



Marist elects new student body prez Junior Erik Zeyher to take reins from Diaz, promises new beginnings for student body and Student Gov't Association

By JOHN RODINO
Staff Writer

Erik Zeyher, the victor of the Student Body Presidential elections on March 13th, had just rushed in from class and sat down with his jacket on.

"I feel that being there is a big portion of this job," Zeyher said, contemplating the myriad of responsibilities he would soon have as Marist's next Student Body President.

Despite his rush, Zeyher's responses were long; he appeared calm and collective, at times taking a moment before making a statement. Zeyher clued into his seemingly patient persona. He emphasized again the importance of "being there."

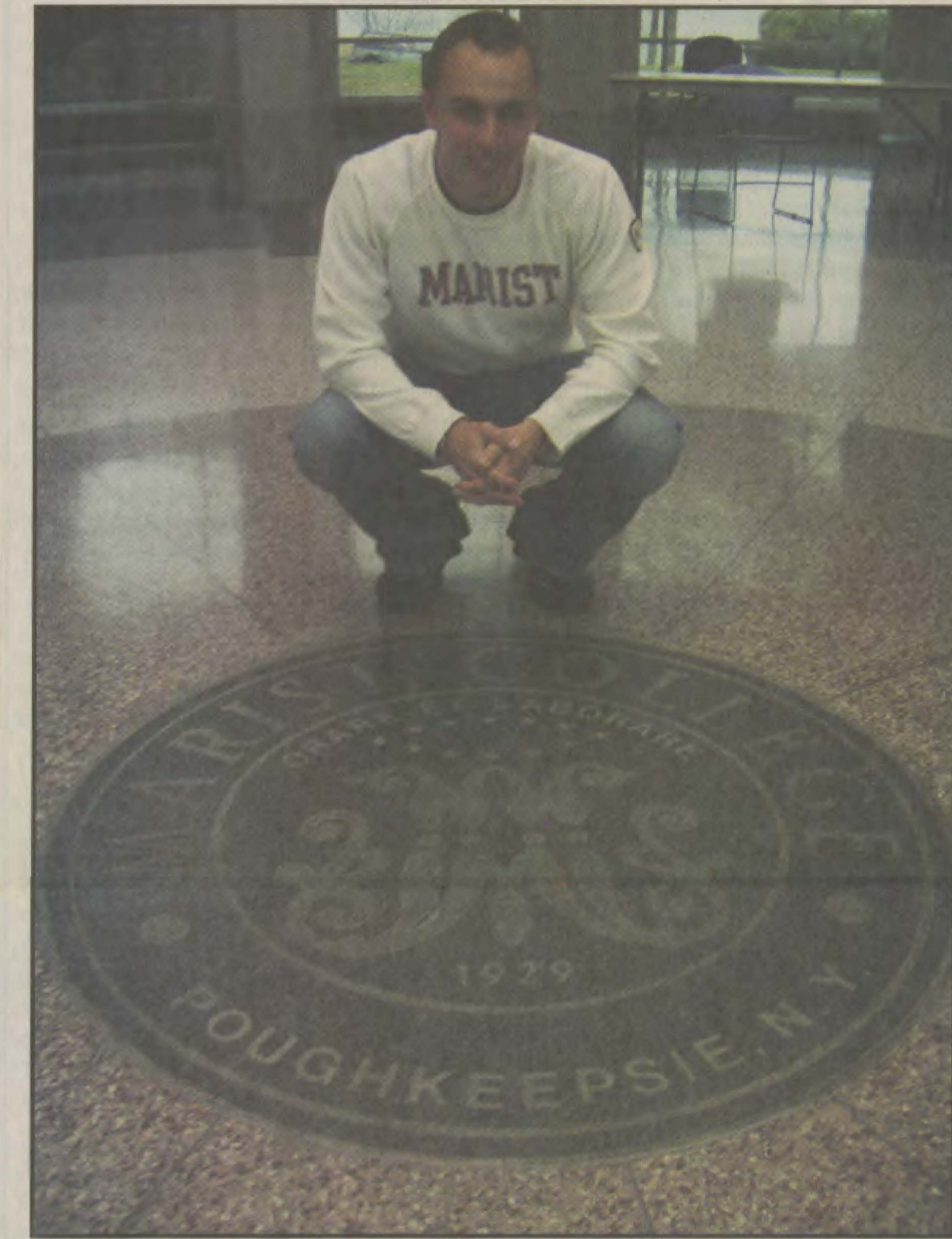
"I should not just be sitting in the office," Zeyher said. "I should be out as much as possible on this campus, going to events and anything that's possible that I can physically go to."

