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Marist receives \$1 million grant

dollar grant from the United States tended for one additional year, but the Department of Health, Education, and total grant would not exceed the one Welfare, according to Edward Waters, million dollar allocation.

dean of special college programs.

Since the passage of the 1965 Higher

the Office of Education, the college will institutions have received the Title III establish two new programs, one to study grant, awarded to developing institutions the Hudson River, and a degree program demonstrating a "potential to make a in public management.

value-based core curriculum, counseling Waters. and career education, media instructional

in developing and coordinating the programs involved.

During this period, Marist may revise the program by submitting changes to the Marist College is receiving a one million office of Education. The plan can be ex-

Under Marist's proposal, as approved by Education Act, only three other New York public management.

— substantial contribution to the higher Marist will also improve and expand the education resources of the nation," said

The grant is the third largest in Marist skills of the faculty, and programs in history, exceeded only by the founding communication arts, juvenile justice, and grant and the 1.35 million dollar grant criminal justice, Waters said. from the McCann Foundation.

Approximately 30 percent of the money Waters said the grant enables the will be received in the first year, 50 per-college to bring in distinguished visiting cent in the second, and 20 percent in the professors and outside consultants, enfinal year. During the three year funding couraging Marist to become one of the cycle, Marist's planning and management outstanding colleges on the east coast. He activities will be refined and all segments added, he expects federal support to of the college community will be involved stimulate private donations to the

Widespread cutbacks caused by deficit

By David Potter

Marist College's projected \$100,000 budget deficit for the last fiscal year resulted in staff cuts and service changes for the 1978 fall semester, according to President Linus Foy. However, Foy termed the deficit as "not a particularly bad

situation" for the college.
Foy said the job of assistant dean of students, formerly occupied by Fred Lambert, was eliminated, along with two faculty positions. Dr. Robert Van Meter Jr., assistant professor of History and Dr. Kathleen Desilets, assistant professor of Physics, were phased out of their

departments, according to Foy. Former Dining Service director Joe Lurenz and dining service manager Al Abramovich, were released when the board of trustees decided not to renew the Marist Food Service contract, according to Foy. He said the Board of Trustees hired Marriot Food Services because it decided the college could not afford more losses

due to food service cost overruns.

Marist is attempting to cut back its expenditures by two percent, according to Foy, because "since we've had two straight years of this (deficit) we've come to the conclusion we're living a little beyond our means." He said all departments on campus will be evaluated each year to determine their financial stability. The college may have to reduce the art department, according to Foy, if a proposal for an art major does not get

Foy said food service expenses were more than anticipated, and cited rising food prices as one reason for cost overruns. He said Lurenz was not skilled at cost projections. Foy did not have figures for cost overruns in each depart-

Also contributing to the deficit, according to Foy, was the college's decision to spend more money for dormitory repairs. Foy also said he believes Marist's \$50,000 contingency fund is too low for a budget as large as Marist's. He said the college would "probably have to build in a larger fund" to offset overspending. The number of students attending the college last spring was overestimated, according to Foy, which also added to the deficit. He said the student population decreased from the previous fall, which cost the college needed revenue. Foy added many departments on campus had small cost overruns.

A new accounting system, installed this year, will enable the college to receive weekly reports on spending, said Foy. He added Marist will share the responsibility of cost control with Marriot Food Services, an option the college did not have last year. Also, Marriot may exercise more portion control, which would help keep down costs, he said.

Although the board of trustees decided against any new capital projects besides repairs, said Foy, Marist's line of credit was extended this summer. Foy said the "financial community considers Marist a strong risk with a solid future.'

Deficit forces staff reductions

By Gerry McNulty

A staff reduction of two percent was caused by Marist's second budget deficit year in a row, according to President

The college's deficit is approximately \$350,000 Foy said. "What we've been doing is spending next year's money," he said. The college is trimming back to a level it can support he added. Foy said the staff cut was aimed at recovering \$200,000.

Of the 32 staff members who could be cut Foy said it was unlikely all of them would be. He said some employees may transfer from Marist's payroll to the federal payroll under the Title III grant, a \$1 million federal grant for new programs Marist received this summer. "We thought it would be totally unfair to hire said she was told the decision was not new people for Title III and then tell our based on her job performance.

people later."

