects that might obstruct audience view, she said.

Berger said the advantages of the Thomas Center parking lot are its central location on campus, the easy accessibility for the elderly and handicapped guests, the flat surface of the lot, and the backdrop of the building.

The disadvantages are the lot's proximity to Route 9, the rock pile, and the temperature of the pavement in case of extreme heat, ac-

ording to Berger.

The committee is currently working out plans for crowd control, security, parking and seating for the graduates, Berger said.

Plans are reportedly being considered for having faculty walk and perhaps seated with students in their majors.

"This was something that the students wanted," said Berger. "The committee did not recommend that it be outside. It's more or less to accommodate the students as far as what they want for their ceremony."

Soph to lead CSL; voter turnout soars

by Kevin St. Onge

The polls closed at exactly 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, and by 3:30 Marist had a new student body president: Kevin Desmond, a sophomore psychology and special education major from Hopkinton, N.H.

In a turnout that nearly tripled last year's showing, 428 of the 2,105 eligible student voters cast their ballots for Council of Student Leaders officers and class officers.

Desmond, also a resident assistant in Sheahan Hall, received 209 votes, far outdistancing his two opponents, sophomore Martin Camacho, who had 89 votes, and freshman Mike Wilberon, who had 46 votes.

Desmond said he will appoint Mike Prout, a freshman from Maplewood, N.J., vice president. Prout served as Desmond's campaign manager.

CSL officers said they hoped around 500 students would vote. Outgoing CSL Secretary Jennifer Peifer said the addition of voting booths may have prompted interest among voters, as Marist broke

from a two-year-old paper ballot system.

"After one day of voting, we had already doubled the turnout from last year," Peifer said. Last year, 156 students voted.

"I'm pleased with the turnout," said departing CSL President Jeff Ferony, "but we still have to get more people to come out and participate in the process."

The election of treasurer for the class of 1992 saw some controversy. The winner, Melissa Mehr, did not deliver a speech at the CSL campaign speech night. Several of her opponent's supporters were upset that Mehr won without giving a speech. Candidates were not required to give speeches. Mehr beat Emily Ward 71-67.

Anthony Mercogliano was elected president for the class of '92, beating Katherine Sullivan 80-70. Jen Chandler beat Jennifer Heekin 93-38 for the vice presidency and Maureen Lossner won the race for secretary, beating Amy Ward 74-66.

John Campbell defeated Glenn McSweeney 103-96 to become president of the class of 1991. Jim

man of the planning board.

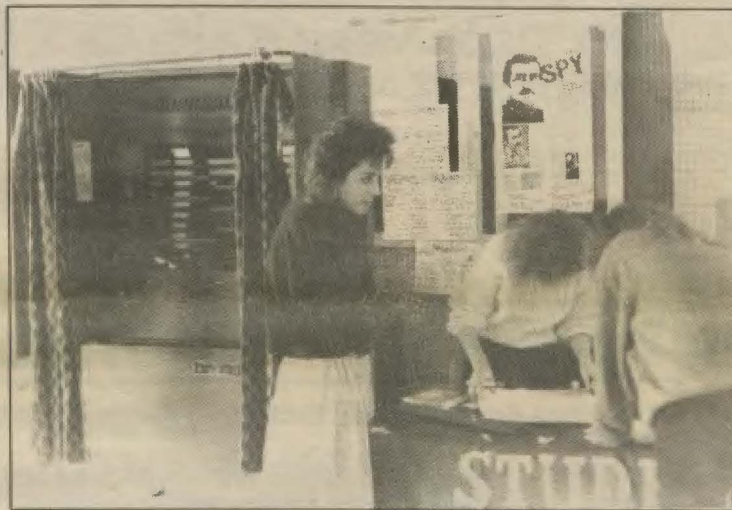
No future appearance date has been scheduled as of press time, but the company's application remains active.

The preliminary plan submitted over one month ago called for the demolition of the 240-year-old farmhouse, followed by construction of a new 5000-square-foot building, according to Robert McCall, a company spokesman.

However, executives at McDonald's said they would be willing to meet with local officials to discuss preserving the historical integrity of the site.

Local officials planned to suggest that McDonald's keep at least part of the building in historical context, according to

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Two students cast their votes in last week's student government elections. Voter turnout this year was nearly three times that of last year's elections.

(Photo by Stacey Larkins)

Joseph was elected vice president by a margin of 83-53 over Greg Ordway. Michele Mattola defeated Daniel Gibbons 77-64 for class secretary and Scott Daly ran unopposed for the treasurer's position, picking up 112 votes.

Junior John Downey was re-elected president of the class of 1990, beating Ed Fludd 40-37. All other officers for the class ran unopposed: Carl Marinaccio, vice

president; Ellen Clark, secretary; and Tracy Aronson, treasurer.

Sophomore Sue Budney was elected president of the Student Academic Committee, beating Dean Mastrangelo 147-70.

Resident Student Council Representative Marlon Hosang ran unopposed, as did the incumbent Commuter Student Union President, Mike Molloy.

Jewish students keep the faith — and a low profile on campus

by Nancy Bloom

Tracy Aronson remembers the year a family holiday tradition took a different shape.

When Aronson, a Jewish student at Marist, couldn't be home with her family for Passover, her roommate helped her relive the days when her father hid Matzah, a piece of unleavened bread, for a prize.

"She took a saltine cracker and hid it when I left the room," she said. "When I got back she told me I had to find it. It was very funny. My friends were very good to me."

Aronson, a junior psychology major, is one of a few Jewish students who have had to adjust to living at predominantly Catholic Marist College.

According to Shaileen Kopec,

director of enrollment communications, 5 percent of the freshman class declared themselves Jewish. Statistics for the other classes were not available.

Elaine Newman, representative for Jewish students on campus, said many of the students aren't aware that this is a mainly Catholic campus.

"Being Jewish at Marist is like being Catholic at Brandeis," Newman said, referring to the mainly Jewish university in Waltham, Mass.

Newman said she contacts the Jewish students before they enter to let them know she is here for them. Newman is known as "the bagel connection" to some Jewish students.

"The student Jewishness is not flamboyantly displayed because

they're trying out a new identity," Newman said. "For many students, this is their first taste of independence. No one is there to tell them to go to services and many of the students don't go out of their way to say they're Jewish."

For some Jewish students, being at Marist and practicing Judaism hasn't been difficult.

Stu Rosner, a freshman communication arts major, said he knew Marist was mainly Catholic but chose it anyway because of the good reputation of its communications program.

"It didn't even affect me. Most of my friends throughout high school were all Catholic," Rosner said. "I don't take religion as seriously as most Jewish people. I'm one of the crowd, regardless of

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After class

Editor's Note: After Class will list the details of on- and off-campus events, such as lectures, meetings and concerts. Send information to Ilse Martin, c/o The Circle.

Entertainment

Foreign Films

The Marist College Foreign Film Festival presents "Don Segundo Sombra," at 7:30 p.m. tonight and tomorrow. "The Gospel According to Saint Matthew" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. All showings are in Donnelly 245 and admission is free.

Double Feature

The College Union Board presents a double feature with "Psycho" and "Psycho 2," beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday in Campus Center 249. Admission is \$2.

Guest concert

The Westminster Singers, of the Westminster Choir College in New Jersey, will perform in the Marist Campus Theater at 8:15 p.m. on Monday. The concert is co-

sponsored by the music department, the College Union Board and the Division of Arts and Letters. Admission is \$3.

At the Bardavon

The Queen City Stage Company presents "The Taming of the Shrew" at the Bardavon 1869 Opera House in Poughkeepsie, at 8 p.m. March 9, 10, 11 and 3 p.m. March 12. All seats for students are \$10. For information, call 471-9339.

Towne Crier Cafe

Cris Williamson and Tret Fure, accompanied by Carrie Barton, will perform their music at the Towne Crier Cafe in Pawling at 8:30 p.m. tonight. Cover charge is \$16. U.Utah Phillips brings his original songs about life in America to the Cafe at 9:30 p.m. tomorrow. Cover charge is \$10.

Irish pop music

Contemporary Irish singer Mary Black will perform at the Ulster Performing Arts Center in Kingston at 8 p.m. Wednesday. Tickets are \$10 and \$15.

"Boesman and Lena"

The Marist College Council for Theater Arts presents Athol Fugard's "Boesman and Lena," performed by the New Day Repertory Company at 7:30 p.m., Sunday in the theater. There is no admission charge.

At the Chance

Tickets are on sale for Meatloaf, performing at the Chance in Poughkeepsie, March 16. For information, call 452-1233.

At the Civic Center

Tickets are on sale for the Bangles at the

Mid-Hudson Civic Center in Poughkeepsie on March 16. The Civic Center will open its doors for fans of Wrestlemania, with the closed circuit broadcast of Wrestlemania V at 4 p.m., April 2. For information call 454-5800.

Support Groups

Marist College holds confidential Alcoholics Anonymous meetings on campus in the Lowell Thomas Communications Center: Fridays, 11:45 to 12:45 p.m. in room 201, and Saturdays and Sundays, 1 to 2 p.m., in room 208. Meetings for Adult Children of Alcoholics are held Mondays in the Campus Center, room 269, from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

Intruder

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said she pretended to be asleep. "It sounded like the person thought I was awake and was waiting for me to go back to sleep," she said.

After she heard her bedroom door open and close, she called Security, who kept her on the phone until they arrived at the apartment and found no one, she said.

The apartment door was locked, although the outside door downstairs was not, Leary said.

"The door looked like it could be easily carded or forced," he said. "But that has been corrected."

Oitzinger said she thought the intruder still may have been in the apartment when she called Security.

"It's really weird because nothing was taken, and I don't know why they were particular to close drawers or to stay in the same room for such a long time," she said.

Leary said there is no indication that this is related to another incident, where a female student received a threatening note on her car and has been getting obscene phone calls.

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Mona Vaeth, town historian.

The Dutchess County Historical Society has not issued a formal statement on the topic, but the society's curator, Neil Larson, said the group is interested in seeing the building preserved as much as possible.

"We'd like to see the historical interest of the building get a fair shake," Larson said.

Larson said the society has not released a public statement because it has no say in the matter.

"The whole decision is really up to the town (Poughkeepsie) and McDonald's," Larson said. "We have nothing to do with it."

Besides the issue of the building's history, concerns have also been raised about how the new restaurant would impact the flow of traffic at the busy intersection.

The planning board may require McDonald's to address this question through New York State's Environmental Quality Review Act, which could delay the plan by at least six months.

More than a dozen town residents who attended last week's meeting to voice their opposition could only speculate on the reasons for the sudden withdrawal.

Local history buffs have been contacting McDonald's officials recently to try to convince the company not to demolish the farmhouse, according to Vaeth.

Their suggestion was to preserve at least part of the farmhouse and to use its history to help promote the restaurant.

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1. Athletic commitment/Campus Employment
2. Internship
3. Unreasonable distance from home

If you believe that you fall into one of the above categories, you must contact the Housing and Residence Life Office, Room 270 in Campus Center, by Thursday, March 9, 1989 before 4:00 pm to request permission to remain on campus. Any student requesting permission to stay for the break after March 9, 1989 must pay a \$10.00 fine at the time of the request.

Remember to unplug all appliances, turn off lights, empty trash, lock windows and doors, defrost refrigerator (except Townhouses, Gartland Commons, North Road, and Canterbury Apts.) Be sure to take all valuables home. The College is not responsible for theft of personal property.

For the Spring Break Recess students who are granted permission to stay must reside in or temporarily relocate to residence facilities on the north end of campus (Benoit, Gregory, North Road, Townhouses, Gartland Commons, and Canterbury Apartments) or Champagnat Hall. Please indicate where you will be residing when you request to stay. This relocation is necessary to ensure the safety of our students and the residence areas. Please check at the Housing and Residential Life Office, room 270 in the Campus Center on Tuesday, March 14, 1989 to see if you were granted permission to stay for the break. No one without proper authorization will be permitted to remain on campus.

The Residence halls will reopen on Monday, March 27, 1989 at 12:00 noon with dinner being the first meal served. Classes resume with Monday evening classes.

The Housing and Residential Life Office would like to wish everyone a very enjoyable and relaxing Spring Break Recess!

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Fulani: Do more for poor, needy

by Karen Wirmusky

People frustrated with the federal government's effort to help the nation's poor and minority groups should challenge decision-making leaders by joining the the New Alliance Party, according to the party's 1988 presidential candidate.

In a speech at Marist's Campus Center and in interviews later, Lenora Fulani, the first woman to be placed on a presidential ballot in all 50 states, said the New Alliance Party "will provide people with options that are much more decent and in line with where the majority of American people are at."

The New Alliance Party, which Fulani called the "wave of the future," will promote independent politics designed to challenge the electoral system.

"We've never had a fair election in this country," she said.

According to Fulani, who received 214,202 votes in the election, both the Republican and Democratic Parties are run by rich

corporate white men who continually ignore the problems of the poor.

"I think neither Reagan or Bush or Dukakis represent the majority of American people," she said.

Minority problems such as the poverty among blacks and hispanics need to be immediately addressed, Fulani said in the 90-minute speech.

Fulani said that she is fed up with poor people being blamed for their poverty. She believes the fault lies with the federal government, she said.

"We need to be angry at the people who cause these conditions," said Fulani to an audience of about 80.

Fulani told the black members of the audience that although college almost always causes blacks to abandon their communities, it is their responsibility to help those who are still victims of poverty.

"People who cannot read and write made it possible for you to be in those seats," she said.

The speech, which was in



Dr. Lenora Fulani, the New Alliance Party's 1988 presidential candidate, discussed the plight of America's poor and underprivileged during her lecture at Marist last week.

(Photo by Lynaire Brust)

celebration of Black History Month, was sponsored by the Union Board, the Black Student Marist Minority Affairs Professional Organization, the College political science programs.

'Samaritan' stomped by brawlers

by Chris Landry

A group of intoxicated teenagers last Tuesday night severely beat a Kingston school teacher in front of Marist's Campus Center, according to Joseph Leary, director of safety and security.

Richard Straub was treated and released from St. Francis Hospital in Poughkeepsie after receiving severe facial injuries from a group of about seven teens, Leary said.

The group escaped after the incident, which occurred at about 9:30 p.m. The scuffle broke out after a playoff basketball game at the McCann Center between Kingston and Mount Vernon N.Y., high schools, Leary said.