It seems as if Zeyher has been out as much as possible.

"Describe my typical week?" Zeyher repeated, as if an explanation would be an ordeal within itself.

On top of being the SGA president-elect, he is the Vice President of Student Life, the National Residence Hall Honorary President, a Resident Assistant in Lower West, and is currently working toward completing his 60 observation hours as a secondary education major. He also has three meetings every Wednesday, and on the weekends, he works as the co-manager of a disc jockey business called *Cousin's DJ*. All of these duties are amid time-consuming coursework and 8 a.m. classes.

Zeyher attributes his active involvement in SGA and other school organizations to what he says was his most difficult semester. In fall of 2005, just two weeks into his freshman year, he suffered a severe knee injury



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Student Body President-Elect Erik Zeyher poses in the Rotunda. The Junior will be taking office this Friday, April 4, replacing the Omar Diaz administration.

while playing on the Marist soccer team.

"That was by far the most difficult semester I ever had," Zeyher said. "But it was actually good. It opened other doors of opportunity because I started to get a lot more involved in RSC and stuff like that because I didn't

have that soccer there anymore and I knew it. So I just turned over a new leaf and said 'alright, this is what's going on now and let's focus on it.' Things have kind of snowballed and here I am now." He said, "Good things happen for a reason." His knee has long-since healed,

but now he has more to manage with his recent victory. Despite his varied commitments, Zeyher says that he is focused and is already preparing for his upcoming inauguration.

"Right now I want to make sure that I appoint a good e-board [executive board]," Zeyher said.

"That's probably my biggest concern - students that are qualified, students that are hard working, dedicated and are for the interest of the school and the students. That comes first to me—not students that are looking to gain power and stuff like that because that's not the kind of person I am nor are those the kind of people I want to be around."

Besides concerns within his administration, Zeyher said that he does not have many specific changes in mind for the school next year.

"There's no real set agenda," he said.

Zeyher is considering a few ideas for change. Of these are a book fair where students can trade books rather than purchasing books via ISBN on the bookstore website, and possibly a "different concert," because of negative responses to the Lifehouse spring concert.

A lack of specifics aside, Zeyher said he would use his experience as an RA to improve the overall experience at the school.

"I want to make sure students know what's going on, they're being introduced to new opportunities, new programs, bigger programming, their issues are addressed," he said.

This year, Zeyher has worked alongside current Student Body President Omar Diaz in the creation of programs for the school. With Diaz's administrative supervision, he assisted in the booking of motivational speaker Ed Gerety.

"I think Erik is one of those people that when he talks, people listen," Diaz said. "I think that he's grown, he's matured so much. He's learned a lot. As the outgoing president, you always want someone who knows the organization. When I found out he won, I was very excited." Although Zeyher says he has

appreciated working with the current administration, he said, however, that his administration will not parallel Diaz's.

"This is not the Diaz administration," Zeyher stressed. "With a new administration definitely comes up a new light. Omar did a great job, but this is not the same administration or anywhere near that."

Zeyher's opponents in this year's presidential race were asked to comment on the transition from the Diaz to the Zeyher administration.

