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★ The Circle Returns For Spring '94 ★

SGA lifts Circle suspension Alternative publisher wanted

by MEREDITH KENNEDY
Staff Writer

Student Government Association (SGA) lifted the suspension of The Circle's funds on Monday, Dec. 13, allowing it to resume publication during the spring semester.

Funds were returned after The Circle editorial board agreed to meet with SGA to discuss the events that led to the paper's suspension for the last two issues of the fall semester.

Gerard A. Cox, vice president and dean of Student Affairs, held the meeting in his office on Wednesday, Dec. 15. He said he believed that both groups needed to discuss why the suspension was enforced.

"I felt that both groups needed to discuss and find out why things went as far as they did and I am a neutral party. The basic problem seemed to be that they did not talk to each other," Cox said.

Four representatives each from SGA and The Circle attended the conference and decided to meet again within the spring semester to discuss the original charges against The Circle.

No date has been proposed for the next meeting and no representatives have been chosen on either side.

SGA's primary allegations against The Circle claimed the

paper was inaccurate, negative, and biased.

The Circle sent a letter to SGA last semester offering to discuss only a different way of governing the paper. Currently, SGA serves as publisher of the paper.

Senate Speaker Jason LoMonaco said SGA wanted to address the initial accusations so it refused to meet.

Although free to publish, The Circle remains on probation.

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— Nella Licari, VP Clubs

LoMonaco said he believed it was a misunderstanding and lack of communication that led to the extreme result.

"The Circle perceived our involvement as censorship when we just wanted to meet and say our piece," LoMonaco said.

Vice-president for clubs Antonella Licari agreed there was a problem with comprehension, but said she feels the Senate misunderstood the paper's mission. "People on the Senate do not

understand journalism. People do not understand the functions and roles of their clubs and organizations," Licari said.

The Circle's faculty adviser, Dennis Gildea said the paper's staff does not want to remain a club governed by the SGA.

"We are looking for a new way to govern The Circle because SGA is in the peculiar position of being publisher and a constant source of news. It is an awkward position for both groups," Gildea said.

Student Body President Kent Rhinehart said SGA would do everything it could to help The Circle achieve an alternative club status.

Cox said he believes that if The Circle is not funded by the Division of Communication and the Arts.

"There should be instructional facilities within the Division of Communication for learning. Students should not have to rely on a club to teach them their field of study," Cox said.

Cox added that he believed alternative status would be a gradual process established over a couple of years.

Licari, a senior, said, "Because I am graduating, I hope this would be resolved so that it will not come up every year."

Bookstore changes to new self-help format

by MEREDITH KENNEDY
Staff Writer

The seemingly endless line at the Marist College Bookstore just got shorter.

Marist has instituted, through Barnes and Nobles, a new help-yourself bookstore designed to cut back on the long lines and wait.

Students must now find their books among the shelves instead of having a bookstore employee do it for them.

Christopher R. Ranc, the bookstore manager, has been employed with Barnes & Noble for six years and says he believes students like the new system.

"It provides the students with a choice of books and is more time efficient," Ranc said.

Bill Hausheer, a junior from Scotch Plains, N.J., said he likes the new set-up because he can browse through the books and find those pertaining to his field of study.

"I bought one art book because it would help me with my career. I know I will use it in the future, even though I am not taking the class now," Hausheer said.

The bookstore hired approximately thirty temporary student workers to help shoppers adapt to the new system and find their books.

One temporary employee, Rebecca Kuchar, a sophomore from Metuchen, N.J., said most students seemed to like the system, but there were some complaints.

"Most people who did not like the revised store could not find their books or bought the wrong book because they did not understand the system. But there are signs all over explaining the procedure," Kuchar said.

Ranc said, he realized that the new system would be a transition

for the whole school, but thinks the students will catch on.

If a student purchases the incorrect book for a class, he or she can return that book for a complete refund or exchange within the first two weeks of classes.

During the semester the merchandise must be returned within three days of purchase, in order to receive a complete refund.

Barnes & Noble does not require a drop slip, only a receipt, to return books. Books can be returned all year long, not just during finals week.

Whether or not the bookstore will buy back a book though, is based on how many the store needs for next year and if there is a surplus of that book.

Ranc said the sister company to the Marist bookstore, Barnes & Noble on Route 9, may be able to offer some mass market books at a slightly lower price, but textbooks are different.

"Nine out of ten times you will not find most textbooks in a regular bookstore. Textbooks are not very profitable in a mass market," Ranc said.

Senior Jason LoMonaco said he liked the new system better, but the price was about the same as the old store.

"I spent the same amount that I always did, but they accept more credit cards now so it was easier to pay," LoMonaco said.

The bookstore receives used books from students on campus, other colleges, and used book wholesalers, and sell them back to students at 25 percent off the original price.

The bookstore will relocate from the former faculty dining room back to the Champagnat location in upcoming weeks.

SGA Election Process Begins This Week

By TERI L. STEWART
Staff Writer

Spring semester means at least two things are certain at Marist—flooding and Student Government Association elections.

While flooding will probably continue until May, and elections will be held on Feb. 22 and 23, how many students will actually turn out to vote?

According to Senior Resident Senator Jason LoMonaco, the new Campaign Advertisement Finance Bill will hopefully get more students informed and voting.

"The bill was established for the sake of getting students more involved so they can cast an informed vote," LoMonaco said.

"We're doing everything possible this year to make this election good."

"I see more effort this year to in-

form the students," LoMonaco said.

"We have flyers up and we will be putting out more general announcements advertising all the significant events of the elections process."

The newly enacted bill asks that each candidate write a signed statement of approximately 200 words summarizing their campaign positions on issues they see relevant.

Following this, the SGA, as part of the new bill, will enlarge these statements and post them in the Campus Center, distribute copies to resident directors, place them in the commuter lounge and give a copy of each to campus media.

Created last fall, by the Senate Ad-Hoc Committee, the bill is designed to help with the election process.

"The committee was formed to clean up the process, make it a lit-

tle smoother, and also to try to come up with new ideas, including the finance bill and debates which are basically experimental this semester," LoMonaco said.

"We tried to find what we can do to spur competition, encourage people to run and also to vote," LoMonaco said.

"Basically, we wanted to make the process more interesting."

In previous years, turn-out at the candidates speeches and voting polls has been low.

"There is a general amount of apathy on this campus, but I can remember times when we had big turn-outs," LoMonaco said.

"A lot of that has been SGA's fault because of lack of advertising."

Dance Club co-president Kate Neary remarked that there is a lack of interest and time on campus.

"People couldn't be bothered to

Teichman completes new book on Holocaust

by JOHN DOUGHERTY
Staff Writer

The emotion with which a story is told can often be stronger than the story itself.

