



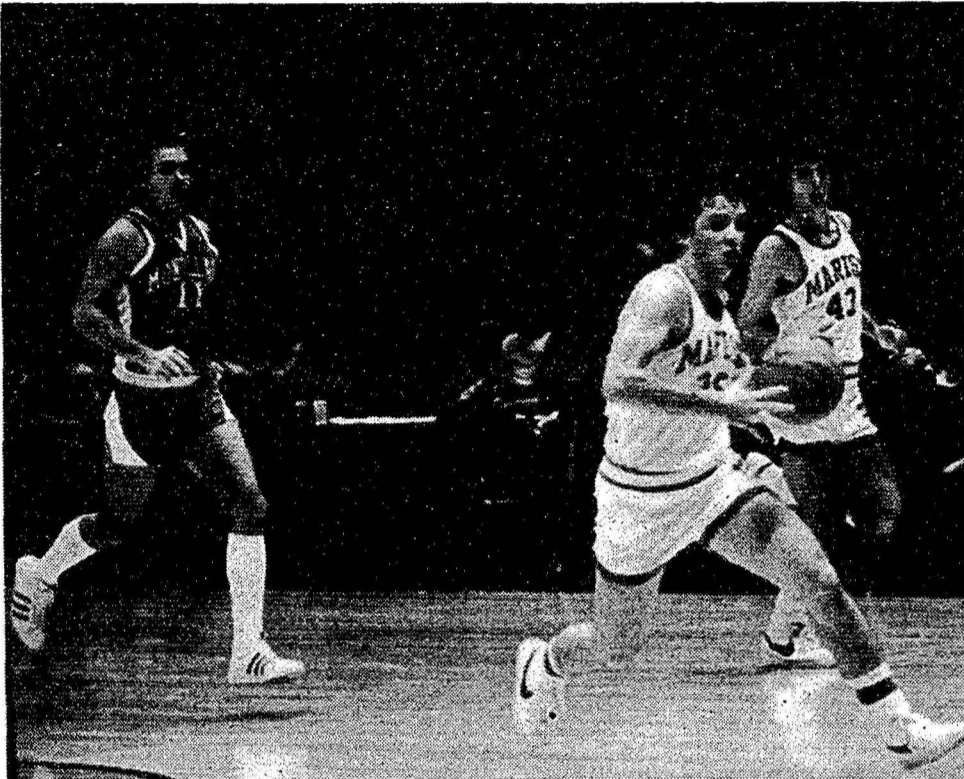
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Captain John Boylan drives towards basket during Marist victory over Montclair State in Madison Square Garden on Saturday. See story on page 8.

Housing survey results discussed by IHC

by Patti Morrison

The results of a survey on special interest housing showed the majority of students opposed to it, according to Kathy Gentile who discussed the survey at the Interhouse Council meeting of Nov. 30. Other topics of discussion were improving security in the dorms and misrepresentation by the Circle newspaper regarding an article on a food committee meeting.

According to Gentile, of the 900 surveys sent out, 165 were answered by students and returned. Of the students surveyed, 38 percent expressed interest in special interest housing. Special interest housing gives dorm space priority to groups of

students sharing a common interest, such as athletics, majors and extra-curricular activities. If put into effect, Assistant Dean of Students, Gerry Kelly, said it would be in the fall of 1980, if approved by students.

However, 59 percent of the students who replied to the survey, opposed the idea of special interest housing. Gentile said students surveyed said special interest housing would segregate students and create more "cliques" at Marist. Gentile added that she thought many students were under the misconception that special interest housing would force students to join groups. Both Kelly and Gentile said

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Major repairs done; doors need sanding

By Lark Landon

All of last year's residence hall damage charged to students has been repaired except the sanding of doors, according to Andrew Pavelko, physical plant director, and Fred Janus, maintenance supervisor. The 30 doors in Champagnat needing sanding, at the cost of 27.50 apiece, totalling \$825 paid by resident students, will be sanded over the semester recess, said Janus and Pavelko.

Janus said the doors had not been sanded during the fall semester because it would require taking doors off hinges which would leave rooms unprotected. Sanding could not be done in the hallways because the accumulation of dust and usage of chemicals in the process could damage student possessions. Both Pavelko and Janus said they are projecting the completion of all of last year's damages to be repaired during December.

Common damages that occurred this semester will be assessed by a room inspection of residence directors in December, according to Gerry Kelly, assistant dean of students. Kelly said students will be asked to sign for "reckless and malicious damages" in their rooms, wings or houses, on the inspection sheet when they return in January and will be billed as the damage is repaired.

According to Kelly, most of the damages billed to students are due to acts of vandalism committed by a student on their floor, house or wing. As an example, Kelly said the west wing of ninth floor Champagnat will have to split the cost of a new fire extinguisher that was destroyed and of a new telephone, the previous one being ripped from the wall. A steel bathroom partition from the west wing, costing \$278, was wrenched from the wall last Thursday, said Kelly, but students on the wing who did not want to be charged for the damage pressured the individuals responsible for the destruction to admit to it.

Kelly, Janus and Pavelko agreed van-

dalism would decrease only through student assistance in pressuring individuals not to vandalize Marist property, or to pay for the damage they cause. Otherwise, all students living in the wing, house or floor, where the vandalism occurred will continue to split the cost of repairing the damage. "Why should other students have to tolerate vandalism? It's criminal, anti-social, and unfair that others have to pay for it," said Kelly.

Students who commit acts of vandalism are charged for the damage and placed on disciplinary probation, said Kelly, "to prevent a repeated occurrence." In some instances, students work off the charge by doing custodial labor, if an arrangement is reached with the residence director, he said.

"It's criminal, anti-social and unfair..."

Janus said vandalism is unfair to students because the time spent by maintenance to repair it detracts from the time maintenance can spend on "normal wear and tear." Janus said it is costly and Kelly agreed. Kelly said two-thirds of the housing budget allotted to Leo, Sheahan, and Champagnat for minor repairs which pays for vandalism, has already been used. Janus said the damage to the Rathskellar ceiling Sunday night will cost approximately \$600, and that the maintenance department is spending up to 8 hours per week on vandalism repair.

Other examples of vandalism, said Janus, were holes put in the wall of ninth floor Champagnat last Tuesday that were fixed but destroyed again by Wednesday at a cost of \$200. Last Sunday, a door on third-floor Leo was torn off the hinges. Throughout the year, said Janus, a plumber had to be contracted to unclog "40 to 50" urinals that had aerosol tops forced down them.

Advisors-frosh program declines during semester

By Rich Sohanchyk and Roy Stuts

Peer and faculty advisors say they don't meet with freshmen as much as they should, but many of the peer advisors say the program's importance decreases after the first few weeks of school.

Different reasons were given for the advisory groups not meeting as often as they should. Lee Miringoff, political science instructor, said "we should not have to seek them (freshmen) out, they should seek us out." But, peer advisor Dave Shaw said it's not really a problem meeting with freshmen after a while because "they're pretty well situated by now" and if the freshmen have a problem "they know where we live."