Foy said some staff were given con-tracts of less than one year. Those with more seniority at Marist were given longer contracts he said.

The staff members chosen, Foy said,

were drawn from two categories, those who had received good but not outstanding evaluations and those who could not advance because they reached the limit of their qualifications.

The decision to cut staff was made in May Foy said. He would not disclose names for what he termed legal reasons.

One administrator, Dolly Bodick, coordinator of college activities, said she received verbal notification from her supervisor, Dean of Students Antonio Perez, that this will be her last year. She

Foy explained some positions were phased out. Former Assistant Dean of Students, Fred Lambert, supervised housing and dining services. Marist then hired Marriott Corporation to manage its food service and Gerry Kelly became director of housing. Lambert has since become Dean of Students at Wheeling

College, Wheeling, West Virginia - a position Foy said he helped Lambert get.
The reduction should not make a significant difference in student services and any negative effect could be cushioned by the influx of Title III money, Foy said.

There were no major reductions in faculty because most teacher changes are based on long term student need. Also, faculty members must be given one year's notice, Foy said.

Dormitories crowded; Marist overbooks

By Beth Weaver

Anticipating that a number of students will drop out early or not show this semester, Marist College has overbooked the student dormatories, according to Fred Gainer, coordinator of residences.

The overbooking has resulted in six students temporarily living in Byrne Residence, Father LaMorte's home; and the temporarily placing of students in the rooms of the Dutchess Community College students, according to Gainer, who added, the college is trying to resolve the problem."

The college overbooked the dormitories by a "bit more than the number of Dutchess students," said Gainer. He said other colleges also overbook the number of students:

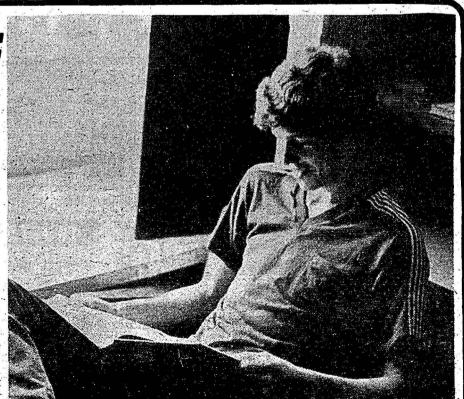
In the past, overcrowding has been a cause of the elimination of single rooms, and the placing of three students in some moms.

This year, the college set specific cut off necessary.'

dates requiring resident students to either show up for their room or notify the college if they were not coming. According to Gainer, students not showing up were called and asked if they planned to return, enabling the housing office to place students in the empty spaces.

In addition, the college located off-campus housing and is encouraging upperclassmen not having been able to find their own off-campus housing, to move. Gainer added if space does become available on campus the students will be notified and asked if they would like to return.

Father LaMorte, campus chaplain, said he can adjust to living with the six students, although his home is now crowded. He said the major problem with the situation is that it has an effect on the students who wish to visit him in the evening. He believes they might shy away from coming. LaMorte hopes the students will be living there "only as long as



Because of Marist's overbooking, students are temporarily living in Byrne with residence Fr. LaMorte. photo Dave Shaw



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The next few years...?

During the past two years, Marist has recorded budget deficits now totaling approximately \$350,000. Though President Linus Foy has repeatedly stated the college is financially sound, a cut of two percent has been made on most campus departments, including cutbacks of staff.

Though the Circle regrets the loss of revenue to the college's programs and services, along with the eventual absence of personnel, this move to cut back expenses can only be interpreted as a positive one.

Marist has begun to develop a pattern of poor financial practices during the last two years, and it is time to stop overspending, before it is too late. If the college continues to operate at deficit levels for a few more years, its future will be in serious jeopardy.

It also must be appreciated that no major

student services have been cut. Rather, administrative positions have been phased out and job responsibilities redistributed. Hopefully another budget deficit situation can be avoided without having to initiate any further staff or service reductions. This can only be accomplished through sound ad-

Editorial

ministrative planning and review. The fate of the college and the value of current and former Marist students' educations will be determined by what the college's administrators do during the next few years.