Dr. Milton Teichman speaks with touching sentiment as he explained the motivation behind his new book, "Truth and Lamentation: Stories and Poems on the Holocaust."

Teichman, a professor of English at Marist College, emphasized that the book is not only about the crime and anguish of the Holocaust, but embodies impressions that will lift the human spirit and remind the reader about love and caring.

"The human spirit must endure and survive," said Teichman.

Teichman has taught at Marist and lived in Poughkeepsie since 1962. He added a course in Holocaust literature in 1975 which is offered every third semester.

Teichman and his wife, Dr. Sharon Leder professor of literature and women's studies at Nassau Community College in Garden Ci-

ty, N.Y., edited the book which is a collection of poems and short stories dealing with the Holocaust.

Teichman feels that anecdotes and tangents can provide some of the best emotions and insight on the atrocity of the Holocaust which claimed the lives of more than 6 million Jews.

Teichman said there are two main impulses in the book. He and his wife wanted to tell the world the truth and tell it not as historians but as human beings.

The pain and sorrow of the Holocaust can easily be lost in the anger of the overall act, the author contends. Teichman said he seeks to expose the struggle and triumph the victims encountered and that there is a strong lesson never to be forgotten.

Man should always remember the Holocaust so it will never happen again, said Teichman. He chose for his book three types of writers: victims, survivors, and those who have no experience.

Teichman said the reason for including some authors with no direct experience is

because the Holocaust affected all of us.

"The Holocaust is a matter of significance to all of us. It is not a Jewish tragedy, it is a human tragedy," he said.

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Teichman emphasized that his book is not about the anger of Holocaust victims. The book, he argues, is a testament to all those who survived and overcame the atrocities of the Holocaust.

Adolf Hitler wanted to wipe out the Jews and destroy their human spirit, and this book attempts to prove there is a strong human spirit left in those individuals affected by this massive tragedy of the 20th Century.

Writers such as Cynthia Ozick, Adrienne Rich, Nelly Sachs and Anne Sexton are just a few of the authors brought together in the book.

Teichman and Leder said they felt it was important to show a woman's view of the Holocaust because they were among the first targeted by the Nazis under Hitler.

Like the works in his book, Teichman acknowledges the film "Schindler's List" saying it is important and tactfully avoids melodrama, sensationalism and sentimentality which can easily trivialize the subject.

The film's main character risks his money and his life to save more than 1,200 Jews in Krakow, Poland.

"The one thing that makes Schindler's character convincing is that he's not perfect," said Teichman. "The lead character obeys his own heart rather than a normal authority."

According to Teichman, this is the aspect of the movie that makes it such an important project. "We have it in us to be our brother's keeper," Teichman said.

Teichman and Leder will be heading to Berlin, Germany, in March to speak about their book at the annual Berlin International Conference for Holocaust Scholars entitled "Remembering for the Future."

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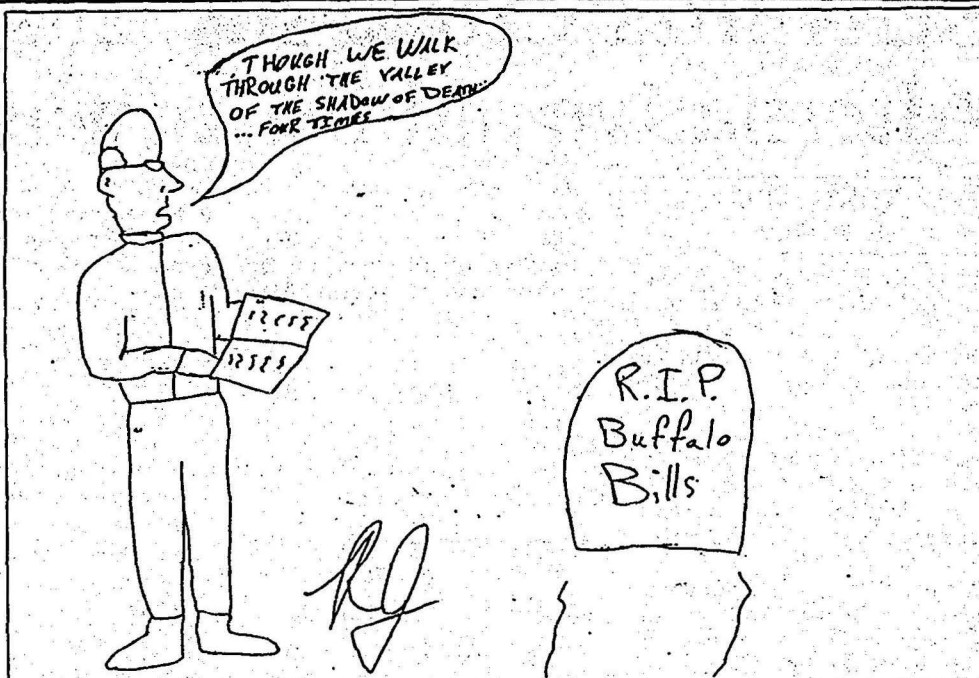
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What is Journalism?

Page 22 of the 1993-94 Marist College Handbook under Chapter II: Student Rights and Responsibilities there is a section subtitled "For this we believe."

Among other things, this section states that students at Marist enjoy certain essential freedoms. One of those freedoms is to "have a free and independent student press which adheres to the canons of responsible journalism."

The leaders of The Circle have been told by non-journalists what journalism is. Suggestions of what is news and what is not, what should be covered and what should not have been proposed to us.

However, as journalists, they have their own concept of what journalism is and is not.

Journalism is a marketplace of ideas.

Journalism is the history of the now.

Journalism is an art.

Journalism is not a science—political or otherwise.

Journalism is not always 100 percent fact.

Journalism is never 100 percent innuendo.

Journalism is not always shiny, happy articles.

Journalism is not always gloom.

Journalism sometimes shows the "good."

Journalism sometimes shows the "bad."

Journalism sometimes is a catch-22.

Journalism is not Public Relations.

The newspaper business is not simple. Some of the questions do have answers, though.

The Circle was suspended. Its funds were frozen. This caused the paper to cease production for two issues. This is the ultimate form of censorship.

Those who were hurt most by this were the readers.

The Circle belongs to the Marist community: students, faculty, staff and administration.

Its life's blood are the members of this community, friends and foes alike. If they did not exist, neither would The Circle.

The editors run The Circle, sometimes contributing up to 40 hours a week per issue.

Editors come and go, but The Circle remains. The Circle will be around as long as Marist College exists. Probably.

If the paper becomes a P.R. sheet, it will have ceased to fulfill its function as a campus news source.

A paper must be allowed to cover news without fear of having its funds frozen because the article might make the College look bad or because someone thinks the subject matter is negative.

One of the fundamental misunderstandings of newspapers is this charge of negativity. News is neutral. It happens. Reporting on events is not making a comment on the event one way or another.