Though both faculty and peer advisors don't meet with freshmen now as often as the beginning of the semester, they said there was a need for efficient and available counseling during the first few days of school which many advisors termed "the critical first few days."

"Some people feel homesick and this (advisory program) would establish friendships that could be supported through the academic year," according to Dr. Jephtha Lanning, associate professor of english. Chris Hogan, peer

advisor said if freshmen had met with their advisors earlier "it would have helped them develop a better attitude towards the college." He also said "the program never really got off the ground, we didn't meet for the first two weeks." Robert Norman, associate professor of communications, said it was hard to meet with students sometimes. Like Miringoff, Norman said students don't really seek him out and added he "still has to contact eight more students and it involves a lot of my time."

While the faculty advisors spoke of infrequent meetings with their advisees, peer advisors agreed the program isn't as necessary as the first two "critical weeks." Shaw said "it's calmed a bit" and Terry Moore, peer advisor, said the only time he sees his advisees is at dinner and around campus.

Though faculty and peer advisors agreed it was important to get freshmen involved during the first two weeks of school, they said there were many reasons why freshmen do not get better grades with the aid of the program.

"It's always going to be tough for freshmen," said Dave Metz, peer advisor. Moore said many freshmen have trouble "because of core. Some freshmen are going to be taking courses not in their major that they have not in-

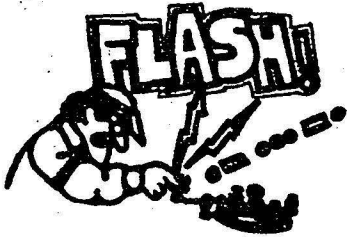
terest in, or in areas they do poorly in. This, plus the usual pressures of adjustment make it hard." Norman agreed but added the students can go to the learning center to receive tutoring if they need help. One peer advisor, not wishing to be identified, said poor grades reflected Marist's admission policies. "They're just not attracting high quality students," he said.

While many advisors pointed to problems in the advisory program and gave reasons why freshmen score low academically, only Augustine Nolan, assistant professor of english, offered plans to alleviate some of the problems faculty have in meeting their advisees and improving poor grades. "I do not get to see some of my advisees that much because they are not in any of my classes," said Nolan. "If my advisees were in my classes, I would see them at least once a week." He added he believes it would be worth the wait to arrange for his advisees to attend his classes. Nolan also said mid-term grades are not distributed until two thirds into the semester which makes it difficult for students to improve their grades. "If there were a marking period four weeks into the semester, instead of eight weeks for the student to know how he is doing, it would still give him a chance to improve his grades even before mid-term grades are out,"

he said.

While peer advisors said students can come to them if they have a problem, most faculty members interviewed said students won't come to them with problems other than academic, even though the advisory program is meant to include social or personal problems. "The freshmen advisory program is to give students a sense of someone they could go to to straighten out academic and social problems," said Nolan.

Dr. Milton Teichman, professor of english, said "some students come to Marist with a misconception that not too much effort is needed to get through college." He suggested an educational and cultural program outside of a student's courses should be implemented plus more information be made available at freshmen orientation. He also added that at orientation "it should be underscored that we demand seriousness of purpose and a mature attitude. College life is not a continuous party or supporting Frank's across the street." Miringoff added faculty can help make themselves accessible by visiting the commuter lounge, eating in the cafeteria, attending soccer games and other activities to provide more open communication.



Announcing

All seniors interested in receiving the bulletin with information about interviews should come to the Office of Career Development and Placement, and verify their address with Larry Synder, before the end of the semester.

The Community Action Student Organization (CASO) of Marist College cordially invites the faculty, the students and all others interested to attend a lecture on Bilingual Education, tonight at 7 p.m. in Fireside Lounge. The guest speaker is Mr. Osvaldo Malve, from the Center for Bilingual Education of the Board of Education of the City of New York. The lecture will be followed by a discussion and refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Angel Millan in the Modern Language Office.

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Midnight Mass in the Chapel.

Sunday - Christmas Tree Decorating Day from 2-4:30 p.m. Resident Halls and Commuter tree judging. 4:30 awards ceremony.

4:45 - Campus Center tree decorating and reception in the Gallery Lounge.

5:00 - Special Christmas Dinner.

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Snow removal causes deficit, no additional funds foreseen

By Marianne Beyer

Though the maintenance grounds budget last year had a \$10,000 deficit resulting from heavy snowfalls, this year's budget has not been increased for snow removal, according to Andrew Pavelko, physical plant director, because the cost cannot be estimated because snowfall amounts are unpredictable.

"We incurred approximately \$10,000 extra for snow removal last year," said Pavelko, and explained the amount was added to the regular grounds maintenance budget. The budget includes salaries for the five grounds crew members, and supplies such as tractors, mowers, plows and trucks. Snow fall costs are allotted through the department's contingency funds, he said.

The \$10,000 covers rental of plows and tractors from outside contractors costing \$40 per day for both machine and operator, and overtime rates for Marist groundskeepers removing snow, according to

Pavelko.

He said the college owns snow equipment capable of removing up to three inches of snow. The equipment includes a tractor with plow attachment, two four-wheel drive vehicles, and a sander for walkways and roads. Snowfall exceeding three inches however, must be removed with larger tractors and plows from outside companies because Marist's machinery is "not adequate" to handle heavy loads, said Pavelko.

Pavelko also said the maintenance department does not buy specialized equipment which would only be used a few times a year. "It is much cheaper to rent," he said, and added the big end-loader trucks used in snow removal of parking lots such as Champagnat's, can cost \$40,000.

Pavelko said maintenance owns equipment such as a one-tone truck, because it is "more practical" because it can be used all year.

Final exam schedule

	SLOTS				
TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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9:00					
11:30		7			
12:00	5		6	9	10
2:30		11/13			

Evening classes will give exams during regular meeting times the week of December 11.

Inquiring Photographer

Question: How would you rate your first semester at Marist as a freshman?



Kristine McDonald: "On a scale of one to ten, I'd say a seven because educationally it's a good school. The hardest part is learning to organize your time. People are friendly and it's a nice atmosphere."



Ray Urena: "I'd give it a ten because of the good parties and great people and extracurricular activities."



Joe DiMilla: "I like the school. I didn't do so good grade-wise but I plan to do better next semester - I promise."



Jeannette Fletcher: "It's a lot of work but it has its compensations. I made a lot of new friends and have gotten ideas of what it's like to be away from home."



Mary Anne Coll: "So far, I found this semester very enjoyable. I met a lot of new people and found the classes more interesting than I expected."

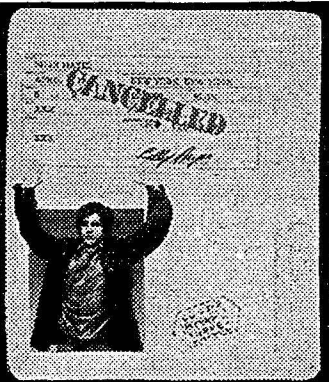
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A lot happens in the Placement Office

By Beth Weaver

A lot happens in room 125 in Champagnat Hall. According to Larry Snyder, director of the office of Career Development and Placement, there is "a lot that goes on under the auspices of the Office of Career Development and Placement."