Chris Cardella, former presidential candidate of this year's election, made a brief statement in an email message, writing "I hope God will bless Erik in his new position and he will continue to serve the student body as best he can."

Joseph DeLisle, current Executive Vice President and former 2008 presidential candidate, commented on Zeyher in a phone interview.

"I remember when [Erik] first applied how professional he was," DeLisle said. "I have no bad things to say about him with what he's done in SGA. I'd love to see him reach out and try to get students much more involved."

Zeyher is currently experiencing a dose of what life will be like as SGA president. He excused himself after a statement toward the end of the interview. He made a phone call and announced to the person on the other line that he was running late. He returned to the point where he interrupted himself. He continued, saying that he is confident in how he wants to be remembered as SGA president.

"To be proactive on this campus - that's probably the biggest legacy that I would like to leave behind," he said.

Erik Zeyher then left, to be "out there," fulfilling yet another responsibility.

Marist community looks back at SGA President Diaz's term

By ANDREW OVERTON
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The beginning of one administration this Friday will signal the end of Omar Diaz and his own term.

Erik Zeyher, president elect, will be sworn in Friday, April 10 at 6 p.m., effectively ending an eventful term for President Diaz.

"It was fun," Diaz said. "There are definitely life lessons that you learned here."

After reflecting on his term as president, Diaz had some words of wisdom for Zeyher.

"The biggest thing," Diaz said, "is that your decisions benefit the student body."

Diaz stressed the importance of focusing on your legacy as a president and how your term will affect Marist College years down the road.

Diaz said the presidency is not about the events or the amount of money raised, it is about leadership develop-

ment. "What's important is you guiding people and you helping people become better officers," Diaz said. "I let the rookies...make their own decisions."

Diaz's term was not an easy one, and even he admitted that he knew "the drama that was gonna be involved." Consequently, there are differing opinions on the success of his term.

"Omar was always very pro-

fessional and meetings were always productive," 2009 Class President Julie Lavin said. "He always had the student body's needs in mind."

Sophomore Samuel Mantell confirmed Lavin's sentiments.

"I'm gonna miss Omar [Diaz]," Mantell said. "I think that he's always done the best that he can to find out what people want, what people need."

2010 Class President Jeremie Hittenmark said he

felt that student government focused more internally than externally during Diaz's term.

"We didn't unfortunately do a lot with students but we did do a lot to boost our relationship for next year," Hittenmark said.

Junior Sara Laing and sophomore Aforme Agawu-Kakraba said they did not notice any significant changes from the last presidential term.

"I don't think the administration did anything different

than the last one," Laing said. "Neither of them did anything that made me aware of them."

"[Diaz] had a lot of the same programs as [last year's president] Maryellen [Conway]," Agawu-Kakraba said. "From a passerby point of view, I feel as though he followed Maryellen's footsteps."

Even though Diaz is anxiously anticipating his last hours in office, he will surely miss the excitement of leading Marist's campus.



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Security Briefs Marist College gets Rickroll'd

By TYLER THURSON
John Gildard in Training

Sheahan to Lowell Thomas,
that's all she rode.

3/29 - Lower West Cedar

once again, no criminal in sight and no motive, besides being a waste of humanity, apparent. Once again, this does not seem to be the way to go through life, unless breaking windows is somehow metaphorically attached to your broken dreams, mostly caused from your innate ability to contribute nothing else to society besides a broken window. If that's the case, then good for you, this is the part in your episode where you sit on the docks with your best friend and contemplate life. Roll credits. Goodbye.

Marist Defined

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Awkward (adj.): Descriptive of a situation that makes one uncomfortable or of the mannerisms of a particular individual. See also: Running into people you just fought with on campus, that kid who sits in the back of class and laughs inappropriately at things that aren't funny.

