

Students meet the candidates for SGA elections

By LOUIS P. ORTIZ, III
Assistant Editor

Last Thursday, the Student Government Association (SGA) gave one final opportunity to potential officers for the class of 2008.

The Performing Arts Room (PAR) held "Meet the Candidates" to those students running for resident senator, commuter senator, class of 2008 president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, class of 2007 secretary and treasurer, and class of 2005 Vice President and Treasurer.

Student body president Linda

Crane compared this year's elections to prior elections and believes there is a distinct difference.

"I don't think the participation level in past elections has been up to par compared to what it could be, but I think this year there are so many people running that it definitely raised the bar," she said. "I feel that all of the candidates have the leadership abilities that are needed, and no matter what the outcome of the election, the fresh-

men class will be heading in the right direction."

During the event, students were given a chance to meet the officers discussing matters that concerned them while enjoying free food and drinks.

Current Student Government officials also appeared to get

a better idea as to why the officers were running for these positions and find out their real opinions on bringing all areas of the Marist campus together.

Crane spoke with many of the officers during the event and is confident in their abilities to successfully work with the Student Government Association.

"I believe, without a doubt, that the new freshmen class officers along with all of the other officers elected this time around will aid in making this year a successful year for the Student Government Association," she said.

Omar Diaz, class of 2008 presidential candidate, said he wants to apply himself to the Student

Government Association and do everything in his power to make the freshman class enjoy their first year on campus.

"No matter what comes out of these elections, I plan on still being a part of the Student Government Association," he said. "I am very much interested in helping out with Student Life and I just want to hear the concerns of students so that I can

help them the best way I can."

Stephanie Markey, class of 2008 secretarial candidate, feels that the effort she put into campaigning for this election got the word out that student involvement is essential toward a person's happiness and the condition of the campus.

"I think that campaigning went very well," she said. "My campaigning crew and I definitely got the word out as to whom I was and the slogan, "Make your Mark," I would follow. No matter what happens, I definitely think I am going to stay involved," Markey said. "It is

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Bush and Kerry to debate foreign policy issues

By ALISSA BREW
News Editor

The first presidential debate between President George W. Bush and Senator John F. Kerry will take place on Thursday at the University of Miami, according to an article written by David Von Drehle on washington-

post.com. Maxwell Schnurer, assistant professor of communications at Marist College said

that the debate will focus on foreign policy, an important topic to the American public.

"This debate is going to be critical," he said. "The swing voters' perception of fear of terrorism and security will make this debate really important."

Fifty-two percent of voters

approve of the way that Bush is handling the war in Iraq and 46 percent disapprove, according to a recent poll on Sept. 24 by the Marist College Institute for Public Opinion (MIPO).

Shawn Shieh, professor of political science at Marist College, said that Kerry needs to express his views on Bush's foreign policy as well as his own stance on the issue.

"He [Kerry] hasn't had a real consistent position," Shieh said. "The challenge for him is to try to commit to a position that sounds convincing."

Shieh also said that Kerry fails to narrow his ideas and put forth a clear statement on where he stands in regard to the situation in Iraq.

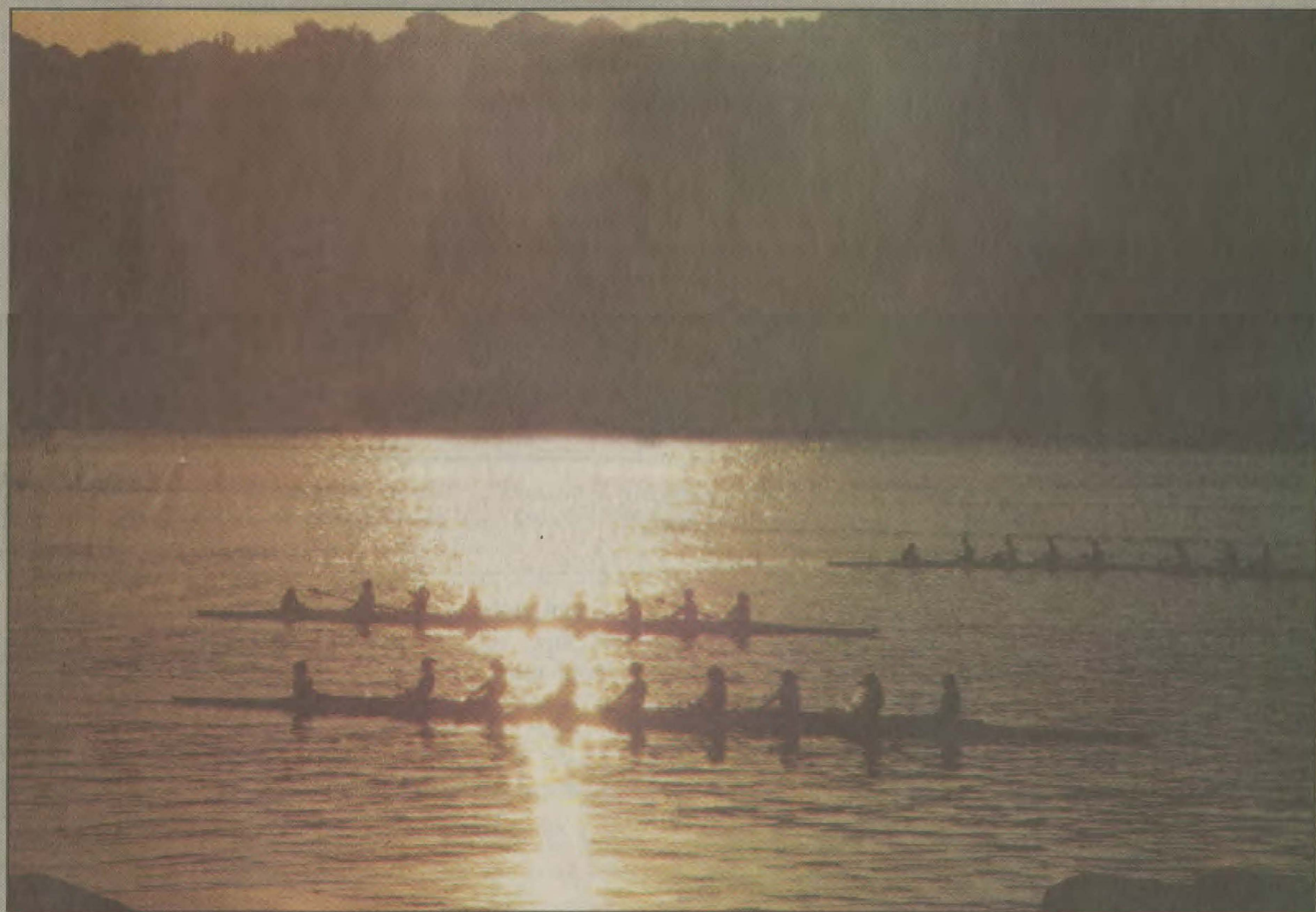
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— Shawn Shieh
Professor of political science

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Crew team cruises the Hudson sunset



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The Marist College crew team works diligently in the warm afternoon sun. The crew team tries to take advantage of the weather while it lasts and practices on the calm waters of the Hudson, which provides them with the ideal conditions to perfect their form.

Pipe burst floods Champagnat's sixth floor

By ALISSA BREW
News Editor

A sprinkler head on the sixth floor of Champagnat burst on Tuesday morning, flooding the girl's bathroom and seeping into several rooms on the sixth and fifth floors.

Tom Burns, associate director, engineering and mechanical services, said that it is difficult to say what caused the sprinkler to malfunction.

"It's unusual that they failed," he said. "It've might've accidentally been hit."

Freshman Chelsea Donnarumma said that she was standing in the bathroom waiting for a housekeeper to finish

cleaning the showers when the incident occurred.

"This blackish grayish liquid came spraying out of the stall," she said. "The cleaning lady got soaked; she was covered in it ... it smelled like raw sewerage."

The sixth floor resident assistant, junior Amanda Spazinto, saw the housekeeper run out of the bathroom covered in the fluid.

"The housekeeping woman was soaked," she said

water coming from underneath the door," she said. "It was really gross ... it smelled like raw sewerage."

The sixth floor resident assistant, junior Amanda Spazinto, saw the housekeeper run out of the bathroom covered in the fluid.

"The housekeeping woman was soaked," she said

Spazinto called maintenance while students filed out of the building.

'There was a flood of black water coming from underneath the door. It was gross ... it smelled like raw sewerage.'

— Michelle Torpeano
Freshman

"I had to leave but I really didn't want to," Spazinto said. "I just wanted to make sure that nothing was ruined."

Spazinto did not have enough time to grab anything from her room that she needed for class.

"I went to class in my slippers," she said.

Freshman Sarah Thomas was in one of the rooms that were damaged by the inky water. She watched as other girls on the floor ran to get towels to stop the flooding from ruining their rooms, but did not stop the water in time.

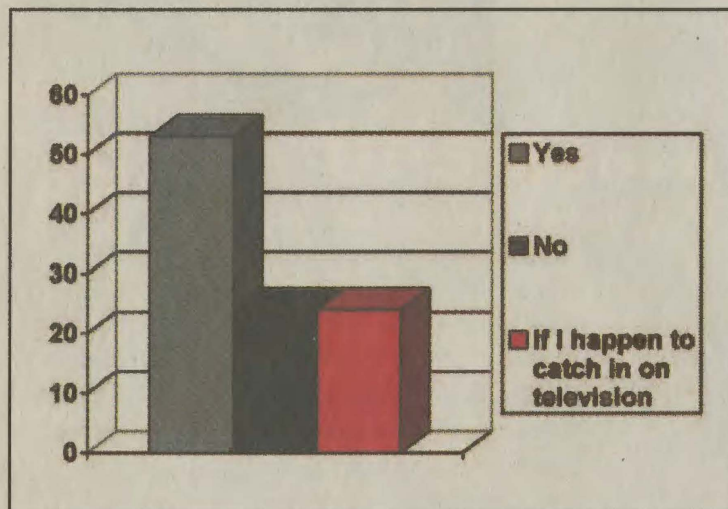
"The water was already in my room," she said. "It smelled really bad."

The residents of the sixth floor

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In their second home game of the season, Marist women's soccer team trumped Delaware State.

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Women who have survived cancer are now privy to another miracle: giving birth to a baby.

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Security Briefs: Look out, Leo's on the rise

Compiled by DAN ROY
Campus Editor

9/20 — After a week of not writing any briefs for the first time since sophomore year, I was welcomed back into the security office with hugs and cookies. Thanks guys! A female student reported her book bag was missing in Dyson at 12:30 p.m. A security officer searched the building to find the book bag in the first floor men's bathroom. Nothing was taken from the bag. Now either some sicko took the bag for inappropriate pleasure reasons, or she is suffering from the worst case of hemorrhoids I have ever seen! "One, you haven't seen anything, and two, what does that have to do with anything?" Oh, look who decides to show up. Where have you been? "I just got back from Tahiti. It's really nice down there this time of year." Wow, that's great. You have to tell me all about it ...

9/22 — A student was found saluting the flag near Donnelly at 1:13 a.m. Wednesday. Well, maybe not so much saluting, as barfing at the base of the pole. Hey, six in one hand, half a dozen in the other. The student was taken to St. Francis.

9/22 — Fairview was busy this week, mostly due to Leo's brash behavior. At 11:50 p.m. they got a call to evaluate a Leo resident. When they arrived the student turned combative and refused to go to St. Francis. Police were called to the scene to help restrain the drunken temper tantrum. He was soon taken to St. Francis. It's just a hospital dude, not a Celine Dion concert, calm down.

9/23 — A student living in Talmadge walked to his car at 2:00 p.m. Thursday to find some property missing. He then noticed some suspicious teenage kid nearby, and decided to chase him. Unfortunately, the younger, more in shape youngster got away. He may have been in

shape, but he was also stupid. The suspect left his bike on the scene. The Talmadge student set up a sting and waited for the boy to return for his bike. Later that day, the boy returned, and the prepared student got video of him with his phone. Not only did this get handed over to the cops, but Samsung picked it up for their next "This is my movie, made by me" commercial.

9/23 — At 11:30 p.m. Thursday, a student was spotted on the Donnelly steps looking not all that sober. When security questioned her, she admitted to drinking in her room in Champagnat. After she was all checked out, security sent her back to her room. Now there's a good idea. "Force" her to go back to the place she just got drunk at. "Sorry sweetie, we can't allow you to go out tonight. Just run back to your room." And run she did, right to the bottle of Jack.

9/24 — I think this might be the first fire alarm incident of the semester. At 1:00 a.m. Gartland F set off their alarm. When Fairview got there, they found it was burnt pancakes that started the smoke. Seriously, there's something that's hard to burn, pancakes. Next time, leave the midnight breakfast to the experts at Palace Diner. Better yet, just go to bed.

9/24 — Not to be outdone, Gartland D block had a fire alarm go off at 11:05 p.m. that day. And guess what it was. Oh yeah, pancakes! In a new Security Brief tally, pancakes have taken over the top spot in "Causes of Kitchen Fires." This spot was previously held by popcorn for a record 25 years.