Besides offering job preparation workshops, creating reference folders for seniors and alumni, and assisting students in finding part-time jobs, additional services provided include: on-campus recruiting programs, a library of graduate school catalogues, a career library and books on careers, according to Snyder.

The job preparation workshops are primarily for seniors. Topics include cover letters, resumes, and techniques for looking for a job, he said. The workshops have been "stressed very strongly this semester."

Along with Snyder, who works in the office full time, is Career Counselor Pat Lennahan. He is there Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 1-5 p.m. According to Snyder, Lennahan helps students with career development, and administers the Strong Campbell test, a career interest in-

ventory. The student takes the test at his leisure. It is a preference test, said Snyder. The student marks how interested he is about certain careers. After the test is returned, the students and Lennahan go over it together. "I think that's a good help," said Snyder.

The office is run on an informal basis, said Snyder, who called it an "active office" with many students coming in and out daily. Most people don't set up appointments, but just drop in. He said he wants people who feel compelled, to use it freely, and he hopes it is an office where "one doesn't lose sight of the seriousness of the purpose."

Snyder said the bulk of his time is devoted to the on campus recruiting, which involves bringing representatives of companies on campus, to interview seniors for jobs after graduation. For example, on Nov. 31 a representative of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., one of the "big 8" accounting firms was here. According to Snyder it was a "feather in our cap" to have them here. "We're hoping to do that or better this year," Snyder said.

Other companies expected next semester include International Business Machines (IBM), Bankers

Trust, and FAO Schwarz. Snyder said some of the companies coming next semester will accept interviews from seniors of any major.

On top of all this, Snyder said he is working with organizations to provide speakers. A representative from the Success Motivation Institute will speak Feb. 13 on motivation, and he said he also hopes to get a program on interviewing for next semester.

Snyder said no placement office can place all its seniors, but he added the aim is to help place as many seniors as is possible. This will work only if seniors take advantage of the services offered; "they'll be educated as to information on how to go about getting a job," he said.

Snyder said he is pleased with the results of the placement office in the past. He said, based on a survey taken two years ago, Marist had a higher percentage of "hires" who went through the recruitment program, than any other school on the list had of job offers. This is based on schools approximately Marist's size. "The results are good," he said.

The placement office also keeps an "active resume file" and when a job

comes in, resumes of alumni and seniors who are qualified will be notified of the job.

Working with Snyder in the office is Donna Drumm, who is in charge of the off-campus part-time jobs bulletin board, located across from the financial aid office. When a job comes in, she writes down the job description and other information, and when a student asks about the job, she screens them to see if they are qualified for it, she said. In addition she matches qualified teacher education graduates to jobs. This is her "favorite part and biggest responsibility," she said.

While most students will be home over the Christmas recess, the Placement Office will be open for any students, to come in and get information, said Snyder.

The recruiting program for the spring semester will begin Tues. Feb. 6, according to Snyder. Bulletins will be sent to seniors telling which company is coming, when, to interview students.

Snyder said many seniors know about some of the services offered and take advantage of them, and he said he welcomes anybody who wishes to utilize the services.

Crowd attends fourth Language Conference here

By Dianna Jones

More than 300 people from 50 institutions, coming from as far as Nebraska, Michigan and Alabama, attended the fourth annual Mid-Hudson Modern Language Association Conference hosted by Marist and directed by Dr. George Sommer.

The conference was scheduled two days after Thanksgiving vacation in the Marist Campus Center. It was a success, according to Sommer, though a couple of sessions were cancelled because of the weather.

The Modern Language Association (MLA) was created in 1884 by 20 scholars who gathered together to discuss language and literature according to Sommer. The membership has grown to 35,000 and an annual conference is scheduled Dec. 26-31 in a large U.S. city, usually New York. The MLA also publishes PMLA, a journal on language and literature.

In 1950 Sommer joined the MLA, and when it was broken into six regions of the U.S. he says "I was asked to the NEMLA (Northeastern region) in 1967. There were 90 of us and we talked in exactly the same way as the 20 scholars did in 1884," said Sommer. The membership grew to 2,500 and in 1975, after attending a regional conference in Montreal, Sommer says "I was on the train thinking to myself. There were 125 sections, three days for 400 papers and I didn't even hear all the

papers in my field. I decided I would create a local M.L.A.," Sommer said.

Sommer said MLA was created to be small, as opposed to the growth of the national and regional conferences, and to encourage student involvement. "All other conventions give lip service to the students. I absolutely encouraged students to give papers." The youngest student to participate was a college freshman, says Sommer. She wrote the paper when she was a high school senior, says Sommer. This year 11 students were involved in the program and they received an encyclopedia of poetry as a reward for their achievements, he said.

"Marist College is the home of the Mid-Hudson MLA because I'm at Marist. It is not a Marist function," he said. But, according to Sommer, "there is a lot of prestige when you have 150 professors from the area and way outside coming to Marist for academic reasons." The local conference is the first and only local conference in the country, says Sommer, who says it is funded by its registration fees and Marist College. "It's a shoe-string budget. We do it for less than \$2,000." Sommer also created a journal two years ago in which 12 of the best papers in the conference are published.

"The conference is very much a one man operation," Sommer says, taking 13 to 14 full time weeks and 500 to 600 hours a year. He added, "I've already begun on next year's program."

Housing survey ... from pg. 1

this housing would be available for those students who choose it and not mandatory for all students.

The security problem of first floor Champagnat rear doors left open by rocks being placed at the base of them, was discussed by Fred Gainer, residence director, and Joseph Waters, director of security. Waters suggested student peer pressure to rectify the problem. "Students should tell those students who wedge open the door that they are jeopardizing the safety and property of other students," said Waters.

Another possibility discussed was the installation of an alarm system that would go off when the doors are opened. However, Waters said this would be impractical because it would require security guards to leave their desks to respond to the alarm, leaving the other dorms unprotected.

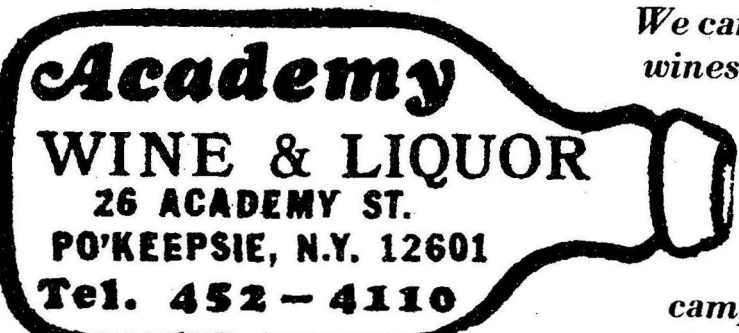
Another security problem discussed at the meeting was the main doors of dormitories being open and accessible to unauthorized individuals during the day. Gainer suggested locking the main doors, which would only unlock by special keys issued to students, as a possible solution. Gainer said that "its a complex process."

and added that he would check into the cost of it.

