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Post editor highlights TV conference

by Julie Cullinane

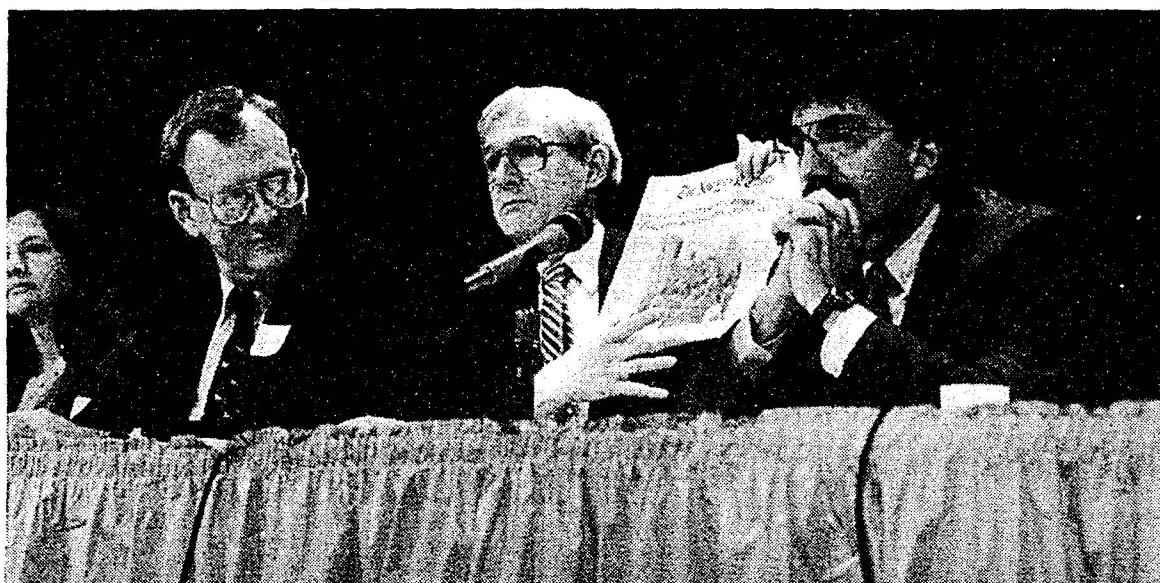
Professional members of the media community addressed the issue of "Info-tainment and the News" at a day-long Radio-Television News Directors Association (RTNDA)/Marist Advisory Council conference Saturday in the Campus Center.

A panel discussion began the conference at 10 a.m. followed by a luncheon featuring Jerry Nachman, editor of the *New York Post*, as the keynote speaker. Adult student Anthony Rexhouse received the student essay award of \$200 for an essay contest on "Info-tainment and the News." Later in the afternoon mock interviews established what is and isn't advised for job interviews.

During a panel discussion of the tabloid television, radio and press industries, the pros and cons of technological advances affecting the news process was addressed by representatives from WTZA-TV, WABC radio, U.S. Cablevision, *Newsday* (N.Y.) and "Inside Edition."

The news business has become a profitable business for banks and investors rather than a service to the public, said Ed Lowe, columnist for *Newsday* (N.Y.) and a 1967 graduate of Marist. Since the media has the means to use gimmicky simulation, the potential for lying, a moral risk to society, is there, he said.

"I can't tell my kids that something they see on the TV news



Panelists discuss "Info-tainment in the News" at the Radio and Television News Directors Association conference Saturday in the Theater. From left, Rob Sunde, news director at ABC Radio; John Corporon, news director at WPIX-TV; and Edward Lowe, class of 1974, national syndicated columnist at *Newsday*.

is true," said Lowe. "I guarantee it is damaging. I'm very frightened of what will happen when we let the market dictate reality."

But Kathy Malone, news director of WABC and John Tomlin, TV Producer of "Inside Edition" agree that as long as the public wants radio and television it will be here.

"I don't think we're (the media) moralists," said Malone. "Most of the available technology will enhance the media rather than hold us back. I really don't think we can

stifle technology."

Tomlin said he believed there wasn't anything wrong with simulation as long as the truth is told, and the public won't accept such tabloid television as the "Morton Downey Jr. Show." Tomlin also accused those critical of the trend toward tabloid media of not giving the audience much credit.

In his keynote address, Nachman spoke not only on the subject of "info-tainment" but also on education and preparation for

careers in the media.

Nachman had three tips for students: "One: read everything, two: read everything, three: read everything."

By reading students will learn "stuff" which is the main ingredient necessary to become a journalist. Stuff, Nachman defined, are the less-thought-of names and definitions that are imperative to articulate journalists, he said.

Nachman urged students to

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Circle vet wins award, gives advice

by Maureen Kramer

The man credited with starting *The Circle*, Edward Lowe, was honored with this year's Marist Alumni Award at the Radio and Television News Directors Association conference held Saturday in the Campus Center.

Lowe, who has been a columnist since 1977, and who currently writes for *Newsweek*, doubted his writing abilities when he graduated from Marist in 1967.

"Although I resurrected *The Circle* after it died in only one year and wrote for *The Circle* for two years, I couldn't see myself as a journalist when I graduated from Marist. I wanted to write, but I knew nothing about it," he said.

After graduation Lowe went on to be a teacher, still holding onto his eagerness to be a writer.

"The dream just stayed, it drove me more than I drove it," Lowe said.

Through a series of events that he refers to as luck, Lowe's dream came true when he finally met the challenge of becoming a professional writer.

Because journalism is such a highly competitive field, to get on

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Students give memo system mixed review

by Maureen Kerr

Imagine this.

At 10 a.m., a sleepy-eyed Marist student stumbled into the Marist Computer Center to complete her 10-page marketing and research paper.

Tirelessly typing her conclusion, she is suddenly distracted by an alien message appearing in a small white box at the top of her screen. "Hey you bodacious looking babe! What are you doing tonight?"

Startled and perplexed, she casually glances around the room in search of the unknown culprit. "Where did this message come from, and who sent it?"

She represents a growing number of Marist students, who were unexpectedly introduced to a new function in the MUSIC software system called TELL. The command, which allows on-line mainframe users in Donnelly, Marian and Champagnat Halls to communicate

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Tienanmen Recalled



Circle photo/Lynaire Brust

Pei Min Xin, a Chinese dissident and director of the May Fourth Foundation for Democracy, spoke to faculty and students last week about the protests in China last spring. Please see story on page 3.

Vandals trash dorm computers

by Jennifer Becker

Two computer terminals were removed from Champagnat Hall due to vandalism only weeks after their installation.

According to Karen Flowers, manager of the Information Center, a total of four terminals were damaged, but two of them were able to be repaired. Computers on the fifth and ninth floors could not be salvaged, Flowers said.

There are no suspects yet, Flowers said.

Vandalized computers will not be replaced unless extra computers are found, she said.

Terminals will be removed, and a sign, informing students that the removal was due to vandals, will take their place.

"Hopefully this will encourage students to report any vandalism to Security," Flowers said. "Otherwise, there is a chance that there will potentially be no computers left for the students to use."

One of the machines was damaged with ink while the keys of the other were ripped from the keyboard, Flowers said. Flowers said she is not sure if the damage was intentional, but it is likely the computers were destroyed by vandals.

"Originally, we were planning on adding new machines, such as P.C.'s, hooked to the mainframe," Flowers said. "This incident proves that the students aren't going to be responsible."

Computers, located in dorm study lounges, are not monitored, but neither is the Donnelly computer facility. Students have access to the Donnelly computers after the supervisors leave, and there have been no reports of vandalism.

The college plans to have all residence halls and other buildings hooked to the mainframe, said Flowers. Marian should be linked to the mainframe by next spring, Flowers said.

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with each other, has received mixed reviews from students.

"I think it's annoying when you're writing a paper and a message pops up on the screen from someone you don't even know," said Stacey Larkins, a junior from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. "It's not right that anyone can get our account number and write to us."

Chris Campanile, a freshman from Nutley, N.J., disagrees.

"It's a good way to send messages," he said. "It's OK for a joke — you don't have to read it."

Karen Flowers, information center manager, said the TELL program, written by McGill University in Montreal, Canada, is part of the University's attempt to make the MUSIC system similar to Conversational Monitoring System (CMS), a form of computer software used by other colleges.

"Eventually, CMS will allow students to send messages to other schools," said Flowers. Currently, the TELL function only works within the Marist community.

Dawn Eldredge, a sophomore from Greenwich, N.Y., and student aid at the computer center, said students who are not familiar with TELL usually think someone's in their account and the first thing they want to know is where the message came from. "People are surprised — they act like it comes out of the air," she said.

Eldredge said a lot of students are interested in using the program. "After finding out where the message comes from," she said, "they want to know how to write back."

Students can locate a sender by typing SEE on the command line to get a list of users and their account codes. Passwords are not listed. In order to send a message, type TELL followed by the account number and a message.

"I like it," said John Campbell, a junior from Ramsey, N.J. "It's easy to be obnoxious to others while you're doing work," he said, "but I don't send anything to people I don't know."

Freshman, Luke Labenski, from Norwich, Conn., a student aid at the computer center said he favors TELL because it allows students to communicate with each other, but said it has been abused.

Labenski said one problem is that many students don't realize that the command can be disconnected.

There are two ways to discontinue the TELL command. TELL can be interrupted temporarily by typing MESSAGE OFF in the start *Go mode. The function can also be re-entered by MESSAGE ON.

Students who wish to permanently block TELL can contact the help desk at the computer center and have their account code removed from the listing.

"We've had one security incident where we had to warn students about misusing the program," she said, "but it was nothing major."

Flowers said the students, who were irritating people by continually typing a message were stopped. "We got in touch with them and haven't had a security problem since."