9/24 — Some guy tried getting into Midrise at 1:26 a.m. with a female's Marist ID. He was turned away. Now would you really want to be let in using a girl's ID? What would that say about you? "Yeah! Sleeping over Midrise tonight!" "How'd you get in man?" "I used

Katie's ID." "Wow, I never noticed it, but you do look like a girl." He hangs his head, "I now know Lance Bass' pain ..."

9/25 — Security spotted an intoxicated student walking outside Leo at 11:19 p.m. Saturday. Well, she was falling over more than walking so Fairview took her to St. Francis. But look on the bright side, at least it happened early. You get in St. Francis at 11:30, they sober you up until 12:30, and you're at Renni's by one. We should all be so fortunate.

9/26 — Distraught over his female friend going to St. Francis, another intoxicated Leo student decided to hit the bottle hard. He was found passed out at 12:05 a.m. and taken to St. Francis. "Baby, I'm coming for you." His night was made even worse when his girlfriend was allowed to leave at 12:30.

Alcohol-related incidents this week:

1. Leo — 3
2. Champagnat — 1

Total alcohol-related incidents:

1. Leo — 6
2. Gartland — 5
3. Champagnat — 3
4. Old Townhouses — 1
5. Gregory — 1
6. Upper West Cedar — 1
7. Midrise — 1



Upcoming Campus Events

Saturday, Oct. 2, 2004
Band, Singers and
Women's Choir Concert
2 PM
McCann Center

Sunday, Oct. 3, 2004
Carl Rosen
12 PM
Campus Green

Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2004
Sex Signals
9 PM
Nelly Goletti Theater

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2004
Pocket Opera
8 PM
PAR

Friday, Oct. 8, 2004
The Lion King
Bus leaves 4 PM
from Midrise

Saturday, Oct. 9, 2004
Six Flags
Fright Fest
Bus leaves 8 AM
from Donnelly

Sunday, Oct. 10, 2004
Hairspray
Bus leaves 10 AM
from Midrise

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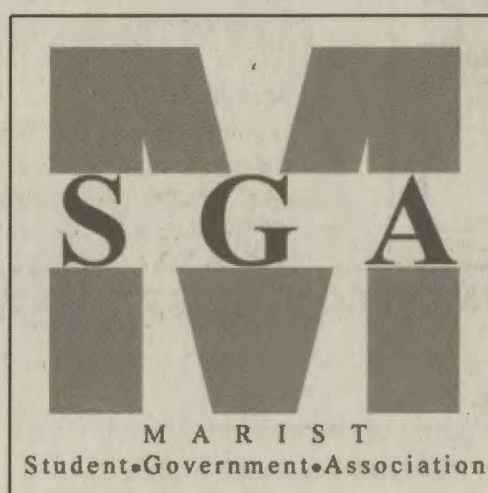
Oct. 3 — The junior class is sponsoring a showing of the movie "King Arthur" from 1:00-3:00pm on the green in Upper West Cedar.

Oct. 16 — The Student Government Association (SGA), Marist College Television (MCTV), and Marist College Radio (WMCR) will be co-sponsoring "Midnight Madness." The Athletics Program will be opening up their 2004-2005 basketball program with live men's and woman's basketball scrimmages, free food and entertainment. All are welcome and to find out more on this event, read "The Flash" next week.



Thank you to all who helped with the Sophomore Class BBQ this past Saturday, Sept. 25. It was a huge success! To the members of SGA and my cabinet — you were all so great and helpful! To those who took the time to attend, I also want to thank you. This event could not have been a success without your participation.

— Corrie-Beth Hughes
Class of 2007, President



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Last chance for candidates to make an impression

important that people get involved in their class because they are building a future not just at Marist, but also around the world. Lastly, there is really nothing I would change about the campus," she said. "It has such a wonderful atmosphere that the students reflect and while people talk about issues with unity, I feel the student body is unified. My goal is just to continue along that same success," Markey stated.

Alyssa Oxford, SGA elections commissioner, ran the process of elections and compared to last year, there was a difference. Oxford felt that organization was essential in organizing a series of

events dedicated to voting to the freshmen class of 2008.

"This election has been extremely challenging more so than previous years due to a higher level of participation," Oxford said. "In addition, it has been enjoyable to see an outpouring of performing civic duties. Despite the heated competition, students are making an effort to improve their student body and take the right steps toward improving their freshman class," she said.

Along with the positive interpretations, there were mixed opinions from candidates. Nicole Brooks Donolli, vice

presidential candidate, loved the time spent campaigning and meeting new people, but she thought other things could have been done in order to get more people interested in elections.

"I thought it was a good experience, but the Student Government

definitely needs to spread the word more," she said. "For next time, they should definitely get more involved in drawing more

people to bigger events like Speech Night and Meet the Candidates. No matter what happens though, I will try my

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SGA elections commissioner

very best to stay involved with the Student Government Association; it is who I am," Donolli said.

Brett Giarrusso, resident senator candidate, was outspoken about his feelings toward this election, and said he intends to do a lot

more when Student Government begins their work with new officers.

"Looking back on it, I'm really pleased with how things went. I got my signs up early and on most of the bulletin boards around campus," he said. Also, I was able to spend considerable time going through dorms talking to students about issues facing this campus."

"I think that's a really important question that was also brought up at Speech Night. The key is to remain involved—so that is exactly what I intend to do. If I do win the election, I will obviously fight my hardest to be

an advocate for the student body and work with the administration to handle any issues regarding the welfare of the Marist students. If I don't win, I still intend to find a position that enables me to work toward the same goal in a different way. The Student Government association will get better with every additional dedicated person it adds to its ranks—so I plan to remain involved irregardless to help strengthen our community and promote the cause of the students," Giarrusso.

Debate over foreign policies could decide the election

"I've been waiting for Kerry to say something that kind of condenses his position on the Iraq war," he said.

Kerry's attacks on Bush's stance on the Iraq war have increased, which suggests that he will aggressively grill the president on his position, according to the article published on Washingtonpost.com.

Schnurer said that it is critical that Kerry is decisive and careful in the way he attacks Bush.

"There's no way he can avoid being a flip-flopper," Schnurer said. "Any strident position Kerry takes will be further evidence that he's flip-flopping."

Schnurer said that Kerry would make a mistake if "he uses a

number of reversals on Bush's policy." Instead, he said Kerry should focus on establishing his own historical record and prove that he did not waiver when it came time to make decisions.

"I would encourage Kerry to use historical statements to justify long-standing positions against Bush," he said.

In a Reuters wire article on nytimes.com, both Kerry and Bush have substantial records

when it comes to debates. Yet each candidate possesses their own style; Bush's being more unconventional than Kerry's. Kerry was a former prosecutor who held a series of eight debates with Massachusetts

then-governor William Weld in 1996. These debates are replayed on television and some said that these arguments resemble the Douglas and Lincoln debates of

1858. Bradley Freeman, assistant professor of media arts at Marist College, said that the event on

Thursday will not resemble a debate but a well-orchestrated speech given on television.

"When a candidate goes into a debate, they want to be as choreographed and prepared as possible," he said.

In the Reuters article, Bush surprised Texas then-governor Ann Richards in 1994 as well as Al Gore in the 2000

presidential elections with his unique style. Bush sticks to the same rhetoric in a debate as his

campaign. This allows him to send a direct message that doesn't conflict with any of his previous statements.

Shieh said that Bush's style of delivery is more laid back than other candidates.

"I think of Bush as this folksy kind of guy," he said.

Schnurer said that knowing Kerry's style, Bush

may prepare some one-liners. He excels in this kind of forum because his style is to jibe the

other opponent.

"Bush is going to win this debate," Schnurer said. "One way he'll win this debate is with snappy comebacks."

Freeman said that both candidates might look for that one sound bite that will put them ahead of their opponent.

"Their goal is to try to have one of those moments where they can get that perfect sound bite that doesn't make them look stupid," he said.

Freeman also warned that off-the-cuff comments could backfire and harm the candidate's reputation.

"When you swing for a home run you run the risk of striking out," he said.

Sixth-floor flooding leaves freshmen out in the cold and the rain

were not the only ones to use towels to soak up the mess.

Patti Petacchi, assistant director of housing and residential life, said that even staff members used unconventional methods to stop the flooding.

"We actually used the carpets from the student lounge and rolls of toilet paper from the housekeeping closet to stop the water from seeping," she said.

Nguyet Vuong, was at class during the incident. Housekeeping took their rug to

dry clean but Vuong still has to clean her down comforter and plastic crates that were under her bed. Thomas was reassured by housekeeping staff that their rug will be cleaned and air-dried. If Thomas and Vuong are unsatisfied with housekeeping's job, then Marist College will replace the old rug with a brand new one at no cost.

Thomas was pleased that housekeeping will take care of their rug and relieved that the water did not ruin her computer.

"I was so worried about my electronics," Thomas said.

Students were ushered into the waiting area near the Student Government office while College Activities, set up a movie to occupy the students. According to Thomas they never got a chance to finish setting up.

"They started to set up a movie on for us and then the fire alarm went off," she said.

Torpeano said since the fire alarm sounded in the student center students had to stand out-

side in the rain while the fire department arrived.

"We were in the student center and then outside for 45 minutes."

Spazinto said that maintenance had responded quickly and by the time she got back from class in her soaked slippers the bathrooms as well as the rooms were cleaned.

"It was 12:30 and everything was fine," she said. "They [maintenance] were really good about it ... I was really surprised."

Petacchi said that she was pleased with the response.

"The response was pretty much immediate," she said. "There were very few rooms that the water had gotten into."

She also said that this incident was not connected in any way to a pipe burst that occurred last year.

"That was the heating system and this was the sprinkler system.

Last year, a radiator pipe had burst open, leaking hot water in a dorm room on the fourth floor last year, causing significant damage.

Petacchi said that she was pleased with the way the students responded to the situation.

"We would like to thank the students for their cooperation," she said. "Everyone made the best of the situation."



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What does Waas think?

Put down the cell phone and make a friend

Being the ridiculously outgoing person that I am, I did not really have a problem making friends my first week of college.



AMANDA WAAS

If I was walking to a class or walking back to the dorm and saw a stranger walking next to me, I'd introduce myself. The standard, "Hi, I'm _____ and I'm from _____" worked very well. And if I wanted to get extra fancy, I would throw in a wild card question like "what's your major?"

Everyone seemed to be a lot more open to meeting people the first week. After that first

week, forget about it. People established their own little cliques of friends and were completely closed off to meeting new people. And that's when the cell phones came out. Now, when I walk to class, even if I wanted to start up a conversation with someone walking next to me, I wouldn't be able to, for fear of interrupting the conversation they're having with someone on the phone.

Who are they talking to? Is the topic of the conversation pertinent and important or are they just filling time? The answer to that question is probably the latter. Society has made us so insecure that we need to be talking to someone.

If someone is not with us, we have to be on our cell phones because, oh man, could not possibly be seen walking alone, not talking to anyone. Wow, that would be horrible if we actually were seen out in public, alone, and not on the phone.

Are we losers if we're alone and we don't have a cell phone attached to our ears? I'm not sure about that, but honestly, every time I am walking somewhere on campus, I'm surrounded by people on their cell phones. And now, I feel like in order to be a cool kid, I need to talk on my cell phone too.

Last week, my father came up to visit me, and I sat on a bench by the Donnelly parking lot,

waiting for him to arrive. Seeing the comings and goings of my fellow students, the majority of them on their phones, made me feel completely unhip because I was sitting on the bench, alone, with no phone glued to my ear.

So I whipped out my cell phone and began to go through my directory. Realizing that I had no one I wanted to talk to in there, I resorted to playing black jack and totally draining my phone's battery. By the way, my current black jack addiction can be directly traced back to the SPC-sponsored Casino Night. Thanks a lot, guys, now I need to go to GA. And for you geography buffs, that's Gambler's



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Anonymous, not Georgia. Anyway, my point is, we all need to realize that being on the phone constantly is just hindering our friend-making potential. And if you see me walking, come up to me say hello. Make a new friend.

Five-step guide to becoming a good Republican

By IGOR VOLSKY
Circle Contributor

Democracy in America impedes democratic developments in Iraq. That's the latest line of attack coming from the Bush campaign, which believes that if you criticize President George W. Bush's lack of planning for post-war Iraq and try to outline a strategy to clean up his mess and institute peace, you are aiding and abetting the enemy.

But, to be a good Republican

you must do the following:

First, define John Kerry as "the most liberal senator in the nation" while disregarding the fact that the survey used to make that claim was conducted during the time John Kerry was campaigning and thus missing many Senate votes.

Second, define John Kerry as a "flip-flopper" on major issues like Iraq by selectively cherry-

picking certain quotes while ignoring John Kerry's nuanced position. That being: Kerry voted

Define John Kerry as a "flip-flopper" on major issues like Iraq.

for the authority of force to be used against Hussein and would have supported military action if and only if there was a strong multinational effort to disarm Hussein, and all other options (i.e. inspections) had been exhausted.