Articles are not editorials.

Editorials are opinion pieces. They are permitted to espouse any view one wishes. That is their purpose.

When people do not delineate between the two, problems arise. These problems can virtually explode when this confusion occurs within an organization with power over a newspaper.

Keep in mind, there is a considerable difference between being high-minded and soft-headed.

People begin to make demands and threats. This puts a journalist, an editor, an entire staff on the defensive. Rightly so. No newspaper wants its editorial policy dictated by those who do not understand the medium.

If The Circle's editorial policy is dictated by the Student Government Association, by the administration or by an other organization whose prime directive is not journalism, then the readership's essential freedom will have been grossly violated.

So far, this has not happened. If it does, The Circle should be dissolved immediately out of respect for the scores of individuals who have worked for The Circle and out of respect for the integrity of journalism as well as the paper's readership.

Thankfully, as expected, The Circle's funds have been reinstated.

The events of last semester are not over, though. The Circle is still on probation. A precedent has been set. The paper can be suspended in the future.

It is business as usual in the editing room, though. As journalism has not changed, neither has The Circle.

Clinton and S.G.A.

Welcome back to yet another semester here at Marist. Just as we are starting a new year, so is the Clinton Administration.

I am going to try and stay away from "Clinton-bashing" and focus on the good things he is trying to implicate. (I will probably run out of material in two weeks but I will give it a whirl.)

What is this administration focusing on? Some say national health care. Others say Whitewater. (Sorry but I could not resist.)

The real answer is crime. The Clinton Administration is really trying to cut down on crime. (What a great pun.)

All through the 80's it was the "war on drugs." The government thought it was necessary to get involved and one would say they made a difference.

I really think it was the people of the local communities who made a difference.

The local chapters of SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving), PRIDE (Parents Resource Institute for Drug Education), MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) and the list could go on.

For the first time in my almost four years here at Marist College, I am excited about the Student Government Association elections - and I can not even vote. (Not that I have voted in many past elections - obviously a big mistake on my part.)

So, in my own cynical and exaggerated way, I will try to influence as many underclassmen and women to vote as if I would, if I could.

First, if you would like to run for a Student Government office, it is not too late. You have until tomorrow to declare your candidacy. And if you would like to do that, call the SGA office at ext. 2206. (And I know Joe Salvayon, the Commish, will be more than willing to help you.)

On Feb. 11, petitions of candidacy are due and on the Feb. 14 (the ever-popular St. Valentine's Day), the campaign starts. Feb. 21 is speech night and on that Tuesday and Wednesday, elections will be held. And, among the candidates running for student body president, there will be a debate (which I'd be more than willing to moderate).

He said



She said



Sure, it helped that the government passed stricter laws on drinking and driving as well as possession of drugs, but it was the people who really made the difference.

Getting back to Clinton's "war on crime", the communities have already started to make an indent on the amount of guns on the street.

In New York City, several police stations are offering up to \$200 for people to turn in guns.

Some say this is crazy, but so far, this little project has collected several thousand guns.

Mr. Clinton signed the long awaited Brady Bill last year, another step to limit the amount of guns on the street. He has also proposed an increase in the cost of selling permits to gun shop owners.

We can see how the goals of the different administrations have been centered around the goals of the public. The laws that have been passed are in direct relationship with the attitude of the country.

It starts with the people of communities who want to make a change.

Whether it be a parent who lost their daughter in a drunk driving accident or the mother who watched her three year old boy get caught between a gun fight.

It is our responsibility as humans to want to make a difference and it is the responsibility as an administration to hear our concerns and do something about it.

Just recently former Speaker of the House, Tip O'Neil died.

While watching the coverage of the wake and funeral, many citizens who Tip represented said that he never forgot where he had come from.

Tip is famous for saying that "politics is local." It does not start in the House or Senate but right in your own backyard.

Go make a difference in your community. Scott Sullens is one of The Circle's political columnists.

Of course, for me, there is only one real issue in this campaign - the funding of the paper.

I am willing to plug (almost) any candidate for the Senate who has an ingenious plan for finding alternative funding for The Circle. (If you do, call me at ext. 4841) This does not include those members of the Senate running for re-election, because they have already had a significant chance.

I encourage everyone to participate in SGA elections and promise to have plenty to say about the upcoming elections in the weeks to come.

In other news:

President Clinton spoke last week in his State of the Union Address about three big issues on the minds of Americans: health care, welfare, and crime.

In contrast to what many may be saying, there is both a health care and welfare crisis - and they are connected.

Many Americans must go on welfare for the sole purpose of providing their family with health insurance.

If all Americans have insurance, without the fear of losing it, they won't have a reason to collect welfare for the sake of getting health insurance. And, under Clinton's proposed plan, no one will be able to collect welfare for more than two years without being required to find a job.

Clinton also has a plan for handling crime - commit three felonies and you are in jail for life.

In the former Yugoslavia, more than 1500 children have been caught and killed in the crossfire.

Would this have happened if all those dead children were playing on an underground oil reserve when they were killed? I think not.

Lorena Bobbitt was found not guilty by means of temporary insanity. Attention all men: This is your wake-up call.

Caroline Jonah is one of The Circle's political columnists.

Gillis speaks of good and bad

Editor:
I would like to share with the readers of The Circle 50 things to be thankful for at Marist College (in no particular order). 1. The Learning Center. 2. The proof reading service. 3. The math lab. 4. Proquest. 5. John Doherty. 6. Fraternities. 7. The computer labs. 8. Tad Richards. 9. The Marist Hockey Team and their fans. 10. Evan Rivers. 11. The new Campus Center. 12. The new Fitness Center. 13. The P.C. Support Center. 14. Phonemail. 15. The five year program for Psych majors. 16. The mainframe. 17. The Gopher (on the mainframe-see Infofox). 18. Judy Ivankovic. 19. SEGA. 20. MCTV movies. 21. Small classes. 22. Mark Loughran. 23. Communications Internships. 24. Letters to the editor. 25. The opportunity to know all of your professors on a one to one basis. 26. The Fashion Show. 27. Special Services. 28. The Student Life Council. 29. The Student Programming Council. 30. The opportunity at a very good education. 31. Daren Dorm. 32. Lifeguard Training as a gym class equals one fun summer job. 33. Intramural Sports. 34. Marty Rule. 35. Sororities. 36. Joe Leary.