Circle Editor Dave Potter, and Associate Editor, Lark Landon were present at the meeting to discuss an article in the Nov. 16 issue of the Circle concerning the Nov. 14 meeting of the food committee and other inaccuracies of past stories. According to Diane Digit, chairperson of the food committee, committee members said the article "didn't express what happened at the meeting," that quotes "were taken out of context," and that representatives said the article misinterpreted them. IHC representative David Metz said "there are both denotative and connotative meanings to a story" and in the choice of certain words, meaning may be changed by bias.

Potter said that three reporters were present at the food committee meeting and that the quotes in the article were accurate, but that the entire quote may not have been used due to lack of space. Landon said the Circle would print corrections providing there is a basis to claims of the inaccuracy and misquote. Potter added that he supported the accuracy of the article.

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We stand by our story

The Circle has been accused of both inaccuracies and misrepresentations in its Nov. 16 article headlined "Students voice complaints at food committee meeting." Some members of the food committee, Interhouse Council and Peter Gilotte, food production manager for Marriott, expressed dissatisfaction with the story and charged the Circle misquoted people at the meeting. Gilotte contested the editorial headlined "Not Just in January," calling it a fairy tale.

However, the Circle has been fair, accurate and unbiased in its reporting. Three reporters

were at the food committee meeting, and all three reporters came away with the same notes and quotes and impressions. The Circle stands by both the story and the editorial.

Editorials

We maintain the food service should clean up their act. Marist students should not have to pay for inferior quality food and service.

Stop and reflect

This is it, the end of the semester. Pause, just for a moment during your busy schedule of Kris Kringle activities, finishing term papers, and cramming for final exams to think for a moment.

A week from tomorrow, if not sooner, most of us will be home or on our way home for the holidays.

Most of us though, are too busy worrying about the end of the semester and grades, and then rushing around with last minute shopping to really think about the holidays we are celebrating.

In your busy schedule, stop for a moment and think. What does the holiday season really mean to you? Is it just one party after another? Is it just watching the Playoffs? Is it just eating a lot?

Aren't the holidays more a time of celebration? Time to get together with friends

and family and enjoy each others' company?

Maybe we should all sit back and think. To some people, the holiday season is a time of misery. To some people, the holidays represent loneliness, and poverty. Some people have no family to get together with; some people don't have the money for the kind of holiday they would like.

Think. Most of us forget there are people who are not as fortunate as we are. Most of us don't think, or don't want to think about how lucky we are.

Maybe if we stopped and gave of ourselves and didn't always expect to get something in return, our holiday might seem more pleasant.

For after all, do you want to spend another holiday doing the same thing? Try a new experience, you might like it.

Viewpoint

A Thought

By Richard A. LaMorte

This year provides us with an excellent opportunity to link the celebration of Christmas—the birth of the Light of the World, with the feast of Hannukah—the Feast of Lights, for the first day of Hannukah is 25th December.

Hannukah which means dedication, specifically commemorates the cleansing and rededication of the temple in Jerusalem and more broadly the liberation of the entire Jewish nation from the dominating presence of pagans as recorded in the Book of Maccabees. A second emphasis is on light and stems from a tradition about the sacrificial fire being miraculously kindled (2Mac 1:19-22). Another tradition states that when the temple was being rededicated only one intact and undefiled vial of oil was found. It was enough to light the lamp for one day, yet, it miraculously lasted for eight days, giving rise to the eight days of celebration.

Christmas comes from the Old English: Cristes-maesse, meaning: the sending of Christ. The feast that Christians call the Epiphany, (the coming to light, shining forth, appearance) was originally called: the Theophany (the appearance of God). It was a feat to celebrate the manifestation of God's glory and love in a three-fold event: the birth of Jesus, the visit of the Magi, and the beginning of his public ministry in his baptism by John. Gradually, these events came to be celebrated as separate feasts, primarily because of a historical accident: the feast of winter solstice was observed in Rome on or about 25th December, while in Egypt, the same pagan feast was observed on 6th January.

As the festival of Hannukah stretches for eight days, so the Christmas event is celebrated for eight days; both proclaiming man being freed from a way of slavery and given a new, forever-burning light for his way.

The ritual of Christmas-Hannukah, trees and lights, kringles and gifts can easily become no more than pagan festivals as observed in Rome and Egypt centuries ago. The concepts, the way of living, the spirit of the original events in history; we must somehow make real here, at Marist and in our living together. Perhaps cleaning house and rededicating our house to a more substantive way of living...freeing ourselves from a dominating presence, so that we may move toward the future more rooted in our tradition.

Having moved in this way first, then, perhaps the sense of O. Henry's: "Gift of the Magi" can begin to flourish in our midst. The acts we do to each other or for ourselves; how we live with each other; however, can so easily become meaningless, destructive and self-serving. Yet, we maintain here that we are more—we at Marist maintain a strong Judeo-Christian tradition as part of our personal and corporate lives. Perhaps it is time that that be called forth from our history rather than buried in it.

Perhaps such a spirit can take on flesh around here and even be seen....Perhaps we can even become noted and sought after for, rather than fled from for lack of it. A gift only we can give ourselves if we but risk what we have.

A thought.....

LETTERS

All letters must be typed triple space with a 60 space margin, and submitted to the Circle office no later than 6 p.m. Monday. Short letters are preferred. We reserve the right to edit all letters. Letters must be signed, but names may be withheld upon request. Letters will be published depending upon availability of space.

Disappointed

To the Editor:

I'm very disappointed with the way the gentlemen wrote the article in the Nov. 16th issue of the "Circle" about the Food Committee meeting. I feel that the dining service as well as the Food Committee, has suffered a great injustice! The article was laced with misquotes and was written in such a way that it presented the whole issue completely out of context!

It would take a few pages to correct the misquotes and tell it

the way it really was. The damage is done, I cannot change that. I can only hope that in the future more students will take time to come to a few Food Committee meetings and see how and what the Food Committee is really accomplishing!!!!

In reply to the editorial "Not Just In January" I have this to say. In my opinion the editorial rates up there with "Alice in Wonderland", "Cinderella" and "Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs"!!!!

Peter P. Gilotte
Food Production Mgr.
Marist Dining Service

Segmentation?

To the editors:

The administration seems intent upon segmenting the housing arrangements. I use the above phrase because I am not entirely sure what else to call that intention. Last year it was "Common Interest" housing, this year "Special Interest" is preferred. I will leave unexamined the question of what, if any, changes in motivation may be hidden behind the difference in terminology. I will merely refer to both plans under the more descriptive term, "segmentation".