The next few years had better be good.

LETTERS

LETTER POLIC

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 o space.

Government

To the Editors,

The only possible purpose of government is the resolution of conflict. At any given moment there are several social tensions pulling in various directions, and those who believe in the value of politics must take it upon themselves to hold the center.

There are at least three divisive forces likely to operate upon this campus for the academic year under way, and these forces set the priorities for student government.

1. The way to a student's heart is through his stomach. There are several important questions in regard to the new food service; why has the food gotten even worse than we remember? What is being done to prevent a repeat of last year's deficit? And why were the employees who worked more than forty hours during some weeks over the summer not paid overtime?

2. The charges on our liability deposits for common damages imply an unacceptable concept of collective guilt. Did one of the women on the third floor put the hole in a Sheahan wall for which all residents of that dorm were

charged? I think I may escape an accusation of chauvanism if I admit that I regard that as unlikely. Did one of the men on the first floor of Leo break the elevator? Common sense would suggest that they had comparatively few opportunities. Are resident students responsible for acting as sentinels, or for the vandalism of those with whom they may have nothing but geography in common?

3. As always, there is the problem of budgeting limited funds to a large number of clubs and organizations, each of which can plausibly argue that it deserves a large share of the total allocation because "right now we're a Chevy, but with better funding we could become a Buick." (By the way, I like that quote even better than the one about the cocktail party.) The reduction of tensions through proper budgeting is a very precarious procedure, but one which it is the duty of those involved to attempt.

It seems from this quick survey that the Council of Student Leaders, the Interhouse Council, and the other student government bodies have a formidable task.

> -Christopher Faille Interhouse Council President

ViewpointSuperstitions ... part I

By Richard A. LaMorte

During the first five years of life, we have to take three big steps out of the magical world in which we are born.

During the first eighteen months we come to the frustrating discovery that we are not the center of the world.

Most of you will agree that there are people and things outside of us which will continue to exist even when we don't. This is, however, not so self-evident as it seems. It is often only through a long and frustrating experience that we are able to discover the objective world. Everytime we experience that we are not ruling the world be our feelings, thoughts, and actions, we are forced to realize that there are other persons, things and events which have their own independence and their own existence.

Therefore the first step out of the magical world is the discovery of an objective reality. IN THE RELIGIOUS FIELD THIS MAY NOT HAPPEN SO EASILY. Many mature, successful men in this life often might still treat God as a part of themselves. GOD IS THE DOER OF ALL THINGS which comes in handy in times of illness, shock, final exams in every situation in which we feel insecure. And if God doesn't come running to our aid, our only reaction may be to cry louder. Far from becoming a real "Other" whose existence does not depend on mine, God might only remain the easy frame which fits best around the edges of my security.

Great anxiety, caused by internal and external storms, can sometimes force us to regress or go down to this lower level of religion. This regression may even save our life! It gives us something to hold on to: something to keep us together. It may even be a very helpful form of religion, but it certainly is not a mature form of

religion.

The second step out of our magical world is the formation of language. Somewhere between our 18th month and our 3rd birthday, we start mumbling our first sounds which slowly develop into words, sentences and a language. Although it may be a disappointment that there are things around us which do not belong to us, by words we can take revenge, because our first words give us a mysterious power over things. Like an American who is excited to discover that his first French word, garcon, really brings the waiter to his table, the child experiences not so much the mastery of words but the mastery of objects. It takes quite a while before we can detach the

word from the object and give it a symbolic function.

Well, religion is full of words. Long litanies and often-repeated formulas play a very important role in many religions. What concerns us here is that this use of words often does not go beyond the magical phrase, and instead of being the free and creative expression of deep realities communicable to our fellow men, the words may become a substitute for reality, a subtle form of power over the capricious movements of our gods, our devils and our own impulses.

Is there not something of this magical world left in us. It seems very difficult to overcome this word-magic. We feel pretty good if we have fulfilled our obligation, said our prayers, gone to mass. We seem to be saying: "God cannot do anything to us now!" We did what he asked us to do and now it is his turn to pay us back. Our prayers give us some power over God, instead of engaging us in a real dialoque in which we try to listen to what God says to us in the prayers themselves...in His word.