Ellen Clark, a senior from Huntington, N.Y., was surprised when she first encountered the TELL command. "I thought it was some kind of computer virus."

"I looked around to see if someone had a smile on their face," said Clark. "It's nice to get obscene phone calls over your mainframe."

Labenski was uncertain about the continued availability of TELL. "I don't think it will last," he said. "A couple of weeks ago a suggestion was made to operators that would enable students to shut off certain people without blocking others. Whether we'll do it or not, I don't know."

After Class

Entertainment

Goin' Bananas

Listen, all you funny college students. Tomorrow, Bananas Comedy Club is sponsoring its Funniest College Student in the Hudson Valley Contest. First prize is \$100. For more information, please call 471-5002.

Andy Williams

Singer Andy Williams will perform at the Mid-Hudson Civic Center on Friday, December 15. Tickets cost \$23.50 and are available at the box office or by calling 454-3388.

Educating Rita

The New Day Repertory Company will present the comedy, "Educating Rita," at the Vassar Institute Theater is running Friday through Sunday until November 26. Student ticket cost is \$10. For more information and advance tickets, call (914) 485-7399.

I Love New York

Take a bite out of the Big Apple for only \$8 on Saturday, Nov. 18. Buses leave Champagnat at 9 a.m. For reservations, call Mike Molloy at extension 206.

Jackie Mason

Television comedian Jackie Mason will be at the Mid-Hudson Civic Center on Saturday, November 18 at 8 p.m. The show will benefit the Jewish Community Center of Dutchess County. The \$30 tickets are available by calling 454-3388.

Foreign Film

Get a taste of West German cinema — come to next weekend's foreign film "Colonel Redi." This 1985 color film, directed by Istvan Szabo and starring Klaus Maria Brandauer, Armin Muller-Staul, Gudrun Landgrebe and Andras Balint, is showing at 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in Donnelly 245. Admission is free.

Getting Involved

The Great American Smokeout

Adopt a loved one today for the Great American Smokeout. Adoption papers are available in the Health Services Office.

Amnesty International

Come to an Amnesty International meeting tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. in Campus Center 268.

Making the Grade

Alcoholism and the Media

Join Dr. Jack Gross in the Fireside Lounge tonight for a lecture entitled "Alcoholism, College Students and the Media." Sponsored by the Psychology Club, the presentation will take place at 7 p.m.

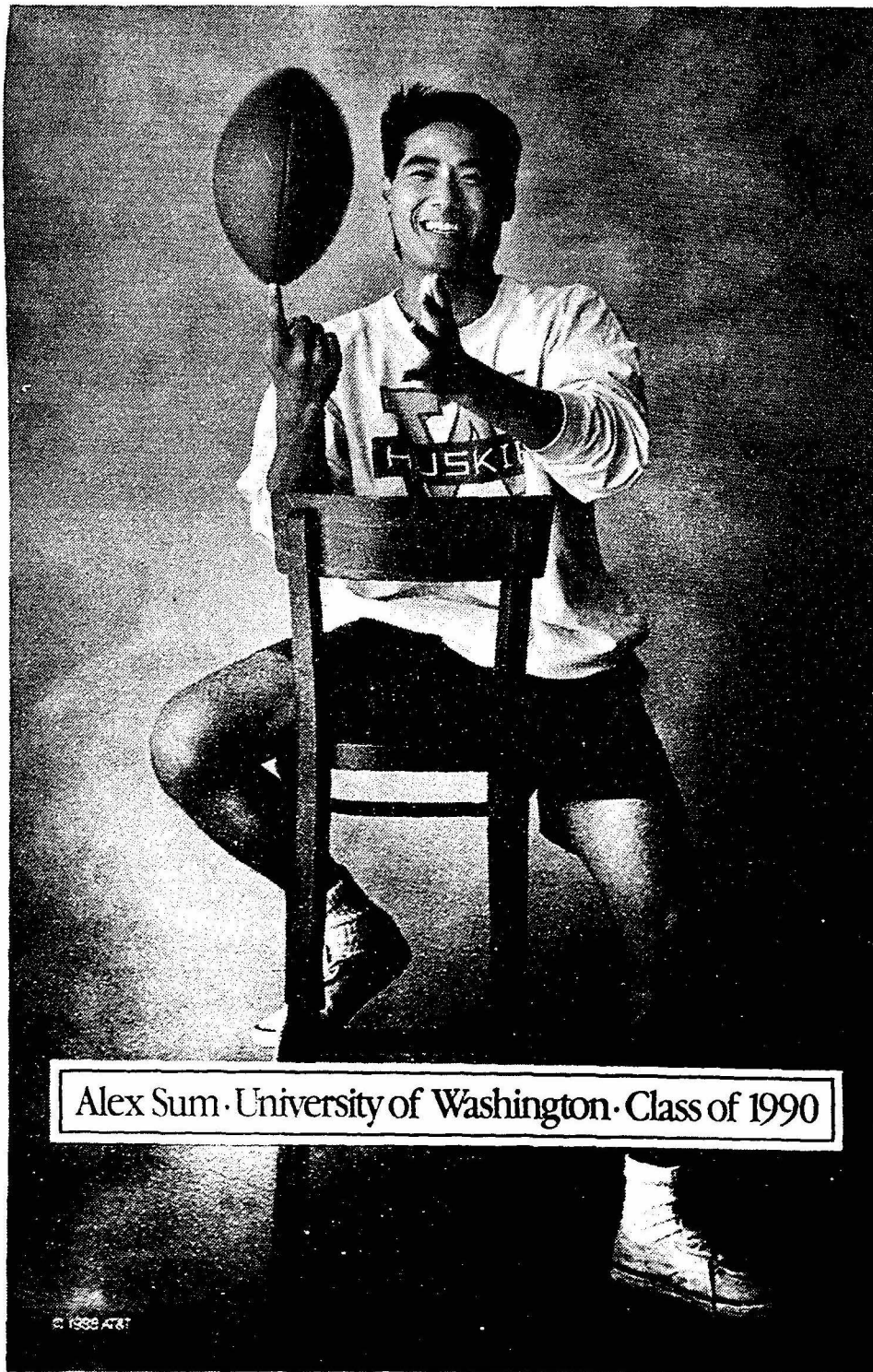
Job Fair

Accounting firms will be looking for potential employees in a job fair to be held on Wednesday, Nov. 15 at Hunter College in New York City. For further information, call 1-800-633-6320.

Attention

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"I wasn't rubbing it in—I just wanted Eddie to know the score of last night's game."



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Dissident sheds light on China killing

by Anndalena Glaze

Would you attend a college if you had to go to bed at 10:00 p.m., and wake to revel of military music at 6:00 a.m., only to be followed by a full day of classes?

Of course, this is a far cry from Marist, whose earliest wake-up call is for an 8:15 a.m. class.

But it is part of college life in Communist China.

Last Thursday Pei Min Xin, director of the May Fourth Foundation for Democracy and one of the chief spokespersons in the United States for the Student Movement in China, gave a lecture on "The Rise Of A New China; Dream or Reality?"

Xin wanted Marist students to appreciate their freedoms by contrasting the Chinese students limitations of freedom and their reasons for fighting for democracy.

Xin began the evening with slides of pictures taken during last year's tensions in China's mainland, Beijing. He recounted the events that took place leading up to the June 3 massacre in Tiananmen Square.

From May 13 to 19 about 3,000 Chinese students gathered in front of the Great Hall of the People, a government building in Tiananmen Square, to join in a hunger strike to demand greater freedom and democracy.

Even through a week of fasting and frustration, the atmosphere in the square continued to be relaxed and peaceful, Xin said.

As the movement grew it became more organized. Xin said students managed to distribute pro-democracy propaganda. And back in the United States Xin and his colleagues raised money to buy the students a copy machine more advanced than the basic and time consuming methods they had been using.

These students, even in their massive numbers, managed to maintain peace and order. By the middle of May government troops were on the scene trying to get into the heart of the city. Through what Xin described as 'People Power', forces were stopped by citizens who pleaded with the armed soldiers to stop and fed them and gave them water to drink.

This was a slap in the face to the Communist party, said Xin. It seemed their own troops were now in support of the movement. However, 'People Power' only lasted two weeks.

While a large majority of Communist China lives in hunger, government officials ride in Mercedes Benzs.

Frustrated by this development, the Chinese Government, Xin said, provoked the students out of their peaceful nature. The government set up cameras to videotape troops trying to infiltrate the boundaries of the square. When the troops saw a mass of people, they dropped some of their weapons and retreated.

The unsuspecting crowds took the weapons and raised them above their heads to show their victory. When the Government officials released the video tape to the media, they said "now they have our guns." Thus spurring the once laid back soldiers to fear the peaceful students.

About 3,000 innocent people were slaughtered and thousands more were wounded in the government crackdown on June 3rd and 4th.

About 10,000 were arrested and some publicly executed as an example to others. Xin stressed that "they had the same aspirations as you, the same goals in life."

Xin continued to explain why the move towards a democratic government was so important for students.

"For 5,000 years there was absolute slavery in China, the government controlled every form of freedom," said Xin.

He continued to say that the government is polluted with corrupt officials. "When China was under capitalist reform for 10 years, people



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got a taste of freedom, now they want a total restoration of freedom," he said.

Xin said China underwent an economic change without a political change, a decentralization of power and economic liberation during this period. But the die-hard Communist officials saw it getting out of hand and felt their power slipping away.

The students wanted the corruption to stop.

Xin said that while a large majority of Communist China lives in hunger, government officials ride in Mercedes Benzs. There was a crisis of morality and values, he said, and students were a fresh hope for China. Xin said that the students hoped that history would judge them justly.

Even though most student leaders have either been arrested, Xin is still optimistic for a democratic China.

As for China's future, Xin said he believes that it is unpredictable to tell where the power will lie in the government, said "China will not give up hope for a democratic nation."