Third, question John Kerry's service in Vietnam by setting up a front group to allege completely unsubstantiated charges against a decorated war hero whose record is supported by all official naval documents. Quickly fire your campaign lawyer once it is discovered that he has been providing legal advice for the group. Then encourage former senator Bob Dole to speculate that "some of the charges have to be true" and ignore any inconsistency

between what the accusatory veterans said several years ago and what they say today. Specifically disregard the praise some of them lavished on Kerry in 1996. Finally, attempt to distance yourself from the accusers by condemning all 527 groups but refusing, on multiple occasions, to specifically condemn the accusatory group. This is very convenient since it allows you to patronizingly proclaim your "respect" for John Kerry's Vietnam service while at the same time indirectly questioning it.

Fourth, attack Kerry for voting against 12 weapons systems, 12 different times, but ignore **Question Kerry's service in Vietnam by setting up a front group to allege completely unsubstantiated charges against a war hero.**

the fact that all of these weapons were stuffed into two very large defense appropriations bills in the early 1990s. Then, either pretend that your vice presidential running mate was never secretary of defense or acknowledge that he was secretary of defense, but pretend that he was not the same secretary who specifically asked Congress to slash funding for the very same weapons systems that John Kerry then voted against (in two votes, not 12).

Then, once your opponent points out that you never had a plan to win the peace (essentially agreeing with the pre-war assessment made by Jack Straw, United Kingdom foreign secretary) ask Iraq's interim prime minister, Ayad Allawi, to denounce your opponent's valid criticism on the grounds that it

"embolden[s] an enemy." Then, have Vice President Dick Cheney proclaim that Kerry is "destructive" to the effort in Iraq, ask Senator Orrin G. Hatch to announce that the terrorists "are going to throw everything they can be wear now and the election to try and elect Kerry" and strongly encourage deputy secretary of state Richard L. Armitage to insist that terrorists "are trying to influence the election against President Bush."

Lastly, have House of Representatives Speaker J. Dennis Hastert claim that he

believes al Qaeda would thrive under your opponent's administration. And if Hastert is pressed to show

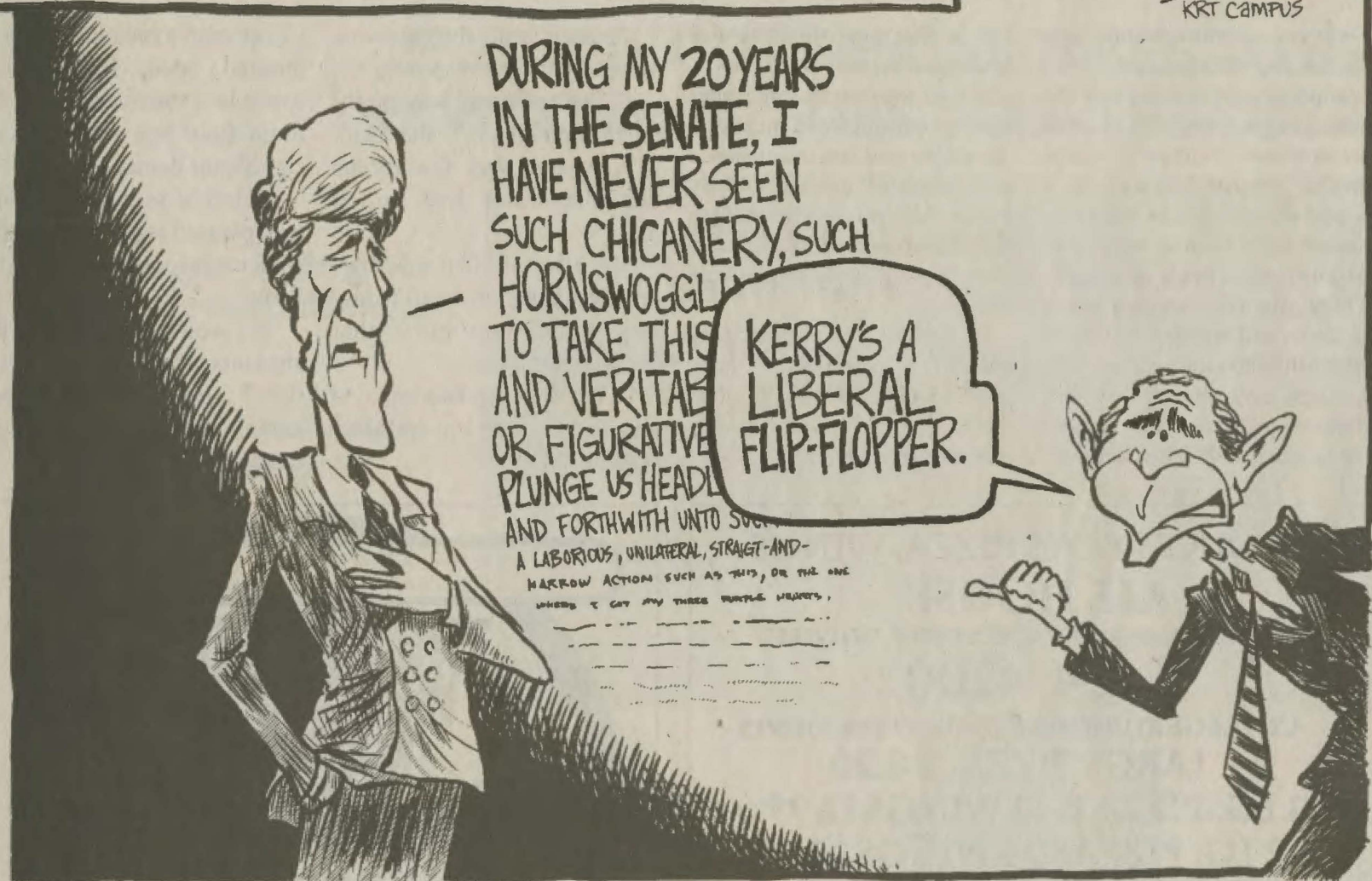
evidence of al Qaeda's support for Kerry, just have him grudgingly admit that he doesn't "have data or intelligence to tell me one thing or another," but, regardless, ask him to give one of his reassuring smirks, a silent pronouncement that he is convinced of the matter and anyone who sees it any other way, who dares to disagree with the stated argument, is un-American, unpatriotic and against our troops.

Then, parade the president in front of the cameras and have him proclaim that he is fighting the war on terror "to protect our democracy" against terrorists who "hate our freedom and what we stand for."

Finally, hope that the American people don't find this ironic (and break into that annoying Alanis Morissette song).

The Candidates REFINE their MESSAGES

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Fashion major sets record straight, defends class assignment

By KARA BRUNK
Circle Contributor

Being a fashion major comes with many titles, to name a few; fashion forward, crazy, creative, and the most obvious, animal killer. A recent walk down the halls of Donnelly, and a brief article in The Circle brought to my attention support of my sarcasm. I freely admit that I, Kara

Brunk, am the "cruel," "animal hating" fashion merchandising major that made this "controversial" poster.

It is true; the poster supports the use of animal furs as components and accessories to a person's wardrobe. However, if the rude, protesting "poster hangers" had taken the time to read the ENTIRE poster they would have seen my name freely printed on

it, thus claiming responsibility for my choices. If they have such a problem with my pick of a class project, then perhaps they should have asked for my views of the topic.

No, I do not advocate the mass killing of animals for any reason

except for perhaps a rabies outbreak, but otherwise, I wear faux fur. This project was done merely for my Principles of Apparel Design class, teaching us to clean up magazine clippings, and arrange them in productive and intriguing way, to

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catch one's eye - apparently it worked. Perhaps what these so called "activists" should be more concerned about is actually having a basis to your argument, and possibly going about stating your views in an appropriate manner, instead of vandalizing others' work.

Two sides of any story are always the ideal for a proper debate or argument; unfortunately,

I was not given the chance to defend myself. So please, before any other radical activists decide that to get a point across they need to, essentially deface another student's hard work, think twice. Get all sides of the story, and understand that your views are important, but not to as many people as you might think. So, try keeping them to yourselves.

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Selective censorship in U.S. irks sitcom fans

By ALEXANDRIA BRIM
Circle Contributor

Last February, Janet Jackson caused a media storm with her "wardrobe malfunction" at the Superbowl halftime show. Due to this incident, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) began a closer inspection of television shows, and cries of "censorship!" filled the air.

At the time, I did think it was a little unfair, but it didn't affect me all that much. By then, I had long given up finding anything good on the major networks, and even some of the cable ones.

In my quest to find something good on television, I had stumbled across Nickelodeon's sister

channel, The N. On it, I found a Canadian show known as "Degrassi."

The show dealt with topics the way no American television series ever has. I know that "7th Heaven" probably covered some of the serious issues of the Canadian show such as rape or drug use, but "Degrassi" never ended with a sugar coated resolution. In fact, sometimes you don't even know the resolution by the end of the episode. In this respect, the show deals with life more realistically than other programs — after all, life doesn't always have an answer within a convenient 25 to 55 minute time slot, right?

I thought I had hit the jackpot!

What more could I ask for than a show about teenagers doing teenage things while dealing with the pressures of being an adolescent? I immersed myself into the struggles of the 20 or so teenagers the show followed.

Now, like any other faithful sitcom follower, I found myself surfing the web for "Degrassi" sites. Much to my chagrin, I began to notice some glaring discrepancies between the episode summaries on the website (naturally, based on the Canadian broadcast) and my own personal knowledge of the show. The episodes I saw on

The N were being edited for "touchy" content. In fact, there were entire subjects in the original episodes that were completely taken out of the American broadcast. Specifically, the topic of abortion, addressed in a two-

The show deals with life more realistically than other programs do ... So why not allow the reality of abortion to be addressed?

part episode filled with strong emotions and good points, was completely eliminated for the American version. Instead, The N only presented the story as one about the female character getting her first boyfriend. This was sweet and all, but I definitely would have preferred to see the unedited version that tackled the

issue of casual dating from a much more realistic point of view.

Obviously, The N believes that Canadian teens are more mature than American teens when it comes to abortion. But there has to be a reason why this is the one topic that never got aired, right? The network showed the storyline about Paige's rape, Ashley's drug use, Sean's drinking, Emma being trapped by an online predator and Marco's coming out, but Manny's abortion? No, we can't show that!

Some people may argue that abortion is a particularly sensitive issue in the United States, and that's true. However, gay marriage and homosexuality in general has also been a sensitive

issue lately, and yet The N allowed the episode where Marco and Dylan shared their first kiss without hitting the edit button.

Others may say that some people would be offended by Manny choosing to end her pregnancy, but I'm a pro-lifer and I certainly would have liked to see the episode anyway, and I imagine that I'm not alone. Why not allow the reality of abortion to be addressed? Why are we so concerned with censorship in certain areas but not in others?

I'm not present in board meetings for the network and I don't know their thought processes on this topic. I can only hope that they come to their senses and, for the upcoming season starting this Friday, lay off the edit button.

One soldier's view of the supposed volatility in the Middle East

By CHRISTINE CATARINO
Circle Contributor

Sometimes media-saturated programming offers a one-sided perspective on the civilization—or lack thereof—that constitutes the Middle East, the area with which America is presently most concerned.

However, Kenneth Hochsprung, U.S. Navy rescue

swimmer, offers his observations of the volatile area, and provides evidence that the Middle East is not completely detached from modern society. His latest country of deployment offers no threat to the withstanding of the civilized world. This world, seen through Hochsprung's eyes, seems to embody the precise essence of a truly civilized existence.

The United Arab Emirates, or the U.A.E., is comprised of seven different federations. These include Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm al-Qaiwain, Ras al-Khaimah and Fujairah.

Hochsprung described the United Arab Emirates, his combat unit's most recent place of deployment, as a beautiful peninsula that protrudes into the Persian Gulf.

"If you can imagine four city blocks of skyscrapers in the middle of the desert then that's what the main city here, Dubai, looks like," Hochsprung said.

The United Arab Emirates may be the crown jewel of the Middle East. Their economy flourishes because of their claim to the most precious natural resource of the region - oil.

The area is also rich in diversity, according to Hochsprung.

Europeans, Indians, Asians, and Muslims are among the slew of nationalities that inhabit the United Arab Emirate region. Moreover, Hochsprung described the legion's interactions as nothing less than affable and relaxed - the different sects interact with ease.

Hochsprung, who is familiar with Afghanistan and Iraq terrain, insists the U.A.E is beautifully and distinctly different

from most of the disturbed, battered, and warring Middle East.

"It's a nice place - basically the only place I know of in the Middle East where I would actually vacation," Hochsprung said. "It was nice to be in a place where so many different people get along, and for the most part spend their day shopping, instead of shooting each other."

The early bird gets the job

Get a head start on employment search

By JANET GILFEATHER
Circle Contributor

Most seniors, myself included, are overwhelmed with the thought of having to look for a job. Many students don't even know how and when to begin the job search process. So what makes me so qualified to give advice on this subject, when I'm just a senior myself?

Well, I'm working at the Center for Career Services this semester, so I am well aware of all of the career resources available to students and I want to inform you about them. I sat down with Chet Koulik, the associate director for the Center for Career Services, to find out how seniors should begin searching for jobs.