Once the term is adopted one easily rises above the obfuscatory nature of much of the discussion of this question. What is being asked of us is whether or not we wish to treat persons as wholes and therefore as part of a whole, or as segments and identified by distinguishing characteristics, "interests". If this campus wishes to treat itself as a diverse but unified system, I wish to articulate that desire. If it wishes at itself as a bundle of compartmentalized characteristics, I want no part of it.

The purpose of this letter, though, is a specific response to one argument containing a hazardous false assumption. Gregory House is said to already be a special interest house, and so

the logic runs, if one, why not many? I was careful not to respond to that within an Interhouse Council meeting, where it was raised, because due to the width of my constituency it would be wrong for me to even give the impression of speaking for a particular house rather than for all. Therefore I am going to reply to that nonsense within this forum.

Gregory is empathetically not a special-interest house, either in conception or in fact. There are no common major, activity, hobby, degree of academic prowess, color of hair, team, or condition of physical fitness which members of Gregory have in common, and which distinguishes them from those who live elsewhere. No part of our screening procedure reflects any such segmentary goal, we do not treat persons as the exemplor of an interest. We hold, and our screening revolves around, a common dedication to "community", which ideal itself has no single interpretation among us. The ideal of the segmentors is in no sense upheld thereby, the unity of the campus is in no sense violated.

Not only is there no inconsistency in the fact that most or all Gregorians oppose Lambert's Legacy, there might well be an inconsistency in anything else.

Christopher Faille

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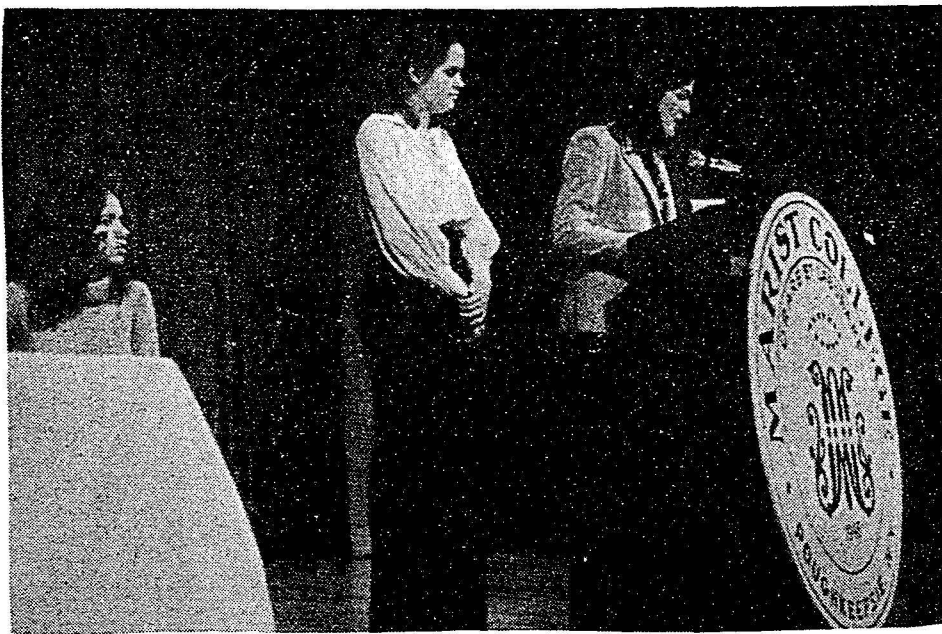
WELL, YOU'VE GOT TO ADMIT ONE THING, THE PROFESSOR CERTAINLY HAS A UNIQUE WAY OF SAYING "MERRY CHRISTMAS"

NOEL



Robert Whitmore

Conference draws crowd



Marist psychology students giving a presentation during the fifth Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference. photo/Paul Nunziata

By Chris Curran

More than 350 people attended Marist College's fifth annual Psychology Undergraduate Research Conference, held Dec. 1, according to John Scileppi, assistant professor of psychology and assistant coordinator of the conference. Held in the campus center, the conference featured student presentations, films, and lectures by professionals in the psychology field.

The conference was co-sponsored by the Marist Psychology Club and the Marist Psychology Department, according to Scileppi.

Invitations were sent to high schools in the Hudson Valley in October, and 305 responses were received, he said.

Although he was a "a bit concerned at first" about attendance, Scileppi said the conference was a "big success."

Expenses, estimated at \$350 to \$400, and were raised by the club with some contributions by the department, according to Scileppi. Expenses went for refreshments, publications and materials, he said.

The conference was initiated five years ago because there was "a need to recognize student achievement," said Scileppi.

He cited former Department Chairman Dan Kirk, and William Eidle, who was then teaching Experimental Psychology, as chief initiators of the conference.

Scileppi said "each year I see it (the conference) as getting bigger and better."

Alcohol Committee reports progress in subcommittees

By Chris Hogan

Three newly formed Social Alcohol subcommittees reported progress in taking steps necessary to submit recommendations concerning the current alcohol policy, according to Coordinator of Public Information Linda Dickerson.

The three subcommittees, formed last week, were developed to compare other college alcohol policies with Marist's to find out the price differences between Marriott Dining Service and outside liquor stores, and to review Alcohol Board Control regulations in comparison with Marist alcohol policies.

The Policy-Legal Clarification subcommittee began reviewing Marist policies to develop a "clear" written recommendation for Dean of Student Life Antonio Perez. Its next step will be to review the contract involving Marriott Dining Service and Marist concerning alcohol sales, according to Dickerson.

The Price List subcommittee reported that Marriott Dining Services had identical prices for bottled liquor sale standards by New York State Law, Dickerson said. The subcommittee will begin to compare wine and beer prices with outside stores next, according to Dickerson.

Valuables to be secured

By Jim Townsend

Marist students will be able to register their valuables with the security department, according to Security Director Joseph Waters.

Waters said that security will distribute stickers with serial numbers on them to be kept on file at the security office. A description of the item as well as its make and model will be kept by security, in the event the item is stolen, and later found.

These stickers will be given out within the next few weeks said Waters.

The recent snowfall also brought about some acts of vandalism on campus such as windows in Sheahan Hall as well as in the pre-school were broken by snowballs said Waters.

On Dec. 1 a stereo was stolen from Leo room 521 but no one has been apprehended as of yet said Waters.

No jokes please

To the Editors:

In the November 16 issue of the Circle there was a picture of the 1978 Intramural Soccer Champions. Underneath the picture were the names of the members of the team and in the not pictured area was the name of a student who was not even on the team; and the word "mascot" appeared after this student's name. This name was

never given to the Circle by any member of our team but was put in as a joke by Ken Healy, one of the Sports Editors. Mr. Healy is a former editor of the Circle who should know better than to misrepresent a person's name. This exact same incident has happened more than once and it should stop.

I hope that you will talk to Mr. Healy and inform him that his jokes do not belong in the Circle; and to please get his act together.

Sincerely, Paul Keenan

Thank you

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Senior Class, we would like to personally thank all the administration, faculty and staff who attended our "Turkey Trot" Cocktail Party on Friday, November 17th. They showed their enthusiasm and interest by participating in our first social event of the

year which was a success.