37. Joseph Bettencourt. 38. Your friends. 39. 21 Society. 40. The Liberal Arts program. 41. Modele Clarke's teaching style. 42. The New Townhouses. 43. All the improvements being made on campus will increase the value of your degree. 44. Steven Sansola's patience. 45. Sometimes your RA. 46. That New York City is accessible. 47. The Hudson River every October. 48. That WMCR will play your requests. 49. The time spent at college. 50. That Vassar College library is near by if you need it. As we all know Marist is not a perfect place. Here are 30 things that need improvement (in no particular order). 1. The Board of Trustees-there is no student vote. 2. The Library. 3. The tenure process for professors. 4. The cable service. 5. The lighting by the Riverview parking lot. 6. The lighting between Donnelly, Greystone, and the Library. 7. That the Old Townhouses only have one refrigerator for ten people. 8. The old mainframe terminals still in Champagnat and Marian. 9. The football field. 10. School spirit. 11. The weight room in McCann. 12. The weighting of activities over grades in the priority

point system. 13. Construction delays. 14. The cost of campus housing. 15. The amount of money the bookstore gives you when you resell your books back to them. 16. Parking. 17. The funding for club sports. 18. A handful of professors who are completely out of touch with the world outside of Marist. 19. Inadequate explanations for some of the policies and actions of the administration. 20. The lack of space WMCR has to work with. 21. Ditto for MCTV. 22. No receipts for Thrifty Cash. 23. The equipment in WMCR. 24. Timing of the spring semester bill-Dec. 24 is a bad time. 25. Leo Hall's excessive number of fire alarms. 26. The way campus is plowed after a snow storm. 27. Allowing a 2.5 to keep a scholarship for academic excellence. Is a 2.5 the standard for excellence when the school average is 2.6-2.7? 28. The attitudes of a few security guards towards students. 29. The thin walls in most of the campus housing. 30. That The Circle receives some of its funding through SGA. These are some of the opinions of Matthew Gillis. Remember to be thankful for some of things you have and to try and fix the things you could improve.
Matthew J. Gillis, junior

We've changed, says LoMonaco

Editor:
It is that time again. The time of year when a handful of students parade around campus for a couple of weeks trying to convince us all that each of them can do the best job possible. It is election time. It is supposed to be exciting and interesting. Recently though it has been boring and even annoying at times. It is here, and this time it is going to be better than ever. The Student Senate has adopted a series of reforms that I think will greatly improve the process for everyone. This year active campaigning will continue through the election days, although not in any building where voting is taking place. In addition to speech night, SGA is sponsoring a debate between all of the student body presidential candidates. MCTV has already volunteered their help for this, and will surely do a great job. SGA passed a Campaign Finance bill wherein all candidates may, if they choose, submit a short signed statement which summarizes their campaign positions on issues

of their choice. SGA will then produce copies of each, enlarge some of them, and post these enlargements in the Campus Center and commuter lounge. Each resident director will also receive copies of each statement as well as The Circle, WMCR, and MCTV. SGA has also made a firm commitment to fully publicize all of the events that the student body has an interest in. Last Monday's informational meeting was publicized in every academic and residence building on campus, and we also sent out a general announcement over phonemail. Expect more of the same. In addition, the activities calendar lists the dates of the election events except for the presidential debate because a time has not yet been set. I believe that all of these reforms will help to spur competition between candidates and make the entire process more interesting and exciting, and less boring. Students of Marist, stay involved, and choose the best candidates. **Jason LaMonaco, Senate Speaker**

Church vs. Cuomo from Conn.

Editor:
Several years ago there was a funeral Mass celebrated for a slain New York State trooper at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Port Jervis. Gov. Mario Cuomo attended. Before arriving at the church, Cuomo's office called the rectory four times, according to the pastor, Father John Murray, to insure that the Catholic governor would not be denied Holy Communion at the Mass. The priest related to a staff aide that Gov. Cuomo should come to him for the reception of the Eucharist. The pastor believed he had an obligation to give the Eucharist to Mr. Cuomo because he had not received any instruction to the contrary from the office of Cardinal John O'Connor, bishop of the Archdiocese of New York. If the clergy of the Archdiocese of New York were issued prohibition about giving Communion to an individual, they must obey. The most severe form of a pro-

hibition is excommunication. This punishment has been utilized with those Catholics who publicly affirm doctrines and beliefs contrary to the moral teaching and authority of the Church. Although Mario Cuomo has rejected the instruction of the Church regarding the moral issue of abortion, Cardinal O'Connor has chosen not to excommunicate him. As a result, Gov. Cuomo is permitted to receive the sacraments of the church. The Catholic Church has called abortion a grave evil and an abominable crime. The failure of Cardinal O'Connor to excommunicate Mario Cuomo has caused confusion among the priests and scandal to the lay people. It has also given Mario Cuomo the belief that his abortion position is morally acceptable. It is not and only excommunication would make the point crystal clear.
Joseph E. Vallyly, Washington, Conn.

SGA notes

Editor:
The election season has begun. Currently candidates for student body president, senate, judicial board, and class officers are going around getting signatures for their candidacy. You may sign any of these as long as you are eligible to vote for them. For example, on campus residents may sign for someone who is running for resident senator, however, on campus residents may not sign for commuter senator. The reason being is that they are not represented by the commuter senator. Once the signature forms are completed and the elections commissioner declares the person as an official candidate, the person may then begin campaigning. This is a time where the candidate will present not only their qualifications, but also what they look to do in the upcoming year. It is important that you try to become informed about the candidates. Speech night will be in the third week of February and then the election days will follow later that week. All questions regarding the elections should be addressed to Joseph Salvayon, Elections Commissioner. One final note, the Executive Board meetings are held on Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. and the Senate meets on Mondays at 9:30 p.m. Both meetings are held in the Student Government Office in the Campus Center. Members of the Marist community are encouraged to attend to express their feelings regarding any issue.
Kent Rhinehart Student Body President

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NO LETTERS AFTER 5 PM ON FRIDAYS

Could this be news?

Lately our society has increased its hunger for news. At any given time of the day you can flip around the dial on your T.V. and there's always some news show. There's also always a fat person with a cooking show and I'm thinking that maybe food should be the last area they should be making a living in, but anyway... Everywhere we look we are constantly being assaulted by news, or a lead pipe if you're a figure skater. So let's look at some news.** One thing in the news is all the violence on TV. FCC Chief Reed Hundt believes that television violence hurts our viewers. As far as I'm concerned it's not the programs it's the commercials. If there's a commercial for a vacation in Miami, the newest human shooting range, that could lead to an injured viewer if he decides to take the vacation. Otherwise there's no problem. No program leads to violence, although watching enough of Oprah and Geraldo has been known to put many people on the brink of suicide. I know someone who actually put dotted lines on their wrist and came very close to cutting. In World News, NASA's Hubble telescope supposedly photographed heaven. Although NASA thinks there's something wrong with it's navigation system if you look really closely you can see Hitler waving. In other news, President Clinton made his State of the Union Address. Supposedly he wanted his speech to include more anti-crime talk. "Talk"? Who ever talked their way out of a robbery or murder?... excluding lawyers. He wants life sentences for those convicted of three violent crimes. Three? Is this baseball?