According to Koulik, the job search process usually takes from 8 to 10 months, so seniors should start as soon as possible.

"If you start now, there is a greater chance that you will have a job when you graduate," Koulik said.

However, this doesn't mean that seniors should already be sending out resumes and going on interviews. There is a lot of preparation that needs to be done first.

Students should start by fine-tuning their resumes. Companies receive so many different resumes from graduating seniors looking for jobs that it is important to make sure that yours is well written and formatted, so that it stands out. Employers decide which candidates are called in for interviews based on their resumes. So, you must have a

perfect resume just to be considered for a position.

Research is another important step in the job search process. You can research employers you're interested in by looking at the company's Web site. You should be knowledgeable about any organization for which you are thinking of working. It will make the interview process go smoothly and impress employers if you can carry an informed conversation with

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— Chet Koulik
Associate Director,
Career Services

them about their organization. Knowing information about an organization shows the employer that you took the time to research the company because you are genuinely interested in working there.

You also want to research the corporate culture of organizations. One company may offer a high salary for an entry-level position, but it may have high turnover or low employee morale. It is important to learn about the corporate culture of companies because you want to be happy at your job. Researching the company can help you find a work atmosphere that matches your personality and work ethic.

Networking is another way to learn more about your industry and job opportunities.

Many people find jobs through a personal contact. You have an advantage over all the other applicants for a position when someone within an organization recommends you. So, you should talk to family members, friends or acquaintances who have connections in the industry you want to work in. Let them know that you are looking for a job, and maybe they will know of some opportunities. The Center for Career Services has an online Alumni Career Network, where you can search for and contact Marist graduates in your industry area for networking purposes.

Another great way to prepare for a job is to do an internship, and it is not too late for seniors to sign up for a spring internship. An internship looks great on your resume and provides you with contacts in the industry and field experience.

If you want more information about jobs and internships, check out the new Web site for the Center for Career Services at www.marist.edu/careerservices/. Seniors can also pick up a free Career Guide at the Center for Career Services, which is located on the third floor of the library. This guide contains information on resumes and cover letters, as well as job search strategies and interviewing techniques.

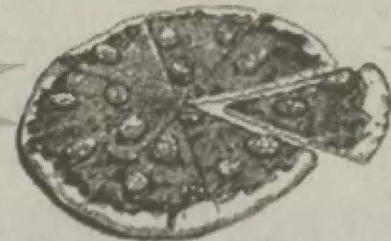
So go take the first step in the job search process. Whether you work on your resume, meet with Career Services, or research potential employers, you will feel better knowing you have started your job search!

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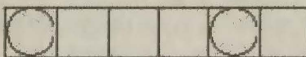
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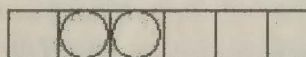
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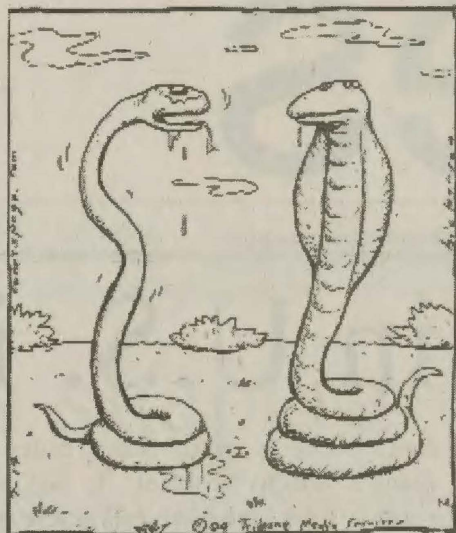
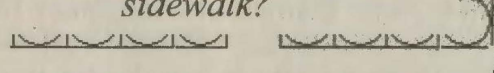


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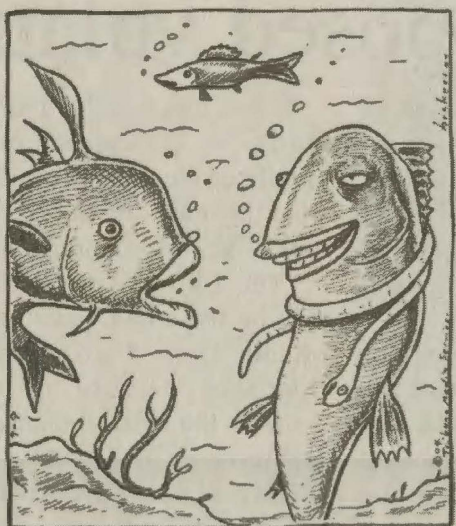
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"Say it, don't spray it - OK, Phil? 'Cause now I'm blind!"



"Wow! Look what the cat's in drag in!"

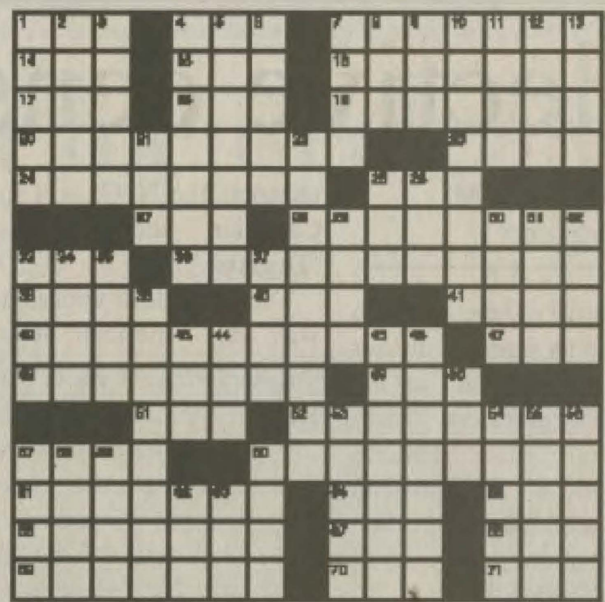


"Dude! That scarf is off the hook!"

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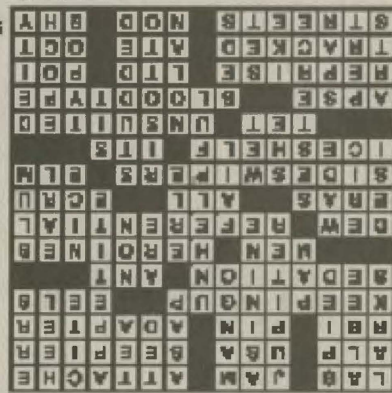
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 - 19 Converting device
 - 20 Staying current
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 - 27 Guys
 - 28 Female protagonist
 - 33 Down town layer
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 - 41 Beige shade
 - 42 One who strikes in passing
 - 47 Blighted tree
 - 48 Antipode
 - 49 Part of TGIF
 - 51 Hanoi holiday
 - 52 Poorly matched
 - 57 Church area
 - 60 Hamlet's grouping
 - 61 Musical repeat
 - 64 Inv. in Britain
 - 65 Lulu fans
 - 66 Monitored the course of
 - 67 Had dinner
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 - 70 Ooze
 - 71 Timid

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 - 2 'A Delicate Balance' playwright
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 - 6 Tropical fruit
 - 7 Hurry-up letters
 - 8 Mack or Koppel
 - 9 Chamomile drink
 - 10 Hunger
 - 11 Quote as an example
 - 12 Part of a shoe
 - 13 Grafts up
 - 21 Ms. Deaver
 - 22 Disabling
 - 25 Is for several?
 - 26 Negative prefix
 - 29 First name in mystery
 - 30 French city
 - 31 Noble title
 - 32 Urban blight
 - 33 Lucy's love
 - 34 The Red
 - 36 Slugger Boggs
 - 37 Flunk
 - 38 One-quarter centime
 - 43 Ther... blowed
 - 44 Drenched
 - 46 Italian rice dish
 - 48 Nodular
 - 50 Chain a up



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Solutions



- 53 Pitcher Ryan
- 54 Manuscript errors
- 55 Long period
- 56 Supermarket being
- 57 Dance, film, etc.
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- 62 ETC commander
- 63 Ready to go

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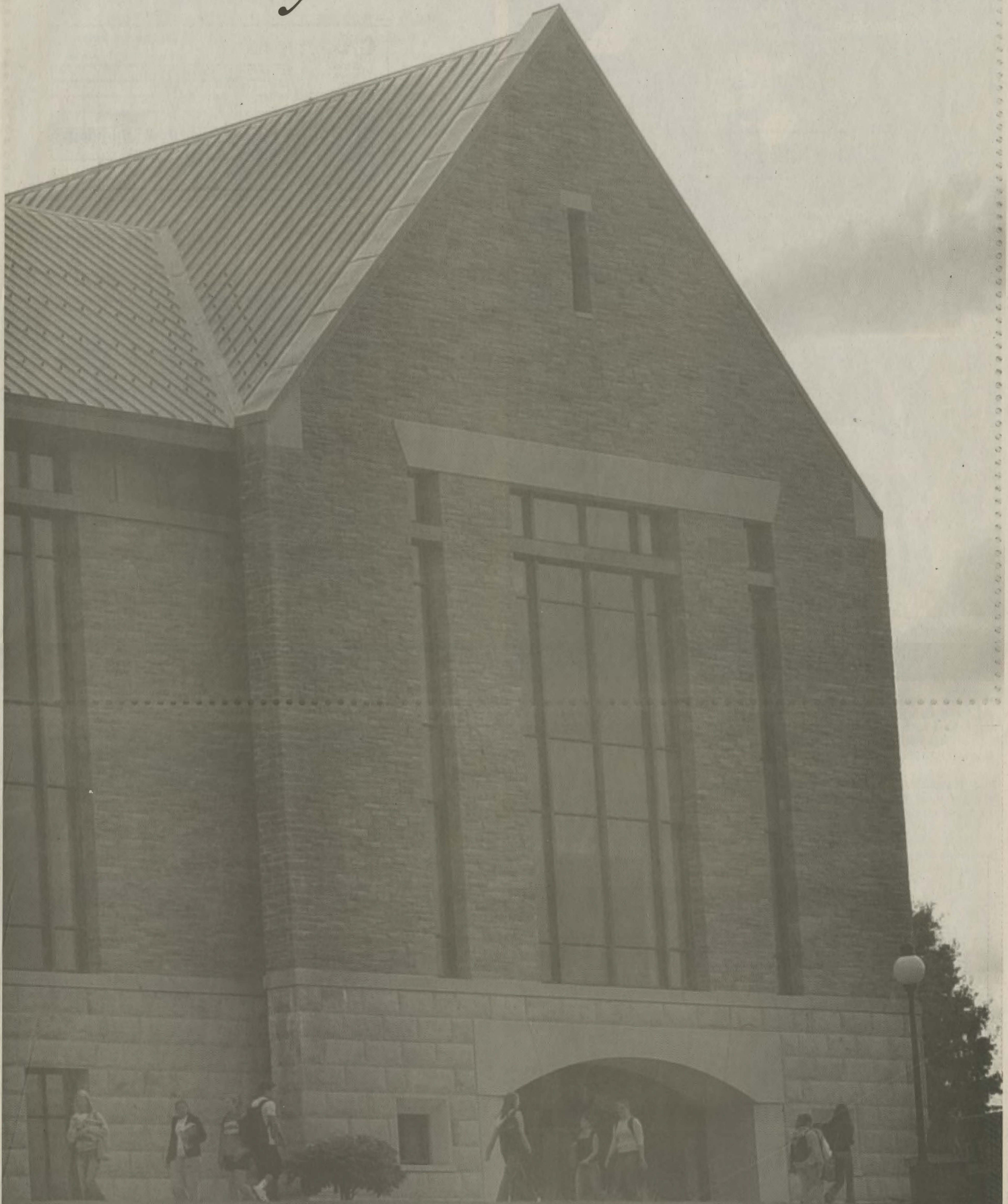
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Channel 29 MCTV



Family Weekend 2004



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1964 ... The Tribute, Beatles coverband performs Friday



Jeff Durham, ventriloquist, performs Saturday



"Number One Beatles Tribute Show on Earth!"

— Rolling Stone

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Welcome to Family Weekend

Dear Marist Families,

The Office of First Year Programs, on behalf of the Student Affairs Division, cordially welcomes you to Marist Family Weekend 2003. We invite you and your family to join our family of students, staff and faculty in being part of this special weekend.

The Student Affairs staff has worked diligently over the last several months organizing and planning a weekend in which families can enjoy the hospitality Marist has to offer while spending time with their son or daughter.

President Murray will be here to greet you and offer the opening remarks at the President's Breakfast. In addition we hope you and your family enjoy the music, dancing, river cruise and barbeque as part of the leisure activities as well as the informational workshops offered.

And we didn't forget about the kids! Contests and games for the entire family will also take place throughout the weekend and we encourage everyone to participate.

Again, we welcome you and your families to our family here at Marist College as we work to ensure your weekend is both relaxing and memorable.