Under the Town of Poughkeepsie's protection Straub returned to Marist last Saturday at the time of another high school game to try to find the group, Leary said. Results of the effort could not be obtained at press time.

The attacking group cannot be identified as Mount Vernon students but this connection would seem logical, Leary said.

The incident started when Straub walked past Campus Center to his car in the Champagnat parking lot, Leary said. He was hit in the face several times after trying to break up an argument between a Kingston student and an intoxicated teenager, Leary said.

The teenager hit Straub in the face several times after he tried to break-up the dispute, Leary said. About six other associates joined the attacker to pummel Straub further, he said.

"It looks as though he was stomped," Leary said. "He had severe damage around the eye sockets."

Two Kingston students were also injured as they tried to help Straub, Leary said. They refused medical treatment, he said.

Marist to try summer video camp

by Tyler Gronbach

Marist College is offering a two week video camp teaching students how to create their own television news show.

The program, called "You Make the News," is based on the CBS television program "TV 101."

Video production, script writing, and broadcasting are just a few subjects that will be covered, said Elenor Charwat, director of the summer programs at Marist.

Camp sessions will be held in the Lowell Thomas Communications Center. Douglas Cole, professor of communications, and Vincent Nugent, a high school teacher from Rhinebeck will instruct the sessions.

Students will receive daily homework assignments and will be required to read a local and national newspaper everyday. This will help students come up with ideas for their show, Charwat said.

Charwat says she hopes this program and others like it will help the community and Marist work together as a team.

"The college is looking to build on different formats to offer to the community, so that all may broaden their horizons," she said.

The idea for the program was developed by Charwat and David McCraw, journalism professor at Marist. Their intentions were to help local students understand the media better.

The program is open to junior and senior high school students in the Dutchess County area.

Tuition is \$395.

Path leads to religious life for Marist grad

by Ken Foye

For Patty Moriarty, the past six years have been a time of change.

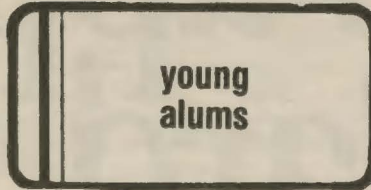
When Moriarty came to Marist in 1983 as a transfer student, her goal was a degree in computer mathematics. At her previous school, St. Joseph's College in Connecticut, she had been a nursing major.

But even as the 1985 Marist graduate worked toward her B.S. degree in computer math, she knew another option — a religious vocation — remained in the back of her mind.

"It was always something I carried with me for a long time," said Moriarty. "While I was in college, I wouldn't pay any attention to it. I would turn it off."

Today, Moriarty is living with the Sisters of Mercy at a convent in Wallingford, Conn., as a candidate for admission into the 158-year-old religious order.

Her path from the classrooms of Donnelly Hall to the convent of a religious order has taken some



unexpected turns — including a job with an insurance company and volunteer work with the homeless — but, says Moriarty, all the experiences have been important steps in her life.

She remembers her decision to come to Marist and leave St. Joseph's, a women's college in West Hartford, Conn., run by the Sisters of Mercy.

"It was very important to leave that comfortable, small environment and go to a larger, coed school," she said. She had started out in nursing before transferring to St. Joseph's business program.

Even right after college, a religious vocation wasn't an immediate option for Moriarty. She worked part-time at the town library in her hometown of Rocky

Hill, Conn., then got a computer-related job at Aetna Insurance in Hartford, Conn., in January 1986.

"While there (Aetna) I was really discerning what I was doing," said Moriarty. "I decided to leave Aetna to give myself time to think."

Moriarty returned to her part-time job at the library. In the summer of 1987, she began looking into religious communities and volunteered time at a homeless shelter and soup kitchen in nearby Middletown, Conn.

Moriarty soon realized she had to work full-time to support herself. Still, she did not want to give up her volunteer work. She said she was even willing to work a third-shift job to allow herself time at the shelter.

Then on Jan. 1, 1988, the director of the shelter, a Sister of Mercy, offered Moriarty a full-time job as an administrator at the shelter.

"I guess you can say the Spirit was with me at that time," said Moriarty.

Her work at the shelter was a

factor in her choosing to enter the order's candidacy program. "It had a bearing on which community I would go with," Moriarty said.

"All of these experiences were important — going to Marist, working in the business world at Aetna and working in the soup kitchen," Moriarty said.

In August, Moriarty entered the candidacy program, which lasts two years. The program, a period of extended discernment and gradual introduction to the order, emphasizes living in community as well as outside of the order.

"I feel very comfortable with the decision I've made," Moriarty said.

After her two years of candidacy, Moriarty will be eligible to enter the order's 10-month novitiate program, which leads first to temporary vows and then, after three to five years, final vows.

Pursuing a religious vocation has brought about unexpected events in Moriarty's life as well. Part of her

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Student does slow burn over laundry

by Mike Vukobratovich

Did you ever have one of those days? For Cheryl Giglia, a sophomore from Huntington, L.I., what might have been an ordinary load of laundry marked the end of a rough day — as well as about \$165 worth of clothes — and the beginning of a two-month quest for reimbursement.

"I put my clothes in the dryer and went upstairs to my room. When I went back down 15 minutes later the whole thing was smoking. It shrunk everything," said Giglia.

In mid-December Giglia had some clothing destroyed while drying them in the tall Speed Queen dryer in the Champagnat Hall laundry room. She recently received a depreciated value of \$125 from the college to replace the damaged clothing, she said.

After the incident, Giglia took measures to collect reimbursement for the damaged items which included dealings with her resident director, the Director of Housing, managers from Sherman's Furniture — the company that owns the dryer, Warco Laboratories — a textile analyzing company in California, numerous secretaries, switchboard operators, student workers and, finally, Anthony Campilii — Marist's Chief Finan-

cial Officer.

According to Campilii, he doesn't know the reason it took so long for Giglia to get reimbursed but attributes it somewhat to the incident occurring just before winter intersession.

"It's an unfortunate set of circumstances that happened. When we found out what the situation was we tried to make her whole and resolve the problem regardless of who was at fault," said Campilii.

Apparently a vent to the dryer was blocked with a piece of plywood by construction crews working behind Champagnat causing the hot air to be trapped and the dryer to overheat, said a spokesman for Sherman Furniture.

After the incident occurred, Giglia complained to her Resident Director who referred her to the Housing Office, said Giglia.

Once at the Housing Office she was given the phone number to Sherman Furniture and told to fill out a form to send to a textile lab in order to find out whether the incident was her fault or the dryers, said Giglia.

After three or four days of calling Sherman and being put on hold, Giglia spoke with a Sherman manager who told her to put the damaged clothes in a box with an \$8 check and to give it to Housing who would send it to Warco



Champagnat Hall's laundry room was the scene of a catastrophe for one student whose clothes were burnt in a dryer mishap last December.

(Photo by Lynaire Brust)

Lab in California to be analyzed, said Giglia.

She said she was told the whole process would take four to six weeks.

During the second week of February Giglia called Sherman Furniture to find out what was being done and she was instructed to contact the Housing Office, where she was informed that the vent was blocked by the construction company, said Giglia.

After it was found that Giglia's clothes were destroyed by the overheated dryer, Marist assumed responsibility for the clothing and she was told she would receive \$125 for the clothes she said were worth \$165, said Giglia.

The College assumed responsibility because if the situation was left in the hands of the two companies the student probably never would have been paid, said Campilii.

At first Giglia refused to sign a waiver relieving the college from further liability because, she said, she wanted the full \$165 plus the \$8 she spent to send the clothes to California.

Giglia reconsidered and signed the waiver. After two months she received \$133 for her troubles.

Giglia said she felt she was "getting the run-around and being ignored" because she was only a student.

Alum

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work as a candidate, for instance, involves speaking to audiences about the homeless.

For now, Moriarty's background has enabled her to use the community's personal computer to perform administrative tasks. Moriarty said she would like to work in parish ministry, but added, "I never know what I'm going to do from one day to the next."

"Part of religious life is not knowing what the next step will be," she said, "and just being open to where the needs are."

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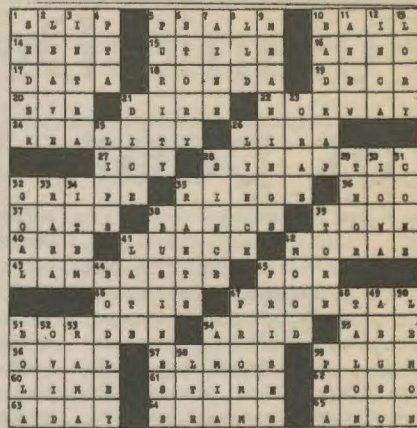
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On Fulton Street, family keeps strike spirit alive

by Holly Gallo

While students are finishing up mid-terms and making final plans for jaunts to Florida, the Evans family is fighting to win a battle. The conflict is with the J.C. Paper Co. of Poughkeepsie, a recycling plant on Fulton Street, just up the road from Marist East, where six Evans' are the only ones striking for better wages.

From 6 a.m. until about 3:30 p.m. these men, four brothers and two sons, stand with signs that read "On Strike Against J.C. Paper" while trying to keep warm with the help of layers of flannel and a fire in a 50-gallon metal drum.

The strikers, members of Teamsters union, Local No. 445, are the lowest paid Teamsters in the United States, according to Earl Evans Sr. The salaries of the Teamsters range from \$6.35 an hour for paper bailers to \$6.65 an hour for truckers, \$2 an hour below the standard, he said.

They went on strike for the same

reason three years ago, but had to return after only a month because of financial needs, he said. Since the picketers are receiving unemployment this time, he said, they plan to continue their protest for a long time.

The Evans' have been working for J.C. Paper for years, according to Leroy Evans, who began work there in 1966, when it was located on Water Street in Poughkeepsie.

Leroy Evans said the current owner, Jolian Chugerman, is not willing to negotiate. There have been two negotiations since the strike started on Oct. 13, almost 20 weeks ago, he said.

In these negotiations the strikers originally asked for a three-year contract and \$1.50 an hour raise every year. Chugerman, in return, offered to pay 25 cents more per hour in the first year, 15 cents and 5 cents in the second and the third years. The strikers then lowered their bid to a \$1 which brought Chugerman to his present standing of a 25-cent raise in the first year,

20 cents in the second and nothing in the third.

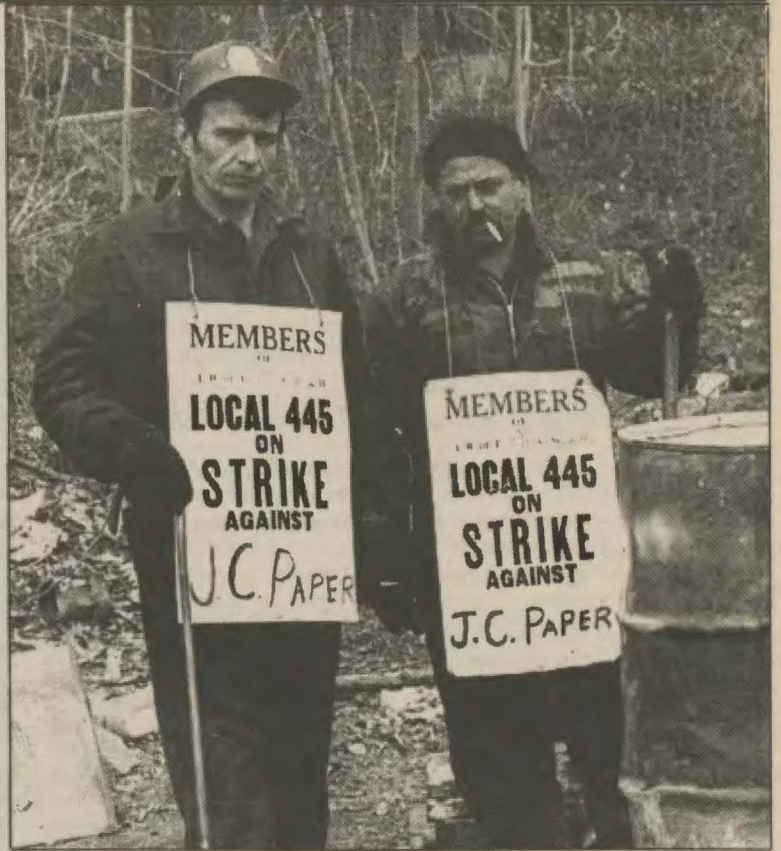
Despite the lack of progress, they will continue to strike indefinitely, according to Leroy Evans. "I put all my life into this," he said.

"We put (Chugerman) where he is today. I remember when he started out in a '49 Plymouth and now he's driving a Cadillac and has an airplane, and he can't afford a dollar?" Leroy Evans said.

Chugerman's secretary said workers in the warehouse declined comment since they had nothing to do with the strike.

Four workers in the warehouse are taking the place of the 13 original strikers, seven of whom left the strike to find other jobs, Leroy Evans said.

Earl Evans Sr. said that they have seen support from some Marist students, who occasionally will stop by with donuts and coffee.



Earl and Leroy Evans brave the winter elements to picket the J.C. Paper Co. in Poughkeepsie. Six members of the Evans family have been on strike for five months seeking higher wages. (Photo by Lynaire Brust)

Searching for tough Marist courses? Read on

by Karen Cicero

You thought you had it tough. You complained about those 8:15's, a few papers and the most boring book you've ever read.

But how tough was the course really? And — while we're on the subject — what is the toughest course at Marist?

No one can say for sure, but The Circle recently conducted an informal — and highly unscientific — poll to find out what Marist students consider the "killer classes."

Tough doesn't necessarily mean bad — and some would say tough means good — but here are the courses that get mentioned most frequently when students are asked to name the most difficult classes Marist has to offer.

Division of Sciences

Tessa Wilusz frequently threw her Physics book against her dorm room door. Wilusz, a political science major, was required to take the class for the Science of Man honors program. Although she got an "A" in the course, she remembers those horrible nights.

"I would be so frustrated," Wilusz, a senior from Burlington, Conn., said. "I would pick up my book and whale it against the door. Everyone in Benoit knew when I was doing physics."

Poll results show "Organic Chemistry" is not far behind in this division. Terri Covello, a sophomore biology major, has nightmares about this class which includes a four hour lab.