Should attempted murder be just like a foul ball? You pulled the trigger but you didn't do it quite right- so you get another try. I can't possibly understand why we would give criminals three chances at violent crimes before they get a life sentence. Is this sympathy for killers with bad aim? Come on Bill, if you get a life sentence for screwing up just three times what would we do if they screwed up four times? Oh, I see, they'd join the Bills. Moving on, in South Dakota, a legislative committee says the Cold War is over. Maybe in South Dakota, but not here in New York City where it's so cold the drive by shootings are being done on sleds. The House State of Affairs committee made a law requiring that all lawmakers make a list of people who could replace them if they got hurt or killed in a nuclear war. Well, first off, who gets 'hurt' in a nuclear war? You get killed! You don't wake up the next day and go to work and say: "Mornin' Bob, nice weather we're having. The red mushroom cloud is fading - Oh and nevermind this greenish glow I have - I'm fine." Second of all, it's a scientific fact that nothing can survive a nuclear war except a cockroach. So if you happen to survive a nuclear war the government will be run by cockroaches, so who'd want to live? Well on the bright side maybe the government will make more intelligent decisions. These are the important things committees decide. As a matter of fact I think we should just end all committees. I actually started a committee that was about ending committees. So far it's pretty successful- no one showed up for the first meeting.
Frank La Perch is the humor columnist for The Circle.

Some campaign advice

Editor:
This is to all candidates running for the position of student body president. As the race for student body president gets underway, I decided to create a top ten list for these brave souls, based upon true events I faced as student body president in 1992-93. Top ten problems the 1994-95 student body president will face: 10. Election mudslinging. "Huh-huh." Thanks Butt-head, you said it perfectly. Even before you get into office, problems are there waiting for you. Friends of other candidates, like the purple friends (you know who you are), go around and tear down the enemy's posters. 9. Vacant spots. Shall we use Jackson's Spoils System here? 8. Meeting time. Try using the designated activity hour free slots to meet so the student body could go to the meetings and see what goes on-what a concept.

7. Committee standstill. Sending important agenda items to committees can only be effective if the work is completed in a quick fashion. If not, the do-it-yourself method works for me. 6. Ivory tower image. Hiding behind the realms of the ivory greens will not solve anything. 5. Library complaints. Do not judge a book by its cover. 4. Condoms on-campus. Need I say more? 3. Power-hungry. Make sure all levels of government are working at an equal basis. Do not let one board become power-hungry and ruin the integrity of student government. 2. Relationship with on-campus media. "No comment." 1. Communication. "Heh-heh. Huh-huh" just will not cut it. (These views do not represent the opinions of this newspaper or student government.)
Nella Licari, senior

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Cagers top FDU; improve to 5-11

by **ANDREW HOLMLUND**
Staff Writer

The women's basketball team will be looking to equal its longest winning streak of the season at two games this evening when it plays host to the Red Flash of St. Francis (P.A.) in Northeast Conference action.

Last Saturday afternoon, Marist was able to earn something it has only been able to do four other times this season—a win.

The Red Foxes handily defeated NEC foe Fairleigh Dickinson University of New Jersey, 89-74, before 173 spectators at the James J. McCann Recreation Center.

The win improved Marist's record to 5-11 overall and 4-5 in the NEC. The Knights dropped to (1-16, 0-9). ** Sophomore center Stacey Dengler, who clicked on just one of five field-goals for two points in the first half, paced the Red Foxes with 21 points.

"Stacey got into foul trouble, but when she played her minutes she seemed to score," Head Coach Ken Babineau said. "It was the kind of game she was capable of having offensively."

Senior guard Cindy Carroll finished with 20 points and a team-high seven assists. Junior forward Lori Keys scored 18 points and grabbed eight rebounds for Marist. F.D.U. forward Jaconda Jackson led the Knights with 22, and teammate Christine Bachman

notched 15 points.

This was not an ordinary win for Marist. This game had a certain twist to it.

The contest was postponed an hour and 45 minutes because the officials were misinformed of the actual starting time of 2 p.m.

However, the Red Foxes did not allow the delay to affect their play starting with a 10-0 run with 15:41 seconds remaining in the first half.

Marist later increased its lead to 18 when junior forward Andrea Macey connected on two free throw attempts with 1:04 left in the first half.

After a Dengler lay-up gave Marist a 22-point lead, 59-37, its largest of the game, the Knights later went on a 11-4 run to cut the deficit to 77-66.

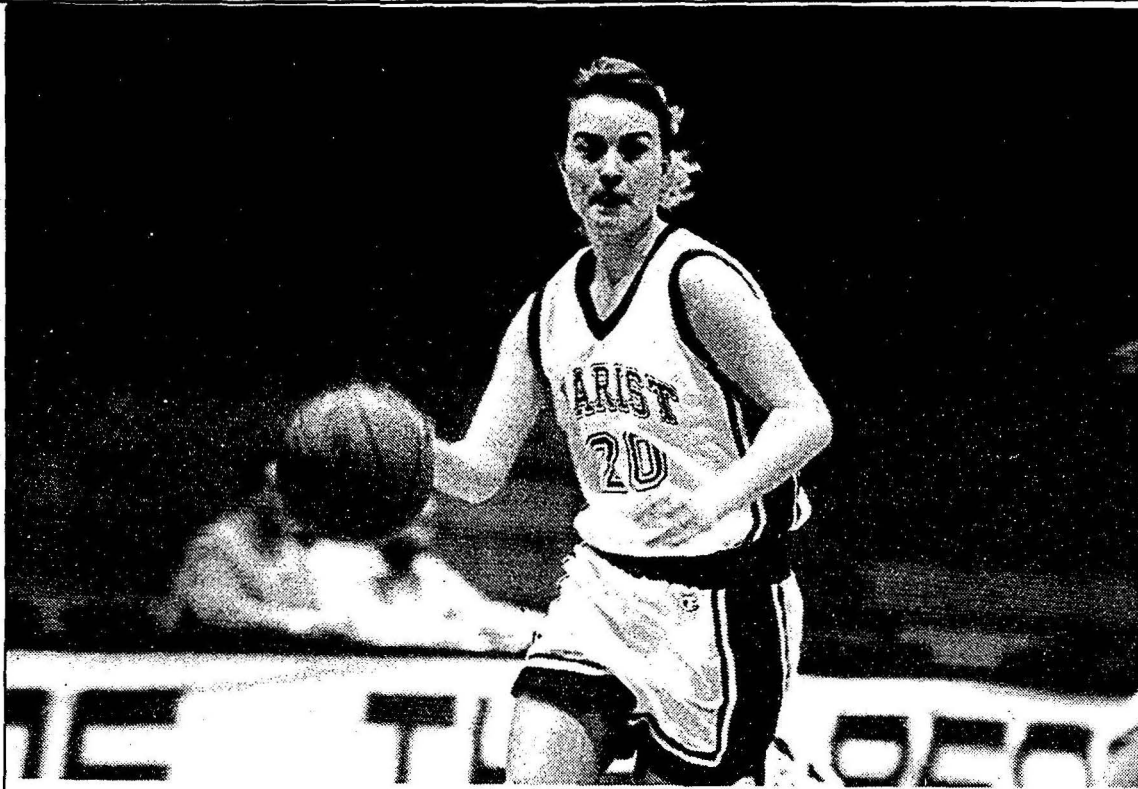
Babineau said the victory was instrumental and pointed to the offense as key to the win.