Sincerely,

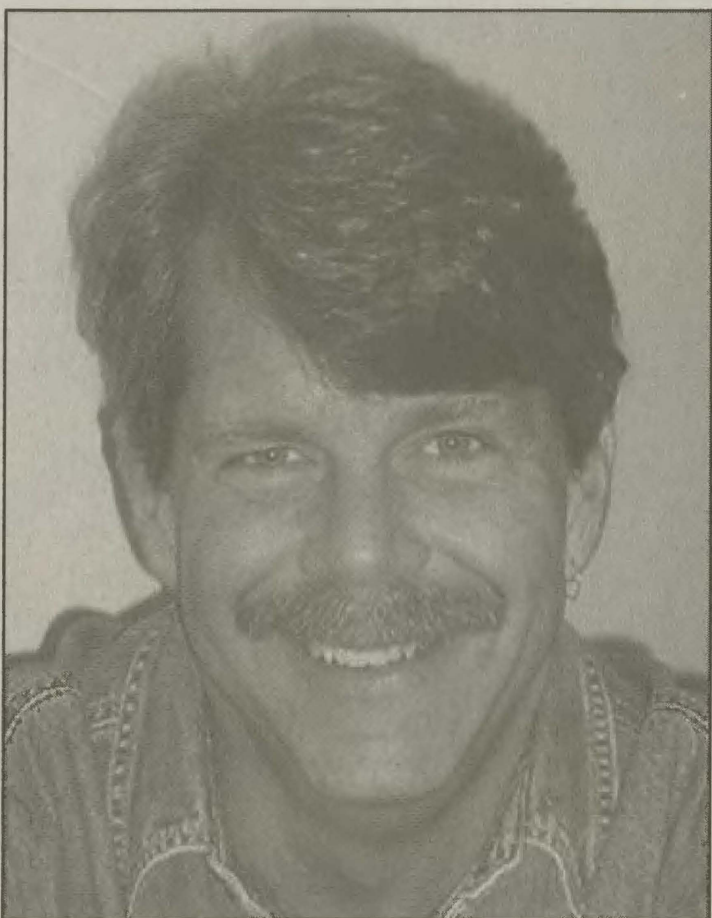
Marie A. Austin
First Year Programs Director

Saturday Highlight Strowe returns to set familiar Hudson sail

Paul Strowe has been called a "one man band." He knows over 600 songs and is an accomplished singer and guitarist. In his more than 20 years of performing experience, Paul has played colleges, concerts, parties, weddings, bars, restaurants, festivals and more. He has opened for nationally-known recording artists and played solo, in bands, and in duos and trios. He is recognized as much for his sense of humor and adaptability as for his considerable musical talents.

Strowe has played at Marist many times during the past 20 years and said he loves returning because of the great atmosphere and audience. He also commented that this year has to be better than last year.

"Last year it was 40 degrees and raining the whole time, and we still managed to have a good time," Strowe said.



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Friday evening

4 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Registration
Student Center Rotunda

Pick up pre-paid event tickets and information about happenings on and off campus.

7 p.m.
Women's Soccer
Marist v. Loyola
Leonidoff Field

9:00 p.m.
1964 ...The Tribute
McCann Center

Friday Highlight

Following big win, women will face two tough competitors within same weekend

Despite a dismal start to the season, the women's soccer team will host a pair of games against Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference foes Loyola College and Rider University this weekend.

With an 11-0 walloping of the Delaware St. Hornets, the Red Foxes climbed to sixth place in the standings with a 2-7 overall record.

As a team, Marist ranks first in the MAAC division with 17 assists and has maintained a second-place rank in shots (129) and points (55). The Red Foxes' offense has averaged 1.89 assists per game and 2.11 goals per game, ranking second and third in the MAAC, respectively.

Marist's standout midfielder Kristina Anderson has notched four goals and nine points in nine games of play, which ranks fourth and fifth in the MAAC, respectively. Most impressively, Anderson earned MAAC Rookie of the Week honors with her two-goal performance against



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Delaware St.

Defensively, sophomore goalkeeper Danielle Cibelli leads the team with 44 saves, which is second in the division. Cibelli and freshman goalkeeper Liz Herber each earned one shutout on the season.

The Red Foxes end their 16-day home stand against the Army Black Knights on Oct. 5. The Red Foxes will begin their next road trip against the Canisius Golden Griffins on Oct. 8, and will end it on Oct. 10 against the Niagara Purple Eagles.

Friday Highlight

Beatles cover play tribute to the old times

1964...The Tribute is the #1 Beatles show in the world celebrating 40 years of great music. The band has traveled four continents performing at major concert venues, festivals, and colleges. They have been featured on Entertainment Tonight, PM Magazine, CNN, the USA Network, and the Nashville Network. On January 10th, 2003, "1964" performed to a sold-out crowd at Carnegie Hall ... a dream come true for both themselves and their fans who came to New York from all over the country for the show. We are thrilled to have 1964...The



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1964 is...Mark Benson (John), Gary Grimes (Paul), James Pou (George), and Greg George (Ringo).

Tribute perform at Marist College. Be a part of our '60s fare will be served. "1964" is not affiliated with or endorsed by Apple Corps. Ltd. trivia half-time show, Hula Hoop, and yo-yo contests. Lite

Saturday morning

9 a.m. — 4 p.m.
Registration
Student Center Rotunda.

Pick up pre-paid event tickets and information about happenings on and off campus.

9:30 a.m. — 11 a.m.
President's Breakfast
McCann Center

Families are invited to join President Dennis Murray and professional staff for breakfast.

10 a.m.
Hudson River Cruise
Waryas Park
City of Poughkeepsie

Take in the magnificent fall foliage as you cruise the historic Hudson. The boat leaves from the City of Poughkeepsie dock at Waryas Park. Bus shuttle service available from Midrise lot 30 minutes prior to cruise time. Refreshments available on a cash basis. Live music with Paul Strowe. Repeats at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Saturday

9:00 a.m.
Women's Lacrosse Invitational
 North Field

9:30 am — 11 a.m.
President's Breakfast
 McCann Center

Families are invited to join the President, faculty and professional staff for breakfast. Welcoming remarks by President Dennis J. Murray.

10:00 a.m.
Hudson River

Workshops
11:30 a.m.

Pollsters on the Pulse of the Presidency
 Student Center/Third Floor

One month before the election ... Wondering how your candidate is doing in the polls? Hear from the expert pollsters, Drs. Lee M. Miringoff and Barbara L. Carvalho of the Marist Institute for Public Opinion (MIPO). Founded in 1978, MIPO is a survey research center at Marist College. MIPO is used as a source by print and broadcast media organizations throughout the country.

11:30 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.
Marist Abroad Program

Nelly Goletti Theatre, Student Center

An informational meeting about opportunities to study overseas. Recently returned Marist students will talk about their experiences with program staff available to answer questions.

12:15 p.m.

**"The Landscape that Defined
 America: The History & Culture of the Hudson River Valley"**
Lecture by Dr. Thomas Wermuth
 Student Center/Third Floor

This lecture will outline the rich history and culture of the Hudson River Valley region, designated by the U.S. Congress as a "National Heritage Area." After briefly outlining the region's history, attention will be given to important historical and cultural sites within short distance from Marist.

Saturday Highlight

Dunham livens the stage with comedy that speaks for itself ... literally

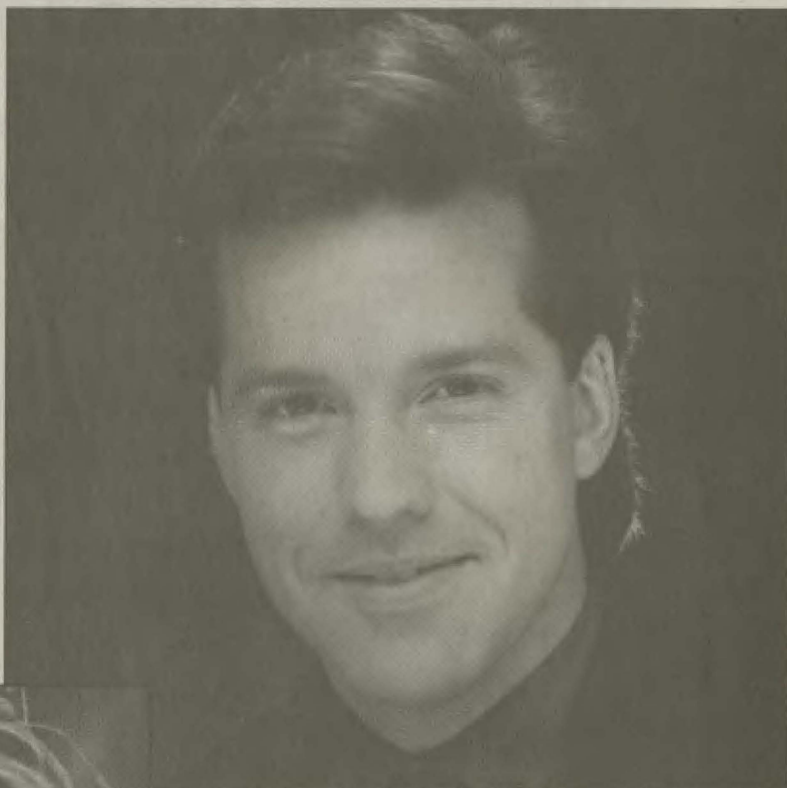
America is falling in love with Jeff Dunham and his cast of characters—Peanut, Walter and JoseJalapeno ... on a stick.

Dunham is the creator and straight man to some of the funniest halfpints in show business.

Jeff is a favorite guest on the Tonight Show.

In 1998, Dunham won "Standup Comic of the Year." In 2001, he was awarded the Outstanding Service Award for his contributions to the art of ventriloquism.

We are pleased and excited to have Jeff Dunham perform at Family Weekend.



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Right: Jeff Dunham and the gang, from left right, JoseJalapeno, Peanuts and Walter.

Saturday Highlight

Core players return to help women's lacrosse meet ultimate MAAC goal

The Marist's women's lacrosse squad enters its 2004-2005 season with the nucleus of last year's team intact.

Katie Tutak, who led the team with 2.33 goals per game, was lost to graduation, but the Red Foxes have senior Christine Connell (2.17 gpg) to fill the gap, as well as 2004 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Lacrosse League 2004 All-Tournament sophomore Joanna Maehr, who had a great defensive showing in last year's semifinal loss to the eventual MAAC champion, the Manhattan

Jaspers. They also have senior Lauren Sherman, who tied for seventh in the MAAC with 0.83 assists per game.

At goal is senior keeper Heather Ripp, who was third in the MAAC last season with a goals against average of 8.71 and second with a save percentage of .546.

The team will also benefit from a second full year of coaching under Noelle Cebron, as well as her assistant coaches Megan Murphy and Alyson Shand. Cebron truly had an illustrious collegiate career at Temple

University. She ranks second on their all-time assists list with 88 and led the Owls to two straight Atlantic-10 championships and NCAA Tournament berths. As a senior in 2002, she set a school single-season record with 37 assists and was named a Division I All-American.

Cebron's goal will be to help Marist navigate through the MAAC tournament and into "The Big Dance". Last year, they were within two games of their ultimate goal, and in 2003, they couldn't get past LeMoyne in the MAAC final.

Saturday Highlight

Music department to showcase broad talent range

Once again the music department will grace the McCann Center this Family Weekend.

On Saturday, Oct. 2, 250 students from the Marist Singers, Marist Band, Chamber Singers, Women's Chorale, Sirens, and Time Check, will entertain students and their families with their musical abilities.

Every year the department puts together a mix of songs for the hour-long concert, in hopes to entertain everyone in the audience.

Art Himmelberger, music department chair and band director, said the program would showcase a wide variety of music.

"[It is] a potpourri of musical selections from various periods of music history," he said.

In addition to the Parents Weekend concert, the music department will be hosting a winter performance in



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December and its spring concert is set to be held at the local Bardavon Theater.

Time Check and The Sirens, the college's men's and women's a cappella groups, also have their own campus performances. The band plays at every home football and basketball game.

Most department groups perform at off campus locations around the community, and the Chamber Singers will be playing at Carnegie Hall in November.

The concert is open to the community, as well as students families, and requires no fee or ticket reservation.

Noon

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Campus dining available on a cash basis

12 p.m. — 4 p.m.

Family Fun

Campus Green

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1 pm

Hudson River Cruise

2 pm

Concert

McCann Center

The musical talent of the Marist Singers, Chamber Singers, Marist Band and various instrumental groups is sure to delight you as they sing and play favorites during this hour program.

3 p.m. — 5:30 p.m.

Tasty Temptations / Penny Social

Campus Green

Sample food and drink from the Hudson River Valley while using your free tickets to bid on baskets created by the Marist community. Live entertainment.

4 p.m.

Hudson River Cruise

6 p.m.

Dinner On Your Own

Campus dining available on a cash basis.

9 p.m.

Jeff Dunham

McCann Center

Sunday morning

11 a.m.
Mass

Father Richard LaMorte, Chaplain
McCann Center

12:30 p.m.
BBQ

Campus Green

Featuring Singer/Songwriter Carl Rosen.
End your weekend at the farewell BBQ while listening to the sounds of Billy Joel and Elton John performed by Carl Rosen. BBQ sponsored by Marist College Alumni Association.