A vacation to remember and to forget

by Anndalena Glaze

"Welcome to China, we're in the middle of a revolution right now, but enjoy your stay." This is not what the people at customs said to my parents and me when we arrived in Hong Kong June 3, 1989. But it would have been appropriate.

What was to be a relaxing family vacation turned into the experience of a lifetime. During the course of our flight, almost a full 24 hours, the Chinese government opened fire on an unsuspecting, unarmed, crowd of student pro-democracy protesters in China's mainland, Beijing.

Needless to say, my family and I were more than shocked at this latest development. I had been following the events in China prior to our trip with some concern. I did not expect to be swept away with the events that were to come during my stay in Hong Kong, China.

Hong Kong is a British colony and is not currently under Communist rule. However in less than seven years, England will lose its claim and Hong Kong will become part of the Communist regime.

The people of Hong Kong were angry and frightened by what happened to the students in Beijing. Thousands of people packed into a race track in central Hong Kong to take part in a massive sit-in. Wearing black and white, to represent the Chinese Ying Yang, a symbol of peace and balance, citizens of Hong Kong listened to speeches given by supporters of the student movement for democracy.

The enormous crowd later left the race track and marched in peaceful protest through the streets. The march began around 5:30 p.m. and lasted until about 2 a.m. It was an endless sea of people singing, chanting and carrying banners. I was told by an English speaking Chinese man that one of the banners said "We are angry Deng Xiaoping, you let your people die."

Everywhere we visited there were shrines with names of students who had been killed in the massacre or

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Rowin' Along



Circle photo/Lynaire Brust

Kevin Francis, a sophomore from Rocky Hill, Conn., was among the estimated 50 crew members who "raced" at the South Hills Mall last weekend to help raise money for the American Cancer Society.

High Court justice scheduled to appear

by Bill Johnson

Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor will speak in Poughkeepsie tomorrow night to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Dutchess County Historical Society.

O'Connor will arrive at the Bardavon Opera House under a shroud of security. Her appearance is expected to draw demonstrations, according to Barbara Adams, public relations and membership director for the historical society. The Justice Department will not release the topic of her speech, Adams said, to discourage demonstrators from gathering.

City of Poughkeepsie Police Capt. John Doherty said extra security measures will be in place but could not describe them.

"We don't expect any major demonstrations, but we are prepared to handle any that may happen," Doherty said.

O'Connor is expected to arrive at the Bardavon shortly before her 8 p.m. speech, Adams said. She

will be flying into the Dutchess County Airport and transported via limousine to the Bardavon, 135 Market St.

Disappointed over ticket sales for the event, Adams would not say yesterday how many tickets were sold but said she hopes to fill 600 of the Bardavon's 944 seats.

"It's not often that this area is honored with a Supreme Court justice of the United States," Adams said.

O'Connor, 59, the only woman on the Supreme Court, was nominated by President Ronald Reagan in July 1981. She served on the Arizona Court of Appeals from 1979 to 1981.

Several Marist students will serve as ushers for the lecture. Tickets cost \$25, \$20 for students and senior citizens, are \$25, \$20 for students and senior citizens.

A reception at the Amrita Club, 170 Church St., will follow the lecture. Tickets for the reception are available for \$25.

Briefs

Image playing on emotion: PBS to explore ad appeal

by Jennifer Becker

Professors of communications throughout the United States are studying the affects images have on the American consumer, and will air the results in a series of documentaries on the Public Broadcasting System (PBS).

"The Public Mind: Image and Reality in America," aired last Wednesday night, held that images are the basis of daily decisions and expectations.

"Commercials shape the way we think, distort reality, affect social behavior and challenge tradition," said Stuart Ewen from Hunter College. Society must learn how to measure and recognize both truth and falsities, he said.

To advertisers, the image and impact is more important than the object and reality. Ewen encouraged the public to assess commercials.

"Most people can't determine if what they are seeing is true or false," he said. "They just know if they like or dislike it."

The program also shows how photographs are retouched to manipulate reality and present an ideal. With new digital technology and computers, advertisers can construct anything. According to the program, even some news organizations are said to alter photos.

At one time, the public considered photographs as legal reality. Advertisers now use them to increase the intensity of human feelings.

It all comes down to a strategy of persuasion, according to the series. The advertisers conduct a detailed analysis of the way they want something to look in order to provoke a certain behavior from the consumer.

Ewen said people feel insignificant and anonymous. They want to become the image of the celebrities they admire. They compare themselves to the image and the self is lost, Ewen said.

The series depicts the 24-hour Music Television Station (MTV) as a source of advertising as well. Today's teenagers are said to imitate the behavior of the musicians. In response, advertisers now use entertainers and portions of their videos in their latest campaigns.

A visitor to United States said that he saw the American society as a permanent audience waiting to be amused. "They look on more and more and join in less and less," he said.

"Someone else creates our fantasies," said Ewen. The people support the market and increase the power of the corporations and big businesses, he said.

Fraternity takes blood, gives hand to county

by Kelly Woods

Sigma Phi Epsilon once again helped drain the veins of Marist students Monday.

The Marist fraternity has sponsored blood drives for the past 10 years. And it was no different Monday when the group, with the help of volunteer doctors and certified nurses of the Hudson Valley Blood Service, continued giving the gift of life.

More than 120 people donated blood compared to last year's turnout of 113 individuals.

"It's good that Marist has a blood drive because it gives us a name in the community," said Tom Kalamant, president of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Before a person is able to give blood, they must have their temperature taken and blood tested for iron deficiency. Plus, each person must fill out a health questionnaire. If any individual is ill, they cannot participate in the blood drive.

With the one pint of blood each person donates, two test tubes go to the New York Blood Center in New York City and the main bag that is filled goes to Hudson Valley Lab, which is located in Valhalla, N.Y., said Jeffrey Grand, a phlebotomist for the Hudson Valley Blood Service.

The blood is then processed and sent to more than 30 hospitals in the surrounding counties or may be used for research, he added.

Individuals who test positive for HIV are notified and asked to take a second blood sample to ensure no mistake has been made.

Kalamant was not aware of any person testing positive for HIV at last year's blood drive.

Sigma Phi Epsilon will be sponsoring another Blood Drive in the spring.

War on illiteracy declared by Dutchess County group

by Jennifer Johannessen

One measure of civilization is literacy. And yet, in one of the most civilized countries of the world, the U.S., one in eight Americans can't read or write.

And by some mystery of the education process, 1 million of those who are illiterate are high school graduates.

That is the bad news from Joan Boltz, director of illiteracy volunteers of Dutchess County, during a lecture to a Marist students. The good news is that the Literacy Volunteers of America is waging the battle for civilization.

"We are never going to eliminate illiteracy," Boltz acknowledged. Nonetheless, the literacy volunteers are making the attempt by providing free private tutoring in reading and writing for "new readers."

And, the effort has gained momentum with the Simon bill pending in Congress which has the goal of ridding the U.S. of literacy by the year 2000. In order to be literate one will need a twelfth grade education instead of an eighth grade level as in previous years.

Boltz said there is a false notion that because someone is illiterate they are not intelligent. One student said he was "not stupid," he just could not read.

One goal of the literacy volunteers of America is to respond to the special needs of their students.

Training literacy volunteers involves a great deal of time and hard work according to Boltz.

In an intensive in-service training program, instructors try to cram the equivalent of a four-year humanities study in eighteen hours.

One goal of the literacy volunteers is to try to respond to the special needs of students, for instance, learning to read a drivers manual to obtain a licence.

Vacation

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were reported by the Chinese government as missing.

Everyday there were more reports of the atrocities in the mainland. Troops were burning bodies in the middle of the night, media people were being chased and beaten and suspected student leaders were being shot. These were people my age, with the same ambitions as me and my friends.

I was becoming overwhelmed with a sense of despair for these people. I wanted to do something to show that I sympathized and cared. My parents and I signed petitions on the streets where students had set up small stands and had passed out flyers in

Chinese and English with the latest news from Beijing.

On the fifth day of our vacation we visited Kowloon Island which is directly across the bay from central, Hong Kong. Outside of a shop where we had been browsing, a policeman pulled my father aside and in broken English warned him that we should stay home that evening. In the newspaper the following morning there were reports of a riot in Kowloon where several people were injured.

Our vacation was becoming something of a bizarre dream. We were instructed not to go into Beijing to see the Great Wall or the Forbidden City — both sightseeing musts in Chinese culture.

Two days before we were to head back home to the states, Hong Kong had declared a city-wide strike to show their anger and grief in regards to their fellow Chinese. Monuments in Hong Kong parks were adorned with wreaths of flowers in dedication of the students who were killed in the massacre.

When my parents and I checked out of our hotel to return home, I felt sad. I kept looking at this beautiful, free, tropical place whose people had been kind and helpful to my family. I realized I might never see Hong Kong again, but even worse, in seven years it would not be the same place I visited.



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Poll accurately predicts Giuliani's near comeback

by Debra McGrath

A late surge by republican candidate Rudolph Giuliani in the New York City mayoral race was accurately indicated by the Marist Institute for Public Opinion, according to Dr. Lee Miringoff, director of MIPO.

A MIPO voter preference tracking taken two days before the election showed democrat David Dinkins leading by 14 points. On Monday night, election eve, the institute marked the Dinkins lead at only seven points. Miringoff said that decline was a good indication that the narrowing of the lead would continue.

Miringoff attributes the boost in Giuliani support to the Jewish vote, a high level of intensity among Giuliani supporters and a "pot shot" taken by Giuliani at Dinkins on the last day of campaigning.

"The last day was the worst day for Dinkins," Miringoff said.

Giuliani, on Monday, told the press that Dinkins had accepted a paid trip to France. Miringoff said this was the main reason for the decrease in Dinkins' lead.