"It was a big win from the standpoint that we have been struggling lately," the eighth-year head coach said. "It was the best performance offensively I have seen this year."

Keys, a co-captain, said she liked the fact that the team was able to snap a two-game losing streak after suffering setbacks against Wagner and Monmouth.

"It (the win) takes off a little of the pressure," she said. "We have to keep the intensity and play together."

Carroll said the team has been able to remain optimistic despite having a below .500 mark.



Jill Heller looks to drive the lane in Saturday's game. Red Foxes go on to win 89-74.

Circle photo/Matt Martin

"Even though our record is (5-11), there is still a lot of enthusiasm," the co-captain said. "People might be saying, 'Man, they should be hanging their heads down,' but there is so much optimism."

Last year, the Red Foxes finished 19-10 reaching the NEC Tournament final before falling to Mount Saint Mary's.

Although he has seen his team fall 11 times thus far, including six consecutive losses which spanned from Dec. 4, 1993, to Jan. 6,

Babineau said he would not comment on the team's overall performance until the end of the season.

"We still have one-half of the season to go, and then we will re-evaluate and find out what happens."

After tonight's game, Marist will entertain the Robert Morris Colonials on Saturday afternoon followed by the Siena Saints on Tuesday evening. Marist will then head to do battle with St. Francis (N.Y.) and Long Island University.

Red Foxes 89, Knights 74 FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON (74)

Bachman 5-13 3-3 15, Jackson 10-15 2-5 22, Bovan 1-3 0-0 2, Mahoney 2-8 2-2 8, Reaves 0-3 0-0 0, Johns 3-5 2-2 8, Edwards 2-5 0-0 4, Daughton 5-9 1-1 11, Clark 0-3 0-0 0, Thornton 1-2 0-0 2, McGonigal 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 30-68 10-13 74.

MARIST (89)

Keys 7-11 4-4 18, Walsh 3-8 0-0 6, Dengler 8-14 5-7 21, Carroll 6-16 5-7 20, Presnall 1-2 4-5 7, Hauser 3-7 1-1 9, Heller 0-1 0-0 0, Metz 1-2 1-2 3, Macey 0-2 5-6 5, Horwath 0-0 0-1 0, Paulo 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-63 25-33 89.

Students cite views about Kerrigan Case

by **Tom Quinlan**
Staff Writer

Tonya Harding, Nancy Kerrigan, Jeff Gillooly: Will we ever hear the end of their figure-skating follies?

It began when 24-year-old Kerrigan was struck above her knee with an iron bar during the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit.

FBI investigations later uncovered information implicating four men in the attack including Gillooly, Harding's ex-husband, and Shawn Eckardt, Harding's bodyguard.

The four men are charged with conspiring to commit second-degree assault, and the FBI is looking into information that could link Harding with the attack, which would lead to her indictment.

The scandal raised varied opinions at Marist.

"I find it hard to believe she (Harding) did not know about it," said Stephanie Poggi, a senior from Queens, N.Y. "It's very strange

that people she knows were involved and she was not."

Not everyone is convinced of Harding's guilt. Jason Tarulli, a sophomore from Jackson Heights, N.Y., said, "They didn't prove anything, so she's being treated unfairly."

Whether Harding is innocent or guilty, a decision will be made on her participation in the Olympic Games at Lillehammer, Norway.

A five-member panel has been chosen to make the decision. If junior Keith Schlingheyde from Fairfield, Conn. was on the panel Harding would not be making the trip to Lillehammer.

"An Olympic athlete must be a well-rounded individual, she's going to look bad either way," Schlingheyde said.

"Harding will not be respected if she wins because there will always be the question of Kerrigan's knee," replied Debbie DeBetta, a freshman from Levittown, N.Y.

Kerrigan's injured knee may deny her chance at Olympic gold.

Swimmers lose to Fordham

by **TERI L. STEWART**
Staff Writer

Although the men's swimming team won both of its diving events, it was not enough as the Red Foxes fell to Fordham University in its final home meet on Tuesday.

The team's performance did not stop freshman diver Grove Rasmusson from placing first in the one-meter and three-meter dives.

Fordham out-swam Marist winning, 134-107.

Head diving coach Melanie Bolstad said that the double practice days over winter intercession helped her divers.

"He (Rasmusson) did some of the dives he learned over intercession and did them consistently," she said.

From Jan. 2 until Jan. 20, the divers have been in the pool diving six days a week.

"We got a lot of quality training in because we had no outside distractions," Bolstad said. "All they could concentrate on was training."

Freshmen Brenden Leddy placed second behind Rasmusson in the one-meter dive.

"They've been trading back and forth," Bolstad said. "They constantly push each other in practice and in meets and that only makes you better."

The team opened the meet on a good note winning the 400-yard medley relay.

Junior co-captain Brett Arnold, juniors Ron Gagne, Angel Tomala and sophomore Kyle O'Neill swam a 3:42.21 to slip past Fordham by .14 of a second.

Junior Doug Jelen and sophomore Jim Maccalous placed first and second in the 1000-yard freestyle event.

Arnold said he thought his team was confident entering the meet.

"I think going into the meet we were expecting to compete with them," the co-captain said. "I think everyone realized the importance of the meet because championships are soon. We have to start swimming right and swimming fast."

The men swam at the University of Connecticut on Saturday in Storrs, Conn.

Although Marist fell to the Big East power 135-100, 20 seasonal best times were recorded.

According to VanWagner, the highlight of the meet was freshman Jon Churins.

Churins placed second in the 200-yard freestyle at 1:48.20, 1.5 seconds faster than he has ever swam in his career.

"What we're seeing is a picture of what his personal potential is," VanWagner said. "(It is) a preview of things to come with Jon."

VanWagner said the one athlete's performance can have an impact on the rest of the team.

"That got us all excited," he said. "I mean it's infectious, you see someone do a performance like that and it kind of filters through the entire team."

When the men's team returned on Jan. 3, it must have seemed like they did not stop swimming until Jan. 20.

The intensive 2 1/2 week intercession training program was the peak of their cardiovascular and endurance training, according to VanWagner.

The Red Foxes travel to St. John's University in Queens tonight for their final dual meet of the season.