This was a unique situation and we hope this will pave the way for future involvement among all members of the Marist community. Added thanks goes to Kent Dickson for donating his time to a successful evening.

THANKS AGAIN,
THE SENIOR CLASS

Circle editors named

By Valerie Poleri

Marist junior Lark Landon, and senior Kathy Norton, have been named co-editors of the Circle newspaper this spring, according to the current editors, Beth Weaver and Dave Potter.

Landon said, "I'm looking forward to being an editor, it will be a good experience." Landon was associate editor this semester and she said that there is a lot of work involved. Being an editor for the Circle involves thinking of stories and assigning them to the journalism class, editing all the stories that come in, doing the layout, writing editorials, plus writing stories for the Circle.

Landon, a communication major said, "I enjoy writing, and working on the paper has given me the opportunity to write a lot." Landon receives three communication credits for this and it involves working on the paper 20 to 30 hours a week.

She also said, "I hope the coverage will be as good next semester as it was this one."

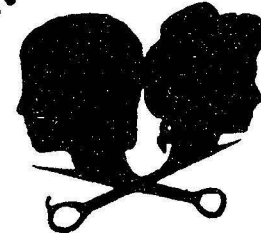
Norton was unavailable for comment because she is in New York City interning at the Associated Press.

Weaver said she will still write for the Circle next semester if they need her. Weaver said, "It was a lot of work being editor, but it was really rewarding to see the paper come out on Thursday." Weaver, who said she wants to go into public relations, added, "This helped me decide what I wanted to do. I'm going to miss working on the paper. I learned a lot about dealing with people and dealing with the pressures involved with the job."

Potter, the other editor, also said he would miss working on the Circle. "I enjoyed it. I learned a lot about people and it increased my ability to cover news," said Potter. Potter will be interning next semester at the Poughkeepsie Journal.

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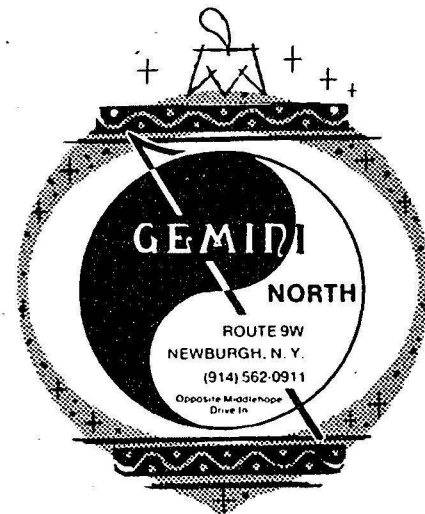


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CLOSED MONDAYS



Bill Austin

Austin switches from names to games

By Jane Neighbors

William Austin is switching from names to games. The former Marist Director of Alumni Affairs is now part owner of All Sport Fitness and Racquetball Club, located at 240 Washington Street. In the modern, three-level building, Austin said, "It's exciting to get a new business started, and racquetball is the fastest growing racquet sport in the country."

One of Austin's four partners is Marist's 1970 crew captain, Mike Arteaga, who formerly ran a Nautilus training center. The new facilities include 25 of the body-toning Nautilus machines, nine courts for handball or racquetball, an area for exercise classes, yoga, and karate, and locker rooms equipped with whirlpools,

sunrooms, and saunas. Also included are a pro-shop, bar and lounge, and a nursery where children are cared for while their parents work out.

"It's exciting to get a new business started"...

Although during a recent weekday afternoon most of the customers were men, Austin said "The training center for women is working out very well and they are also very receptive to racquetball." He reported there are 1,200 members of the

club which opened in August. A second facility is already being considered by the owners, he said.

While at Marist, Austin was rowing coach and assistant professor of physical education for eight years before being named the first full-time alumni director. After two and a half years in that job he still puts in about four hours a week in the alumni office until someone is named to replace him. Meanwhile, he is working 13 to 14 hours a day on his new enterprise, he reported.

Austin lives in Salt Point with his wife Jane, and their children Kimberly, 8 and Billy 5. He said, "Marist was very good to me. I was part of the growth period at the college. If this opportunity hadn't come along, I'd probably still be there."

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Swimmers lose first varsity meet to New Paltz 69-44

By Pat Larkin

The Marist College swimming team lost its first varsity swim meet at New Paltz November 28 by a score of 69-44.

Coach Larry Van Wagner said New Paltz had a top quality team "who will do well in the Conference Championships." New Paltz had one of its largest teams in years, according to Van Wagner.

Steve Cronin led the Red Foxes winning three races including the 1000 yard freestyle, 200 yard butterfly, and the 500 yard freestyle events. He covered the distances in times of 11:03.4, 2:13.1, and 5:35 respectively.

Van Wagner said Cronin had "some of his best lifetime performances" at the meet, and added he will do very well in the conference championships.

Rich Conlon also placed first for the Red Foxes in the 200 yard backstroke in 2:31.8.

Pat Rush finished second in the 100 yard

freestyle in 1:01.3, while Steve Hopson finished third for the Red Foxes in the 200 yard individual medley and breaststroke.

Tom Daunais also scored for Marist as he placed third in the 200 and 500 yard freestyle events.

James Cash finished in second place in the 200 yard breaststroke.

Many of the Marist swimmers were swimming these distances for the first time Van Wagner said. He added these distances are "more stressful" than the ones the swimmers were used to in high school. "It was a positive experience that the swimmers could swim these events," he said.

Van Wagner said the Red Foxes do not have the right number of swimmers to be competitive in dual meets. He said he wants the team to show improvement over the season and have its best performance in the conference championships which he described as the "meet of all meets."



photo/John Mayer

Patty Powers goes up with layup during Marist game at Iona. See story on page 8.

Marist students to compete in Budweiser sports tournament

By Pat Larkin

Sixty four Marist students playing on eight teams will be competing in the Budweiser College Super Stars Competition today and tomorrow in the McCann Center. Each team consists of four men and women.

Approximately 350 schools from across the country are expected to compete in the tournament. Each school has a tournament at their campus with the winner advancing into the state championships.

The winner from Marist will be competing in either New York City, Syracuse

or Albany in the state championships. From there the winner of N.Y. state will travel to Rhode Island for the regionals. The top two teams from the regionals will meet the other top teams from across the country in Busch Gardens, Florida for the finals. Budweiser is paying all expenses.

There will be six events Marist students will be competing in which include volleyball, the 880 yard relay, a 6pack pitch-in, an obstacle course, frisbee relay and the tug of war.

The competition will begin today at 3:30 outside the McCann Center with the obstacle course. Mrs. Linda Rogers, director of intramurals and organizer of the Marist tournament said the course used will be similar to the one used on the Superstars competition featured on television the last couple of years. Each team will have one male and female running against the other teams.

The volleyball tournament will start at 6:30 p.m. and last until 8:45 that night.

The first round of the tug of war and the frisbee relay will start at 8:45 and end one hour later.