Marist pollsters began calling voters within the city's five boroughs at 5 p.m. every night weeks before the election. On most

nights, calls placed early in the evening basically detected an even race. But as the night went on, a large Dinkins lead would become evident, Miringoff said.

It seemed to be more of the same for pollsters Monday night. But after a small increase, Dinkins' lead leveled off. This pattern was a reflection of what would happen in the actual election Miringoff said.

The institute began polling for the mayoral race in April. Miringoff said the institute begins with general surveys containing 25-30 questions about the candidate's image.

The students who conduct these surveys can predict what type of advertising each candidate will use because they already know how the public perceives the candidates, Miringoff said.

Students are trained by Barbara Carvalho, assistant director of the institute. "We tell them what they can expect, but there is nothing like getting on the phone and having a real person on the other end," Carvalho said.

Miringoff said approximately 300 students participated in this poll, 35 to 40 calling each night.

"I didn't really know much about the race before I did it," said Kathleen Steidle, a senior, from

East Meadow, N.Y., who surveyed people for the poll. Steidle said calling people gave her insight on the race and a sense of voter enthusiasm. "It was interesting. It's such a mix of people."

On election eve, 35 students polled 565 people. By Tuesday morning, 14,250 responses had to be tabulated and analyzed by Miringoff and Carvalho.

Miringoff said the school's location helps produce an accurate indication of the vote because of a familiarity with the New York City and the different aspects that make it, "the hardest single electorate in the country to poll."

Miringoff attributes this difficulty to an extremely large foreign language speaking population and a high number of answering machines. Because MIPO is familiar with these difficulties, it can attain results more accurate than those of organizations from other parts of the country, Miringoff said.

MIPO's reputation as an accurate poll has grown over the past few years, its high point coming during the 1899 presidential election when it came within one-eighth of a point of the actual results, the closest of any poll conducted.

Letters

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going out to a party and drinking every drop of alcohol that you can possibly find. Furthermore, it does not mean that Marist should break New York state law and sponsor alcohol parties for its students who are not of age.

Even offering this as an alternative suggests the irresponsibility of some individuals when it comes to alcohol — that they cannot control their behavior and actions.

I should know a lot about the behavior of students who are intoxicated and even more about their actions. I am a resident assistant in Leo Hall. I've seen holes punched in bathroom walls, vomit everywhere and disturbances to others. I've also handled my share of alcohol poisonings.

The writer of last week's article blatantly insulted Marist Safety and Security. The writer said that Security gets its kicks from busting students for alcohol.

On the contrary, most alcohol-related confrontations are an unpleasant experience for Security and RAs. I know that I've had to check pulses of intoxicated, passed-out students, listen to threats, obscenities and deal with being put on a lower plane than Hitler.

Does anyone seriously believe that a person can get kicks out of that?

The alcohol policy is not unfair. Rather, it protects us from the vandalism that some intoxicated students cause, protects the health of students and makes our efforts easier in making Marist a pleasant and healthy environment in which to live.

"Party Smart" means that an element of responsibility and maturity must be incorporated in this social habit. It is easy to see this as a duplicity, and difficult to realize the concern that Marist has for its students and their safety.

Alcohol for some is not a fruit.

Rather, it is a serious problem. Party Smart.

David Harrigan

Thank you

To the editor:

The Nov. 11 Radio and Television News Directors/Marist Advisory Council's Second Annual Conference on "Info-tainment and the News" drew several favorable comments, and I would like to thank the following people whose efforts, which made the conference so successful, were appreciated.

Thanks to Professor Linda Dickerson and her Organizational Communication class, Professor Douglas Cole and his student videotape crew, Coordinator of Events Maureen Kilgour, Susan Morrin and Joan Niles.

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Thanks to the RTNDA, Advisory Council, and alumni panel members, to the students, faculty, and others who attended, to Public Relations Director Susan DeKrey, Jay Stricker and the Seiler's Crew for their input.

Finally, the support and interest of President Dennis Murray has been encouraging and deeply appreciated. This year's conference was "Info-tainment" at its finest.

Robert Norman

Conference Chairperson

'Diceman's tired old act leaves fans nothing to laugh about

The "Diceman" cameth, now he should goeth and get some new material.

Last Tuesday I was afforded the opportunity to see Andrew "Dice" Clay live in concert. Since I simply take him for what he is, thus finding him humorous and not offensive, I decided to take the opportunity and make the 90 mile or so trek to Hartford, Connecticut and watch, along with about 15,000 other people, the Diceman ridicule just about everyone and everything possible.

As usual the context of his jokes did not offend me. Hell, I haven't heard him tell an Irish or Polish joke yet, so what do I care? What did disappoint me was that the "Diceman" is getting tired. There was very little new from him. I can only laugh at his sexual experience with "Old Mother Hubbard" so many times. He did have a "Georgy Porgy" sequel that was okay but all "Georgy" really did was move from the eye to the ear, if you know what I mean.

Probably the worst part of this performance was that he tried launch a musical career for himself and about twelve friends during the show.

After doing about 45 minutes or so of comedy, he brought a pianist and a bass player on stage and sang a love song. Not a typical "Diceman" song that had lyrics to degrade every race, gender and ethnic background possible, but a real love song. Just try to picture



Ed McGarry

It's a little known fact that ...

him telling some woman how much he loved her by singing her a sincere love song.

I kept waiting for the punch line. It never came.

After this he brought about ten more musicians on stage and jammed for a while. They did a horrendous Led Zeppelin cover — it was so bad I've forgotten what song it was and I love Zeppelin — plus a bunch of totally unrecognizable stuff. The "Diceman" also played drums for a while and while he's no "Bam Bam" Rubble, I've seen worse.

It was not all bad, however. He did do a couple of his usual, funny impersonations including Robert De Niro and Al Capone. But his best by far was his impersonation of John Travolta from the movie "Grease" singing "Greased Lightning." That was classic.

He also had some rather funny commentary on the MTV Video Music Awards which got him band from MTV for using some extremely explicit language.

The "Diceman" is so popular because he is different, even if he is crude. But the novelty is fading and unless he either changes his style or comes up with some totally new material, the "Diceman" will not be around for long. Uniqueness is a necessity to be successful in comedy and he had it, but the key word is "had."

Someone like Robin Williams will always be funny because his humor is intelligent humor. His ideas come from political events and social and economic trends. We will always have changing political, social and economic conditions so Williams will always have material. The "Diceman," however, has chosen a comical direction with a very limited supply of material.

Don't get me wrong, I didn't just sit in the Civic Center for an hour-and-a-half yawning. That's not so. I did laugh. I laughed often. It is just that when I first saw his special on HBO I laughed hysterically for an hour. That didn't happen in Hartford. Maybe I just expected too much, I don't know.

What I do know is that no matter how many times I see Robin Williams I will always laugh hysterically, that is, if I understand his jokes.

You see, Andrew "Dice" Clay is a comedian, Robin Williams is a comic genius. And that, ought to be a well-known fact.

Ed McGarry is The Circle's entertainment columnist.

A crucial quality that Lowe said he thought no writer should be without is a strong sense of wonderment about the world.

"It is the same quality that makes a kid who sees a fire truck for the first time to erupt with curiosity."

When Lowe left Marist, he admits that he never imagined he would see it again. Returning here twice for Alumni Weekend and the RTNDA, he was surprised at his attitude toward being back, due to the respect he said he found for those that make up the Marist community.

"At the Alumni Weekend, I was impressed by the integrity, diligence and independence that I found among the people," said Lowe.

"When someone asks you the question 'why should I give you this job?' all you have to say is 'because I went to Marist.'"

Lowe

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top and to stay on top takes a lot of ambition and certain qualities which he said he feels are evident only in the best writers.

"Often a good writer is also a good observer — a well-read person who is open to ideas," he said. "They are appreciators, people who really see and hear. They also have the capacity for excitement and wonder," he said.

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become an apprentice to someone who knows the craft of journalism and to soak every bit of knowledge out of that person to avoid such obstacles as prejudiced ageists like himself and his colleagues, he said.

"We think young journalists are dumb, and we are unwilling to deal with their dumbness," he said. "We think that because we think we were dumb at that age."

But students at Marist have an advantage because of the school's increasingly better reputation, said Nachman. Now they have to exercise the responsibility and live up to the reputation, he said.

Vandalism

If Marist students do not want to be treated like children, they have a strange way of showing it.

Two weeks ago, computer terminals were installed in Champagnat Hall lounges for student use. They are linked to the main-frame system as part of the Marist-IBM Joint Study. Some students showed their appreciation by damaging two terminals beyond repair.

Marist students are fond of saying the college treats them like children. They point to Marist's drinking policy and say that if only the administration would trust them, they would be responsible.

Thousands of dollars worth of damaged equipment says otherwise.

Of course, it was not the entire Marist student body that vandalized the equipment. More than likely, it was one or two irresponsible students.

But it is often the actions of one or two students that determine how much the administration trusts the student body.

Judging by the last week's events in Champagnat, the hockey game two weeks ago and the off-campus parties that have led to numerous complaints among Poughkeepsie residents, the kindergarten behavior of a few students has destroyed the administration's confidence in the student body — something that takes a long time to build and even longer to repair.

Students sometimes take things for granted. Marist officials do not have to order the installation of computers in the dorms; in fact, they don't have to provide computers for student use.

The answer doesn't lie in complete Marist supervision of the Computer Center and the terminals in Champagnat. People who work at the Computer Center are paid to help solve computer problems, not to play babysitter.

Ultimately, students must take responsibility for their actions. Only with increased responsibility will the trust ever be regained.

Letters to The Circle

Registration

To the editor:

During my three years at Marist I have always been highly impressed by the professionalism of the Circle staff. I was, therefore, doubly disappointed with the editorial on registration (11/9). The writer did not take the time to get the facts straight or to dig deep enough to get the real story.