The third step out of the magical world is the formation of our conscience. This is the great event between our third and fifth years. When we learned about objects that existed outside of ourselves even when we did not, and when we had experienced that words were not all-powerful tools to shape the world around us, we were still faced with a much more important step: the step from the external agent to 'me.' The external agent of discipline is slowly converted into an internal guidance system. This is what is meant by the formation of conscience, since conscience is an internal conviction, not external.

Conscience becomes possible by the process of identification. We develope the capacity to interiorize certain aspects of the personality of another person and to make them a part of ourselves. In the case of moral development, we take over judgements, standards, and values of beloved persons and make them a part of our own personality.

Or is there something else happening at the same time? During those first four years, we felt that our father could do everything, that he was all-powerful, that he could solve all problems. Well, we became disappointed sooner or later. And we could not really depend on him any longer: How were we going to solve this problem.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The first meeting of the Marist College Chorus (Choir) will be Monday evening, Sept. 11 at 6:30 in room 165 Champagnat. The chours, under the direction of John Sullivan, has not been active since 1977, but hopes to present winter and spring programs. There are no auditions and no experience is necessary. All students, faculty, and staff are welcome. Rehearsals are Monday evenings 6:30-8:30, and concerts are planned for the end of the semesters.

The National College Poetry Contest is offering \$200 in cash and book prizes and free printing for all accepted poems in the American Collegiate Poets Anthology. This will be of special interest to all collegiate poets as it provides for them a source of inspiration and encouragement and a unique, intercollegiate outlet for their literary ambitions. The forthcoming ACP

Anthology will be the seventh edition since it was first published in 1975. Deadline is Oct. 31. For rules, check the Circle office.

The Mid-Hudson Arts and Science Center has established a rental library of original art by local artists. The purpose of this rental will be to give local artists the exposure and recognition that they warrant, and to make art available to homes and businesses of the Mid-Hudson area. During the month of September, the Rental Library-may be seen in the windows of Luckey Platt and Sigalow Optomotrists on the Main Mall, Poughkeepsie. Then in October the library will travel to the Heritage Savings Bank on Main Street, Beacon. If you are an artist and would like to take part in the project, please contact Helen Johns-Richardson at 471-1155.



Chapel renovations repair fire damage

Renovations were finished in the Marist College Chapel this past week, according. to Campus Chaplain Father Richard LaMorte. Renovations were required after fire gutted the rear portion of the chapel June 14, 1977.

Major renovations include the replacement of corrugated fiberglass windows with sliding glass windows and the removal of the tabernacle wall and confessional. The tabernacle is now situated on the rear wall of the chapel. The confessional has been replaced with a room of reconciliation, finished in green, and a meeting room was built, both in the rear of the chapel. The meeting room is for campus ministry purposes.

Carpeting of brown, blue and gold was laid throughout the chapel except the pew Park, St. Mary's of Poughkeep areas. LaMorte also purchased new Carmel also in Poughkeepsie.

liturgical elements such as a lecturn, candles, tabernacle and vestments. Despite the changes, the seating capacity remains the same.

Bids have been accepted to enclose the front of the chapel, according to LaMorte. Financial figures on the cost of the renovations were not available until the end of September. LaMorte said all costs

will be covered by a fire insurance policy.

The chapel is now complete, and
LaMorte said he is "satisfied with the renovation. It is probably the most appropriately arranged church in the area for worship services.'

The renovations were planned by architect John Clark of Hyde Park, according to LaMorte. Clark has also planned the renovations or construction of churches such as Regina Coeli in Hyde Park, St. Mary's of Poughkeepsie and Mt.

Marriott food service has new cafe objectives

By Valerie Poleri

year's Marist Food Service. The new food schools, said Cheatham. service was hired because it was seen as being "Necessary to the college," according to Barry Cheatham, director of dining services.

Some of Marriot's objectives are to tighten internal controls, try to make food lines move quicker, and to make the at-mosphere in the cafeteria more appealing, said Cheatham.