The 880 relay will run from 9:45 until 10:30 p.m.

The competition will continue at 6 p.m. Friday with the semi-finals of the tug of war and the 6pack pitch in. The finals of both of these events will take place from 8 till 9 p.m.

The awards presentation will be at 9:15 p.m. Friday night.

Last year the University of Idaho won the national championships.

Each Marist student will receive a T-shirt for competing in the tournament.



Linda Rogers

Intramural finals tonight

The finals of the men's intramural racquetball and the coed two on two basketball will be played tonight in the McCann Center.

Games were played Tuesday night to determine entrance into the racquetball semifinals last night. Paul Pless and Tom Cassin were guaranteed entrance into the ssmi's as each player had 7-0 records in the north and south divisions respectively.

Ed Sylvia was in second place behind Pless with a 6-1 record. Sylvia played Pless Tuesday night. If he won he is in the

playoffs; if not there is a three way tie with Joe Walsh and Tom Crane for second.

In the southern division Ross Mauri and Tom Murphy had one loss apiece to remain tied for second.

Chris McGuigan won the women's racquetball championship defeating Sue Weber.

Jimmy Downs won the Turkey Trot, a mini-marathon race around campus.

Margi Mons and John Mayerhoffer won the intramural foul shooting championship last week.

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pay almost half a million dollars to Marist. What Malet and Van Buren want is to see some return on the money these students are paying. Since Marist is in some way recruiting most of the players on the team, the time will come in the near future that 60 students, playing football for four years would kick \$1,000,000 into Marist's coffer during that time.

Van Buren also says that money is not the only area where the football team is being neglected. "Our practice field is horrible. It's a real hazard. It's hard, covered with rocks and has almost no grass on it. We lost more kids to getting hurt on that field than we did in the games. How can you tell a kid to come to Marist and play ball when you know he could get hurt just on the practice field?"

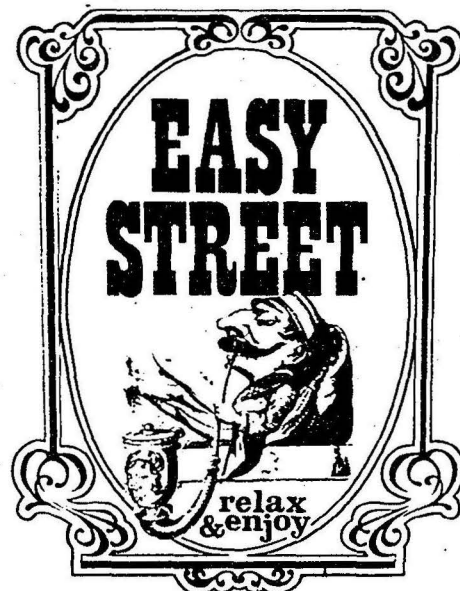
Malet sees the money problem in even larger terms than football. He thinks the whole athletic department is being short changed. "I know the money really isn't there," he said, "I can't tell Petro to give us another \$5,000, he doesn't have it. For us to get it would mean taking it out of some one else's budget. The problem is deeper. Eventually the college will have to decide

whether or not it is serious about intercollegiate sports. If it is than they're going to have to come up with more money for it. The athletic department is the only one that really goes out of their way to recruit people. Almost all the coaches go out and bring people to Marist. Look at Petro, myself, Cervonie, (lacrosse) Stevens (track) and Goldman (soccer). We have all brought students to Marist for various sports and I think those students are being short changed by the school."

It would be nice to think that the football team and the athletic department will be getting a substantial amount of money next year but neither Van Buren or Malet see it in the near future. This concerns the football coach because he says that some day "we're going to lose Steve and when that happens we'll be in trouble because without him and his programs and 50-50 and season tickets we'd be in trouble. I know the athletic department would pick up some of the tab, they did in the past before we had Steve but we're talking about a lot of money."

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Season's Greetings

Men win in Garden; record stands at 1-2

By Dave Powers

Despite some fine individual performances by Bill DeWinne and freshman Todd Hassler, the Marist College men's basketball team has a 1-2 record.

The team opened its 1978 season on a disappointing note losing an 85-81 overtime heartbreaker to Pratt Institute. Marist led throughout the contest and had even built a twelve point lead with less than eight minutes remaining in the game, relying heavily on the outside shooting of Hassler and John Boylan along with the inside shooting of DeWinne.

However, Marist seemed to lose its composure as Pratt went to work with guard Tom Clyne (16 pts.) and forward Dennis Lind (23 pts.) supplying most of the offensive surge. With 21 seconds remaining in regulation play, Clyne hit a twenty foot jumper sending the game into overtime.

In the overtime period, Marist's inability to get the ball in to DeWinne cost them the game. Also, poor foul shooting down the stretch (17-35 for the game) hurt the Red Foxes. DeWinne led the Marist scorers with 26 while Hassler scored 23 in his Marist debut.

Last Saturday, in its first trip to Madison Square Garden, Marist put together a strong 80-63 win over Montclair State College. In a seesaw first half, Marist finally took the lead for good 31-29 with

3:39 left in the first half when DeWinne dropped in a layup.

From that point, Marist was never behind as it built a six point halftime lead 39-33 and led by as many as 18 in the second half. Coach Ron Petro was very pleased with the victory and said "It's great to win at Madison Square Garden."

Once again DeWinne and Hassler led the scoring with 20 and 17 points respectively. Captain John Boylan added 12 before fouling out with 11 minutes left in the game. Sophomore Barry Jamison and Freshman Ian Davidson came off the bench and turned in solid performances. Jamison scored 12 points and Davidson directed the Marist offense while scoring six.

Against Hartwick College on Monday, Marist ran into a cold shooting night, shooting only 39 percent from the field, while losing 82-63. Once again DeWinne and Hassler shouldered most of the offensive load as they combined for 33 points. Hartwick was led by Lou Carpenter with 24 points.

Marist plays Southhampton College Saturday at 8 p.m. the Red Foxes are 1-1 in Big Apple Conference play. Through the first three games DeWinne a 6-7 sophomore is averaging 21 points and 14 rebounds per game while freshman guard Todd Hassler is averaging 18.6 points per game.