1 p.m.
Women's Soccer
Marist v. Rider
Leonidoff Field

Sunday Highlight

Rosen returns to play gig at farewell barbeque

Born in Seaford, (Long Island) New York just 10 miles from where Billy Joel spent much of his youth, Carl Rosen has been performing 'Turnstiles: The Best of Billy Joel' since 1994.

Vocally, Carl is a "ringer" for the voice of Billy Joel. Playing piano since age 3, Carl's piano ability is very close to that of Billy Joel's. Well... Carl puts it this way, "Billy's a great piano player. I don't think of myself as good as he is, even if I did think it, I'd never say it." As for being told his voice sounds like Joel's? "Fortunate coincidence," says Carl.

Rosen has played Marist four out of the past five years and said he he has gotten to know some of the Marist community members very well.



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"Bob Lynch [director, college activities] is one of my favorite guys to work with," said Rosen. "Coming here has become a tradition and the people are lovely."

Before arriving in Poughkeepsie, on his journey from Charlotte, NC, Rosen will be playing at York College. In the past he has played venues all over Long Island, in addition to the many other places he has been known to appear.

Rosen's CD will be on sale during the BBQ.

Scenes from past Family Weekends

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Horse and buggy rides were a popular attraction during the 1997 Family Weekend. Here, the carriage passes in front of the old Marian Hall, with the former Fontaine Hall in the background.



Rondell Sheridan entertained audiences during the 1997 parents weekend.



Garth Brooks Impersonator Dean Simmons gave an energetic performance during Family Weekend 2002.



At right, Time Check entertained the audience with their vocal stylings.



(Below): Ventriloquist Dan Horn kept the crowd in stitches during the 2000 Family Weekend festivities. After entertaining the crowd with his puppets, he transformed a willing student volunteer, Monica, into a human 'dummy.'

Find out where these Family Weekend activities are taking place!



Map: Alan Dwyer

THE CIRCLE Health

“ More than 3,300 injuries and illnesses have been documented by users, doctors, and the Food and Drug Administration. ”

— New England Journal of Medicine

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Shedding a few extra pounds could be fatal

By LAURA HICKEY
Circle Contributor

A 19-year-old college student begins to take an over-the-counter drug containing ephedrine that he bought as an energy and weight loss pill from the gas station where he works. After taking four pills over a 24-hour period, he dies while pumping gas. According to the autopsy, ephedrine toxicity caused a massive fatal heart attack.

Like this college student, most people at some point want to gain some energy and shed those few extra pounds, whether for a formal, to look better in a bathing suit, or just for a self-confidence boost. While there's no danger in wanting to lose a little weight, the problem lies in how you do it.

Often, people are lazy and look for the easiest way to achieve

their goals. So people often turn to diet pills like Metabolife 356, Extreme Ripped Force, Xendarine RFA-1 and Ripped Fuel. The active ingredient in most of these pills is ephedra, also known as ephedrine; which acts in a similar way as adrenaline. It dilates the bronchial muscles, contracts the nasal mucosa, raises the blood pressure and stimulates the heart. Parts of the evergreen tree from which ephedrine is derived have been used in Chinese medicine for thousands of years to treat symptoms of colds and asthma. But today, it is sold in dozens of name-brand weight loss pills to provide energy, increase metabolism and burn fat. Ephedra products have gained popularity with athletes and people wanting to get a better workout at the gym. The NCAA banned the use of

ephedrine supplements in 1997, and the International Olympic Committee has not allowed ephedrine for over 10 years. Sophomore Will Whittington, a basketball player for Marist, said the drug's initial benefits ultimately back-

fire. “The risks and consequences of using ephedra is not worth it,” he said.

Many consumers are not educated about the effects or potency of products containing ephedrine. These products are advertised as being able to improve athletic performance and enhance weight loss. Companies market their products as vitamins or nutritional supplements that are completely “nat-

ral.” What the advertisements neglect to say are that hundreds of people who have taken these products and experienced the herb's adverse effects like intracranial bleeding, strokes, sudden heart failure and

Companies advertise ephedrine containing products as athletic enhancers and weight loss supplements

even death. More than 3,300 injuries and illnesses have been documented by users, doctors, and the Food and Drug Administration, and more than 80 ephedrine-related deaths have been reported, according to the New England Journal of Medicine. The majority of these injuries involved the heart and high blood pressure. Heatstroke and death are also a common result of ephedrine use, especial-

ly combined with exercise. In August of 2001, Northwestern University football player Rashidi Wheeler brought nationwide awareness to the dangers of ephedra-containing supplements when he collapsed and died during a routine practice. Wheeler drank the ephedra-based sports mix Ultimate Punch and used Xenadrine with teammates prior to practice.

Ephedrine affects the appetite control center of the brain, suppressing the desire to eat. Often, bottle labels warn from taking more than one dose, but even the slightest dose of ephedrine stimulates the heart, causing blood vessels to constrict and increasing blood pressure and heart rate. It is also lipid-soluble, so it crosses the blood-brain barrier stimulating your central nervous

system. This leads to improved mood and awareness, with decreased fatigue. Junior Kellie Cunningham said that she was surprised at how long the drug has legally been on the market, due to its effects.

“I don't understand how we could have overlooked the drug ephedra for so many years when it is as harmful as it is,” she said.

The FDA attempted to reduce risk by limiting the amount of ephedrine alkaloids in products and requiring labeling and marketing measures that sufficiently caution and inform consumers. Companies have attempted to take advantage of the restrictions and produce “legal” amphetamine by mixing caffeine. Due to the misuse of ephedra products through national regulations, 21 states have passed their own stricter regulations.

Ovarian transplant makes childbirth possible for cancer survivors

By KRISTEN ALLDREDGE
Health Editor

In Brussels, Belgium the first child was born to a cancer survivor after having an ovarian transplant. Denise Grady of the New York Times reported on Friday, Sept. 24 that this is first time a successful birth resulted from ovarian tissue that was removed, frozen and then re-

implanted.

This operation of transplanting ovarian tissue was developed to give women whose ovaries would be damaged or destroyed by cancer treatment or other major surgery. Ourada Touriat was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma in 1997 and had her tissue removed, hoping to preserve her fertility.

Chemotherapy treatment for

cancer contains drugs that damage ovaries and cause premature menopause and infertility. Men undergoing chemo therapy have the option to preserve their reproductive cells by freezing them, but the process is more complicated and costly for women. The journal Lancet explains that one possibility is the cryopreservation of embryos conceived by in-vitro fertiliza-

tion (IVF), but it is still regarded as experimental and has a lower success rate than embryo storage. On the other hand, harvesting and cryopreservation of ovarian tissue permits a woman to conceive naturally with her own eggs, and to delay pregnancy until she is healthy. Additionally, an ovarian graft makes natural sex steroids available in circumstances where hormone replace-

ment therapy would be required.

The Times Herald Record reported on Friday, Sep. 24 that the removal of the tissue was performed by Dr. Jaques Donnez of Catholic University. Five years later, after Touriat was in remission and had undergone premature menopause, the ovarian tissue was grafted back into her Fallopian tubes. She became pregnant the natural way and

gave birth to a healthy eight pound three ounce girl.

The birth of Touriat's daughter eases worry for cancer patients hoping to have children. The New York Times said that Dr. Donnez wants the ovary-freezing technique to be offered to all women with cancer who must undergo treatments that cause infertility.



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Gamut of influences shape a young yet focused career *Singer/songwriter Syd discusses roots as performer and staunch work ethic*

By KRISTIN GRIMSGAARD
Circle Contributor

After his well-received performance at Marist College's SPC Coffeehouse last Thursday, Sept. 22, singer and songwriter Syd took time to answer some of my questions regarding his development and success as a young performer.

KG: Now that you've successfully completed your first show at Marist College, how are you feeling?

Syd: Sweaty. Nervous, we recorded it and don't know how well it turned out.

KG: Where did you last perform?

Syd: Lesley College in Boston.

KG: While performing you told the audience that you just graduated from college in May; where did you go to school? And what was your major?

Syd: I went to Emerson College and majored in new media Web site design.

KG: How did you originally get into the music scene?

Syd: My mom was an actress, my dad was a musician, my ex-stepfather was a jazz artist, my current stepfather plays the guitar, so music was deep rooted in me from the beginning. I started playing the drums at age 12. Tuck [the band's bass guitarist] was 15 and lived next door. He

played the guitar and got me into it. So I've been playing the drums now for 10 years and the guitar for about seven years.

KG: Who are your musical influences?

Syd: Nirvana, Pearl Jam, Jimmy Eat World, the first Dashboard Confessional CD, The Get Up Kids, The Smashing Pumpkins, Ani DiFranco, Tori Amos.

KG: Who are you listening to now?

Syd: Jimmy Eat World, especially their newest album, [Futures], Dave Matthews (even though I can't stand the guy), The Killers, The Stills, The Strokes' most recent album.

KG: Do these artists affect your personal songwriting style?

Syd: My newer stuff is way more rock. Rock is back!

KG: There's a lot of new, up-and-coming music out there receiving a lot of attention from the media. From a musician's point of view, who do you think is really talented right now?

Syd: The Killers, The Stills, Modest Mouse, Jimmy Eat World, Gift of Gab, The Streets, Lyrics Born, John Mayer.

KG: Based on contemporary pop culture, in what direction do you think music is going today?

Syd: Rock is back!

KG: At the age of 22, you've already released your second album, Fault Lines. How has the

experience been of becoming a big name in the musical circuit at such a young age?

Syd: I grew up going to clubs; my dad was the producing director at Roseland Ballroom and there I got to see stars from a more personal side, so I kind of knew what this business was all about before I ever got here. I have always loved it. It's just great to be able to do what you love.

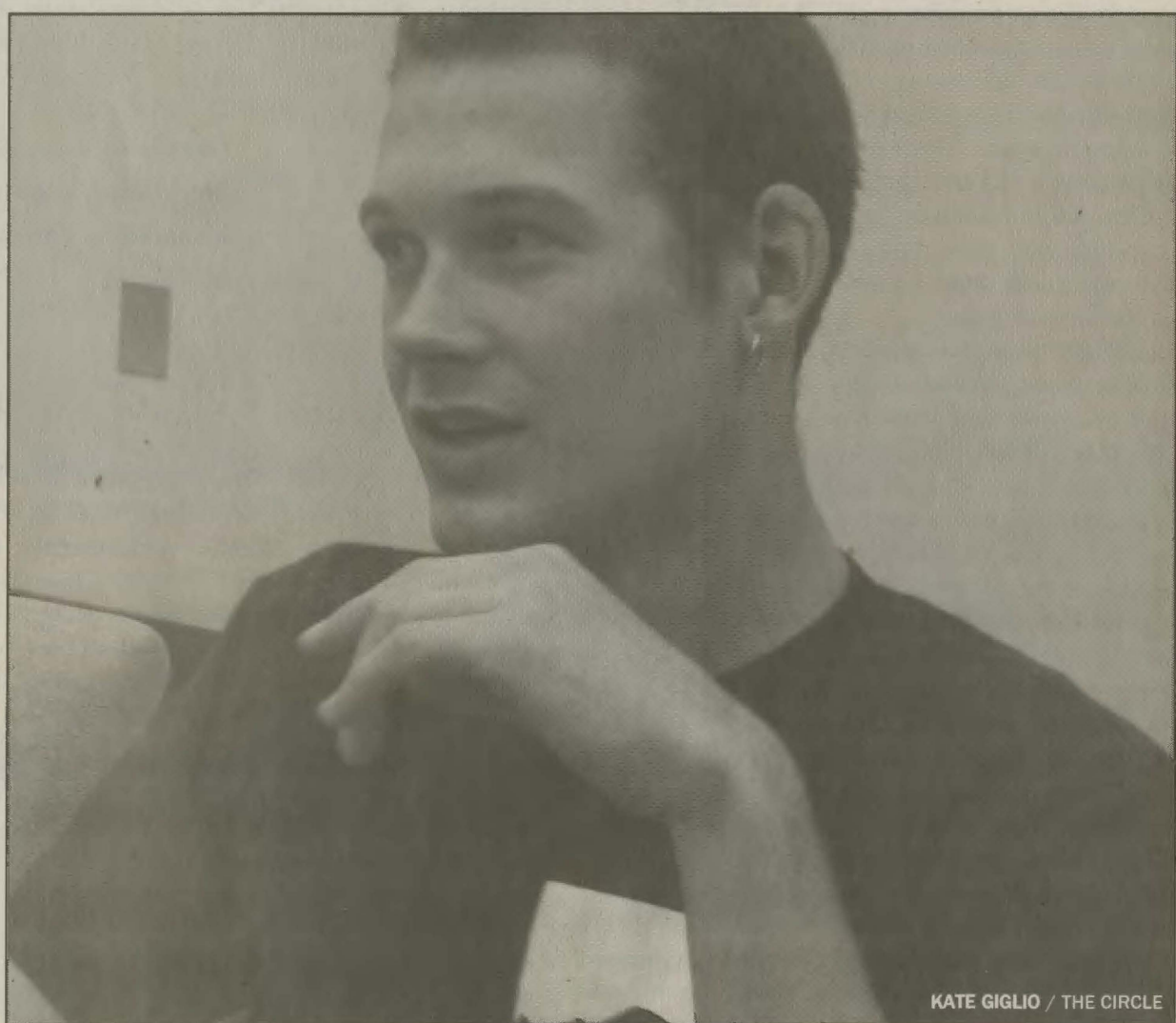
KG: You're not much older than a lot of the audience members here tonight. Aside from music, how do you spend your free time?