Controls are being tightened by having a non-student check identification cards before students enter the cafeteria, said Cheatham. In the past, students checked other students ID cards. Cheatham said it is not fair to expect a student to tell his friends they cannot come into the

Lines are now moving quicker since the glasses have been placed outside of the food line, according to Cheatham. The glasses are now on table by the milk,

where they can be reached by everyone. Cheatham said Marriot has tried to-

the food. Marriot has also added a vegetarian meal to the menu. This was Marriot Food Service has replaced last done because of its success at other

> Another change Marriot has brought, is having a different steak night, according to Cheatham. In previous years steak was served Saturday. This was changed because it was deemed unfair to students who go home for the weekend, said Cheatham. He added, "the quality of the food is the same as the specifications listed in the Marriot Food Specification Book."

> Changes will occur in the Rathskellar also. Submarine sandwiches sold by the inch, steak sandwiches and quarter pound hamburgers are new additions to the

The rat bar menu is also different. Canned beer and hard liquor will no longer be sold. Three brands of draft beer and six brands of wine will be sold. Cheatham said all this has been done to tighten internal controls.

Cheatham said the food service will also offer theme meals. When there is a theme meal, the cafeteria will be decorated, and make the atmosphere more appealing by foods based on specific nationalities tied to adding line decorations, and garnishes on the theme will be offered.

Students raise money for Muscular Dystrophy

By Beth Weaver

Champagnat Hall's House IV donated 110 dollars to the annual Jerry Lewis Labor Day Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. Most of the money was collected from a 50-50 raffle held by the students, according to residences, drew the winning chance, Jack Oehm, resident advisor.

According to Oehm, Yvonne Delpilar Waters.

and Jim Raimo, both House IV residents, asked permission to hold a raffle. Members of the house sold chances to students outside the dining hall.

The students raised 180 dollars from the raffle. Fred Gainer, coordinator of which belonged to eighth floor resident Joe

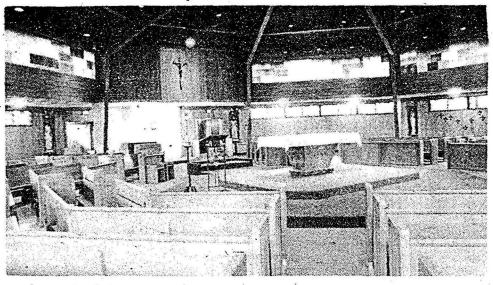
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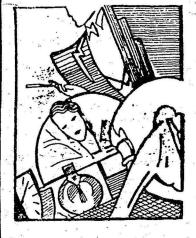
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The renovations in the Marist College Chapel which repaired fire damage were completed last week. photo Gerry Mcnulty



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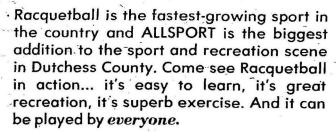
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Marist defender prepares to tackle offensive running back during scrimmage which took place on Monday afternoon on Leonidoff Field. photo Gerry McNulty

Foxes prepare for first varsity season

By Ken Healy

When the Marist Red Foxes take the field in Plattsburg for their first game as a varsity team, only 15 players from last year's 2-6-1 squad will be in uniform. Of the 60 man team, the largest in years, there will be 25 freshmen and eight transfers.

The Red Foxes have a new name, a new coach, new players, and a new attitude. "We're not a club anymore," said first year Head Coach Mike Malet. "I think all of our returning players realize this and I know the new one's do." Malet, an Joe Baldwin. Malet said both are solid assistant at Marist for eight years, succeeds Ron Levine who resigned at the end of last season after thirteen years as head

The new head coach said as in the past few years freshmen would play a big part in the Red Foxes immediate fortunes. "We're deep in all our positions personnel wise but a lot of guys just don't have game experience. For us to have a real good year our new people will have to play for us in a hurry," said Malet.

The Red Foxes will have only three returning defensive players. Two of them, Jim Pagano and co-captain Mike Ragusa, are set at defensive end spots. Malet said Mike Laffin, the other co-captain, will be in the backfield, but he wasn't sure where.