Senior Purge (n.): Symptom of Senioritis. Brought on by fear of change and an incoming diploma, those afflicted cut all friendship and relationship ties and wind up spending all their time at Darby's complaining about how hard it is to find a job. See also: "It's not you, it's me," Monster.com, Wing Night

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3/25 - Fulton



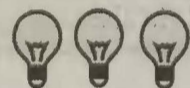
In an apparent effort to keep spring break going all year long, several students were cited for a noise violation by security in Fulton. Several of the students were dispersed, and security, apparently not heeding advice from the wise sage Rihanna, finally did stop the music. That'll come back to haunt them. If life teaches you anything, it's that when the Bahamian princess speaks, you listen. When the sun shines, you better shine together. You best shut up and drive, or she will hurt you. She's still waiting to be S.O.S. rescued, and she's growing mighty pissed. I'm telling you, the woman speaks in volumes.

3/25 - Donnelly



Two vehicles were booted over the past week, with the most recent car residing in the Donnelly lot, presumably illegally. That's embarrassing. As if walking out to your car to see it littered in tickets isn't bad enough, now you get a friendly note with a surely not-so-friendly telephone number. You can probably try driving on it for awhile, if you secretly wish to fulfill a hidden dream of having everyone on campus stare at you at once. Hey, at least you'd look cool, rebel.

3/25 - Sheahan



Finally, a change of scenery - nothing better than a little vehicular thievery to welcome the students back to campus. Or, at least by-hecular, which isn't a word, but I officially coin it. A student reported his bicycle missing parked outside Sheahan Hall, before finding it later parked outside Lowell Thomas. Yup, that is all. No criminal apprehended, simply a case of mistaken parking. Nothing more.

3/27 - Gartland



Well, this is becoming tedious. When anyone sees Gartland in these security briefs, it's never, "Oh, Gartland did something crazy this weekend," or "Oh, Gartland found a donkey and a bottle of tequila and who knows what happened." Nope, burnt food sets off the smoke alarm. Apartments cleared out, society sighs. You know the drill.

3/29 - Fulton Parking Lot



A car parked near the tennis lots was heavily damaged over the weekend, with the owner reporting damages to their right headlight and back fender. Well, at least you can now finally fulfill a life-long dream to become a Wallflowers song. And, complete my lifelong dream of countless arm-injuries to the face in the world's biggest game of "Padiddle."

3/29 - Upper West Cedar



A broken window was spotted by a keen security guard, with

3/31 - Campus



A trespasser was arrested for, as the noun implies, trespassing on campus on Monday morning. The accused had been told to leave campus several times before, and for some reason just kept coming back for more. If anything, you have to admire the resiliency. He truly is never gonna give you up. Or let you down. Or run around and desert you, for that matter.



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Defending President Bush

By DAN PEARLES
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When I turn on the news at night or read the newspaper in the morning, I cannot help but notice that the majority of the storylines are in some way connected to the presidential election. From Sen. John McCain's attempts to attract conservatives, to the controversial comments made by Sen. Barack Obama's pastor, to Sen. Hillary Clinton's struggle to remain close to Obama in the Democratic primary, it seems as if every news story is related to the candidates or those associated with them. What I have also noticed is the lack of attention paid to the man who is now, and will be for the next ten months, the most powerful person in the world. I am referring to the current President of the United States, George W. Bush.

President Bush has been a target of the media throughout his entire term in office, but he has now taken a backseat to the current presidential candidates. Although the candidates constantly mention his name during debates and speeches, President Bush has remained relatively low-key as he tries to make it through his final year in office. Democrats have shifted from

attacking the president's strategy in Iraq to trying to elect a candidate who will change course in the Middle East. Republicans are still looking for a leader for the party to rally around instead of spending their time defending the current administration. In the meantime, we have a "lame duck" president who will leave office in ten months with a legacy that will still need to be determined.

George W. Bush was elected President of the United States in 2000 by the slimmest of margins, edging out Al Gore in arguably the most controversial presidential election in history. Less than a year into his presidency, President Bush had to deal with the events of Sept. 11, the worst terrorist attack to ever take place on American soil.