The problem is not that the software cannot print the zero in 1990. The problem is that the system cannot tell whether something happened in the '80's or the '90's.

This is unacceptable for many reasons including the printing of transcripts.

Marist College has been working to resolve this problem for over two years. Many things had to be accomplished in order to bring a new system to Marist. The IBM/Marist

Joint Study has a basic objective to make it possible to provide the best possible services for the students. The system selected provides the best potential for doing just that.

It is the dedication of many members of the Marist Community that is the real story. Project teams made up of key administrators on the campus and members of the Computing Center have spent the last nine months doing two full jobs. They have spent time away from home taking courses in Rochester, N.Y.

They have worked nights and weekends to keep current service up to your expectations and still do all of the things that were needed to get the new system installed before the old one ceased to function.

The faculty has agreed to take on a great deal of extra work to insure that the students get the support

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Tearing down the wall brings danger with hope

Last Sunday, I wrote a column advocating restraint in East Germany, saying that things could turn around at any time and the world should be cautious about its dealings there.

Then on Thursday, when both of you read it, the Berlin Wall came down.

That'll teach me never to agree with George Bush.

But despite the fact that agreeing with the president may have made me look slightly behind the times, I still believe that he is correct using restraint in dealing with events in Eastern Europe, especially concerning the now hot question of German reunification.

The neutralization of the Berlin Wall has made this one of those dangerous times in history where events are controlling the actions of leaders, instead of leaders controlling events. Things have moved so quickly that there is an almost irresistible temptation to react emotionally to unify a separated people rather than react rationally and ask whether making Germany whole is a wise thing to do.

The key factor in this situation is that if the German people want reunification, it is going to happen and no outside force, be it the United States or the Soviet Union, will be able to stop it.

Any attempt by an outside nation to discourage a popular reunification movement in Germany would only result in that movement gaining strength. Imagine how Americans would react if West Germany told the U.S. it couldn't make Puerto Rico a state,



Thinking between the lines

Paul O'Sullivan

and you have a good idea of how the Germans would react to the U.S. dictating foreign policy to West Germany.

Whether the German people really want reunification is a question that only time can answer. It is true that more than two million East Germans poured through the Berlin Wall last weekend, but it is also true that the vast majority of them went back to East Berlin on Sunday to go back to work. Many West German cities were reporting that fewer than one percent of the East German visitors were applying to stay in West Germany permanently.

That says a lot. It would seem that the East Germans want to make their own country work before becoming part of another.

Let's hope so. The road to reunification, if the two Germans choose to take it, must be a long one. The memory of a united, militaristic, blitzkrieging Germany is too fresh in the minds of Jews, Poles and other groups for them not to be frightened of the prospect of one Germany. To these people, two Germans have meant peace, while one has meant war.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Tuesday reassured the people of Poland that there would be no reunification of Germany without the support of other European nations. Whether he will be able to maintain this position if there is a groundswell of popular support for reunification remains to be seen.

Most importantly on the international scene, the reunification of Germany would most likely signal the end of NATO and the Warsaw Pact, ending nearly two decades of the two greatest military powers in the world pointing their guns directly at each other over the Berlin Wall.

No one would seriously dispute that this would be a good thing, but the question must be asked: what comes next?

The standoff in Berlin has been a tenuous peace at best, but it has been a peace that has lasted 18 years. Before the world gets rid of the devil it knows, it had better make sure that it is not getting a more dangerous evil in return.

What this situation requires is cool heads, rather than fast action. For the first time since World War II, it seems like there is a real possibility for East and West to come together.

But to make sure that happens, and happens the way the West wants it, someone is going to have to hold onto the reins and give them a gentle pull, when it is prudent to do so.

Paul O'Sullivan is The Circle's political columnist.

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Another round is fired in the great Canterbury war

by Paul Lawrence

According to Phil Karpel (in his viewpoint of 11/9/89), Canterbury would, in a war, be considered a "lost cause."

I would like to point out that this is not entirely the fault of our army's generals (the administration), or even its lieutenants and sergeants (resident assistants and unit coordinators), but it is also the result of poor effort on the part of our privates (the students).

I believe the word Karpel used was apathy. This was an excellent choice because it describes the problem with the Marist housing situation perfectly.

Granted, the college admits too many freshmen that need housing, but these students are thrust upon the Housing Office, which then must find a place for all of them to live. The result is that many of you find yourselves out in Canterbury.

However, since you have never heard anything but horror stories about this "hell," you go there with a prejudice already formed. You can think of nothing but to look for the most petty problems with your apartment and you fail to see anything positive in your situation because you won't look for it. You want to complain.

Whatever happened to the saying, "ours is not to reason why, ours is but to do or die?" If you were placed in Canterbury, why can't you make the best of it instead of whining like some kindergarten kid that has just been told that he has to stop finger-painting?

If you would just look around you, you would find that your

situation is not that bad. I know that there are a precious few students at Canterbury that have done this and they like where they live.

To these few I say: congratulations, I applaud your willingness to adapt and find the good in your situation. To the majority that can do nothing but complain I have this to say: grow up, and stop acting like a spoiled child. Act like a college student, not an infant.

Karpel also stated that his time as a UC was "unfulfilling" and "depressing" because "few students accepted, respected or took advantage of us as a resource." I agree with him wholeheartedly, and I think it is a problem that needs to be brought to the students' attention.

You students view the RAs and UCs as another annoyance Marist has placed in your housing environment for you to complain about, but there is something you don't realize.

The RAs and UCs are there for you. We are there to help you, not get you in trouble, and any RA or UC that feels otherwise shouldn't be in that position.

Yes, part of our job is to write up those of you that are blatantly breaking Marist College rules, but that doesn't become a priority until you, the students, make it a priority.

We are not the Delta Force of the Housing Office. We don't really wear camouflage and drive Army jeeps (in case there was any misunderstanding, this was sarcasm, for those of you that read my last viewpoint.)

Your apathy, as I have mentioned before, is the root of the pro-

blems you have with your housing and your RA/UC. If you would like to improve your situation, get involved in the programs your RA's and UC's are organizing for you. Take an active role in them and see if they're worthwhile before you dismiss them as garbage.

If there is a program that you would like to see, tell your RAs or UCs about it, and they'll see if they can help you organize it. Join Resident Student Council (RSC) or, at least, go to a meeting and see what it's all about. For those of you who reside in Canterbury, this is an excellent opportunity to get some information and make some changes.

The problem is not going to be solved overnight, and it's not going to be solved by the administration. They do everything they can to make your housing experience better, but you are not receptive to anything unless they were to say: From this moment on, all students are free to drink alcohol whenever and wherever they desire, and all RAs and UCs are terminated.

The change has to come from you, the students. You have to realize that you're not in such a bad position; you just have to adapt to it and make it better yourself.

Karpel told Marist to clean up its efforts. I say the same thing to the students: Stop being a bunch of cry babies and do something about your complaints instead of just voicing them for the ridicule of society outside of the Marist community. Go ahead; try it. It can't be any worse than complaining all the time.

Paul Lawrence is a senior majoring in English.

BoDeans bring rock back to its roots

Once in a blue moon a band comes along to assure me that the future of rock music is in capable hands. And now the blue moon is rising and shining on the BoDeans.

Call me a late bloomer, call me slow, but I only recently started listening to these guys. Their first album was released three years ago and I only wish I'd stumbled upon them sooner.

A banal list of cliches could help me to describe their sound and appeal, so let me get it out of my system. Jangling (yes, jangling) guitars, bare bones arrangements, soulful harmonies, gritty, back-to-basics rock 'n' roll. Satisfied?

But let's dispense with the obvious and boring catch phrases. The BoDeans are not ones to be categorized. I can't say they sound like so-and-so because they only sound like themselves. Sure, I can hear influences from the Byrds to Buddy Holly, but it all boils down to BoDeans music.

The band only has two constants: Kurt Neumann and Sam Llanas. Both sing, play guitar, and write the songs. Currently, Bob Griffin is on bass and Michael Ramos is tickling the ivories — including the accordion. I think the drummer just happens to be whoever is hanging around the studio or concert hall at the right time.

This was my first 'Dean show, so I wasn't sure what to expect. I'd listened to their three albums and hoped that they would at least live up to their studio talents. After seeing them live, I'll never have such low expectations again.

I've seen some fantastic shows, but I've never seen a band having so much fun. Sam and Kurt were smiling all the way through the set, which lasted about an hour and a half. It was their sense of fun that got the crowd going as much as the music. Infectious energy, to say the least.

Now I have to admit that Sam Llanas' voice can be a little... um... annoying, especially the first few times you hear him on the records. Hearing him live was the most surprising part of the show. His gritty, gargle-with-gravel vocals took on a new dimension on stage. Instead of grating on the ear, he came across as a confident singer with a hard, unique style of delivery.

His personal high point was a slow rendition of Del Shannon's "Runaway," which segued nicely into the band's own song of the same name. And the crowd went



In your ear

Kieran Fagan

wild over his soulful wail in "Beautiful Rain," a moody song about the plight of American farmers.

Kurt Neumann sounds more like a "real" singer. His own melodic style is close to that of many country singers, but without the nasal twang. The haunting "Ballad of Jenny Rae" (my personal favorite BoDeans tune) proved that Kurt could croon with the best of them. Listening to Neumann, I got the feeling he was weaned on Roy Orbison records from birth, except Neumann's range is much lower.

This is the first show I've ever been to where the band told the crowd, "Feel free to waltz for this next song." The Chance became something of a beggar's ballroom during the three-quarter time of "Beaujolais," a sound rarely associated with a rock band.