The offensive picture is also clouded with no positions sewn up, according to Malet. "There's been a lot of competition for all the spots, Monday's scrimmage told us a lot and after Friday night's scrimmage against New Haven we'll probably know who we're going to go with," Malet

Assisting Malet are returning coaches Tony Celenza, offensive co-ordinator and Steve Helman, offensive line. There are also three new coaches, George Frick, a former semi-pro coach who will work with the wide receivers, Bill Paccione a member of Marist's 1970 undefeated

championship team, and Les McMillian, the defensive line coach.

Malet said the program is rebuilding and he believes there is a strong base with the recruiting that was done last winter. He said "Almost all of the freshmen that are here are a direct result of our recruiting. We knew most of the freshmen that were coming. Last year several players didn't even get into school until just before practice began." Two freshmen that have looked especially good in the early season are fullback Tim Mancuso and linebacker ballplayers, typical of the kind of athlete Marist has recruited.

Although the coaching staff said Marist would be improved, Malet declined from making any predictions. He said the team could be better, but with the improvement throughout the league another poor record wouldn't be impossible.

...... Notes from the Gridiron

Of the 22 freshmen on the 1975 Marist team only five remain; Mike Laffin, Mike Ragusa, Eddy Williams, Bob Keller ar.d

Friday night the Red Foxes will scrimmage New Haven at Quigley Field in West Haven, Connecticut. New Haven is hoping to rebound from their 70-7 loss to ordham in last season's finale.

Marist will go on two overnight trips this season, the opener at Plattsburg and the final game against Niagara.

The home opener will be Sunday, September 24, against St. John's. St. John's was one of Marist's two victories last season. Phil Camera a reserve center for the Viking's last year, is now playing for the Redmen.

Season tickets for all home games will soon be available from players and at the athletic office at the McCann Center.

HIGH ON SPORTS

by Pat Larkin

Importance of Intramurals

By Pat Larkin

High school athletes who go to college may find a somewhat different relationship with other students than what they had encountered in high school. Athletics does not mean as much in college as it might have meant in high school. All of a sudden school work, meeting new people, or just relaxing seems more important than it ever did before.

For these freshmen, even though the time for athletics decreases, their desire to participate does not. Many freshmen want to play varsity sports but cannot find the

However at Marist, and just about every college, there is an organized intramural program which allows for competition among whomever wishes to participate. In the past, the intramural program at Marist has been used by a majority of the students. This year should not be an exception. There are approximately 1600 students attending Marist; it is not hard to find 15 guys and girls to form a soccer or a football team.

There are nine sports activities being offered through the intramural program directed by Linda Rogers who replaces Eileen Witt, former director of in-tramurals. Eight of these nine sports have separate divisions for men and women. The ninth sport, two on two basketball, is

A major weakness of the program in the past was not enough commuters got in-



Linda Rogers

volved. Last year a conscientious effort was made by the commuters in the volleyball and softball activities. More of this support is needed to make the intramural program at Marist as good as or even better than it has been in the past.

Rogers has set up a fall program of activities beginning on September 18 and ending December 8. The first two activities are flag football and volleyball starting on the 18th. The deadline for filing roster's is September 12 which can be picked up and returned in room 201 of the McCann Center.

Other sports activities in the fall semester include tennis, soccer, archery, basketball, racquetball, and track.

Each week the Circle will have full coverage of the intramural program which will include results of activities and filing periods for upcoming activities.

Running Red Foxes face toughest season

By Chris Hogan

The Marist Running Red Foxes will begin their first season as a Division II team on Saturday in the Glassboro Invitational at Glassboro State College in New Jersey

Coach Rich Stevens said he expects the 1978 schedule to be the toughest lineup of competition Marist has ever faced.

This year's team consists of thirteen upperclassmen and eighteen freshmen. Stevens said two of the top freshmen recruited are Dennis Martin, from Chaminade High School in Mineola and John Urban from Connecticut. He added they will be aided by co-captains Dennis

Goff and Matt Cole, and by returning lettermen Paul Welsh, Ron Gadziala, and Jerry Scholder from last year's squad.

Stevens said he believes this combination of youth and experience has created a positive attitude between team members that is essential for a successful

He added "If we can avoid injuries we have the makings of a good team.'

Stevens said the Foxes will aim to peak at the IC4A Championships and the NCAA Division II championships.

The Running Red Foxes are coming off their worst record in six years with a 10-5