Syd: Doing nothing but working on this. I am a workaholic. I also design our website sydband.com and just work on our music. In my free, free time, I run, snowboard, I love to read, but don't have time too much for that anymore.

KG: How and when did you meet your band members?

Syd: I knew Tuck ever since we were kids, we were next door neighbors and went to high school together. Dillon and I went to Emerson together, and Sam went to NYU and met Dillon on an NYU program in Italy.

KG: Do you consider your life to be significantly different from that of the average college student?



KATE GIGLIO / THE CIRCLE

Singer/songwriter Syd, talks about his success as a musician at the age of 22. Syd performed as part of the SPC Coffeehouse on Sept. 22 to a room full of enthusiastic students. His advice for aspiring young musicians: "Practice, practice, practice!"

Syd: During the fall semester of my junior year I left for a month to start touring. I started as a freshman however, but started touring my junior year. So music has always been a huge part of my life.

KG: What advice do you have for aspiring young musicians?

Syd: It's a business, that it is absolutely a business. Talent has to be there, and you have to know you're going to have to work for things. Know what you want, understand what you want and what it's going to take to get it. Oh, and practice, practice, practice!

Rock group Train hopes to be a locomotive for political reform *SPC-sponsored fall concert features popular band with MTV's Rock the Vote in tow*

By JESSICA BAGAR
A&E Editor

Since the release of their internationally-acclaimed single "Meet Virginia" in 1999, Train has become increasingly popular throughout the musical community.

In coordination with SPC, Train will be appearing at Marist this Thursday night, Sept. 30. MTV will be on hand as well, to advocate their Rock the Vote program.

Founded in 1990, MTV's Rock the Vote campaign encourages the youth of America to create positive social and political change in their lives and communities. As a strong supporter of Rock the Vote, Train hopes to encourage more young people to register to vote in time for the upcoming presidential election.

In 1994, singer Pat Monahan joined with Rob Hotchkiss (who left the band in 2003), Charlie Colin and Jimmy Stafford to form Train, a San Francisco rock band that succeeded virtually overnight. Scott Underwood later joined as drummer.

Although their first attempt to launch a record deal with Columbia Records was unsuccessful, the band was picked up in 1998 by Aware/Columbia after they independently released a self-titled debut album. Just months after this release, "Meet Virginia" found its way to No. 1 on Billboard's Heatseekers chart. A year later, in Nov. 1999, the album was RIAA-certified gold and went platinum in March 2000.

Train's second album Drops of Jupiter was released on March 27, 2001, with its title track, "Drops of Jupiter (Tell Me)" immediately appearing on several Billboard charts and becoming RIAA-



SPC / THE CIRCLE

On Thursday, Sept. 30, Train will be performing at Marist College in coordination with SPC and MTV's Rock the Vote. Train formed in 1994 and has become increasingly popular over the past ten years with such hits as "Meet Virginia" and "Drops of Jupiter (Tell Me)."

certified platinum by June. "Drops of Jupiter (Tell Me)" spent 53 weeks on the Hot 100 and won a Best Rock Song Grammy, stabilizing Train's position as one of the most well-received rock bands in recent music history.

The band continues to evolve, as evidenced in their third album My Private Nation in June 2003. Even the band members have seen sufficient growth as musicians and as people in general. On

their Web site, Underwood says that since the band's inception, they have all developed both professionally and personally.

"Spiritually and culturally we've all grown tremendously," he said. "We're very close, we know each other so well, but right now it's nice to know how to completely live in this world as professional musicians."

In deciding on Train for this fall's concert, SPC board president Kristen

Hugger said that they sought a popular band whose tour schedule would allow them to appear at Marist.

"We work with an agency for the concerts we put on each semester and they give us a heads-up, and we heard about Train and thought they would be a great selection," she said. "They've had numerous hits and we had heard about their live shows before and they're

known for putting on an excellent live show."

Train will also be performing at Eastern Connecticut State University and Edinboro University, among others.

Train's support of Rock the Vote has stirred up great excitement on campus. After Marist's Battle of the Bands Sept. 25, students have been more and more interested in MTV's Rock the Vote and are impressed with Train's cooperation with MTV in trying to get the message out to America's youth to become active in instituting change in their communities and taking action on the issues troubling society today.

Marist sophomores Will Moeller and Pat Collins agree that Train's tour with MTV is a great way to educate college students on the importance of taking action in their communities.

"Even though I'm not too familiar with Train, I do believe that Rock the Vote is a great way to get my age group aware of the issues revolving around our society," Moeller said.

Collins agreed, saying that he appreciated the cause. "Although I'll be missing the show, I'm glad that bands such as Train are here to support the youth of America with Rock the Vote," he said. "I think it's great that finally people our age will be out there voting for whatever we believe in."

Train's appearance at Marist will be more than just an enjoyable concert. By bringing MTV's Rock the Vote to the Marist campus, Train encourages students to assert themselves in their communities and become involved in issues concerning them. Train's concert this Thursday night promises to be a good one; get your ticket at College Activities and "Rock the Vote" with Train and their fellow Marist students.

Politically-conscious musicians put platform to stage

Rock the Vote campaign gains momentum as bands perform on campus green

By SCOTT HARRISON
Circle Contributor

On Saturday, Sept. 25, SGA sponsored a Battle of the Bands on the campus green in coordination with MTV's Rock the Vote program. The event attracted students from all over campus on the beautiful, sunny day. The participating bands competed for a prize of \$50 to Alto Music, but there was much more at stake than just money at this Battle of the Bands.

Rock the Vote is a non-profit organization committed to increasing voter turnout among young people by incorporating entertainment into the voting process. Students who attended the Battle of the Bands were encouraged to register to vote and obtained information on how to get their absentee ballots. MTV provided stickers and posters for the event which proved to be enjoyable for all those gathered.

The general consensus of those attending the event is that it is crucial for the youth of America to vote in the next election. There are a lot of issues right now that directly affect our age group, and many students mentioned that as a reason to vote. Sophomore Rob Celletti, who opened the show with his guitar-drummer duo, Middleway, explained, "The election in November is going to be so important. I'm about to go into the real world and I should exercise my right to vote. What good is the right to vote if you don't use it?"

All of the bands that performed at the event brought their own style to the stage. While no two acts were alike, it seemed as if all of the performers realized the difference they were making and the impact they had on their audience. Nine Pints Later, one of the bands who performed at the battle, opened their short set with a cover of Rage

Against the Machine's "Take the Power Back." The lyrics are deeply rooted in politics, stressing the connection between music and politics and the way in which music can affect college aged students and provide a way in which to express their political views. After the band's powerful performance, Mike Lowe, lead singer of Nine Pints Later, said, "It's good to stress the power of voting, and I feel that by not voting, you throw your rights away. Music is just a really easy way for people to say what they have to say."

Sophomore Tom Clancy and his group Funk 101, who combine a powerful rhythm section with funk



JESSICA BAGAR / THE CIRCLE

Battle of the Bands winner Funk 101 took home a prize of \$50 to Alto Music last Saturday. There was a large turnout on the Champagnat green as Funk 101 and other bands competed for their fellow students, supporting MTV's Rock the Vote program. Students were able to register to vote at the event and gather information regarding voting procedures.



JESSICA BAGAR / THE CIRCLE

Sophomores Rob Celletti and Paul Stavish opened the Battle of the Bands with their guitar-drum duo Middleway, which they formed over the summer. Middleway played their first ever show at Rock the Vote.



MEGHAN PEAK / THE CIRCLE

Nine Pints Later covered Rage Against the Machine's "Take the Power Back," a song whose lyrics are deeply political. Especially on college campuses, music has always served as a means in which people can freely and creatively express their political views.

and jazz, won the Battle of the Bands and took home the prize of \$50 to Alto Music.

Students at the event agreed that it does not matter who you vote for in November; it just matters that you vote. SGA was successful in getting people to register to vote, as they had hoped to do. During the event, students flooded the information table with questions about registering to vote and about voting in general. Junior Jay Gotta said that the combined attraction of both entertaining music and the impending issue of November's election is

what drew students to the event.

"Students come to listen to music and are able to become politically minded," he said, thereby accomplishing the goal of the Rock the Vote program. Their hope is that by November, enough of the people in the youngest age bracket of voters will be politically-minded enough to get out there and actually vote.

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Women's Cross country claws to respectable finish despite missing top runner

By GABE PERNA
Staff Writer

Last week they were big fishes in a small pond; however, this past Saturday was a different story for Coach Phil Kelly and the Marist women's cross country team.

They went from dominating a small, weak field at the Bronx Invitational one week, to placing 22nd in a field of 40 teams in the Paul Short Cross Country Run at Lehigh University the next. However as bad as that sounds, the results from the Paul Short Run were mostly positive and

brought hope for the future.

"I hoped to beat a few teams and we didn't have our top runner [Diane Matthews], so it went well," said Coach Kelly, "In fact some kids ran better as opposed to last week considering the course was longer and much tougher."

Once again Kelly found his freshmen reliable as the two top runners for the Red Foxes were freshmen. Finishing first for the Red Foxes was Sarah Domermuth, who finished 100th overall with a time of 22:59. Caitlin Garrity continued her string of Marist second place finishes with a time

of 23:24, which placed her 124th overall.

"This was by far the best race of the year for Sarah," said Kelly. "Caitlin has been really solid finishing second on the team in everything."

Finishing one second after Garrity was sophomore Alli Kline, who is beginning to re-

establish herself after getting off to a slow start this year. Freshman Heidi Richards and junior Denise Tumulty rounded out the top five for Marist, with times of 24:07 and 24:38 respectively.

Kelly also mentioned one team member's comeback in this meet.

"The biggest light of hope during the match was Rachel Watson [sophomore], he said. "She had been sick and disappeared in the beginning, but yesterday she finished with the sixth fastest time [24:21], and I think she's back."

With all the positives that came out of the Paul Short

Run, Kelly and the Red Foxes are looking ahead to the Metropolitan Championship, Saturday, in Van Cortland Park.

"We will be facing some good teams in Stony Brook, Rutgers, and Columbia," said Kelly. "I will be looking for a fourth place finish."

Seniors lead Men's Cross country

By ALEX PANAGIOTOPOULOS
Staff Writer

It was another case of the usual suspects for the Marist cross country team.

The Red Foxes finished ninth out of 15 teams at the Iona College Meet of Champions, Sept. 25 at Van Cortland Park in the Bronx.

Once again, Steve Hicks, Geoff Decker, Justin Harris, Mark Fernandez, and Brandon Cartica finished in order. The only thing that changed was the result.

At their first meet of the season, the Stony Brook Invite on Sept. 3, that sequence was good for first place.

The team faced much tougher competition this time around, including the first place Iona Gaels, who blew away the rest of the field with 35 total points. Iona, the nationally-ranked

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference cross country champions, finished 24 points ahead of second-place Cornell and 192 points ahead of Marist.

During the five mile race, seniors Steve Hicks and Geoff Decker placed 42nd and 44th with times of 26:18 and 26:21, respectively. Junior Justin Harris and sophomore Mark Fernandez came in at 48th and 63rd, with times of 26:29 and 26:45. Freshman walk-on Brandon Cartica anchored the Red Foxes' finish with a time of 27:15.

Marist's 21 other runners placed between 102nd and 185th.

The cross country team heads back to the Bronx on Oct. 1 for the Metropolitan Championships. The Red Foxes finished second in last year's Metropolitan Championships to Iona, in a fifteen team field.

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Baseball season being waved home by Oliverio

were ready to trade away their top talent and wait until next year.

Both teams have fought back to heighten the excitement as the end of the season nears.

Barry Bonds, love him or hate him, is plowing his way through Major League Baseball's all-time homerun list with no end in site.

Bonds joined the 700-homerun club recently, and is approaching the Babe Ruth / Hank Aaron stratosphere that always seemed so unreachable.

The Texas Rangers, minus Alex Rodriguez, jumped from last-place to division title contender with a pitching staff held together with no more than duct tape.

The Minnesota Twins on the arm of Johann Santana, and their collective glove-work, have run away with the American League Central division.

In the east, the Yankees and Red Sox are locked in another fight to the death. The Sawx, on the broad shoulders of Curt Schilling, and the "I'm not sure if we

have a game tonight" duo of Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz, are 32 games over .500 and three games behind the Yankees.

The Yankees, on the other hand, have borrowed the duct tape from the Twins to use on their own pitching staff. It is a staff that boasts a Cuban refugee, of an unknown age, as its ace.