Covello said she broke a piece of equipment in lab once and now is afraid to touch anything since some of the materials cost more than \$40,000.

For the non-science major, "Human Geography" was the most difficult.

Christina Sweeny, a junior business major, said she was given a blank map for her that class and she'd spend five hours at the Library trying to locate various cities. She said the class covered an endless variety of material. "It's like every science you could possibly imagine all rolled up into one class," she said.

Regina Sheridan, a junior political science major, described the course used to fulfill the science requirement as "wealth of information to keep in one's brain for a long time."

Students agree the capping course in communications arts is the most difficult since they don't understand what is expected of them.

"These great studies in mass communication aren't that impor-

tant," Vinny Cimino, a senior from Monroe, N.Y., said. "Besides, it was the quantity not the quality of my work that was evaluated."

Maureen Smith said it didn't fulfill the goal of a capping course — pulling together what students have learned in the classes taken for their major.

"It touched little on things that I learned before and I didn't know what — if anything — was important," Smith, a senior from Bauvelt, N.Y., said.

"Advanced Journalism" was the runnerup in this division. Carrie Boyle and Karen Gorman, who both took the class last semester, said they learned a lot in their role as reporters but compiling the information was time consuming.

Students taking the class are required to write 10 stories a semester for The Circle and have weekly New York Times quizzes.

Students said "Intermediate Accounting" ruins their social life as well as their grades.

Jennifer Saner, a junior accounting major, said the class forced her to go to one of the places she hates most in the world — the Library — to do her homework. But, she said most of the time it didn't work.

"It was so frustrating," she said, "you would sit there for hours un-

til you finally thought you had a grasp on the material but at quiz time you found out you didn't."

"Managerial and Organizational Behavior" — better known as the MOB — finished second. Students complained about their frequent meetings often with a 10-member group and the difficulty involved in getting everything together.

Division of Humanities

Core classes were the ones most frequently mentioned in this division.

Karen Daly, a business/marketing major, said "American Colonial Experience" demanded so much work that she thought it was her only class.

Jill McKinnon, a junior accounting major, agrees with Daly. "We had to remember and know all this history," McKinnon said. "But we didn't have enough background to do it."

Runnerups in this division include "History of Medieval Europe," a class which Cimino attended on the basis of the quality of that morning's "I Love Lucy," "American Feminism" and "International Politics."

Division of Computer Science/Mathematics

"Applied Statistics" came up most frequently in this division. Ken Ring, a junior computer science major, said he doesn't

understand the material — at all. "When the teacher asks 'Any questions?' I don't know what to ask," he said. "I just wish she could go back to 'Hello, class.'"

Math classes that were taken to fulfill the Core requirement were runnerups in this division because many non-math majors said they weren't inclined toward the subject.

The third time was a charm for Paul Scarola who took and failed "Calculus with Management Applications" twice before until he passed with a C-plus. "I'm not good in math," the business major from Queens said. "I was always getting discouraged but the last time I lived in the Library and I passed."

Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences

"Statistics and Computer Use for the Behavioral Sciences," a stats class geared toward the psychology major, came out on top in this division.

Eileen Jones, a psychology/special education major, said it's difficult because the material is cumulative. "If you're lost, you're lost for good," she said.

Runnerups in this division include "Development of Consciousness" and "Introduction to Physiological Psychology."

Producer wins intern award

by Debra McGrath

Television producer John Gilmartin will be presented with the annual Marist College Internship Recognition Award at the Hensley Palace in New York City on March 30.

The award is given to a Marist College graduate who served as an intern while a student.

Gilmartin, the associate producer of NBC-TV's "Sportsworld," was chosen from a list of 16 candidates by a seven-person committee of faculty and alumni.

During his career, Gilmartin has received four Emmy nominations. He has worked on many major projects at NBC, including the 1988 Summer Olympics, and produced NBC's SportsWorld's first prime-time program.

The 1975 graduate started as a page at NBC.

While at Marist, he interned at Poughkeepsie Cablevision, IBM and radio station WHVW, Hyde Park.

The Campus Crossword

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- April
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- Average
- Conversation
- Absorb eagerly
- Victim
- Employ
- Spanish: will elevate
- Akin
- Quality (suffix)
- Group of Chinese dialects
- Electrical charged atom
- DSM III disturbance category: ex: Schizophrenia/Paranoia
- Technical Knock-Out
- Command to stand still
- Country language-Marist's smallest major
- Mistake
- Drench
- Shakespeare's: "Shall I Compare _____ To A Summer's Day?"
- To block

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- Installment (Italian)
- Drama provoking critical thought through reason
- Racial memories/myths in Jung's collective unconscious
- Journey song—"Worlds _____"
- Hint
- Feverish
- Study of behavior in natural setting; fixed action patterns
- Polygamist group
- Muhammed _____
- Monotonous routine
- Jimmy Carter's daughter
- City's Moscow, on Oka River
- Sedimentation
- Retina part; visual acuity
- Neurotic repressions and fears
- Close by
- "Ghostbusters:" _____ Keeper
- Competent to achieve goal
- Ember
- To put into execution (2 WDS)
- _____ Square
- Neurons communication line
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by Carolyn J. Kirkpatrick

Voter turnout better, but still not enough

Voter turnout for last week's student elections was nearly three times higher than last year's — a step forward, indeed.

Last year, only 156 students voted. This year, 428 of the 2,105 eligible student voters participated.

In spite of the increase in voter turnout, only about 20 percent of the eligible students voted.

Those students who exercised their right to vote should be commended. The increased turnout shows the Marist student body is capable of moving away from apathy and toward involvement. But more needs to be done.

The fact that one out of every five Marist students who could have made a difference bothered to do so is appalling.

Many people the world over are willing to fight to be able to vote. It is unfortunate that most of us seem to take this privilege for granted.

Take time to respond

There's more paperwork involved in registering for classes this time, but it's worth it.

College administrators have demonstrated genuine concern for student opinion in distributing a survey with the fall registration material. Their efforts require — and deserve — cooperation.

In an effort to evaluate the administrative services of the college, President Dennis Murray and senior administrators have designed an 84-question survey. Students are required to submit the completed survey when they register for next semester's classes.

While course evaluations solicit student opinion on the college's academics, this questionnaire gives students an opportunity to rank other aspects of Marist, ranging from cafeteria food to Security.

What's more, it allows college administrators to be more in touch with student concerns and urges them to improve what students feel is dissatisfactory.

Full compliance is necessary to make the survey productive. Let's take 10 or 15 minutes to fill it out thoughtfully. If we don't, we forfeit our right to complain that the administration ignores student concerns.

letters

Thanks to faculty

To the Editor:

On Thursday, Feb. 23, the tour guides held their first faculty-student reception. This was an informal gathering that gave both professors and students a chance to socialize outside the classroom.

Four of the best professors at Marist came and mingled with the 30 tour guides in attendance. We would like to extend our thanks to those professors. We realize how

busy they must be; as a student it is always refreshing to see a professor who realizes that time outside a classroom setting is just as important as the time spent in class.

We're hoping that our next reception draws a larger turnout from the faculty. We really would like a chance to meet with all the professors that make Marist great!

**James O'Hara, Sophomore
Co-Coordinator, Tour Guides**

Cafe complaints

To the Editor:

The Council of Student Leaders has a Campus Food Committee responsible for handling complaints, suggestions or ideas. These

should be addressed to me, Box 1-113, or to the Student Government Office at my attention.

**Michael J. Prout
Chairman**

Canterbury tales

To the Editor:

As I think back over my years here at Marist, I recall the close-knit, family feeling I received from living in Marian Hall and the luxury of being a sophomore in a townhouse. Ah, the springtime-sitting outside my bedroom window on my lounge chair. The view was fantastic. It was so tranquil.

One day I told my roommate that it doesn't get any better than this. I was right. We went from paradise to hell!

I admit we lucked out living in a townhouse sophomore year. But

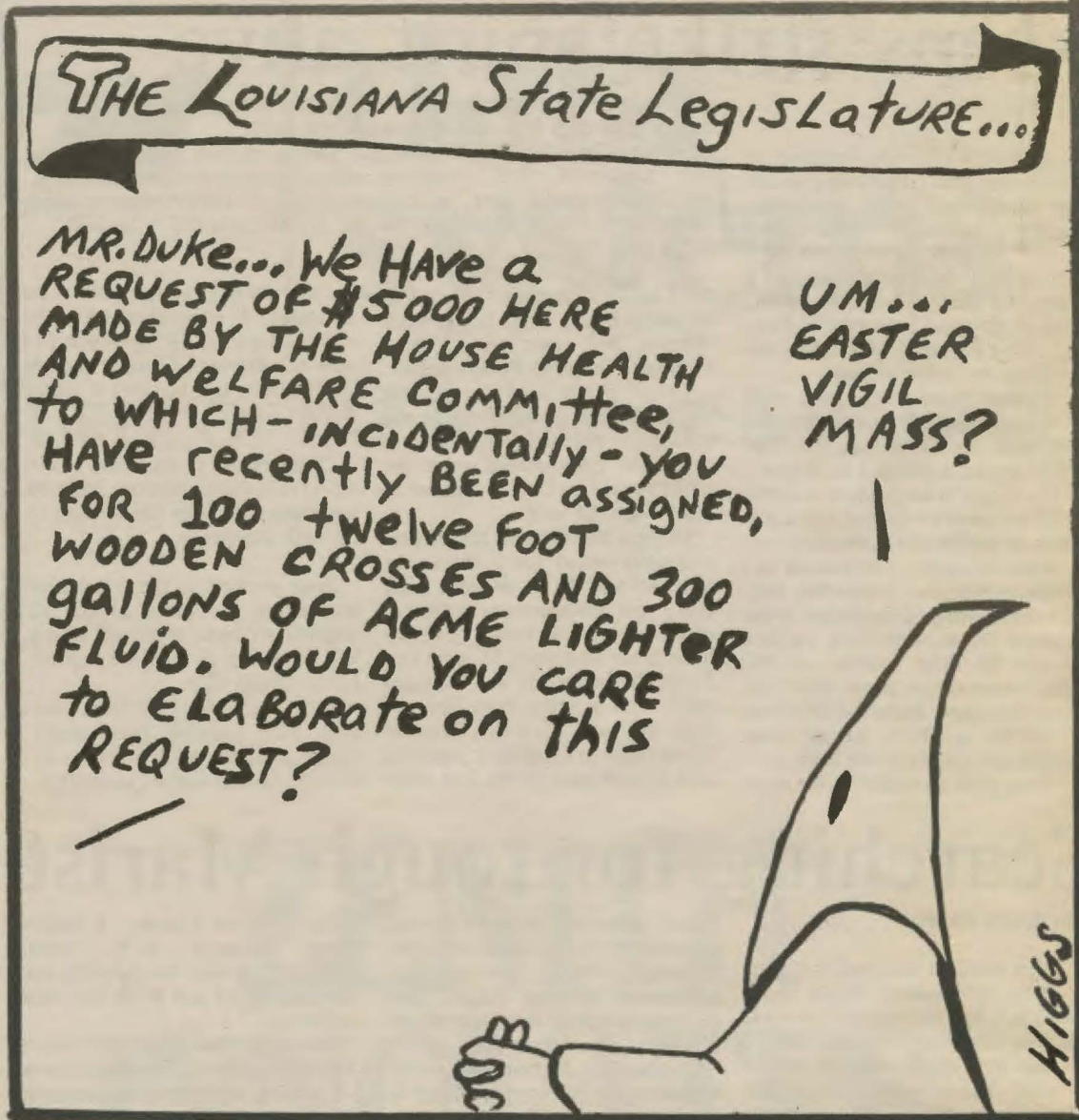
I did not ask to be there. I was put there by Housing, and a year later I was moved out to Canterbury. I understand a new dorm is on the way, but in the interim I feel the sophomores should be warned where they might be next year and what they will have to deal with.

Here are a few things you might want to keep in mind if you are placed there:

1) Be ready to go to your 2:35 class without a shower. On many occasions, hot water is shut off for hours without warning!

2) Don't be surprised if you wake

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When big birds refuse to fly

by Paul O'Sullivan

For once, I can laugh at all the people headed down to Aruba for Spring Break.

It used to be that my friends would make fun of me because I would be stuck in New Jersey while they basked in the Caribbean sun, sipped Pina Colodas and rated the bikinis on the beach on form and originality.

Now, thanks to the Eastern Airlines Machinist Union strike, I will celebrate St. Patrick's Day while my tropics-bound comrades will be shouting at dimwitted ticket agents, drinking overpriced airport liquor and rating airport vagrants on the basis of hygiene.

While I may bask in my small victory, there is a lot more at stake than Spring Break vacations. This strike could be the showdown that determines the course of labor relations for years to come.

Both sides really have legitimate concerns. On one side we have the airline which has reportedly been losing money hand over fist for years. Eastern reports that it has lost \$1 billion in the past ten years.

On the other side there is a union that claims to have already given up \$1.5 billion in concessions in the past decade, one that is already the lowest paid by the hour of any unionized airline.

George Bush is staying about as far away from this one as he can, refusing to invoke an emergency 60-day cooling-off period.

Considering that the two sides in this dispute have been negotiating for 17 months without a settlement, this would seem like a good idea. I mean, they've been talking for 17 months, what good is 60 days go-

thinking between the lines

ing to do?

But by not calling for a cooling-off period, Bush lets this strike hit at probably the worst possible time of the year — Spring Break. If Bush had declared the emergency, the strike would have taken place in May and millions of college students would have gotten tan and intoxicated with no trouble at all.

As for the dispute itself, it doesn't look like it's going to get resolved anytime soon. Frank Lorenzo, chairman of Texas Air (Eastern's parent company), is the same guy who drove Continental Airlines into bankruptcy just to break the union. This guy is in for the duration.

The union, on the other hand, is ready to drag its brethren from the railroads into the picket line with them and disrupt more of the nation's transportation.

What's the solution? Well, I'm partial to the solution that Marge Schott, owner of baseball's Cincinnati Reds, came up with in her dispute with outfielder Cal Daniels.

Schott and Daniels were \$35,000 apart in Daniels' contract negotiations. To settle the matter, they flipped a coin. Daniels won, and he got his \$35,000.

If the two sides can't agree to that, I would suggest an appropriate "final solution."