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This weekend's Metros is not the end of the season for some of the Red Foxes.

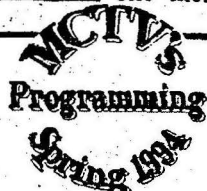
Some of the swimmers will compete in the East Coast Athletic Conference meet which is held for the top swimmers on the East Coast. These swimmers must record a fast enough time to qualify for the event.

Currently, Raider is the lone Marist qualifier.

Goldstein said he hopes four or five swimmers will qualify for the ECAC's which will be held at Rutgers University.

"This will be the first year I know of that their will be enough ECAC qualifiers so Marist can go as a team, (although as) a small team," Goldstein said.

Goldstein hopes his young team can show enough poise and experience to put together a solid performance at this weekend's championships.



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9:00 AM to 10:00 AM	FOX FITNESS
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM	SPORTS 1
12:00 PM to 12:30 PM	BACKTALK
12:30 PM to 1:00 PM	ONE ON ONE-OR-PRESS BOX
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	MCTV'S GREATEST HITS
3:00 PM to 3:30 PM	CONVERSATION
3:30 PM to 5:30 PM	SPECIALS
5:30 PM to 8:00 PM	SPORTS 2
8:00 PM to 10:00 PM	MOVIE 1
10:00 PM to 12:00 AM	MOVIE 2

WEEKEND LINE-UP

12:00 PM to 2:00 PM	SPORTS 1
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM	SPORTS 2
8:00 PM to 10:00 PM	MOVIE 1
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- Dave Magarity

STAT OF THE WEEK:
The women's basketball team's 89 points are their highest point total this season.

Red Foxes fall to FDU, 71-70

by **TED HOLMLUND**
Sports Editor

Izett Buchanan flew out of nowhere to tip Danny Basile's missed jumper and was fouled. Then, the senior hit the free throw to tie the game at 70 apiece with 17.3 left.

After Fairleigh Dickinson's timeout, Marist's defense blanketed the Knight's offensive players, forcing FDU's guard Antwan Dasher to make an out-of-control, desperation drive to the basket. Moments later, the referee, Kevin Quirk, blew the whistle with :03 remaining.

A few seconds later, a loud, collective boo could be heard from the 3,397 fans who packed into the James J. McCann Recreation Center, as junior transfer Chuck Davis was called for the foul against Dasher.

It was arguably the loudest crowd at a Marist basketball game in four years.

After a Marist timeout, boisterous fans did all they could to destroy Dasher's concentration, but the senior drained his second free throw to give FDU the victory.

Buchanan raced down the court to try a desperation heave, but it was off the mark.

Final score: FDU 71, Marist 70. Right after the horn sounded, a livid Dave Magarity raced after the officials in the athletic locker room corridor to question the call.

During a press conference, a calmer Magarity, while in between the standard coaches' lines "we have to regroup or it was a tough loss," said he believed Dasher travelled.

"It was a horrible call," the

eighth-year head coach said. "It was a classic example of not letting the players play the game. Chuckie Davis did a tremendous job. Let the player's decide the game."

After the game, both teams had identical records: 9-9 overall (5-5 in the Northeast Conference). However, the game was an excruciating loss for Marist who blew a 52-39 lead with 10:57 left.

During this time span, the Red Foxes saw FDU make an 18-4 run to take a 57-56 lead and held on the rest of the way.

Marist will look to rebound from its latest setback when it hosts St. Francis (PA) tonight at 8 p.m.

Buchanan, the team's leading scorer with approximately 25 points a game, said the official should not have made the call.

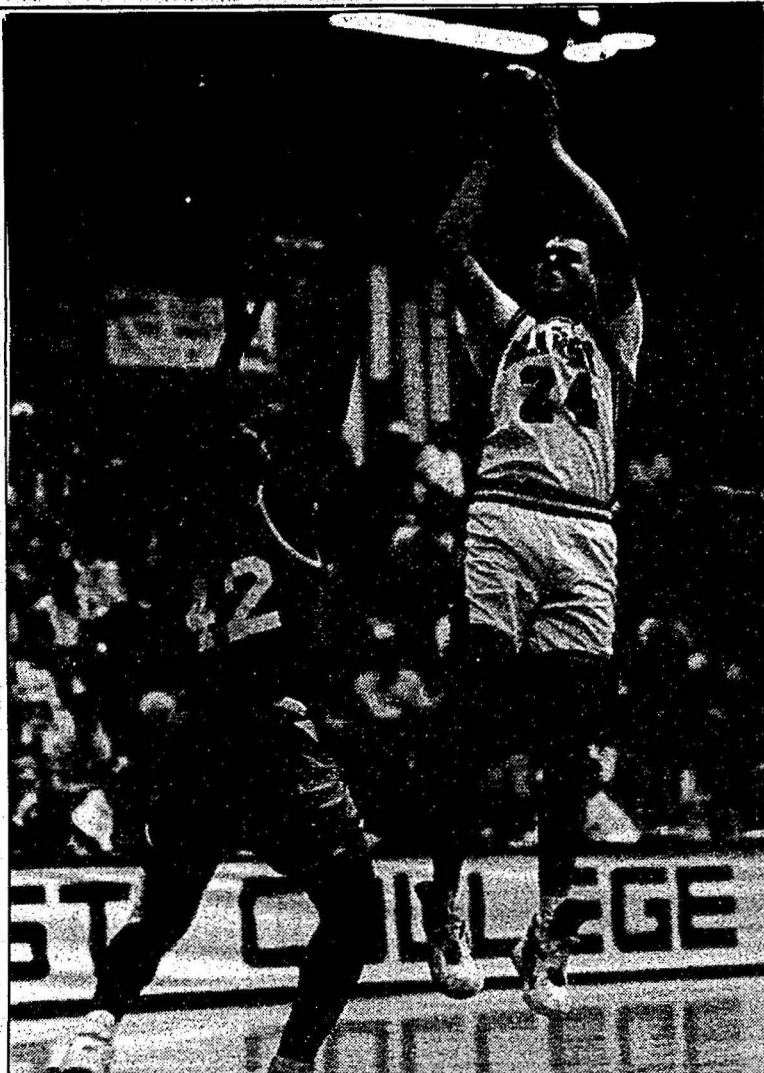
"Chuck played good D," he said. "He just fell and traveled." Buchanan's scored 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds coming off the bench for Marist. The senior was in what turned out to be a minor car accident on Monday, Jan. 24.

Buchanan said his Suzuki Sidekick was hit on the passenger side by a vehicle traveling down Academy Street who may have been trying to beat a red light.

After the game, the senior said he was still a little "banged up" from the accident but felt he was ready to play.