On the other coast, the Los Angeles Dodgers try to hold off the charge of Bonds, Jason Schmidt and other faceless Giants in a race for the NL West crown.

In the NL Central, the St. Louis Cardinals have run away with a division that was thought to be the most competitive at season's start.

In all, the Yankees have no pitching, the Sox have no Nomar, Bonds doesn't need any teammates, the Rangers don't need A-Rod, the Twins don't need a star, and the Cardinals didn't need the season's second half.

Oh yeah, the Braves won the NL East, but I'm sure you already knew that.

ESPN should know when to fold when it comes to poker coverage

well, they have their travel shows. For these stations poker has been a good bet in filling their timeslots. It has the unpredictability that is found in sports and at the same time is cheap for companies to produce. Although I can understand why poker is on television, I still do not want it on sports television.

There are only so many times when a person can turn on their favorite station and realize the same episode is on again. Other stations do not constantly rerun the same episodes of a program; so why are ESPN and Bravo

Faithful viewers of a network should not be subjected to watching the same episodes constantly, especially when there are other programs that can be shown. You might be saying, just change the station or shut off the television, but the point is I should not have to. When I turn on my television and click to a sports station, I expect there will be an athletic event or sports talk. I should not be subjected to watching what is equivalent to a board game, in which the player with some strategy and luck wins.

A game with no athletic qualities

has constantly been on a sports station for months. This game might someday be considered a sport by some. Although it requires mental ability, the only physical requirements are that the player has eyes to see their cards and a hand to move their cards and chips.

As much as I dislike poker on television, it is more popular now than it has been in years. People enjoy watching poker on television, and playing in tournaments, whether in person or online.

When I asked fellow Marist students and poker enthusiasts Brian

Hodge and Mike Gelormino, why they enjoy watching poker on television Brain said, "I am interested in seeing the mind games and how they play certain hands," where as Mike thinks, "The millions of dollars put on the line the most interesting." They are like the millions of others throughout the country enticed by the money and the thrill from playing poker. I don't care how much time and money people put into playing poker; I just want it to stay away from sports.

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Volleyball improves to 9-5

Gillespie leads way at weekend at Marist Invitational

By ANDY ALONGI
Staff Writer

Coming off a 2-2 weekend at the Red Fox Classic, the Marist women's volleyball team looked to improve their record at the Marist Invitational last Friday and Saturday, opposing the University of Hartford, West Virginia University and Columbia University.

Marist began the weekend by defeating Hartford in three games, 30-18, 30-26, and 30-23.

Senior Amy Gillespie led Marist offensively, tallying 13 kills and two assists. Sophomore Jamie Kenworthy added 10 kills and one assist to the Foxes' attack. Junior Meghan Cochrane led the team with 34 assists and freshman Lauren Nikides added seven assists, totaling 41 of the team's 47 assists for the match.

Defensively, Kenworthy had 11 digs while junior Katie Lux contributed 10 digs. Sophomore Kim McEathron added nine digs of her own.

Marist looked to continue their success later on Friday evening, opposing the West Virginia University Mountaineers. The Mountaineers pounced on the Red Foxes, beating them in four games, 30-13, 31-33, 30-14, and 30-23.

Coach Sarah Watters said West Virginia's offense was too strong, in which three players attained

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— Sarah Watters
Coach

more than 10 kills each.

"We had moments of brilliance and moments of nervousness," she said. "West Virginia got many good points, and then we couldn't get points."

Sophomore Gina Cusanelli had a game-high 17 kills while senior Allison Zemanski added 15 kills and junior Julie Hockenson put

13 points away.

Sophomore Stephanie Miksch paced the Marist offense with 14 kills whereas fellow sophomore Sally Hanson killed nine balls. Cochrane comprised 35 of Marist's 45 assists.

Marist found many contributors to the defense in this match. Lux, Cochrane and McEathron scooped up 22, 17, and 10 digs respectively.

Kenworthy led Marist offensively with two service aces and 16 kills, totaling 33 kills in the tournament. Miksch added eight kills, totaling 28 for the tournament. Cochrane assisted on 40 of 46 kills for Marist, which had 109 kills in the tournament as a team.

Defensively, Miksch had a team-high 15 digs while sophomore Dominique O'Sullivan, Cochrane, and Kenworthy each added eight digs. Sophomore Sally Hanson picked up half of the team's six blocks.

The Red Foxes finished second in the tournament with a 2-1



ERIC KIMMEL / THE CIRCLE

The Foxes volleyball team walked away with a 2-1 record in the Marist Invitational. Senior Amy Gillespie collected 13 kills and two assists. Marist's next home game is against Siena on Oct. 6

record, improving to 9-5 overall.

Watters said the team is determined to excel above the expectations of most Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference critics.

"We are picked to take sev-

enth," she said. "We're out to prove everyone wrong. We feel we can be in the top four to qualify to play in the MAAC championship for the first time ever."

The Red Foxes will next

oppose Providence college on Friday, Oct. 1. They will also open up MAAC play Wednesday, Oct. 6 against rival Siena College.

Foxes win MAAC opener against Iona 41-14 regaining confidence; reestablishing reputation

By ANTHONY OLIVERIO
Staff Writer

For the third straight year and five of their last six years, the Red Foxes have won their Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference opener.

Blowing out their new in-state rival the Gaels from Iona College 41-14 on Saturday, the victory is their first win in the 2004 campaign, ending the Gaels three-game winning streak against the Foxes.

The Red Foxes ended the scoreless tie with four minutes

left in the first quarter, when Quarterback James Luft found wide receiver Guy Smith for a 25-yard touchdown.

Luft finished with 144 yards on seven completions passing former Red Fox Kevin Chartrand, moving into second all-time in Marist career completions with 141.

Smith finished the evening with four grabs for 111-yards and one touchdown. Smith became second all-time receiving yardage, passing former Red Fox Chris D'Autorio with 1,113 when he eclipsed the 1,000 receiving

yard mark.

On the next possession for Iona, senior linebacker Gary Flynn blocked a Gaels punt and returned it five-yards for a touchdown giving the Foxes a 14-0 lead.

Marist ended their first half scoring when Brad Rowe scored one of his two touchdowns on the ground from one yard out.

Marist continued its solid play in the second half when the team scored on three consecutive offensive possessions.

Freshmen running back Obozua Ehikioya scored on the

first two possessions, less than 40 seconds apart. The first was from three-yards out and the other was a two yard touchdown run. Brad Rowe added his second touchdown of the day, scoring from one-yard out, ending the Marist scoring for the evening.

Ehikioya led the Foxes in rushing totaling 59 yards on eight carries and Rowe added 53 yards on 13 carries.

But the offense was not the only bright spot for the Red Fox team. The defense featured spectacular playing in the first half,

holding Iona to 50 total yards. The Foxes kept the Gaels scoreless for 53 minutes, until Gaels Quarterback Michael Biehl threw a touchdown pass to tight end Dan Campbell.

Campbell, a preseason All-American, was kept in check all night, grabbing only one pass. The Red Fox secondary also kept Iona's top receiver Dennis Calacione out of the game for the majority of the night, until he caught his first pass with 10:25 remaining in the fourth quarter. He later added the last touchdown of the evening.

The secondary was led by senior cornerback Bobby Pohlman, who picked off two of Biehl's passes, ending big drives. The Foxes tallied four interceptions for the contest.

The Foxes pass rush got to Biehl five times for a total of 34 yards, two of them came from senior linebacker Rob Thompson.

The Red Foxes (1-2, 1-0 MAAC) travel to Central Connecticut State University in New Britain, Connecticut next Saturday.

Commentary

Football must clean up penalties to continue winning

BY ERIC ZEDALIS
Circle Contributor

On Saturday night, Marist football earned its first win of the season.

Offensively, Obozua Ehikioya and Brad Rowe each had a pair of touchdowns and quarterback James Luft connected with wide-out Guy Smith on a couple of deep balls.

The defense was outstanding yet again, sacking Iona quarterback Michael Biehl five times, picking off four passes, and blocking a punt.

While it appears Iona may have a lot more to evaluate from this past Saturday's game film, there is one glaring statistic where both teams were equally bad ... penalties.

Marist and Iona both had nine penalties, Marist for 83 yards, Iona 60.

The Red Foxes cannot afford to be so heavily penalized against a Central Connecticut team who racked up 17 first downs and 362 total yards of offense against Wagner.

Also, it is important to note that the Blue Devils of Central Connecticut came back from a 21-7 fourth quarter deficit to force overtime, and then won the game on an

eight-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Scott Dolch to receiver Josh Roth.

Marist, on the other hand, got sloppy late in the game this past week, though it was partly because head coach Jim Parady and his coaching staff

took advantage of the huge Red Fox lead by substituting players off the bench to get some playing time.

Penalties happen. A cornerback may be too aggressive defending a pass and get flagged for pass interference or a lineman may be too slow picking up a blitz and grab an opposing player's jersey and get called for holding.

It happens ... no matter how well coaches prepare their team.

However, coaches and players alike can prevent bonehead penalties like personal fouls when the coach disciplines his team, and the players play the way they have been taught.

Saturday's game at Central Connecticut may be determined by who plays with more discipline.

Marist matches up well with

Central Connecticut. The Red Foxes' pass defense is ranked in the top 20 in the country, and should give Dolch and his highly-touted receiving core which includes Andre Smith (four receiving touchdowns) some difficulty.

However, the Blue Devils, at 3-1, recently beat Wagner, a team to which Marist (1-2) lost to at home on Sept. 11.

Marist may need to improve upon their performance this past Saturday ... yes, improve a 41-14 thrashing of Iona, in order to beat Central Connecticut on the road this week.

Last year, on Senior Day, the Red Foxes completed a stunning second-half comeback with a screen pass across the middle of the field to Tim Traynor to win the game in regulation.

This week Marist needs to play 60 minutes of football, and have discipline late in the game no matter what the score; otherwise, this year's game could very much resemble last year's season finale, but with Marist on the losing end.

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at CCSU, at 6 p.m.

Women's Volleyball: Saturday, Oct. 2 — at
Harvard, at 1 p.m.

Commentary

Television is airing wrong World Series

ANDY GATES
If you watch television on a regular basis you know that poker has become the newest fad. Until recently poker might have been on television once a year, and if it was, I was lucky enough to avoid seeing it. Now, poker is everywhere on cable. ESPN covers the World Series of Poker, the Travel Channel follows the World Poker Tour, and Bravo has celebrity poker. Ever since Chris MoneyMaker won the main event at the 2003 World Series of Poker, these networks went all out with excessive poker programs.

Poker has always been a popular game, and with reality television still bustling, it makes sense for poker to be on television. In the summer, ESPN only has baseball and women's basketball; Bravo is trying to expand its viewership, and the Travel Channel, well, they have their travel
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Delaware State's Whitney James watches the ball sail past the goal line. Marist spent most of the game near Delaware's net, scoring 11 goals in the win.

Record night revitalizes women's season

Women's soccer boots 11 goals; Anderson named MAAC rookie of the week

By **BRIAN HODGE**
Staff Writer

The women's soccer team, losers of four straight games and winless since Sept. 6, was looking to make a statement against non-conference foe Delaware State last Friday.

Final score: Marist 11, Delaware St. 0. Statement made.

Not only did the Red Foxes (2-7) notch their first home victory of the season, the game's players set

school records in goals, margin of victory and team scoring points. These feats eclipse previous records set during a 6-0 victory over St. Peter's on Sept. 19, 2001.

The Marist offense was paced by junior Jillian Berry, who scored two goals and recorded two assists. However, she got some help, as eight different players scored for the Red Foxes. Kristen Leonhard (one goal, two assists), Courtney Moore (one goal, one assist), Libby Ludwig (one goal,

one assist), Justine Caccamo (one goal), Kat Murray (one goal, one assist), Laura Clark (one assist) and Liz Egan (one assist) all contributed to the Marist attack.

The defense also had a huge game for Marist Friday. The Red Fox defense did not allow a single shot on goal, allowing freshman Liz Herber to pick up her first career win with a shutout. Opposing goalie Whitney James had her hands full, managing 12 saves out of the 62 Marist shoot-

ing attempts.

The Red Foxes hope to make it two in a row in their Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference season opener, as they host Loyola (MD) on Friday at 7 p.m.

Rookie of the Week

Kristina Anderson
Freshman Midfielder
Four goals in nine starts
1.0 ppg

Commentary

A look to the past, present, and future

By **ANTHONY OLIVERI**
Staff Writer

Baseball's big finish to the regular season is an exciting prelude of what's to come in October, and an ending to a season of surprises.

This season, September has some meaning to it, besides the calculation of your favorite call-up's batting average.

It's a time to recap all the twists and turns of a 162-game marathon, and to gear up for the season's emphatic climax.

Divisional races featuring two of baseball's most heated rivalries dominate headlines on both coasts.

The National League wild card race is a fight to the finish between four teams, half of whom were thought of as all-but-dead at the All-Star break.

The Padres were supposed to be a young team that had shown some promise but couldn't possibly claim a playoff berth. The Astros

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