But with styles ranging from Cajun-flavored blues to country ballads to rockabilly showstoppers, the BoDeans show that they're not afraid to take chances. Their credo can be summed up in their song "Good Work:" "Hey now nothing's gonna come for free/ Playin' six strings sounds good to me/ It's good work if you can get it."

They aren't flashy, they aren't virtuosos, and they aren't going to make the cover of "Tiger Beat." But the BoDeans are what rock is all about: having a good time.

About an hour after the show, my friend and I drove by the Chance to see if anyone was around. We saw Sam Llanas standing outside by the tour bus, by himself. So we drove up and said "Great show, Sammy. Nice job." He simply said, "Thanks, guys." We went to park, planning to come back and hang out. By the time we walked up, the bus was heading out on 44/55. They were off to Pennsylvania and the next night's gig, and I'll bet they had as much fun there as they did up here.

It's good work if you can get it. Kieran Fagan is The Circle's music columnist.

Raising awareness about a war that should never be forgotten

by Tina M. LaValla

Sometimes people are forgotten. Today's media carefully selects what will be covered regardless of the event's importance, but rather what will make the "best" news. Thus, conflicts, civil wars, massacres and injustices all around the world continue to go unreported. The end result is a global ignorance of people who deserve and need the world's attention.

This is the plight of the POLISARIO movement of the Western Sahara. The Western Sahara is a country the size of Colorado on the northwest side of Africa.

From 1884 to 1975, Western Sahara was a colony of Spain. In 1973 a group of Sahrawi students (as the people of Sahara call themselves) formed the Popular Front for the Liberation of Saguia el Hamra and Rio de Oro (POLISARIO front) to fight for their independence from Spain. Spain agreed to leave the Spanish Sahara in 1974 through a referendum.

However, King Hassan of Morocco refused to recognize any such agreement and continues today to occupy the region, even after the International Court of Justice (I.C.J.) stated in 1975 that it would not uphold the claim to the territory.

Soon after the I.C.J. released its opinion, 350,000 Moroccan people marched into the Western Sahara (The Green March). Consequently, most of the Sahrawi people were forced to leave their homes and

relocate to refugee camps in the Algerian Southwest desert. After this invasion by Morocco, the POLISARIO Front began its long fight for independence, and it continues to this day.

On Oct. 18, an full page advertisement appeared in the New York Times. Its title was, "Western Sahara: The End of a War of Secession." This ad gave the Moroccan version of the POLISARIO movement and, in my opinion, makes their struggle seem anything but legitimate.

Of course, it does not mention Morocco's efforts to suppress the POLISARIO Front right from the start, nor how it has backed away in the past from negotiations. Instead, it states that Morocco has a legal claim to sovereignty over Western Sahara and "this position must be understood as reflecting a deep Moroccan attachment to the principles governing the friendly relationship between nations..."

In having the opportunity to interview a high ranking member of the POLISARIO Front, Madjid Abdullah, I was able to get their reaction on this. Abdullah said that it was a "bad product" to be paid for by Morocco, but was confident that anyone familiar with the Western Sahara conflict would not be misled by it.

Furthermore, he said that one of their main objectives is to gain international recognition, a crucial element that has been lacking in their efforts to obtain support. By generating some international support, countries such as France, Spain and the U.S. would stop selling arms to Morocco, and thus en-

courage the peace process.

A few weeks ago, at a press conference of the POLISARIO Front at the National Press Club in Washington D.C., Bashir Mustapha Sayed, the second in command and chairman of the negotiation team, released a statement urging the U.S. to "help in the peace process, support the Secretary General of the United Nations, and to get direct negotiations between Morocco and the POLISARIO Front going once again."

Encouragingly, Abdullah did attend such a conference at the U.N. recently and a resolution was passed to begin dialogue between the POLISARIO Front and Morocco. In addition, it calls for freedom for the people of the Western Sahara from Morocco. Abdullah says it was a promising sign because this has been the first consensus reached in a long time.

I have written this article on behalf of the Sahrawi people because I feel they deserve global attention. I cannot imagine the frustration they feel when they hear their fight for independence and self-determination called "the forgotten war."

But indeed the media has forgotten it, and worst of all most of the world is not even aware of it. So, hopefully the media will give it due coverage in the future by generating attention worldwide.

The worst thing we can ever do is forget an entire people.

Tina M. LaValla is a junior majoring in history.

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they need in selecting next semester's courses. The division chairs have volunteered to be available during registration in case there is a need to make administrative decisions.

Hours of meetings have been held to find ways to minimize the inconvenience to the students. Without the unselfish effort of these people I can assure you the students would have had a great deal to be concerned about.

I would ask that the students approach registration in the same way as those I have mentioned above. There are things that are not what we would like them to be, but let's work together to solve them and make this a fair and successful registration.

Carl Gerberich

Drinking rebuttal

To the editor:

James Hurler's letter of 11/2/89 needs clarification on the drinking policy at Marist, partying smart and major clarification on the role that Marist Security plays on

campus.

The letter claims that Marist is being hypocritical when its slogan for Alcohol Awareness Week is "Party Smart." Granted, with the Marist policy, it is obvious that the Marist Administration would prefer not to have anyone party at all.

However, college officials are not inept. As Hurler points out, "The administration can't stop students from drinking, no matter what it does." Certainly we all realize that.

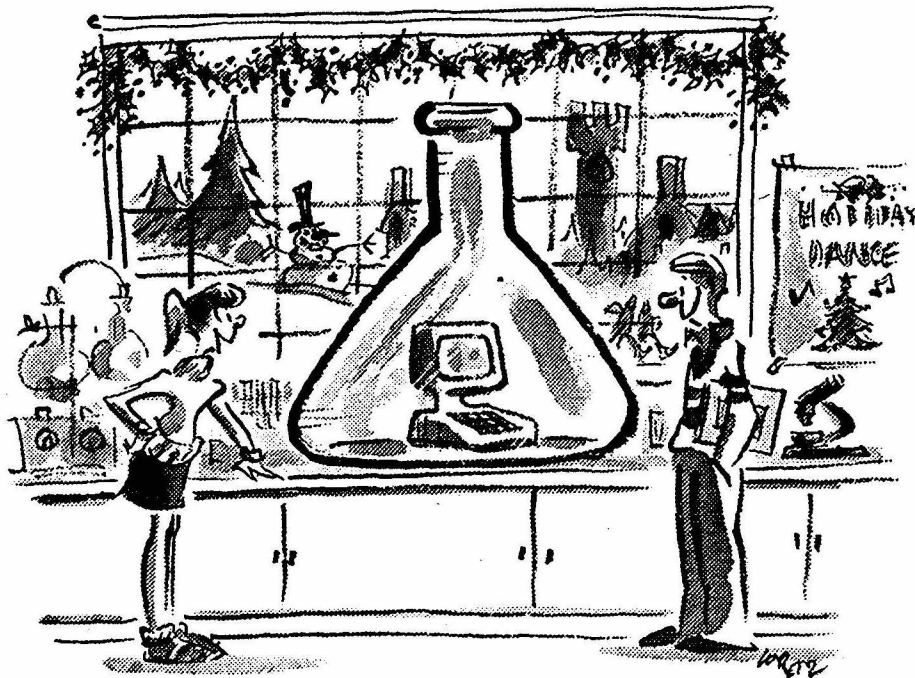
The actual slogan for Alcohol Awareness Week, however, was "Fatal Attraction: Don't Let Drinking Become An Obsession." "Party Smart" was a phrase aimed at students who, if they were going to party, to be responsible.

Responsibility means that they should not attempt to drive and get killed, like one person was in front of Marist this Fourth of July. Marist would simply not tell anyone to go out and party just for the sake of being smart about it.

Partying smart does not mean

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"I've finally discovered the formula for taking the late nights out of lab class..."



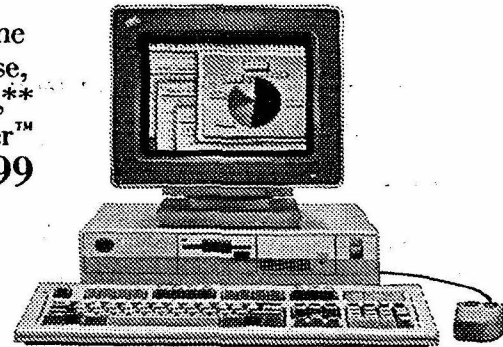
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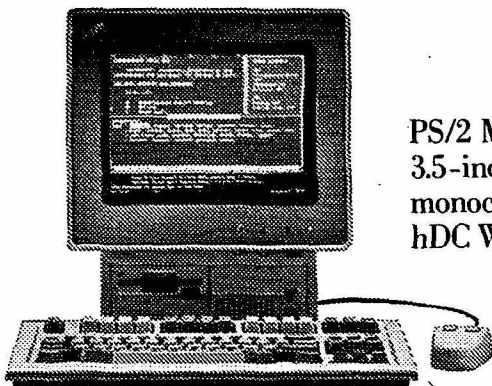


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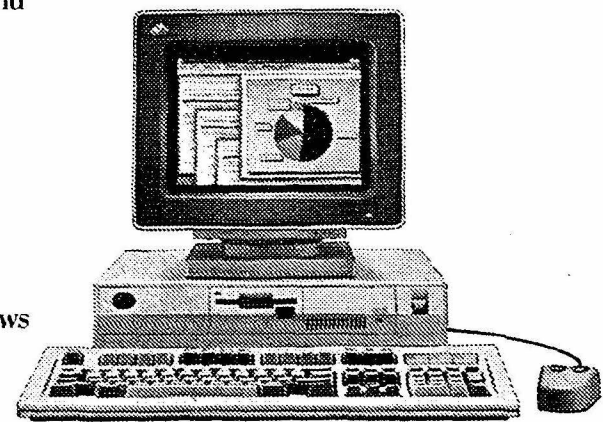


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What a long, strange trip it turned into



A day in the life

Wes Zahnke

Knifing our way down route 9W, en route to the Palisades Parkway, with our ultimate destination being the Nation's Capital, seemed simple enough.