Take five Eastern management representatives and five union representatives, and send them up in a 20-year-old Boeing 747 with creaky luggage compartment locks (one shouldn't be too hard to find). Fly them around the Pacific Ocean somewhere over Hawaii until the fuselage starts to come unglued.

The side with the most survivors is the winner!

Of course, there is always the chance that there won't be any survivors. That's okay; just take another five guys from each side and send them up in another rickety old plane.

Like I said, they shouldn't be too hard to find.

Letter policy

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All letters must be signed and must include the writer's phone number and address. The editors may withhold names from publication upon request.

The deadline for letters is noon Monday. Letters should be sent to Michael Kinane, c/o The Circle, through campus mail or dropped off at Campus Center 168.

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a day
in the life

A poet calls for action

by Wes Zahnke

How do I love thee?
Let me count the ways.
Marist, Marist on the wall —
isn't it good to get on the ball?
Growth and expansion are omnipresent fears, when you grow so much in a few short years.
New classes, building and a dorm — living in Canterbury just isn't the norm.
Cramped rooms, narrow halls and a lack of space; but have faith, this is a good place.
Apathy is here but not to stay; when we learn the rules we all will play.
Student elections where no one cares; makes administrators pull out their hairs.
We all must join and get active, to make this place more attractive.
Bitching and moaning behind Marist's back, is not what we need to get on track.
Loyalty, dedication and good P.R., is what we need to be known near and far.
OK, enough of this pseudo-rap garbage. I hope that you all can get the message.
True and positive change comes from within. If you have problems with this place, you have to make it better.
Some people come here and expect things to be laid out nicely for their taking, but when things don't work out they stomp and cry like little children.
People, wake up and smell the coffee. You're the only ones who are going to make this place better.
If you don't care about the way things are run and don't want to work for change, that's fine.
If you don't care about your college and future alma mater, then I don't have any respect for you. But, you are entitled to your own opinion.
I'm really sick of these insinuations that things are so much better at other schools. What a load of garbage.
How do you suppose that things got better? Do you think that one day the administrators at these schools just waved a wand, said "voila" and things were just rosey from that point on?
Wrong, kiddies.
Somewhere along the line some students said, "Gee, why don't we show maturity and enthusiasm and make things happen!"
If we don't organize and grow right with the college, then things will never change.
You'll all just crawl into your little caves of shelter and security and continue to bad-mouth YOUR college. Boy, won't that make things so much better.
This place has so much potential it's scary. Sadly, it will probably all go untapped.
That's a shame.
Some people say that this college doesn't prepare you for the real world. I say, "Bull——!"
In the real world, you have to work your butt off in order to make it.
Things don't just come to you. If you think that's the case, you're living in a dream world.
It can happen. Change can occur and hopefully it will.
Personally, when I come back for visits after graduation, I want to see change and growth.
I want to be shocked and surprised at what I see and hear.
Deep down, I hope we all do.

The other side of abortion issue

by Bro. Joseph Belanger

Mary Stricker's Viewpoint on Roe v. Wade (The Circle, March 2, 1989), like all the ads that Planned Parenthood is vigorously running weekly in the New York Times since President Bush's election, fails to get at the main issue in the abortion debate. That issue is not women's rights. It is human rights. Is the unborn a human being a person? If so, that person has all the rights that you and I have — foremost, the right to life.
Deciding on the personhood of the unborn — and some born — is a very difficult matter. Some eugenicists even want to "eliminate" all retarded people (how far retarded?), senile elderly (how far senile?), and handicapped people (how far handicapped?). I am not an expert in biological matters. Like you, I am at the mercy of so-called "experts," and no opinion can be value-free. But I do read, and I do think.
Two years ago, the highest court

of England "illegalized" its abortion law — that is, it significantly changed it. The major reason for this change was the newly accepted definition of "human being," triggered by the advances of modern technology. The near-totality of the medical doctors of the world, of both sexes and of all or no religious persuasion, now consent that the unborn is a person, a human being, at very least at *viability outside the womb*. This is not a religious opinion, certainly not a Catholic opinion. It is the medical opinion of the overwhelming majority of the doctors of the world.
Unfortunately, but to avoid all controversy, England established viability at 22 weeks, or five and a half months. At least, this represents a cutback from abortion "on demand" up to the moment of birth. In actual fact, premies are now regularly saved at 15 weeks and grow to fully normal children; many are saved even at 10 weeks, or two and a half months, and

medical technology will reduce that time still more.

In any case, following the opinion of the medical profession,

England decided that the unborn is a human being, with all the rights thereof, at *viability outside the womb*. This focuses the abortion debate precisely where it should be focused: is the unborn a human being? That is the issue in the abortion debate.

As a practicing Catholic, I believe that human life begins at conception. I believe that all convenience abortions are murder and sin, even those painless, invisible "period" RU486 induced miscarriages. Given the prevailing moral and media climate in the United States, Roe v. Wade has been interpreted in the courts as allowing abortion "on demand" up to the moment of birth. Roe v. Wade was never intended to support such action, and the very least the Supreme Court must do is to return to a strict construction of that 1973

decision — the first trimester; or 12 weeks — until such time as the entire decision can be "Illegalized."

After all, the world was relieved when postwar Germany "illegalized" the Final Solution. In the history of the Supreme Court, more than 150 decisions (I counted 167) have been overturned. Overturning Roe v. Wade is not setting a precedent for capricious lawmaking or for violating women's lawful rights. All humans make mistakes.

Planned Parenthood is the foremost purveyor of abortions in the United States. Of some 1,250,000 abortions annually in our country, Planned Parenthood accounts for 75 percent. Abortion is Planned Parenthood's primary activity and a prime source of its funding.

The Library non-repent section has several videos on the abortion matter for interested viewers.

Bro. Joseph Belanger is a Marist Brother and professor of French.

Miss America misses the mark

by Karen Free

It was the beginning of March — time for bathing suits to be displayed, for evening gowns to be swooshed through the air, for hair to be sprayed.

Recently, all eyes gathered around the electronic hearth in anticipation of the American tradition of rewarding "hard work" with what it deserves — TV time.

So pour on those sacharrin smiles, smear some Vaseline on your teeth, apply some non-stick spray to your rump, parade on stage and display your goodies on national TV.

Or, just watch a whole bunch of other people do it. That's what millions of Americans did last week during the annual Miss America Beauty Pageant.

This American tradition, with its happy, smiley-faced degradation of women on national TV, should be put to sleep immediately.

Some people say that the pageant has many benefits for young women and the winner is the symbol of American purity. A closer look shows that the pageant is a symbol of American sexism. Its exploitation of women differs from that of "flesh rag mags" only in degree.

In all fairness, I can see the pageant-lovers' point of view. After all, the contest is fair in that it judges both beauty and brains — by American standards.

If you can sing, look good in a bathing suit and give a cutesy, 30-second bite or a cutesy answer to silly questions — hey, you are the American ideal and deserve all the rewards that come with this achievement.

If Americans don't try to promote and preserve superficiality, then who will? It's our duty as a democratic nation to protect our ideals. Without ideals, we are nothing. However, be warned — you can only go so shallow before you hit bottom.

Who would have thought that so much controversy would surround an act of women being judged and rewarded for their beauty? I mean, the Miss America Pageant does good things, such as giving young women a chance for advancement through scholarships and promoting the American fascination with "healthy" competition.

What a good idea.
In an age where "equal oppor-

tunity employer" is the phrase that keeps ringing in our ears, I propose that men demand their right to equal opportunity.

American men should be asking, "Where is my chance to win a scholarship? Where is my 'Mr. USA Beauty Pageant?'" Men of these United States of America, unite!

Born with such a competitive nature, men should also get a chance to be judged for both body and brains on national TV.

Then again, maybe the reason men haven't demanded their own pageant is that they haven't got the right stuff, so to speak.

Think about it.
I don't know any guy who would go on national TV and reveal his most vital statistics, certainly not for the purpose of being compared to other men.

Personally, I'd be willing to support such a pageant in the name of equal opportunity and the promotion of non-sexist attitudes. I know many other women who would feel the same way. If beauty pageants are such a good thing for women, why don't men get in on the action?

It's been said that the Catholic Church may be the last bastion of sexism. Well, I believe that the stage, specifically the beauty pageant stage, is one of the last bastions of sexism against men.

As a person repulsed by the thought of female chauvinism writhing alongside male chauvinism, I demand that the barriers be broken.

Men should gather the strength to help themselves correct the grievous wrong that's been done to them over the years. I know that sometime in my life, my dream of an equal and fair pageant for men will be realized.

The doors are just now opening for the men of America. Men, don't let it slam before your foot is firmly placed in the tiny crevice.

Presently, the problem is the continuance of the old American tradition of the exploitation of women. It doesn't matter how many hours they can hold that smile or how many viewers watch the festivities.

The Miss America Beauty Pageant is not just a contest, it's a statement about women and America.

Karen Free is a senior majoring in English.



Packed like sardines

by Theodore Moy

In 1988, Marist took in one of the largest freshman classes in school history. It seems that the offices of admissions and housing do not get the message about Marist's serious dilemma, the housing crunch.

The Office of Housing has no choice but to correct the mistake made by the Office of Admissions. Some of last year's freshmen were placed in the B and C blocks of the Townhouses and some in the Gartland Apartments. Needless to say, many juniors were then moved to the Canterbury Apartments, five miles from campus. This will happen again for this year's sophomores.

Each year, the freshman class preys on others for housing. The second and third floors of Champaign Hall once again contain freshmen because of the housing shortages. That means the sophomores have lost two floors which could have accommodated their friends instead of separating them.

Now, freshmen are on the move. They will be taking over next year's Townhouses and some of the

Gartland apartments just like we did.

It seems that the Office of Admissions is not concerned with student needs. It keeps accepting more and more students with nowhere to put them. Also, classrooms are packed and everyone gets annoyed when they can't get their classes because there are too many people. This is one reason why the school rented Canterbury.

I laugh at the student handbook, which describes Canterbury as "an off-campus apartment complex, offering a unique experience for the student who is interested in an independent living situation away from the campus." The fact is, most students do not want to live there. The college and the Office of Housing are ignoring the feedback of the students.

Transfer students I have spoken to are not impressed with Canterbury. After all, they are new and should live on campus so they can get more acquainted with the school and other students.

Call me old-fashioned, but my feelings are that on-campus housing is the whole idea of college and going away from home. Students

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Spring Break

Forget Florida: Elvis and elsewhere beckon

by Chris Walsh

Rather than succumbing to what has become known in college circles as the "party 'til you puke" atmosphere of the spring break scene in Florida, many Marist students have planned alternative sites for their vacations.

Dina Pisani, a senior fashion design major from New Haven, Conn., has spent Spring Break in Daytona Beach, Fla., twice, but because of boredom and financial difficulties she's going to try something different this year.

"I'm going on a big camping extravaganza. Most people come back from break with tans, I'll have poison ivy," said Pisani.

"I like Daytona, but I'm such a geek that I don't like to drink and watch women strip down any more, so this year I'm relaxing with family," said Mary Ellen Curran, a

senior psychology major from Setauket, N.Y. "I'm still going to Florida, but to Siesta Key, and my parents are paying."

Jim McCutcheon, a junior majoring in liberal arts, from Brooklyn, is a self-described Elvis Presley fanatic. He is so obsessed with Presley and the debauchorous lifestyle "The King" led that he is traveling to Memphis, Tenn., for Spring Break to visit Graceland — the late musician's home. "Face it, Elvis lived the life we'd all love to lead," said McCutcheon.

For McCutcheon, an obsession has turned into ideal vacation plans.

"Elvis was special because he was simultaneously the American dream and nightmare," said McCutcheon, who has decorated an entire wall in his apartment with Elvis memorabilia.

"When I go to Graceland I'm gonna get the trashiest Elvis stuff I can find, an Elvis

lamp, the sweat of Elvis, and a guitar with his face emblazoned on it. I'm gonna add them to my shrine," he said.

Barbara Bello, a senior psychology major from Yonkers, N.Y., said her vacation does not require much travel. "I'm vacationing at scenic Hunter Mountain," she said. "There's a mean happy hour and it's only an hour away."

When Peter Durant, a business administration major, went to Ft. Lauderdale for Spring Break during his freshman year, the state of Florida's drinking age had just risen to 21 years of age and he experienced problems obtaining and consuming alcohol.

"I didn't have good enough I.D.," said Durant, now in his junior year at Marist. This break, Durant is going to Acapulco,

Mexico for what he terms a "real vacation." Durant said it should be just as crazy as Florida and it's a chance to get out of the country.

"At least two nights in jail are expected," said Durant.

Paul Owen, a senior from Brooklyn, is also going to Acapulco, but for one reason — "I want foreign women," he said.

McCutcheon, who has been mapping out routes to Memphis for the past week, said he is excited to be getting away from school for awhile and to be excluding himself from the traditional college exodus to Florida.

"Everybody goes to those places, few can ever say they've been to Graceland," said McCutcheon. "Hopefully, my pilgrimage will go off as I have dreamed, and I will return with good memories, and a gun — for television sets."

Believe it or not, there's more than bars and beaches

by Michael Kinane

As their nerves wear thin and their eyes begin to lose focus, the thoughts of many Marist students turn from their mid-term examinations to their upcoming rest and relaxation — Spring Break.

While the normal fare of recreational activities, such as beaches and booze cruises, will be available for college-aged vacationers, there are many unique activities open to Spring Breakers during their semester break.

Currently reigning as "Spring Break Capital of the World" is the city of Daytona Beach, Fla. Hundreds of thousands of students flock to the city's wide beaches of white sand, but another "foriegn" will be residing on Daytona's beaches this year as well.

Marist students, as well as all others will be able to take part in the inaugural AT&T Maze Challenge.

Students will be able to compete by travelling through a bright blue, 10,000-square-foot open-air labyrinth, according to Bryant Steele, project organizer for AT&T.

In order to win, the students will have to make it through the maze in times faster than those posted by other students who traveled through the maze earlier in the day, said Steele. There is no charge to enter.

Prizes for the winners range from T-shirts to beach towels. The five-foot wide pathways will be altered every day to offer new challenges for participants.

"We estimate, on the average, it will take people between 15 and 20 minutes to complete the maze," said David Pugliese, AT&T's college market manager. For those students who find themselves lost, there are 14 emergency exits that lead out of the maze.