I remember watching the news coverage of the events that day. I remember the anticipation for the president to appear on television to address the nation from Barksdale Air Force Base. Most of all, I remember the first words that came out of the president's mouth: "Freedom itself was attacked this morning by a faceless coward, and freedom will be defended."

I know that a lot of people do not have to be reminded of the events that I just described.

Sept. 11 was such a traumatic day for the nation that it is almost impossible to remember the details of what happened. Even though I was only twelve years-old, not a day has gone by in six years where I don't think about that day. I am certain the millions of Americans feel the same way I do about Sept. 11, but I also believe, sadly, that many of these same Americans don't remember how President Bush led the nation through those attacks, and has dedicated his entire administration to making sure that nothing like that ever happens again.

It is pointless to debate the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. There were no weapons of mass destruction but Saddam Hussein was still a threat to the civilized world.

We liberated the Iraqi people but sparked an insurgency that has still not been defeated.

Al Qaeda still exists in Afghanistan but has been severely weakened by our military's efforts in the region. People from all different viewpoints could argue for hours and no conclusion would be reached. This is why I believe that it is necessary to withhold judgment on the Bush administration.

The current strategy in Iraq appears to be working, as violence in the country has steadily

decreased. Nobody can know for certain whether or not these wars will benefit America's national security while helping the Iraqi people.

What I do know is that President Bush has staked the legacy of his administration on America's success in the Middle East. He has weathered constant criticism from his opponents as well as from those within his own party over his administration's foreign policy. Lastly, he has been relentless in his promise to keep American safe, no matter what it takes.

I, like most Americans, do not agree with every decision that President Bush has made in the last seven years. It would be a lie if I said that the president's immigration policy was not broken, or that America did not need to readjust its strategy in Iraq. President Bush is not perfect, and nobody has claimed that he is. I do believe, though, that President Bush is a man of conviction. I believe that he has had America's best interests at heart in every decision he has made. Finally, I believe that he was the right man for the time, and history will show that.

Economy in decline; Iraq war to blame

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There has been a good deal of speculation over what direction the American economy is heading. More scholars and economists are beginning to observe that we are heading into a recession. All this is happening while the Federal Reserve Board is refusing to say the 'R' word under fear of some type of stock market repercussion.

So what is the real problem with the economy? Issues as complex as this defy common explanation but there is a long list of clues that lead to a similar source. Take gas prices for example. With the rise in the

price of oil to record highs, it has become increasingly strenuous on the average American family to pay for the price of home heating oil and unleaded gasoline for their cars.

Is it any coincidence that the price of a gallon of gas in 2001, before the "war on terror," was \$1.20 and is now \$3.30? For a family making a working class salary, paying for gas, groceries, and utility nearly kills the week's paycheck. And one of the biggest factors on driving up oil prices has been the war in Iraq.

This leads to an even greater problem. The United States has spent an estimated \$522 billion since the beginning of the war over five years ago. On top of

that, it is projected that the government could spend up to \$160 billion there in 2008 alone with \$70 billion already allocated for 2008. On top of that, we owe about 35 percent of our GDP as we are \$747 billion in debt.

I'm not saying that the sole reason for any type of economic downturn is directly related to the war, it's just that it is part of the issue. The largest problem with the war is that money is being mismanaged; it could be reallocated to do much more for the American people. With the money saved from the war, you could provide jobs and services for people who need it most.

For example, for every billion dollars that could be spent on healthcare, education, and infrastructure investments, you could create between 50-100 percent more jobs than the same billion dollars spent in Iraq. Considering that last year the Bush Administration spent \$138 billion on the war in Iraq, they

effectively lost roughly one million jobs.