Mom and Dad made their triumphant return to Po'town, blazing a path down the arterial with guns and fuel tank loaded, pleading with the locals to "make their day."

We were all invigorated and refreshed, feeling the magnetic pull to D.C., where their nephew — my cousin — was to tie the knot with a Virginian, Southern Belle.

Whatever. My ulterior motives were plain and simple: free food all weekend and a column. My keen journalistic insights would go hand in hand with the big city where the history books are always being revised and inside men tell no tales.

So, we're cruising down the twists and turns of this demonic road, when Mom explained her dilemma to me. I'm trying to make time and she has the audacity to say that nature is calling her.

I tell her that if it's important, nature will call back. He did.

After several stops at bathroom-less stations, we find a Getty and Mom does her tour of duty.

We finally get to the Palisades and I'm feeling so comfortable and smug that before I know it, we're at a \$3.00 toll booth.

This struck me as odd, and as we sped over the George Washington Bridge into New York City, I knew something was up.

I have a natural affinity for the obvious. While at the halfway point, I declare, "Hey, something's wrong here! I know you don't have to drive through the city to get to Washington."

I felt I had made a definitive statement, and as soon as Dad sarcastically praised me for my wealth of geographic knowledge, I shut the mouth and made the necessary turns to right, or as the case was, left my wrongs.

The rest of the ride went smoothly. I was cranking tunes and imbibing loads of java, while the rest of the crew did their own thing.

We managed to get to the hotel, motel, Holiday Inn and while there I distinctly noticed that we were in the south. Not an earth shaking revelation, I'll admit, but the word "grits" seemed to permeate my brain and leave its indentation.

Not exactly a card carrying fan of old dixieland, I thought what joy I would gain from listening to those friendly, good old voices for four whole days.

Friday was spent roaming around the city, which happened to be filled with Vietnam Vets, commemorating Veteran's Day. It was a powerful, mind-blowing experience.

The Vietnam Memorial was packed which was very heartening to see.

Saturday was the wedding, which was... oh, different...

Sunday was the pro-choice rally in the same mall that had been stalked by the vets just two days before.

It was a scene. Loud, chanting, fanatical women screaming for their rights, typified the situation. The crowd was mammoth and some of the signs ingenious.

The ride home found us lost in South D.C., but a swift recovery was made and Po'town was found again. Home sweet home.

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Recruiting—Lady Foxes control first exhibition game

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Marist's academic support services are available to anyone — not just athletes — to help them become a better student, according to Wood.

When the final list is made, the process starts to become more involved.

"Our entire relationship with a player begins in the recruiting process," Magarity said. "It is important for the staff to keep in contact with the player and his family."

Assistant coach Jeff Bower does a lot of the leg work in the process.

"I like to get to know the player," he said. "I want to know what is important to them."

The next step in the process is the home or school visit.

During the home visit, the coaches get to present the family with what Marist has to offer.

During the visit, a videotape of Marist is shown to the family — giving an overview of what Marist has to offer.

The athletic portion of the tape shows the highlights of big games and stresses individual dedication.

The tape also shows the family what Marist is all about.

"When I am with a prospect, I stress to them that the people are most important," Bower said.

"The quality of the individual on campus and the academic and athletic balance are the greatest things that Marist has to offer."

"The home visit is vital," Magarity said. "If the family sees what Marist has to offer then we are in good shape — this is a very attractive situation for a player."

The campus visit by the recruit is more of an informal process.

This visit allows the student to see what Marist life is all about. The players are able to witness college life first-hand during their time spent on campus.

"There is a lot of interaction with the current players to make the individual feel comfortable in what could potentially be his new environment."

Magarity also noted that after the visit, he spends time with the team to determine its reactions and impressions of its prospective teammate.

The excitement begins, though, while the recruit is on the campus.

The recruit is shown another videotape — this one is a mixture of goals and highlights that has a great feeling of pride.

The tape shows the recruit where the program is going by putting him in the spotlight.

One phrase that appears on the screen says: "That was then. You are now."

For the recruit, it does not end there — next is the room of dreams.

Pictures of tournament play hang all around the room while jerseys from former Marist standouts Rik Smits and Drafton Davis portray a sense of accomplishment as do the trophies sitting in the middle of the room.

A sense of the future is then portrayed through a slide show accompanied by stereosounds. The presentation is electric and it puts the recruit in the middle of the action.

When all is done, the coaches can only stay in contact with the player and wait.

High school coaches play a big role in the final decision process, according to Magarity.

"Sometimes the high school coach is everything," he said. "They have a great deal of influence on the player."

When a player chooses to attend Marist, Magarity said the job is far from being over.

"When a player signs, the work just begins," he said. "It makes you feel good but we then have to fulfill our commitment to the student."

It all starts in the room of dreams.

by Chris Shea

Led by 13 points off the bench from senior Jennifer O'Neil, the woman's basketball team outscored St. Francis Xavier 41-15 in the second half to run away with an easy exhibition victory.

The Lady Red Foxes won by the score of 64-38 in a sloppy game that was marked by more turnovers than points in the first half.

Head coach Ken Babineau was pleased with the Lady Red Foxes' opening night performance, but he said there is room for improvement.

"I was happy with our performance considering it was the first game," he said. "Our defense was excellent. I think our sloppy play in the first half can be attributed to first-game jitters and adapting to a new style of play."

The key to the Marist victory was a smothering, intense defense as St. Francis made just 11 of its 54 field goal attempts.

Marist also had an impressive 27 steals — led by center Ruth Halley who had five. Halley also contributed four blocked shots.

The Lady Red Foxes, after a sub-par offensive performance in the first half, came out strong in the second half.

"I told them they were playing a wrong speed on offense," Babineau said. "They were out of control at times, and that's why we had so many turnovers. In the second half we cut down on turnovers and we made a big improvement."

O'Neil had nine of her 13 points in the second half and Monica O'Halloran pumped in eight of her 10.

Mary O'Brien and Kim Smith-Bey were the high rebounders in the game — each tallying five.

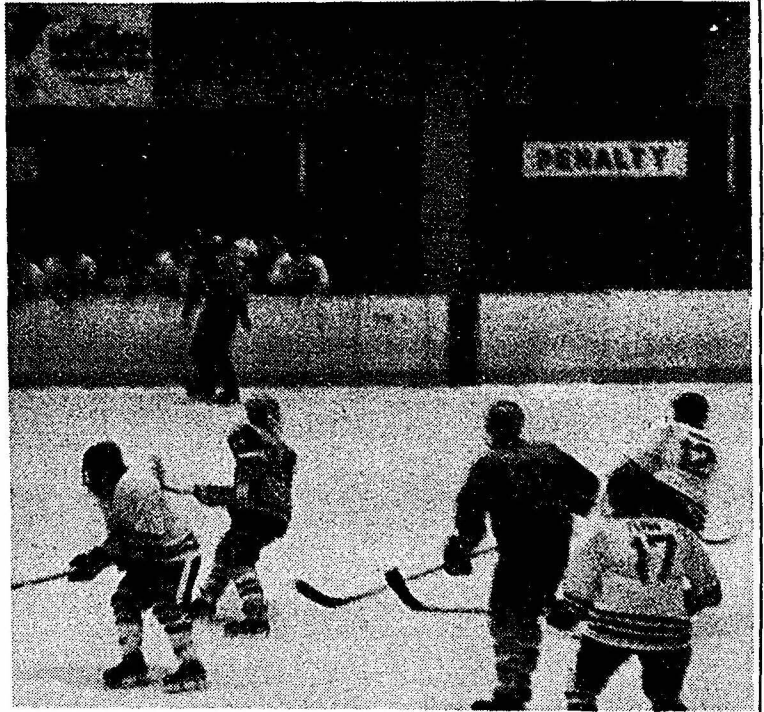
Babineau says there will be more of the up-tempo, transition style.

"That's our basic game plan," he said. "It's a team effort all the way around."

Every player saw action against St. Francis, with no player playing more than 22 minutes or less than seven.

Marist will officially open its season on Nov. 25 when it travels to the Seton Hall Tournament.

It Went Thataway



Circle photo/Patty Donohue
As Marist's Mike Flynn (17) and Scott Brown (12) give chase to the puck here during last Saturday's hockey game at the Mid-Hudson Civic Center, Columbia University was the one doing much of the chasing — the Red Foxes dominated the game — winning 12-2. Marist also registered a 6-4 win at Monclair State Sunday night.

Cagers sign two in early session

by Mike O'Farrell

While the 1989-1990 season is just getting underway, men's basketball coach Dave Magarity and his coaching staff have already helped themselves for next season.

Last week, two players signed national letters of intent to play for Marist College.

Chad Weikert, a 6-foot-2-inch guard, and Jason Turner, a 6-foot-7-inch forward, has signed with the Red Foxes during the Na-

tional Collegiate Athletic Association's early signing period.

Weikert, from Memorial High School in Evansville, Ind., averaged 10 points per game last year while connecting on just under 53 percent of his three-point attempts.

"I think he is a solid combination guard," Magarity said. "He is a great shooter and has great range and he can hit the three-pointer."

A fourth team pre-season all-state candidate, Weikert has "great natural ability and a real feel for

the game," according to Magarity.

"He has played with some really tough competition," Magarity said. "I think he will be able to contribute for us right away next season."

Turner had signed to play at Marist for this season, yet decided to enroll in a prep school instead.

Because he enrolled at St. Thomas Moore in Colchester, Conn., Marist had to re-recruit Turner.

As a high school senior, Turner

was the second leading scorer in the state of Connecticut — averaging 26.5 points per game.