People affiliated with the project will monitor each participant's progress from a tower alongside the seven-foot high structure, which will be erected on the beach outside the Whitehall Hotel.

Another destination of many Florida-bound students is Disney World in Orlando. The Magic Kingdom has been open for 17 years and offers rides and shows for people of all ages.

Just in time for this year's Spring Break, the newest ride in Disney's Epcot Center, the scientific and experimental world of the Disney park, has been opened.

The ride, known as the "Maelstrom," is part of the newly-opened "Norway, Gateway to Scandinavia" exhibit at Epcot. The ride carries passengers through rivers and canals that traverse Nordic times. The ride comes complete with automated trolls, polar bears and Viking explorers, according to Nate Bucknall, Disney World's associate director of college marketing.

The exhibit is the 11th in Epcot's "World Showcase," a group of simulated cities with actors and events that portray the cultures and lifestyles of each city. Some of the countries in the showcase include France, Canada and Japan.

Throughout March, students who show valid college I.D. can save nearly half the price of admission to both Disney parks, said Bucknall.

With college identification, a two-day ticket, which allows for admittance into both parks, can be purchased for \$30.95. In another offer, one-day tickets for either attraction can be bought for \$19.95.

Another "hot spot" for Marist vacationers is The Bahamas. This cluster of islands, some 140 miles east of the Florida coast, offer long beaches of white sand for the hopeful tanners.

The capital of this island nation, Nassau, is home to many tourist spots



The Maelstrom, the newest attraction at Walt Disney World, is a popular attraction for students during Spring Break. The ride carries passengers through rivers and canals that traverse Nordic times. (Photo courtesy of Disney World)

including the international straw market. Here, tourists and natives alike haggle over the prices of an array of straw goods, including hats and animal figurines, as well as other products, such as tiki dolls.

"It's a great place to buy souvenirs, if you can bargain well with the vendors," said Leo Madden, a senior business administration major who spent Spring Break '87 in Nassau.

Rather than heading for Florida, some Marist students hit the slopes of Colorado.

The facilities at the five mountain resorts in Colorado's Summit ski area can be used for the price of a lift ticket, which ranges from \$25 to \$35. These areas — Vail, Copper, Keystone, Breckenridge and Arapahoe Basin — offer many miles of ski trails for the novice and expert skiers.

Snowboarding has become popular this winter, according to Aurora

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The Lighthouse Beach Hotel Nassau, The Bahamas will be promises to be filled with vacationing college students during Spring Break.



World's Epcot Center, should be a ride is a main feature of "Norway, World Showcase.

of Skate Odyssey of Hyde Park, Ltd. in Hyde Park, N.Y. areas also offer instruction in the sport, which is a winter of skateboarding, she said. Breckinridge Ski Area in Breckinridge, Colo., a half-day lesson For a full day, Spring Break vacationers will have to spend \$1 and \$40, depending on their skill level, said Tanya Simpson. Equipped snowboard costs between \$370 and \$450, according es. At Snowboard of the Rockies in Breckinridge, students ne equipment — a board, boots and bindings — for approx- 2 a day. Whether the destination is The Bahamas or Colorado, Daytona make the effort to try something new. Who knows, it may bit.

Strike casts shadow on sunny vacations

by Paul O'Sullivan

Some students planning Spring Break vacations this year have run into a snag potentially more troublesome than mid-terms: the strike at Eastern Airlines.

Machinists at Eastern began walking the picket line at 12:01 a.m. Saturday morning. With the help of the pilots and flight attendants, who decided to strike in support of their fellow employees, the machinists effectively shut down operations at the airline and sent Marist students running to call their travel agents.

Stacey Waite, a junior, had planned to leave for West Palm Beach, Fla., on Eastern on March 20. Waite's problem was solved partially when her travel agent booked her on a Piedmont Airlines flight leaving on March 18.

Unfortunately, Waite had been invited to a seminar in Washington D.C. that runs March 17 to 19. The chances of getting a later flight are very bleak, according to her travel agent.

"I just don't know what to do," Waite said.

The strike against Eastern hits college students especially hard because the airline is one of the major carriers to Florida and the Caribbean, often popular locales for Spring Break vacations.

Some students said they are trying to be optimistic about the situation, believing that the government will intervene before the strike will affect them.

"I'm not worried about it," said Dawn Carroll, a junior who has been working two jobs to pay for her trip to Paradise Island in The Bahamas. "Eventually someone is going to get involved and end the strike."

Maureen McDonnell, a junior who is planning on traveling with Carroll, said she is also trying to be optimistic about the situation.

"Being stuck at Kennedy Airport wouldn't be thrilling," she said, "but if we were to get stuck in The Bahamas and had to spend a couple of extra days there, I don't think we would mind that."

Industry watchers fearful long strike could finish airline

By Doug Carroll
Common News Service

the strike drags on for five or six months, I think that's the end of Eastern.

Eastern travelers at LaGuardia never got off ground

NEW YORK (AP) — Eastern Airlines

Strike clips Eastern's wings

Hundreds stranded; carrier can't crack unions' solidarity

By Harry London
The Associated Press

MIAMI — Striking Eastern Airlines workers paralyzed the financially strapped carrier Saturday, scrambling management efforts to run a service to include and hoping to force Eastern to change when the workweek starts.

Eastern managers thought they had prepared for the strike that began at 12:01 a.m. by having two alternate and standing the weekend schedule by up to 75 percent. Many passengers were rerouted to flights offered by rival airlines.

But when most pilots and flight attendants honored the machinist union it threw the company's service into a state of chaos.

Eastern said only 48 planes got off the ground by 8 p.m. EST Saturday. That compared with Eastern's goal of around 100 flights under its weekend contingency plan and with 120 flights under a normal Saturday schedule.

"We've been able to make only a limited number of flights," company spokesman Robert Mitchell said, admitting other contingency plans will be below management projections. "We were relying on what the pilots were telling us (Monday) at that time. It was a miscalculation."

Mitchell had a late afternoon news conference that operations were "better this afternoon than this morning" and that the airline expected more planes to report for work Sunday.



The adult student view: Time off? Guess again!

by Kathleen Oremus

As Spring Break approaches, Marist students are planning ways to spend their week, free of classes and the cares and responsibilities of college life.

Some, however, won't be vacationing away from home.

There are about 600 "non-traditional" students enrolled at Marist, according to the Adult Education Office. These students don't necessarily share the same idea of Spring Break with the concept held by other students.

Non-traditional describes the student who has started or returned to college at a later stage of life.

Their lives include a wide range of experiences and circumstances not yet known to most 18- to 21-year-old students — marriage, children, divorce, single parenthood and career decisions — which place different responsibilities and priorities on them.

Jack Gardner, 35, a part-time student and full-time groundskeeper at Marist, said he has time off from the job during the break and said he will try to work around his house, depending on how much homework his instructor assigns.

"I have a list of projects to do around the house and the break gives me a chance to catch up on those things," said Gardner.

Gardner, a business administration major, said if circumstances were different he would like to hop in a car with a bunch of friends and head south for the warm sunshine.

"Sometimes I envy the freedom some students have to pick up and go off on a toot," said Gardner.

Some students see Spring Break as an opportunity to catch up or get ahead on classwork.

Carmen Lyon, 41, a full-time integrative studies major, said if she had the money she would go to Paris for a week, but instead she will probably spend time on household chores and research for her capping course next fall.

"It seems I work harder during the break than the regular semester," said Lyon. "I always felt like breaks were not breaks for me."

Patricia Pratt, 48, attends classes part-time and works with psychiatric clients part-time. She said she will be taking vacation time from her job during Spring Break and plans on visiting family in New Jersey.

Pratt said she also plans to catch up on things she has put off, such as housework, but she will take a complete break from schoolwork.

"I think it's unfair of teachers to give homework over Spring Break," said Pratt, a social work major who plans to graduate in May 1990.

While some students count down the days to the vacation, there are those who don't realize when the break is.

Joanne Brunson, an adult student taking six credits this semester, said she had no idea when her Spring Break was, but she did know her two children, who attend different schools, didn't have the same time off for spring vacation.

Brunson, who takes afternoon classes, is an integrative studies major interested in historic preservation. She said she plans to take a day off from work during the break to check out church stained glass windows in the area.

She said she will also do research for her capping course next year.

For these and other students like them, the vacation may not be sunny, but it will be a break nonetheless.

Sardines

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live and study on a campus throughout their years and obtain that "feeling" of true college life as well as closeness to friends.

Living at Canterbury is an extreme inconvenience. The van is the only transportation a student has unless he has a car (which I don't). Problems such as traffic, tardiness of the van and personal conditions are in the way of getting to classes.

I have two suggestions which the offices of admissions and housing should consider:

1. In order to properly house students, the offices should balance out the difference in enrollment. In other words, DON'T KEEP ACCEPTING STUDENTS IF THEY CAN'T BE PROPERLY ACCOMMODATED. I wonder if Marist is thinking more as a business than a learning facility.

2. Build new dorms and classrooms before letting new students in. This will reduce overcrowding in classrooms as well as

the addition of new classes not yet introduced to the schedule. If the dorms are built first, the school can let more students in. This will eliminate Canterbury and return the second and third floors of Champagnat to the sophomores.

Several people have told me that they will be living off campus next fall because they don't want to live in Canterbury. They prefer to accommodate themselves instead of being placed out there. In addition, they said it is easier to live closer to the campus and they don't have to rely on the van.

If the Office of Admissions would think about this housing problem, then it would do something to solve it. If it doesn't, students like myself will be disappointed in finding out that school is being made harder than it already is.

Theodore Moy is a sophomore majoring in communications.

Ad firm exec to visit Marist

by Michael Hayes

John R. Osborn, vice president and media director of advertising agency Batten, Barton, Durston, and Osborn, will speak to students and faculty on campus Apr. 4.

A 1974 graduate of Boston College, Osborn has worked in the advertising industry since 1980. His responsibilities include planning and purchasing over \$40 million worth of media equipment for BBDO, the fourth largest agency in the world. His agency's clients include General Electric, Pepsi, Campbell Soup and Pillsbury.

Prior to advertising, Osborn worked in the non-profit sector, first at a regional theatre operation and then for a social service program, both in his hometown of Buffalo, N.Y.

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Adjunct wins poetry prize

by Denise DeCicco

Adjunct professor Pamela Uschuk has been chosen as the 1989 recipient of the Ascent Poetry Award for her poem "Calendar of Thirst."

The annual award is sponsored by Ascent magazine, an international literary magazine published twice a year.

Uschuk will receive a \$1,000 prize and will also give a public reading of her poem at the two-day Ascent/Accent Symposium, held at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Apr. 5-6.

This is Uschuk's first major award, but she has also received recognition for her past work.

Uschuk was one of three 1989 prizewinners in the third annual White Rabbit Poetry Contest for her poem, "A Snorkeling in the Sea of Cortez, Just Beyond El Coyote Beach." The contest was sponsored by Harbinger magazine.

In January she received Special Honorable Mention in the Amnesty International Poetry Competition. She was also one of the prizewinners in the 1988 Stone Ridge Poetry Contest.

After receiving her master of fine arts degree from the University of Montana, Uschuk lived and work-

ed on several Indian reservations. Since 1987 she has taught Marist courses in poetry and fiction at Green Haven Maximum Security Facility in Stormville, N.Y. She also teaches poetry workshops in New York public schools.

Uschuk's works deal heavily with landscapes. She spends her summers in Arizona, where she does much of her writing. "Nature feeds the imagination," says Uschuk. "With an endless horizon, like in Arizona, your imagination opens up to fit the horizon."

Uschuk's award-winning poem, "Calendar of Thirst," is set in Tucson, Ariz.

"Waiting In Rain" is the most recent of the four chapbooks, or short books of poetry, that Uschuk has in publication. She also has written a pamphlet entitled "Loving the Outlaw."

Her future plans include publication of her manuscript, "Upcry," which features the poem "Calendar of Thirst." She said she would also like to work full-time as a professor in a university. "I need to settle down," she said.

Since 1986, Uschuk has made her home in Ulster County with her husband, poet William Pitt Root.

Letters

If you think only the "bad" students are put out here, you're wrong. My roommates and I had enough priority points to live on campus and were still placed out here.

Even though students will have enough priority points to live on

campus the housing crunch will force students to live at Canterbury. What's the use of having a point system?

The administration has a definite problem and I see it being ignored instead of addressed. Perhaps a lawsuit against the school when

something drastic occurs would be the answer. Is this what it has to come down to? Come on Marist, put on your thinking caps and take care of this problem before it's too late.

Dawn Carroll

Offensive cartoon

To the Editor:

This letter is in regards to the cartoon appearing in the Feb. 23 edition of The Circle.

Specifically, the cartoon was in reference to a statue of St. Ann which was removed by Security from a student's residence. The cartoon itself was comical and humorous up to the part where (and I quote) it said, "Well she had an empty beer can in one hand and as you know this is a dry campus." — "Hey, the can was empty, and besides she's of age."

I find this to be offensive and to show irreverence to the blessed St. Ann, the mother of the blessed Virgin Mary.

Paul J. Burke
Assistant Director
Office of Safety and Security

Gruesome game

To the Editor:

I found your article "Kill 'em" (3/2/89) to be most distressing, specifically the young woman's statement, "I am watching Star Trek with my boyfriend, and I don't know if he's going to whip out a knife and kill me." As violence increases in general, and, specifically, towards women, it is appalling to read such a comment. Violence is not a game to those who have experienced its real or threatened effects, (Rushdie's forced exile from the public world a case in point), and, therefore, it is an affront to see a game being made of it. Surely, this type of behavior is not front page material; indeed, it would seem more appropriate to find this on the editorial page, accompanied by a thoughtful analysis of what this behavior most disturbingly implies.

Artistotle argues that in matters of social relaxation we must be witty, avoiding the excesses of both booriness and buffoonery. This game appears to go beyond buffoonery to the base.

Dr. Peg Birmingham
Assistant Professor of Philosophy

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Stretch

Students blow off steam — and burn off calories — during a recent aerobic session in the McCann Center dance studio.

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Science of Man program comes to a close

by Vanessa Codorniu

As the end draws near for the Science of Man program, eight students continue carrying the dimly-lit torch.

Next year, when the three junior level students graduate, the light will be no more.