With that same \$138 billion, the U.S. government could have provided Medicaid level health insurance for the 45 million uninsured Americans. Additionally, they could have hired 30,000 teachers, both secondary and elementary, and built 400 schools. What's more is that they could have also provided basic home weatherization for about 1.5 million homes to reduce energy consumption by 30 percent in each home.

The most astounding aspect to all these statistics is that the government persisted on spending their money in Iraq! It's really too bad that the Bush Administration puts a militaristic effort ahead of bettering the situation of their own people. The bottom line is that the economy is about to take a turn for the worse, and unless effort is made to stop that, we may be in for a rough future.

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Dalai Lama stands ground amidst turmoil in Tibet



The Dalai Lama with his Tibetan followers

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The turmoil in Tibet is an almost forgotten one yet this ancient culture, existing in the shadow of China, may soon become extinct. Much as the first European settlers ravaged and destroyed various native tribes, China seeks to wipe out the Tibetan people, exporting natural resources and using violent means to repress the people.

While China has refused to renounce their sovereignty over Tibet since 1911, many Tibetans aren't willing to renounce their faith in a sacred land that is dedicated to Buddhism and the worship of living things, even in midst of the grotesque acts of violence that face their peaceful people. If inaction is maintained, and the world continues to remain preoccupied with other interests and ambitions, the Tibetan culture, their peaceful existence and the fragile isolated ecosystem that these people have preserved may very likely disappear.

Violence and uprising by young Tibetan rebels reveal the fractures and cracks that may eventually destroy the culture from the inside as well as the outside if nothing is done. For fifty years, as the humanitarian crises in Bosnia, Rwanda and Darfur have made a distinct impression on the world, however, the issue affecting Tibet remains shrouded in mysticism, tucked into a small corner of the world.

Often, it is hard to connect with an event half a world away, an occurrence with no direct connection to our country or our personal everyday life. But Tibet teaches a lesson that the Western world should pay careful attention to: despite the violent acts committed against these people, regardless of the innocent blood that has been spilled and continues to flow, and apart from the obvious violations of human rights and morality, the Dalai Lama continues to stand by his commitment to nonviolence. The Chinese government may call him a devil, but the unfaith-

ing integrity of this man is inspiring in a time when many would bend or break under pressure, and in a world where power is expressed through brutality and victory is equated through killing.

The valuable lessons to be learned from Tibet – not cynically, that the nice guy appears to finish last, but more optimistically, that no matter how much the world tries to influence or pressure you to change, there is so much more to be gained by standing up for what you believe, and what are undeniably your rights.

In the case of the Tibetans, it is spiritual cleanliness and peace of mind. In the western world we seek destruction and bloodshed as a means of liberation, dropping bombs in the name of peace, sending soldiers in tanks in the name of democracy, a word that has lost all meaning in light of such contradictory actions. Peaceful protest and freedom of expression are fortunately available to Americans, yet we take them for granted while Tibetans as well as many others cannot partake in these activities without feeling the weight of a baton or mixing pavement and blood, looking up at the sky as the world passes them by and the world's people continue to avert their eyes.

Oppression such as this, years in the making, might never let up considering the lack of action by world leaders and despite numerous people who are campaigning and supporting this cause. Despite our supposedly superior intelligence, we are grossly underdeveloped.

Chances are human beings will let each other die out or destroy themselves before they can reach maturity. Tibet is the kind of legacy that humanity should strive to leave behind. China continues to take resources and hope from the Tibetan people, but as long as the Dalai Lama remains morally intact, there is some small glimmer of hope for humanity, a light that shines dimly in the darkness of today's world but is surely preferable to no light at all.