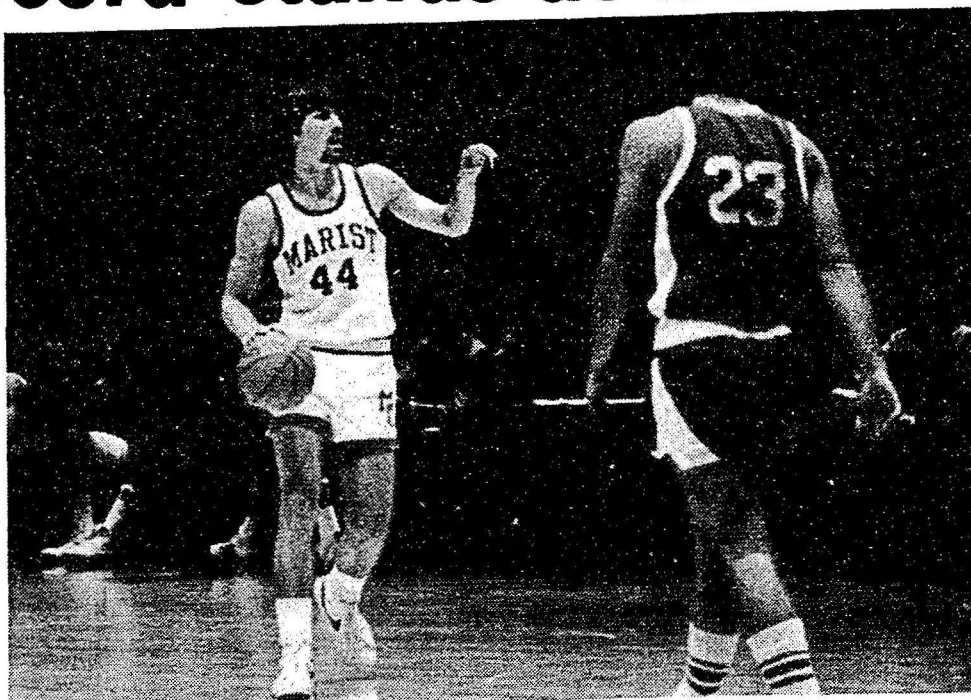


photo Ken Healy

Todd Hassler sets up play during historic game for Marist at Madison Square Garden Saturday afternoon. The Red Foxes defeated Montclair State.

Women lose home opener; rebound to crush Iona

By John Mayer

Kris McDonald and Anita Marano combined for 41 points to lead the Marist women's basketball team to a 85-56 trouncing at Iona College Saturday night.

The victory gives the Red Foxes a 1-1 season record, after Marist dropped their home opener to C.W. Post 78-63 last Wednesday.

Marist jumped out to a quick 12-5 lead by capitalizing on numerous Iona turnovers and never trailed again. The game was tied 20-20 with 8:30 to go in the half, but McDonald scored eight points in just over two minutes to reopen the lead. The Red Foxes went to the locker room ahead 40-28.

The Gaels started a comeback midway through the second half led by the game's high scorer Linda McKetney (26 points), but were never able to close the margin by more than 11 points.

"We played excellent," said Marist head coach Linda Rogers. "We played as a unified team. It sure was a nice way to win my first college game."

Patty Powers and Maureen Morrow also scored in double figures for the Red Foxes as they put in 13 points apiece.

Powers also led the Red Foxes in

rebounding with seven while Barbara Torres and Pam Greene had seven and five each.

In its season opener, 44 turnovers and foul trouble seemed to do in Marist according to Rogers. "We had the same number of field goals, but they scored 20 points at the line, while we scored only four."

The C.W. Post Pioneers were led by Patrice Walker (19 points, seven rebounds) and Darlene Crowe (17 points, six rebounds).

Green had 16 points and pulled down 10 rebounds in the losing effort. Other double figure scorers for Marist were McDonald, Powers and Marano with 12, 11 and 10 points respectively.

POST HOOPS...Marist committed only 11 turnovers vs Iona; the Red Foxes shot 44 percent from the floor, and 52 percent from the line...McDonald was also credited with seven steals and assists in the Iona contest...Marist was scheduled to take on Siena yesterday at the McCann Center. Their next two games will also be at home; on the 9th they take on Lehman at 2 p.m. and on the 12th they will face Ramapo College at 6 p.m.



Kris McDonald goes up for 2 points at Iona College Saturday. The Red Foxes crushed the Gaels to even its season record at 1-1.

photo/John Mayer

Athlete of the Week

Bill DeWinne, a 6'7" sophomore has been named athlete of the week.

DeWinne, the starting center on the men's basketball team, has scored 63 points and grabbed 46 rebounds in Marist's first three games this season.

Head Coach Ron Petro attributes DeWinne's improvement over last season to his excellent attitude and his willingness to work hard. Petro said DeWinne has matured physically by lifting weights throughout the year. He also said DeWinne shot about 50 hook shots at each practice last season to improve his scoring ability. A large percentage of the center's points this season have come from hook shots.

DeWinne, 19, says his goal for this season is to help the Red Foxes attain a winning season, one the team hasn't had in three years. He would also like Marist to win the Big Apple Conference and receive a bid to the NCAA playoffs.

DeWinne says this year's squad has a more positive attitude than last year's team. He added the team was really excited about playing in Madison



Bill DeWinne

Square Garden which enabled the Red Foxes to get a win early in the season. He cited last year's poor start as the main reason for the team's poor showing.

The economics major from Wyckoff, New Jersey likes to collect stamps and play ping pong. He has been collecting stamps for eight years and he admits he's getting pretty good at ping pong.

HIGH ON SPORTS

by Ken Healy

Tomorrow night at the Last Chance the Red Foxes will officially close out their first varsity football season. Although the past season was not as successful as some had wished, hopefully the ground work has been laid for future teams to build on.

If the Red Foxes are to continue to develop as an N.C.A.A. Division III team things other than on the field performance will also have to get better. One of them, according to head coach Mike Malet and director Steve Van Buren is the football team's money situation.

At the present time the amount of money the football team is receiving from the athletic department is not enough to run the program at a competitive level according to Van Buren. After talking with the athletic departments of other Met-6 schools Van Buren found that besides being the smallest school in the league enrollment-wise Marist also received the smallest amount of money from their athletic department. "No one has as small a guaranteed budget as we do," he said. "we get nothing in comparison to what other teams get. In fact when we turned from a club to a varsity team we actually lost money."

The Red Foxes "lost" money because as a club each player was charged \$40 to cover insurance costs. As a varsity team they stopped charging that money as the cost was picked up by the team as an additional expense, but no additional money came from the athletic department.

Compared to other teams the Red Foxes

are given a lot less money from the athletic department. According to Van Buren, Iona College's team is guaranteed \$25,000 by their athletic department. St. John's is guaranteed \$20,000, St. Peter's \$22,000 while Pace and Brooklyn are literally given blank checks when it comes to football spending. Manhattan, a club team that dropped out of the Met-7 when the rest of the league turned varsity is given \$6,500 by its athletic department.

While these teams are guaranteed a certain amount of dollars Marist must raise the remainder of its budget through program sales, season ticket sales and raffles. They have done this over the past few seasons raising over \$15,000 each year to make up the difference, but now Van Buren and Malet want football to be treated like any other varsity sport, getting more money from the school to run the team with.

Malet feels that since football has brought many students to Marist over the last several years that the team should get a small percentage of the income it is bringing to the school. He points to the fact that 28 freshman said the reason they chose Marist over other comparative schools was because Marist has football on the varsity level. Assuming that these 28 football players are paying \$4,000 each that comes to \$112,000 per year that football players pay to Marist in tuition and fees. Over four years assuming again that costs will rise, those 28 students will

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