Science of Man, Marist's unofficial honors program, began in 1974 as an alternative Core program. Every fall, a small number of freshmen were invited to participate in the program, which offered a series of special courses over four years and culminated in a written thesis.

Under the old Core program Science of Man courses replaced requirements. When the college's new Core/Liberal Studies program began in 1985, the Science of Man students lost their exemption and had to take C/LS courses in addition to the special courses.

According to Robert Lewis, an associate professor of English in the program and its former direc-

tor, the main focus of the program was to help students understand what it is to be human through an interdisciplinary approach.

"It made students think," said Lewis.

"I found the program very interesting because we were encouraged to think. We weren't told 'this is black, that's white; you will be tested next week.' Instead, we were given the facts and asked to formulate ideas and opinions," said Anthony Cozzi, a communications major and one of the three juniors in the program.

The program was offered to 40 to 50 students every year. In the fall of 1985 there were still 86 students participating in the program. With the advent of the new core and the upkeep of the special courses placing heavier demands on the students, fewer entered and an increased number dropped the program.

"I enjoyed the program very much, and at first I didn't know why people were leaving the pro-

gram. I guess the heavier work load was a decisive factor for most. The students who stayed felt like we were all in this together. We wanted to make it count for ourselves," said Mark Aldrich, a junior communications major from Poughkeepsie.

Last year, when the Academic Affairs Committee met to discuss plans for a college-wide honors program, the Science of Man program was also reviewed.

Minimal faculty involvement, a change in Core requirements and student dissatisfaction were all cited as reasons for the AAC's final decision to end Science of Man with the class of 1990.

"The program was not administered the best way possible, because no one knew what it would amount to. The students were unclear about the benefits and the academic advisors didn't know what to tell us when we planned our schedules," said Cozzi.

Lewis said he believes that with the increased reading and writing

that encompassed the program, the student's "needed an incentive of official honors status in order to continue with the program. Otherwise, they take the path of least resistance."

"If you want a mule to move, you have to dangle a carrot in front of it," said Cozzi.

"Many freshman are just getting used to their newly attained freedom, and they don't want to compromise it, unless there's a very good reason to. I think that if it had been made an official honors program, many would have stayed, and that it would be a thriving program today," he said.

"My freshman year there were 50 people in my class, the second year only 20. I enjoyed the pro-

gram and was very upset when they decided to drop it," said Ellen Ballou, a senior communications major currently holding an internship in Albany, N.Y.

"Many people left because they felt that they were not given enough recognition. I decided to graduate with this course of study. I did it for me, I know what I learned, whether or not it is recognized," she said.

Lewis said the program would have benefited from more faculty involvement and awareness.

"I congratulate the professors who stayed with Science of Man. The program is a testimonial for them, and for us, the students who continued," said Cozzi.

Marist switches to new stationery

by Madeline McEneny

Marist College introduced new stationery last month to the community.

The stationery is ivory Strathmore paper printed in two colors, red and black, according to a memorandum distributed by the

Office of College Advancement.

The stationery has been standardized for all departments and divisions, and when the old stationery is gone, new stationery will start its circulation, according to College Advancement.

Departments and divisions have

already started requesting stationery and the printing presses are already rolling, said Al Doscher, manager of the Copy Center.

Doscher also said although this stationery is more expensive to produce than the old, it is much clearer when reproduced.

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Jewish

my religion."

Stephen Popper, a freshman communication arts major, also chose Marist for its communications program and for sports.

"I was involved in a lot of Jewish activities in high school, but when I chose a college my priorities were my education and athletics," Popper said. "Religion came after those priorities. I knew Marist was mostly Catholic, but it didn't matter to me. I didn't follow religion strictly anyway. It's important, but I don't live by it."

Newman said Marist used to fund activities such as Passover seders for the Jewish students on campus.

"The seders were successful, but the Jewish students weren't there," said Newman, who also invited students to her home for the holidays. "The support came from Campus Ministry. The funds weren't available last year, so there wasn't a seder."

Many Jewish students go home for the holidays because there aren't activities or celebrations on

campus. But Newman said the lack of activities is due to low student turnout.

Aronson said: "It's hard to be here for the holidays; it's like being here for your birthday. You'd rather be home with your family."

Popper said he attends services at Vassar Temple in Poughkeepsie if he can't go home.

"Teachers and coaches are conscious of my Judaism and are very understanding about it," he said. "My football coach let me take time off practice so I could go to services during the holidays."

Aronson complained that Jewish stereotypes are one disadvantage she has met.

"I hate being referred to as a JAP," said Aronson, referring to Jewish American Princess. "People assume I'm one because I'm Jewish. People like that aren't worth the time, so I just blow them off."

Rosner said many people assume Jews are cheap.

"I come from a middle class background," he said. "People

always think of me as being either cheap or a JAP."

Aronson, who considered transferring during her freshman year, added: "My friends mean more to me than the need to be with other Jewish kids. I don't pick my friends because they're Jewish or not, and I chose Marist because I wanted a good education. It didn't make a difference to me that Marist was mostly Catholic."

"I find myself explaining my religion constantly," Rosner said. "A lot of people ask questions like, 'What is Chanukah?' or, 'Do you celebrate Christmas?'"

"People do ask a lot of questions," said Aronson, who brought her roommate home to experience a Jewish holiday. "I explain as much as I can. I don't mind."

Newman said Marist is a step ahead of many colleges: "Campus Ministry has taken the initiative to have someone here for the students if they need it. Even if they don't call us, we have the service. Many colleges don't."

New group learns nutrition, exercise

by Karen Wirmusky

Students who want to tone their bodies, lose a few pounds or learn to eat right no longer have to do so alone.

A support group, "Shape Your Body," held every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. in Byrne Residence, gives members of the Marist community a chance to learn about healthy eating habits while interacting with others who have the same goals.

Yvonne Poley, facilitator and member of the one-hour session, said the group is for anyone who is concerned about nutrition and who wants to tone their body. The group was created last semester in response to student requests.

"We create a personalized plan for each participant," said Poley, "and we all share in our individual progress."

The group, which is not exclusive to females, aims at establishing a positive relationship with food. This includes learning to like yourself, maintaining a desired weight, and not eating when you are not really hungry, said Poley.

According to Poley, each of the six members has her own exercise plan that coincides with her eating routine. Each week, members can get weighed in before they listen to a guest lecturer and discuss the problems they faced while doing their homework.

One week the members were assigned to think about the reasons why they were eating, whether it be hunger, nervousness, frustration or boredom.

"You have to distinguish between physical hunger and psychological hunger," said Poley. "Once you can identify the hunger, it creates a self-awareness that can deal with specific emotions."

Group member Kristen Pierson, a senior from Pine Bush, N.Y., said by sharing stories with others who have similar obstacles, it's easier to have a positive self-image and a more constructive relationship with food.

Pierson said a bond is forming between the group's six members, and anyone going for the first time will be warmly welcomed.

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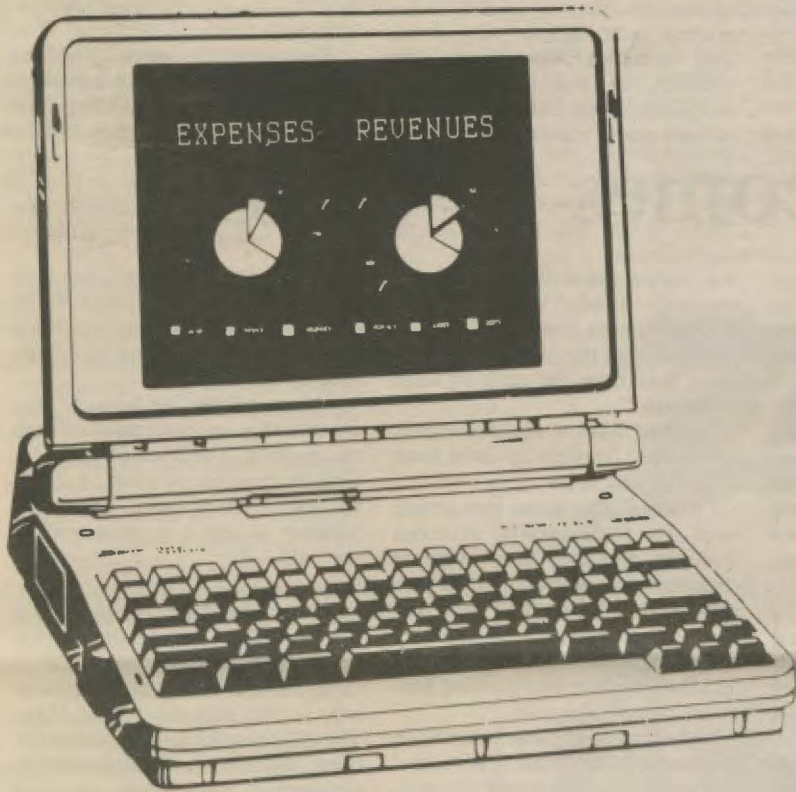
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Debate wins trophies in weekend's competition

by Ken Foye

Performances at three recent tournaments have positioned the Marist debate team at ninth-place in the national rankings, according to James Springston, director of debate.

Marist won 15 trophies at the William and Mary Tournament Feb. 23-24, including second-place team finishes in the varsity and junior varsity divisions.

Junior Mike Buckley and sophomore Tony Capozzolo made it to the finals of the varsity division before losing to Loyola (Ill.)

University to finish in second place. Capozzolo was named top speaker in the division. Buckley finished second.

In the junior varsity division, the team of freshman Mark Liepis and sophomore Vanessa Codorniu also finished in second. Freshmen Mike Cocks and Tom Kavan teamed up to finish in third place.

All four junior varsity speakers won individual trophies. Kavan was named top speaker, while Cocks, Liepis and Codorniu finished in second, fourth and fifth, respectively.

Marist won 29 total trophies the

previous weekend in Boston during a "swing tournament," in which teams compete in two tournaments at the same time, according to Springston. Suffolk University and Emerson College were the sites of the two tournaments.

Marist finished second overall in the team standings for the tournaments, placing behind Cornell University.

Buckley was named second-best varsity speaker for the two tournaments, while Capozzolo came in sixth. Fifty schools and 100 speakers competed in the varsity division, Springston said.

Tour guide group masters art of putting Marist on display

by Dennis Yusko

The college's student tour guides are not getting paid this year, but that doesn't seem bother the 100 students who now show off the school to potential Marist students.

The Marist Admissions Office and student volunteers have turned last year's tour guide system into the the Marist College tour guide club.

The club was initiated by sophomore Jamie O'Hara and senior George Sabo when they were asked by Harry Wood, vice president of admissions and enrollment planning, to recruit volunteer guides.

According to Sabo, last year's system had problems.

"There was a lack of responsible personnel, Sabo said. "Many people would forget their times, and often a member of the Admissions Office would have to cover for the students," said Sabo.

In addition, which offers 30 tours during the work week — prompted the club's formation.

Tours are given six times a day, and many applicants team with other volunteers to give tours.

Instead of pay the new club offers priority points, faculty socials and a closer working relationship as incentives to student workers. Marist rugby shirts are offered to members returning from last semester.

The club also distributes a weekly newsletter, proposed by coordinator O'Hara.

The newsletter gives reminders and invitations to members and has a front page dedicated to the history of Marist or a building on campus.

The surplus of volunteers has



Jamie O'Hara talks to a group of students on a campus tour. (Photo by Lynaire Brust)

meant a large increase in the tours this year. The Admissions Office has given tours to 1,600 prospective students.

In recognition of the club and its achievements, President Dennis Murray and executive vice president Sullivan have made appearances at some faculty socials.

"President Murray and vice

president Sullivan spoke at our Christmas formal and had nothing but great things to say about our club — I think they are really pleased," Sabo said.

"People say that one of the biggest decisions in choosing a college comes from the experience of a tour guide," Sabo said. "It is important that we perform."

Marist students form new club to encourage smarter drinking

by Robin Martini

In an effort to promote responsible drinking among students, a Marist housing staff member has started a local chapter of a national alcohol awareness organization.

John Padovani, residence director of the Gartland Commons Apartments, has started a campus chapter of Boost Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students, a national organization focusing on the aspects of responsible drinking.

Eight students are participating in the group, which was formed last month and has already held two meetings.

BACCHUS does not necessarily advocate refraining from alcohol, but instead pushes for responsible consumption, according to Padovani.

"It's not a 'don't do' organization," said Padovani. "It is a program geared to increase awareness

of responsible alcohol consumption.

BACCHUS provides educational information on topics such as planning safe parties, recognizing drinking problems and ensuring the safety of intoxicated persons.

Kellie Kahrman, a freshman political science major from North Brunswick, N.J., and a member of BACCHUS, joined Students Against Drunk Driving while in high school after a friend was killed in a car accident caused by a drunk driver.

"Learning how to control the amount of alcohol one drinks is a more intelligent goal than saying 'don't drink'," said Kahrman.

Showing students that college and drinking do not necessarily go hand in hand is another goal for BACCHUS, according to BACCHUS member Denise DeCicco, a sophomore communications arts major from Floral Park, N.Y.

"This (BACCHUS) teaches them that alcohol is a social paraphernalia and not the main point of college life," she said.

BACCHUS will sponsor a debate between local public officials on the current drinking age, said Padovani.

Social events such as dances, fun-runs and car washes are also planned, said Padovani.

DeCicco has proposed using the funds raised by the social events for a taxi service which would transport Marist students to and from bars and off-campus parties.

"There would have to be limits and requirements," said DeCicco. "Service would only be on weekends during certain hours, assuming the cab company is willing to work with Marist."

BACCHUS, founded in 1976 at the University of Florida, is now based at the University of Colorado and has 315 chapters in 48 states.

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Watching my life waste away

by Mary Stricker

There is nothing entertaining about my life. I have nothing entertaining to write about. I am simply a clod of common clay.

There is nothing special about me. I'm just like all the rest.

Entertainment doesn't jump up and slap me in the face all of the time — especially not this past week.

I watched a couple of movies on my new Funai VCR — big deal.

I sat at Skinners, having a beer or two, watching my classmates file into Room 207 of that new building. I was going to be absent.

I laughed and threw my head back in awe of myself. HA! I'm a senior. If I want to drink beer instead of hearing about the "Effective Majority," it's o.k. I'm a senior — big deal.