Sophomores Alan Tomidy and Danny Basile picked up some of the scoring slack for Marist, scoring 14 and 12 points, respectively. The Red Foxes out-rebounded FDU, 39-30, but only shot 39 percent from the field.

Dasher led FDU with 20 points and Mike Pollard chipped in with 14, 12 in the second half.



Alan Tomidy shoots over FDU's Donald Osbourne last Saturday. Marist lost to the Knights, 71-70.

Circle photo/Matt Martin

This game will go down as another "one to remember" in a rivalry that has seen its share of unforgettable games.

This was the 14th time in the last 20 meetings between the two squads that the game was decided by four points or less.

"It was about 10.1 on the Richter Scale," FDU coach Tom Green said.

Knights 71, Red Foxes 70
FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON (71)
Pollard 6-11 1-2 14, Robinson 4-9 0-2 8, Osbourne 0-1 2-3 2, Dasher 5-18 10-11 20, Freeman 3-3 0-0 8, Taylor 3-7 1-2 7, Ankton 4-5 1-1 10, Anderson 1-3 2-4 4, Rassloff 0-0 0-0 0, Allen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-55 17-25 71.
MARIST (70)
Chodkowiak 3-7 3-3 9, Hill 3-6 0-0 7, Tomidy 4-11 6-9 14, Encarnacion 1-3 2-2 4, Basile 3-13 4-4 12, Buchanan 6-12 4-5 17, Davis 1-3 1-2 4, Plearczyk 1-1 1-1 3, Weikert 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-56 21-28 70.
Halftime score: Marist 37, F.D.U. 29
3-point goals: F.D.U. - Pollard, Ankton, Marist - Basile (2), Hill, Buchanan, Davis.
Officials: John Koskinen (R), Kevin Quirk (U), Ron Smith. A-3,397.

Skaters

by **JIM DERIVAN**
Staff Writer

The hockey club peppered 40 shots on goal handily defeating the C.W. Post Pioneers, 8-2 last Saturday at the Mid-Hudson Civic Center.

Sophomore left wing Todd Corriveau led the team's offensive charge with four goals.

"Corriveau played truly excellent," Head Coach Kevin Walsh said. "He showed a lot of hustle and earned every goal."

With the victory, the Red Foxes raise its record to 9-8-1, 7-2-1 in the Metropolitan Conference. Current-

cruise past Pioneers, 8-2

ly, Marist is second in the league. Walsh said he believed the team's effort led them to victory.

"The key to our win was hustle," he said. "They skated with hard intensity."

Senior right wing John LLOYD scored the first goal for Marist 4:18 into the contest on an assist from senior right wing Jeff Frost.

Approximately a minute later, freshman forward Grayson Dewitt scored to give the Red Foxes a 2-0 lead.

C.W. Post came back with two big scoring chances, but were denied on both occasions.

Junior goalie Brad Kamp took a

goal away from the pioneers with a nice glove save. Senior defenseman Tom Regan calmly broke up a two-on-one breakaway to enable Marist to keep its big lead.

Kamp, who made 14 saves, credited his defense for its solid play throughout the game.

"In the first period they had two or three good chances," Kamp said. "But overall, the defense was fairly good."

Corriveau scored his first goal at 10:23 to put Marist ahead 3-0.

With three seconds remaining, senior John LLOYD scored on assists by Jeff Frost and Corriveau.

Corriveau scored an unassisted shorthanded goal in the second period off a steal in Post's defensive zone.

Corriveau scored his third goal with four seconds remaining in the second. His final goal came with 5:22 left in the third period.

C.W. Post got on the board with two meaningless goals during "garbage time" in the third period.

"Aside from us being a more talented team, I think our disciplined style of play was the key to the win," Kamp said. "Coach Walsh wanted us to dump and chase, and our forechecking and backchecking was good."

Cagers looking to take back control tonight

Despite an 8-5 record in their last 13 games, tonight's game against St. Francis (Pa.) is crucial for the men's basketball team.

Why?

The Red Foxes are coming off two consecutive losses to Monmouth and Fairleigh Dickinson where the squad blew seemingly comfortable late second half leads.

Marist (9-9 overall; 5-5 in the Northeast Conference) is doing better than its predicted seventh-place finish in the preseason NEC coaches poll.

However, Saturday's loss further illustrated that the entire team gets frazzled in pressure situations which could severely damage the team's second half and NEC Tournament chances.

Marist's failure to hold leads can be attributed to failed execution down the stretch by both the players and coaching staff.

When FDU stepped up its defensive pressure, especially its periodic full court presses, the Red Foxes lost all cohesiveness.

Marist had 14 turnovers, in-

cluding eight in the second half. The Red Foxes' dismal 39 percent from the field is not going to win a team many ball games.

Turnovers and poor shooting are often the result of a lack of on-court leadership.

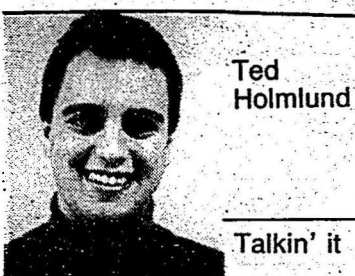
Freshman Randy Encarnacion is Marist's only true point guard. Although Encarnacion has shown flashes of brilliance, it is difficult to rely on him for veteran-like leadership.

Some may also criticize Head Coach Dave Magarity's play calling throughout the game.

Should he have switched defenses to confuse and slow down the quicker and more athletic FDU players? Did he use his timeouts effectively?

These are the types of questions every fan asks when second-guessing a coach. If his moves are successful, he is another John Wooden or Bob Knight. If he fails, fans and sports writers alike turn into the "experts."

However, there are times when coaches, like players and sport-



Ted Holmlund

Talkin' it

swriters, must be called to task for their wrong actions.

When Magarity ran after the officials (especially Kevin Quirk) at the end of the game, it was because Quirk called Chuck Davis for fouling Antwan Dasher with three seconds remaining in the game.

Was it a good call? No way.

Was it a travel? Very likely. Should Magarity have made his after-game run after the officials? No.

Does he regret his action? Probably.

Players and coaching staffs in any sport have to put up with erroneous officiating. They are human like everyone else.

but they do play competitive basketball at a small Division I level.

Super Bowl

My record in predicting Super Bowl winners is almost as bad as Buffalo's consecutive 0-4 record in the "Big game."

If the prediction slump continues, maybe other game forecasts are in store for this writer.

Basketball? No. Baseball? Nah. Hockey? Nope.

Oh, here's one more game—politics.

Maybe I'll try guessing how many times Bill Clinton, in his Arkansas drawl, says the word change in each of his speeches.

But I just remembered that only the politicians in Washington and possibly the oddsmakers in Vegas would be interested in that bit of trivia.

I am glad I did not bet that this newspaper would never be out of publication. Boy, I would have lost a lot of money.

Ted Holmlund is The Circle's Sports Editor