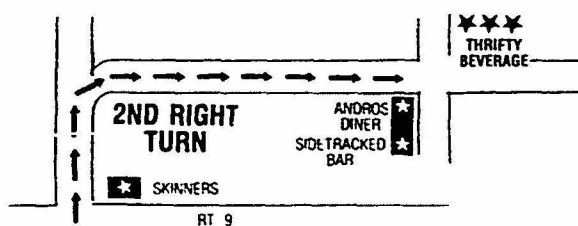
Turner was also a strong inside player who pulled down 15 rebounds and blocked three shots per contest last year.

Named the Connecticut Class L (large schools) player of the year, Turner was voted first team all-state by *The Hartford Courant*, *New Haven Register*, *New York Daily News* and *The Bridgeport Post*.

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Hoop recruiting is dream selling

Selling Marist to recruits takes more than just talk

by Mike O'Farrell

It all ends in the room of dreams. The long recruiting process for prospective Marist basketball players, though, can be both exciting and frustrating. Recruiting is the way in which colleges encourage athletes to come and participate in athletics at their institution. Some schools — Oklahoma and Southern Methodist University, for example — have even been found guilty of stressing strictly athletics to their prospective athletes. At Marist, however, administrators and coaches believe otherwise. President Dennis J. Murray usually greets the recruits when they visit Marist. "The most important thing for the recruits to realize," Murray said, "is that while at Marist, they are students first." "Priorities must be in proper order," said head basketball coach Dave Magarity. "Academics and athletics must go hand in hand." Magarity — is in his fourth year at Marist — has the task of trying to keep the program in order following the two years which Marist has spent on probation for recruiting violations. The recruiting process is a long one and begins early — usually early in a player's high school career. "What we then do is start to make our list of prospects based on their performance," Magarity said. "A final list of prospects is then made after the coaching staff has evaluated the player's academic potential." If a player has marginal academic standing, then the athletic department contacts the admissions department. According to Harry Wood, vice president for admissions and enrollment planning, it is the job of his department to determine whether or not the athlete will be able to encounter academic success in his four years at Marist. "If a player has marginal standards, I will call the high school and find out if he is motivated to do the work and see if he has the support of the high school," Wood said. "It is also important to determine if the student has good leadership and citizenship qualities. "We want a diverse constituency of lifestyles such that the students will be able to learn from each other."

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From the Corner



Marist's Jennifer O'Neil (22) airs up one of her shots during the Lady Red Foxes' exhibition game last weekend. O'Neil came off the bench to pour in 13 points in Marist's win over St. Francis Xavier. Please see story on page 11.

Booters end season under .500 mark

by Chris Shea

The Marist soccer team rounded out its season dropping a 1-0 decision to Central Connecticut State College and ending any hopes of finishing with a .500 record. Central scored the only goal of the game with just four minutes remaining in regulation. Marist coach Howard Goldman said it was a game that Marist could have won. "Although our club was outplayed in the second half, we still had our chances to win the game," he said. Marist finishes the year with an overall record of 7-9-3. In conference play the Red Fox record was 3-4 — placing them in sixth place overall in the Northeast Conference. The first half of the game saw Marist and Central play a tight, defensive game. Goldman said there were a lot of turnover forced. It was a seesaw battle with only four shots on goal the entire half — two by each club. In the second half, however, Central began to show off its dominational power. "They really outplayed us in the second half," Goldmann said. "The ball was in our end most of the time. They have a dominating team, and we found that out." In the second half Marist was able to muster only one shot on net, while CCSU fired eight shots on goalie Paul Stento, who was making his first start of the year in goal.

Gridders close out season with solid win

by Mike O'Farrell

The Marist football team finished its season last Friday in the same way they started the season — with a victory. The Red Foxes downed the Kingsmen of Brooklyn College by a score of 24-6 to finish the season with a 4-5-1 record. Marist finished second in the Atlantic Collegiate Football Conference posting a league mark of 3-2. The Red Foxes finished behind Gallaudet University and St. John Fisher College who tied for the league title. The Foxes defeated St. John Fisher in the first game of the season and lost a seesaw battle to Gallaudet two weeks ago. The win over Brooklyn snapped the Red Foxes four-game losing

skid. After starting the season with a 3-1-1 mark, Marist dropped four games in a row before meeting the Kingsmen. Chris Douglas tallied the first points of the game for the Red Foxes. The senior placekicker connected on a 30-yard field goal to put Marist ahead 3-0. In the second quarter, junior signal caller Dan O'Donnell ran in from one yard out to put the Red Foxes up to stay. Douglas added the extra point making the score 10-6. O'Donnell's touchdown capped a drive that covered 45 yards in just nine plays. According to first-year coach Rick Parady, the Foxes wanted to come out strong. "We wanted to come out and

show what we could do, it was important for us to that," he said. Although they led at the midway point, the Red Foxes were somewhat sluggish in the first half. That changed, though. The second-half scores came courtesy of senior Curtis Bailey and a powerful offensive line. The offensive line was able to open up holes for Bailey, Dan McElduff and Scott DeFalco — allowing Bailey to collect 205 yards on 21 carries, McElduff 79 yards on 17 carries and DeFalco 75 yards on just six carries. Bailey's second score was also a record breaker. The senior scampered 77 yards for the longest touchdown run in school history. The score came with 11:22 left in the game and the ex-

tra point by Douglas made the score 24-6. In terms of total offense, the Red Foxes gained 475 yards compared to just 145 for the Kingsmen. The defense returned to its beginning-of-the-season form by holding Brooklyn to minus 10 yards rushing on the night. The Kingsmen had their problems on the ground, however — managing less than 100 yards for the season. O'Donnell completed nine of his 25 passing attempts for a total of 100 yards. Playing in their last game as Red Foxes were Curtis Bailey, Michael Cornette, Chris Douglas, Pat Kerr, Steve LoCicero, Dan McElduff, Steve Merenda, Pat Norman and Brian Podest.

Stento is also one of the seniors who the Marist squad will be losing to graduation. Greg Healey, Andrew Scarano, Sean Cullen, Joe Purschke and leading scorer Mark Edwards will also be lost to graduation. "We are losing some key players," Goldman said. "They are not the type of players who are going to be easily replaceable. "We have some excellent freshmen," he said. "Some of them are going to be real players in the future." Goldman stressed that for Marist to be successful someone must be found who can score consistently. "But overall I think we played well — we had seven overtime games, so there weren't many contests which we were out of until the very end."

Playing games with major league contracts

Sports is a business and business is war. That has never been more evident than in the recent past as television contracts have shifted the look of sports to be hitting the airwaves in the next decade. CBS recently grabbed the contract for major league baseball out from under NBC, who had held the deal for 42 years. CBS dished out over one billion dollars to bring baseball to the American public for the next four years — then decided not to keep its lock on professional basketball. No one had expected that CBS would lose its contract for the NBA because the network had a right of first refusal in its deal. However, when the price of the total package went up more than CBS was willing to pay — or could pay because of its bills for baseball — CBS passed on the deal. As a result, NBC was more than eager to dish out the \$600 million for the next four years. After all — CBS had left NBC with football as the only pro sport on its airwaves.

Now instead of watching Brent Musberger try and do basketball, we now have to watch him try and do baseball. In fact, that may be the most noticeable difference of all — watching the networks juggle their announcers to cover the new sports. Musberger is not the only one, either. People like Dick Stockton, Tommy Heinsohn and Billy Packer who tried to handle the CBS basketball telecasts will now be replaced with new announcers who will try and handle baseball. Meanwhile, at NBC, there is little hope that Vin Scully will be doing basketball telecasts. The biggest tragedy of the sporting switch is the fact that Bob Costas no longer has the opportunity to shine while announcing baseball. Baseball was Costas' vice — he liked it and he was good at it. The silver lining for NBC is that Marv Albert is there. Albert has said he loves basketball about as much as Costas loves baseball — which is comforting.



Jay Reynolds

Thursday Morning Quarterback

NBC, as a result, seems to be in the better position following this transaction because either Costas or Albert will end up as the network's number one basketball announcer and each is capable of carrying a game. As far as color goes, it doesn't appear that NBC has a great deal to worry about — it will not be that difficult to find someone to work with the personable Costas. Some have thrown Al McGuire's name into the NBC/NBA hat but the network says that McGuire — who has been NBC's college analyst in recent years — will remain at the college level. Good move NBC.

CBS, with Johnny Bench joining Musberger in the booth, may have a tougher time with its baseball broadcasts. Musberger is not the most enthusiastic and entertaining announcer and Bench can do only so much in the color seat. Though baseball is the nation's pastime, it is not the fast-paced game that basketball is and Musberger will need to adjust to that. As if these two deals weren't enough to remind everyone just how money-conscious the networks are, the bidding for the college basketball tournament. NBC just landed the NBA contract and they already have a substantial college lineup and the network has announced that that it will get the NCAA tournament — "no ifs, ands or buts." * * * The U.S. soccer team is nearing elimination in the World Cup soccer tournament. Of course, that's no big surprise — the team has gone 208 minutes without scoring a goal.

Michigan took another stride towards the Rose Bowl this past weekend with its win over Illinois. The final was 24-10, but it was never really a game. Will Illinois ever beat another Michigan team in any sport? The Marist basketball media guide is out. On the cover is a picture of conference and NCAA banners which the Red Foxes have earned spread out at center court. The phrase "Looking for Another Banner Season" also appears on the cover. Keep looking, Marist — it doesn't look like it will come this season. On the back cover is a picture of the three seniors — Curtis Celestine, Joey O'Connor and Ted Sharpenter. Following the disastrous recruiting year the Red Foxes had last year, I think the covers should be switched with the phrase "Looking for Some Good, Eligible Players." Jay Reynolds is The Circle's sports columnist.