I watched an "L.A. Law" rerun for the third time. "Great," I thought and said aloud. I wait all day to see how Rox and David are dealing with their strained marriage. I turn on the television, and Rox just got engaged.

Engaged?! What the hell is this?! How could Rox have gotten rid of David, kept his fortune and hooked another sap — all in one episode?

Oh, I get it. It's a rerun. Big deal.

I went to the City of Poughkeepsie Planning Department. They needed a little help, someone with good communication and typing skills.

I was the perfect candidate. They were lucky to get me. It's hard to get decent temporary help these days.

This job in particular, could have been handled expertly by my catfish. Things just happened to be a little "slow" that day.

It didn't bother me. I made \$45 just by wearing pantyhose and finishing my nationwide best seller, "Presumed Innocent."

It was a murder mystery. I really enjoyed it. I highly recommend it to anybody who can read. The wife did it. Big deal.

I decided to cook something — French toast. I hate cooking. I rarely cook. I've never known how to cook. I've never had the urge to spend the day fiddling around the kitchen. I hate kitchens.

I played Scrabble and lost. So what.

A friend and I tested our luck with the wonderful world of papier mache. I hate arts and crafts. Mine will fall apart before I finish. My friend's will be put on display at the Museum of Modern Art. Big deal.

I played the game of Marist nightlife. I drank a lot. I became very unhappy during Happy Hour. I can't understand why this Bertie's place is trying to fool us with this Happy Hour hoax. I can't understand why we enjoy this trickery.

Three dollars cover charge, but — hey hey kids — \$1.25 bottle beers. Big Deal.

I woke up happy Sunday, knowing that my uneventful week had come to a close. I woke up disappointed Sunday, knowing that I couldn't stop another week from coming.

Three and a half years in Poughkeepsie — it's enough to ruin your life.

'Raging rash' puts Siena on map

by Ann Timmons

On Feb. 23, Siena College's men's basketball team defeated the University of Maine 92-82, icing a 13-game winning streak — and not even one fan was there to applaud.

All fans were banned from the game because of a recent measles epidemic that broke out at Siena in Loudonville, N.Y., on Feb. 10.

Since then, the outbreak of the highly contagious disease has changed the daily life of Siena's 3,100 students, brought national media attention to the Franciscan school and become the hottest topic for campus humor.

To date, 36 cases of measles have been reported at Siena, according to Lisa Marie White, assistant director for public relations at Siena.

The Albany County Health Department was called in to vaccinate all students and college staff, and the infirmary began to check immunization records. Students had to display pink cards proving they had been vaccinated to be allowed into classrooms.

"Most students needed new shots because they had never had the measles or could not prove immunity," White said.

The epidemic was traced to an 18-year-old student who went to Puerto Rico over winter intercession and brought the measles back when school reopened for the spring semester on Jan. 17.

"We made a decision not to close the school and send the students home to infect the individual communities," said White.

Since measles is highly contagious, the Siena library and chapel have been closed to the outside community, and at least 250 interviews at the admissions office for prospective incoming freshmen

Students urged to guard against measles

by Ann Timmons

Due to the recent outbreaks of measles at Siena College in Albany County and C.W. Post College in Nassau County, the New York State Department of Health has issued federal recommendations for outbreak control on college campuses.

A letter sent on Feb. 15 by the Department of Health to Marist President Dennis Murray outlined the recommendations for disease control and procedures the college can follow if an outbreak should occur.

These recommendations include reviewing current immunization policies and taking steps to ensure that all students, faculty and staff show documentation of immunity against measles and rubella.

Proof of immunization includes measles immunization after Jan. 1, 1980, a birthdate prior to Jan. 1, 1957 or a physician's confirmation of a history of the disease. Those who have had the measles are subsequently immune for life.

In February, two cases of measles in Dutchess County were confirmed. Spencer Marks, director of communicable disease control for the Dutchess County Department of Health, did not return phone calls made to his office.

Measles in Dutchess County is relatively rare. No cases were reported in the county in 1988.

Measles symptoms include fever, cough, running nose and watery or itchy eyes, according to Jane

O'Brien, director of health services at Marist.

Later a red blotchy rash starts to appear behind the ears and on the forehead and face. An individual infected with measles is contagious five days before and five days after the characteristic measles rash appears. It takes 10 to 14 days for symptoms to appear following the exposure.

Due to the long incubation period, new measles cases tend to appear in waves about every two weeks.

Because the illness is infectious before symptoms appear, an individual can infect others before they realize they have the disease themselves.

"Marist should always be concerned about the possibility of measles because it is so highly contagious and we have a large number of people living so closely together," O'Brien said.

Measles in itself is not considered dangerous, but it can lead to other complications like pneumonia and other bacterial infections, and in rare cases sterilization, mental retardation and death.

"Students should know if they were vaccinated, what kind of vaccination they received and when they were vaccinated," O'Brien said advising students to review immunization records or get vaccinated again.

To reduce the chances of catching measles, O'Brien suggested students take precautionary measures by practicing good hygiene, washing hands frequently and to refrain from sharing drinking glasses or utensils with others.

had to be rescheduled.

The last measles case was reported on Feb. 25. Siena has been advised to keep up the precautionary measures until March 11, when the epidemic can be declared over if no more cases arise.

White said most students are taking the outbreak seriously and are concerned about their afflicted friends. Others like to put on their Siena sweatshirts and go to the malls just to see the reaction they get.

Two marketing majors designed

T-shirts that depict a Franciscan priest with red dots on his face. The shirt reads, "Do shots, avoid the spots." White said sales have been booming.

One Siena basketball player has been removed from the team because of the illness, but all other players have been declared measles-free. Still, they play in empty gyms because Siena officials fear fans might spread the disease to opposing fans and players.

"In college basketball, you are used to fans either yelling for or

against the team, but to walk in to an empty gym takes a lot of the fun away from the game," said D'Argenio.

The team, which earlier this season defeated Marist, lost its 14-game winning streak on March 1 at Boston University.

Currently, the Siena sports teams, which used to be known as the Indians, are without a name. A few people have suggested renaming them the "Siena Raging Rash."

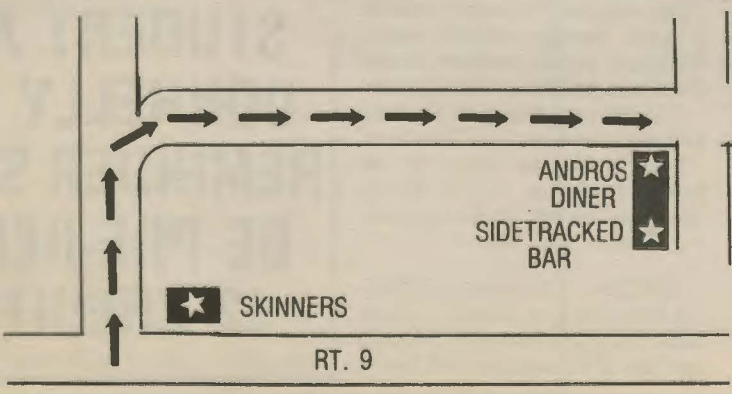
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Strawberry and Margo?

by Tim Besser

Rambling thoughts while wondering if some pathetic 5-on-5 intramural team could use a slow 6-3 forward with no shooting touch.

The arrest of Oklahoma guard Mookie Blaylock on charges of public drunkenness pales in comparison to the arrest records of some of the Sooner football players.

Are Darryl Strawberry and Keith Hernandez going to kiss every time Strawberry homers this season? Maybe Darryl should hook up with Margo Adams if he can't control his urges.

People who are worried by the recent differences of opinion (to put it mildly) on the Red Sox and Mets should remember the Oakland Athletics brawled their way to three consecutive World Series wins from 1971-74.

The Harlem Globetrotters will be playing at the McCann Center March 29. Think they'll win?

March is probably the best month of the year. You have the NHL and NBA races winding down, Spring Training and the March Madness of the NCAA. No other month offers so much.

I'm glad CBS has the Final Four. Great games and Dick Vitale just do not go together. Which reminds me. I'm starting Get That Idiot Dick Vitale Off The Air, Inc. To become a charter member simply mail \$10 (cash only) to me in care of The Circle. So you won't feel cheated, I'll mail you a paper membership card and button.

The Yankees went out and got three pitchers from San Diego over the winter. If these guys are so good, how come the Padres haven't won the division since 1984?

If Siena wins the ECAC North Atlantic Conference tournament to qualify for the NCAA Tournament, you can bet the ranch the NCAA won't allow the team to play without fans in attendance — it would cost the NCAA too much in revenue.

I'm glad the men's volleyball team won. Now if they could just beat someone other than Bard.

Ex-Detroit Red Wing Bob Probert is not the brightest individual in the world. He was caught by customs agents in Detroit with 14.3 grams of cocaine in his pocket. Is Canadian cocaine that much better?

New Cowboys owner Jerry Jones had to fire Tom Landry in order to become the new leader.

Where will current San Antonio Spurs coach Larry Brown be coaching next year?

I still don't know the rules for lacrosse. Marist opens its season a week from Saturday at Pace.

Hint to the guys on the hockey team: Your uniforms look sharp, but BUY BLACK HELMETS! The white ones with the black paint worn off really look bad.

One good thing about NBC losing the baseball contract after this season is that we won't have to listen to Vin Scully on Saturday afternoons. The bad news is we will have to listen to Brent Musburger instead.

Gary Thorne was a good baseball announcer for the Mets. To bad Frank Cashen had to be such a jerk and fire him for announcing Devils games during baseball season.

Speaking of the Devils, a late season surge is not going to enable them to qualify for the playoffs. Was last year really a mirage?

Why don't the Mets wear their regular uniforms in spring training?

McCann may be getting wood floor

by Rich Donnelly

Two-inch wide strips of red, light brown and white plastic tape mask several cracks, one that's 10-feet long, and hold together the basketball court at the McCann Center.

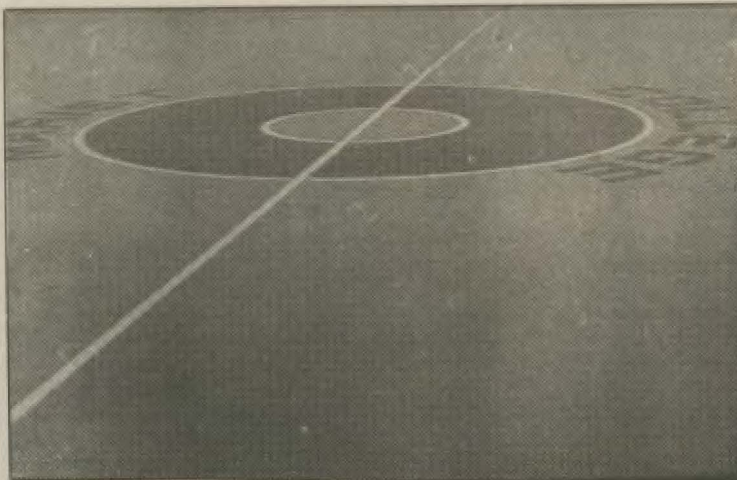
The signs of wear and tear have forced consideration of resurfacing or replacing the 12-year-old urethane floor by next semester, according to Athletic Director Brian Colleary.

"There's been discussion about getting a new floor," said Colleary. "There are some rips in the rubber. We'll have to replace the floor or buy a wood floor. There's the cost factor ... but eventually, we'll have to do something."

A portable floor made of hard maple or oak, similar to the ones used at Madison Square Garden and the Meadowlands Arena, cost about \$50,000. The floor and dance studio at McCann can be resurfaced for about \$100,000, according to George Chelune, the building supervisor.

Two of McCann's racquetball courts are also urethane, a rubberized surface that you can press your fingernail into.

The basketball court, which was resurfaced in 1981, four years after the building was dedicated in 1977, gets a lot of use. Besides the men's



The McCann Center floor will be replaced or resurfaced within a year, according to Athletic Director Brian Colleary. (Photo by Tim Besser)

and women's basketball teams, lacrosse, tennis, indoor soccer, volleyball and intramural teams all use it for practices and/or games.

During the past two seasons three members of the varsity basketball teams, Nancy Holbrook, Sue Lynn and Curtis Celestine, have all suffered stress fractures to the lower leg. Trainer Glenn Marinelli said that evidence this type of floor to the injuries is

inconclusive.

"It's in the realm of possibility," said Marinelli. "You can only guess and assume if there are more injuries."

"With the greater coefficient of friction, you have more traction on this surface. It's good in the way that you have more grip. But you could have more problems with ankle or knee injuries if they remain stationary but the rest of the

body moves."

Non-wood floors, such as urethane and other rubberized surfaces such as Tartan, are not used in the National Basketball Association. Dr. Lewis Sims, who treated all three basketball players who suffered stress fractures, said while there are no studies he knows of that link specific injuries to rubberized floors, a surface like the McCann floor is tougher on the legs than a wood floor.

"For some reason, running on it tires your legs more than a wood floor," said Sims, who has experienced the fatigue as a basketball referee. "There's more give to the floor, less bounce and the impact is harder."

"But there is more stress. There's a mechanical reason for a stress fracture, but it's hard to say that a floor would cause it. There are a lot of variable factors — like the undue stress and accumulated pounding versus a guy who falls and turns his ankle."

The urethane floor at McCann is in dire need of repair, and it looks like by next semester it will be resurfaced or replaced.

"It's a good surface for multi-use," said Colleary. "I'm not complaining about the floor. But I think that basketball should be played on a wood floor."

Student seeks balance in squared circle

by Kevin St. Onge

The dried out, cracked and musty stairway creaked in protest as he deliberately climbed to the attic of the house at 28 Manitou Ave. in Poughkeepsie.

Squarely turning his shoulders and barrel chest toward the wide open space of the room, his lips pursed a slight smile as he took in cool early evening air swirling through an open window.

He wore dog tags, gray sweat-pants and a white tank top with the word "Maul" scrawled across his back in red ink. The house belonged to his football buddies and the sign at the top of the stairs read "Smokey's Gym," but this was Matt Daly's domain.

Daly, a sophomore fine arts major from Fairfield, Conn., has been using the attic as a gym in preparation for his first amateur boxing match March 25 at the Fort Apache Gym in the Bronx as part of the New York Golden Gloves competition.