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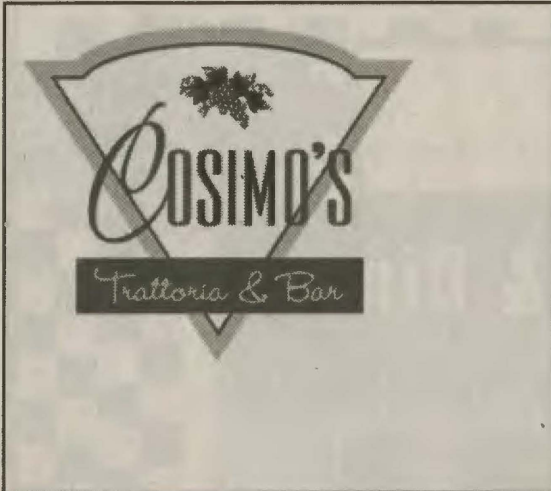
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Quality food for a high price at Cosimo's



By CAITLIN NOLAN
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Upon entering Italian restaurants, I have noticed a common theme: the scenario includes a barely lit area in which it is almost impossible to see the items on the menu before you and the ghost of Frank Sinatra is singing so loudly you cannot hear what the person next to you is saying. Cosimo's, an Italian eatery located across the street from Marist, was nothing of the sort.

The two-story restaurant was not automatically telling of the cuisine available inside. Instead, a refined, airy quality welcomes you as you enter the restaurant, enforced by the large windows and high ceilings. Myself and two friends were seated almost immediately in one of the five sectioned-off dining areas, each with a different décor. The lighting, while dim, was still bright enough to see my surroundings

and the music was light contemporary, audible but not to a deafening level. There was ample room between tables.

The menu had many selections for special diets and additional efforts were made to accommodate those looking for a healthier choice. Bread was initially served along with a plate of oil and balsamic vinegar to dip. For an appetizer, we ordered the Fried Calamari served with spicy Pomodoro Sauce. The portion was large enough to split between the three of us. The calamari was prepared well and the sauce was spicy but not overly so. At \$9.95, this dish was one of the higher priced appetizers.

Soon after finishing the appetizer our main courses were served. I ordered the Shrimp Sautee with Whole Wheat Penne Pasta, with an additional \$1 added to the \$15.95 price tag for the substitution pasta selection. While this is stated on the menu, the server did not directly inform me. Nevertheless, I opted for the healthier choice with the pasta, calamata olives, sautéed shrimp, sundried tomatoes and a touch of pesto, topped with shaved Parmigiano cheese. Normally I am not a fan of Parmigiano cheese, but this time around it was very enjoyable. The meal

consisted of many flavors but each complimented each other and blended well.

My friend ordered Ravioli Con Mozzarella and for an additional charge of \$2.25 to the \$14.95 meal, he also chose to order a side house salad topped with a balsamic vinaigrette dressing. His salad consisted of simply lettuce and he felt it was soggy. His meal, oven baked cheese ravioli tossed in tomato basil sauce, topped with melted mozzarella, was better than the salad. The mixture of hard noodles combined with the soft texture of the ricotta cheese was enjoyable, but the sauce itself was very thin and was not consistent with the rich texture of the meal underneath.

My other friend ordered Sausage & Ricotta Fusilli with a side Caesar salad for an additional \$2.95 to the cost of \$14.95. She felt the salad contained a large amount of Parmigiano cheese and that this enhanced the taste and texture of the salad. The meal was pleasant, entailing roasted peppers, plum tomato sauce, sautéed onions, spicy and mild sausage, topped with herbed ricotta and a garnishing of Parmigiano to the pasta. The cold ricotta cheese on top of the hot pasta and sauce made for a nice contrast in the meal. The meat and peppers were good but her only complaint was that the texture of the sausage reminded her of ground beef.

Overall, each meal was a success. While not every dish was without fault in the eyes of the

consumer, no complaint truly took away from the experience. The price of each meal was reasonable considering the presentation, quality and portion size of each meal. In fact, we each were able to take a large portion of our meals home.

For dessert, we ordered the Chocolate Fondant and Apple Pizzette to split amongst the three of us. In addition to that, my neighbor ordered a Café Mocha and my coworker ordered a Coffee. The Café Mocha, \$3.95, was very good as served. The Chocolate Fondant, priced at \$5.95, is any chocolate-lover's dream.