The 224-pound superheavyweight, born in the Bronx and adopted as an infant, says he is returning to his roots in an attempt to balance his life.

Hardly able to stand still, the big man loosened his neck and shook his trunk-like legs as an equally big man wrapped his hands in canvas strapping.

"We're on a college budget," says Chuck Mullaly, who is wrap-

ping Daly while rap music blares in the background. "Low budget, big heart — that's how Matt's gonna win."

The painted outline of a boxer was nearly worn away, but one could still read the word "jab" written on the forehead of the figure on Daly's 60-pound heavy bag.

"You're on the ropes, move — move, jab yourself out of the corner," barks Mullaly, trainer, manager and friend. "He's not gonna wait for ya' to hit 'em. Get your hands up, keep movin' and use both arms."

Daly circles the bag, stalking it at first as Mullaly jaws instructions, then exploding with a furious flurry of combinations.

"Time! You went five minutes instead of three," says Mullaly.

Daly says he didn't even notice. "Boxing focuses me. The last couple of months have been topsyturvy for me. Family and old girlfriend problems — I'm too emotional outside the ring," says Daly, running his hand through the stubble of hair he seems to be daring to grow on his head.

Daly skipped lightly over the scattered pieces of rugs but always stayed within the four empty beer kegs that marked the corners of his makeshift ring.

"I've been boxing on and off since I was 12. The projects of Bridgeport, Conn., are pretty tough but I also fought in the



Sophomore Matt Daly pounds the heavy bag recently. He will fight in the Golden Gloves March 25.

(Photo by Helen Zarouhliotis)

Police Athletic League and got involved in a few gym wars," says Daly. "I hate to lose."

The Golden Gloves is a single-elimination tournament and is open to all contestants of amateur status. The majority of the fighters come from the inner-city, according to Mullaly.

"We got together over a couple of beers, talked boxing and he said this is what he wanted to do," says Mullaly a 20 year-old Marist freshman from nearby Pleasant Valley.

"I couldn't do it without Chuck," says Daly. "He's the boss."

The boss closed the windows as cool turned to cold with the darkness. Neck bridges, sit-ups and more pounding the bag — it was only a light workout because it was Friday, but Daly sat there glistening in sweat, the red ink having run all over his shirt by now.

"Focus, concentrate and fight that's all I have to do and I'll be balanced," says Daly. Winning the tournament might help.

Sports Briefs

Suling sets mark; Patierno to leave

Alica Suling set a school record in the 1,650-meter freestyle to highlight the performance of the women's swim team at the ECAC Champions at Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. this past weekend.

After the meet, Coach Rena Patierno announced she will not be returning to Marist next season and instead will pursue her master's degree in physical education at Springfield.

Jeanne Cleary, Karen Oitzinger and Mary Dolan also represented Marist at the meet.

Suling completed the race in 19 minutes, 8.83 seconds for the new mark.

In addition to Suling's mark, the four swimmers combined to finish

sixth in the 200 medley relay, Dolan reached the final of the 200 breaststroke and the 400 medley relay team reached the final. Oitzinger qualified for the 100 backstroke consolation finals.

The girls gave a fair performance, simming as consistently as they did all season, said Patierno. "It was fun. This was a good way for them to finish up the season," she added.

"We had a great season," said Patierno. "We had some ups and downs, but every- thing worked out. It was a positive year and it ended on a high note."

— Mike O'Farrell

Bubel nets fifth at Eastern meet

The men's swim team, paced by Joe Bubel, placed 19th in the 49th annual Eastern Intercollegiate

Swimming and Diving Championships this past weekend at Harvard University. The meet featured over 400 swimmers from 37 schools.

Bubel set school records in the 100-yard butterfly, 200 breaststroke and 100 freestyle. Bubel also became the first Marist swimmer ever to reach the finals in an event at the meet. He ended up placing 5th in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 57.3 seconds. Bubel finished 11th in the 200 breaststroke and 14th in the 100 butterfly. Bubel will now move on to the U.S. Indoor Championships at the University of North Carolina March 21-25 where he will swim the 100 and 200 breaststrokes.

Diver Todd Prentice finished his season by finishing 30th in the 1- and 3-meter springboards. Scott Tummins placed 65th his best event, the 50 freestyle.

Four Marist relay teams also par-

ticipated. The 200 and 400 freestyle relays each finished 20th. Members of both relays were Joe Bubel, Tummins, Brian Charles, and Chris Prauda. A school record was set in the 200 and Joe Bubel set a school record (46.9) for the 100 freestyle on the first leg of the 400.

— Chris Shea

Volleyball team gets first victory

The men's volleyball team edged Bard last month for the first victory in the club's history and went on to win two more matches.

The team stands at 3-8 after going 0-7 last season in its first campaign.

The Red Foxes edged Bard 16-14, 10-15, 15-10 on Feb. 26 for its first win. Terry Hosmer had seven kills to lead the team.

FDU eliminates Lady Red Foxes

Knocks cagers from tournament

by David Blondin

Fairleigh Dickinson University defeated the Marist 64-63 in the first round the women's Northeast Conference Tournament Tuesday night.

The loss ends Marist's season and leaves the Lady Red Foxes with 13-15 record, 11-5 in the conference. Marist finished tied for third in the conference after losing to Robert Morris last Saturday, forcing Marist to play a first-round game against FDU, while Robert Morris finished second in the conference and received a first-round bye.

The loss to FDU marks the second time this year that Marist has lost to the Lady Knights at the McCann Center in a game that never saw any lead greater than four points.

"It was a great game from the standpoint of the spectators, from the winning coach," said Marist Coach Ken Babineau. "From the standpoint of the losing coach, it was a heart-breaker."

Babineau said before the game that any team in the league is capable of walking away with the tournament, and that every game would be hard fought.

Marist fell seven seconds short of advancing.

The Lady Red Foxes took the lead for the final time with 2:55 remaining when Mary O'Brien drove and hit a baseline jumper, putting Marist up 62-61.

FDU held Marist scoreless for the next two minutes, and pulled ahead for good on a Dela Davis jump shot to give the Lady Knights a 64-62 lead. Kathy Henn had hit 1 of 2 free throws to pull FDU even

at 62-62.

Marist's Jacalyn O'Neil had a chance to tie the score with 56 seconds left, when she was fouled, and went to the line to shoot two, hitting the first and missing the second one, leaving Marist down by one.

The Lady Red Foxes rebounded the miss, but were unable to score.

Marist got the ball back with seven seconds left and called time to set their final play.

After the timeout, Marist rebounded the ball to Nancy Holbrook, who drove to the hoop, but saw the ball roll off the rim. Holbrook and teammate Danielle Galarneau tried to get the ball back up again, but time expired.

"We had are opportunities to win," said Babineau. "down one point with seven seconds left, had a driving lay that was missed, not to many better opportunities than that. You have to give FDU credit, they played well, shooting 13 of 26 (50 percent) in the second half."

Marist only shot 14 of 39 (36 percent) in the second half and 1 of 11 in the final 2:55.

"We played good defensively, we just didn't put the ball in the hole enough to win," said Babineau.

Marist had 14 steals in the game, led by Monica O'Halloran's six. Holbrook and O'Brien led Marist in scoring with 12 points each, while FDU's Dela Davis had a game-high 18 points and Angela Cann pulled down 15 rebounds for the Lady Knights.

Though Marist end its season with back-to-back losses and under .500 for the third straight year, the team showed a tremendous improvement in the conference with the 11-5 mark after finishing 6-10 conference last year.



Members of the women's basketball team walk off the court following loss to Fairleigh Dickinson University Tuesday night. (Photo by Tim Besser)

Pair wants Yanks - minus Boss

by Gifford Krivak

How many New York Yankees fans think owner George Steinbrenner belongs in the same category as Babe Ruth, Joe DiMaggio and Mickey Mantle?

How many fans think The Boss belongs in the same category as Larry, Curly, and Moe - not to insult the Three Stooges, at least they wanted people to laugh at them.

For those who think of Steinbrenner in the latter category, a new organization called No Yankees With Steinbrenner Inc., has been formed and is looking for members.

"It's almost shameful at times to be a Yankees fan," said the organization's president, Ed Healy, a math teacher at Ellenville High School. "They were once the

benchmark of baseball."

The organization has been registered with New York's secretary of state, with Healy as its president, and Ellenville post office employee Lloyd Manpel as its vice president.

"We want to make a statement, more than just writing editorials," said Healy, who was born in Fort Edward, N.Y., what he labeled "real Yankee country."

"Our membership is growing slowly, but we have a good cross-section of people from some very articulate children to lawyers and doctors," said Healy. The club's current membership is in the hundreds and its goal is to have 5,000 members by the end of the baseball season, said Healy.

"We started out with just Yankees fans, but now we've got some Mets, Dodgers and Red Sox

fans," said Healy, "I think those people want to see the dignity restored to the Yankees and to baseball."

"I would like to see Steinbrenner get out of baseball; I don't think he belongs there," Healy said.

Although they are a profit organization, Healy said he expects to lose money on the deal. "We would have gone non-profit, but it would have taken six to eight months, and we wanted start before the season," he said.

Healy said that he would like to see Steinbrenner sell the team. "Then we would have to file Chapter 11 bankruptcy, but that would be fine with me," he said.

To join, send \$5 to No Yankees With Steinbrenner, Inc., P.O. Box 135, Ellenville, N.Y., 12428.

The ultimate 'weekend warrior'

Student is also racquetball pro

by Rich Donnelly

It's Friday afternoon and instead of deciding where to go for happy hour, junior Sean Graham is in the service box trying to figure out how to defeat his opponent in a racquetball match.

A 20-year-old communications major from Bethel, Conn., Graham is one of about 100 players who travel each weekend during a nine-month season from September to June and compete in tournaments around the country for up to \$10,000.

So most every weekend during the semester - after completing his full-time course load on Tuesdays and Thursdays - Graham catches a plane or a train or drives to the next stop on the Men's Professional Racquetball Tour.

Graham, as you might guess, takes the game rather seriously. And although you won't see him sharking around the courts at McCann Center, he'd like to see more students on campus playing the game.

"It's a super game for exercise," said the 5-foot-9, 159-pound Graham. "It's a lot of fun. It's a good way to release tensions by banging a ball around."

"It's also a super social game. Girls can compete with guys, on a general level. You could go out on dates and play. Instead of going to

the bars and sweating, you can sweat and have fun."

Admittedly, it's difficult to balance his collegiate and professional careers. But Graham more than enjoys his weekend excursions that have taken him to Arizona, Florida, Michigan, Oregon, Texas and Virginia, to name a few of the states he has done business in.

Graham's father finances the weekly entry fees, hotels and airfare if needed, which can run from \$150 to \$525 a tournament. Graham gets an equipment sponsorship from Ektelon for sneakers, racquets and clothing.

Recently, Graham won the New York State amateur open championship and won a similar tourney in New Jersey. He took home \$300 from the New Jersey event, and even though he has played on the pro tour for the past year and a half, Graham said he technically is still considered an amateur until he takes home a purse from a pro tourney.

Graham played youth baseball, hockey and soccer, and didn't begin playing racquetball until he was 14 and in the ninth grade at Fairfield Prep. The high school didn't offer racquetball as a varsity sport, but Graham's father owns the Racquetball Spa two miles down the road.

That's where his dad taught him both the power game, how to hit hard and low shots that opponents find difficult to return, and the control game where you move the player around the court.

"I used to play more of a con-



Sean Graham

trol game," said Graham. "But in the pro tournaments, you have to be a power player."

"You can't hold back, and don't make mistakes. You have to capitalize on mistakes."

The game which resembles tennis, paddleball and handball was invented in 1963 at a YMCA in Greenwich, Conn., by Joe Sobek whom Graham met at a tournament in Houston last year.

Tournaments are usually single elimination, matches are the best two-of-three or three-of-five games, and games are to either 11 or 15 points.

The game will be a demonstration sport at the 1992 Summer Olympics in Barcelona, Spain, and may be a medal sport by the '96 Games.

For now, Graham is intent on earning his communications degree and graduating with his class in 1990.

"Then I'll devote all my time to playing pro racquetball," he said.

Skaters knocked out

by Kevin St. Onge

The Marist hockey club lost in the first round of the Hudson division playoffs, 6-4 last Wednesday, to New York University, a team they had tied and beaten during the regular season. The Red Foxes finished the season with a 12-5-1 record.

"We would have preferred to start the playoffs sometime during the weekend," said Marist coach John Lentz. "Nobody should have to play a playoff game on only two days rest." The Red Foxes had skated to a 7-2 win over Manhattan College last Monday.

Lentz said the lack of rest was only a partial excuse for losing to NYU. Marist, the most penalized team in the division, was plagued once again by the whistle - being called for 12 of the game's 19 penalties.

Sloppy passing and the inability to clear the puck from the zone also contributed to the loss, according to Lentz.

Keith Young and brother Brian teamed up to put Marist on the board at 18:40 of the first with Brian setting up Keith who took two shots at the NYU net before scoring.

Mike Lutolf scored unassisted at 10:53 on a wrist shot from the left side, beating Violet's goalie Jason Feld to the upper left corner of the net.

"Once we got the second goal, we went into a defensive shell,"

Lentz said. "You can't win hockey games sitting on a lead."

NYU answered with three second-period goals as Scott Spieczny scored two of his three and Tim Newman got a pair of his three assists.

Captain Rob Goyda finished his career at Marist with a goal at 8:56 of the second period to tie the game at three. He was the only Red Fox to stay out of the penalty box the entire season.

Mano Marotta's goal at 17:54 of the third, made the score 4-3 and Marist was forced to play catch-up hockey the rest of the way.

Freshman goalie Mike Rodia handled 48 NYU shots but couldn't handle Spieczny's third goal - a breakaway. Rodia came out of the net but Spieczny changed his shot and beat the diving freshman to the left - putting NYU on top to stay.

Tim Newman added an insurance goal at 6:37 before the Young brothers teamed up again for Marist at 6:22 - Keith setting up older brother Brian, accounting for the 6-4 final.

Three of the four Marist goals were scored by the second line as the first line of Steve Murray, Scott Kendall and Brendan McDonald was shut out for the first time this season in a game in which Marist had at least one goal.

"One of the better teams I've had," Lentz said after the game. "Marist hockey is still growing and we're only losing three seniors so next season should be even better."