The taste of the cake was rich and similar to that of Chocolate syrup. While I felt that this dessert was divine, I cannot begin to explain how much I enjoyed the Apple Pizzette. Fresh apples on top of a dough base drizzled with syrup and topped with ice cream make for an insanely appetizing treat. The description in the menu saying it is enough for two is not exaggerating. Among the three of us, we barely made a dent in the dessert.

The meal overall cost \$86.09 including tax, excluding tip. For large portions of quality food in a great atmosphere, this was very reasonable. I walked out of the restaurant slightly heavier and certainly in better spirits than I was before entering. For any person who enjoys a long dinner with good food and good friends, Cosimo's is for you.

Professional style for a college budget

By COURTNEY SAVOIA
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Interviews are scary enough without worrying what you are going to wear; you have to have your resume up to date and your interview skills down pat. However, they say it's important to dress for the job you want and clothing can make or break the interview.

If you are interviewing for an internship, it is important to dress your age. You don't have to personify that executive look quite yet, but you should strive to look professional. Potential employers will appreciate the effort you make but realize that you are still in college and living on a budget.

If you are applying for an opening at a large company, being dressed-up shows that you understand the personality of that organization. For women, there are quite a few options to wear on your interview, while still being fun and trendy.

If you decide to wear a skirt, the length should be just above the knee. Black is a classic color and will match any top, but other styles could work just as well. White is a popular color for spring and would be a nice alternative.

The typical blouse is always acceptable, but can get boring. You can try a nice top in a subtle color, such as light pink, blue or other pastel, but bright colors can be overwhelming. Having a simple design or pattern on the top adds a nice touch, but shouldn't be extreme. Tiny floral designs or a bow can add just the right amount of elegance.

Adding a blazer or jacket to an outfit is a good way to complement the look you are going for. A blazer looks tasteful and professional. And you don't have to wear your mother's old blazer; many stores have come out with updated styles, making blazers pleasant to wear again.

Gap is one of the best retailers for work clothes; they represent sophisticated and refined style. They carry fashionable blazers in colors such as white and beige, which are perfect for

spring and go with everything. They also sell basic striped blouses and ruffled tops that are perfect for an interview. Gap carries everything you need—pants, skirts, blouses, tops and shoes—to complete your work wardrobe.

Dresses, which are a big look for spring, can work their way into your work wardrobe as well. The classic shirtdress looks pretty with a simple sweater or blazer. Dresses accessorized with a belt or tie in delicate colors are also appropriate and chic to wear on the job.

Shoes and accessories are essential to complete your look and should be worn correctly. High-heeled shoes look respectable, but ridiculously high heels are not professional. One to two inches are fine and will be comfortable to wear all day. You may be running around at work, and the last thing you need to worry about is your shoes. Tasteful sandals can also be worn at work in the warmer months; they're definitely more casual, but still appropriate. Wedge sandals are popular for spring and come in many colors.

Accessories should be kept to a minimum. A necklace or pair of earrings is fine, but should not be too large or gaudy. The same goes for make-up and perfume: less is more. Many people are allergic to certain fragrances or do not appreciate a strong scent, so a tiny spritz of a light perfume, like Chanel No. 5 or Ralph Lauren Romance, is enough. Make-up should be kept natural with just a bit of eye shadow and mascara and a clear or light-pink gloss.

For men, a suit is your best bet. A plain collared shirt in white or a light color would go best with a basic tie; you don't want to wear something too loud. Cologne should be kept to a minimum and accessories should be limited to a watch.

Take these tips into consideration as you prepare for that internship or job interview. Of course, your qualifications and skills are most important, but what you wear is an important part of your overall self presentation. Good luck!

March's Top Singles: JT to Jonas Brothers

By ALISON JALBERT
Staff Writer

"Bleeding Love" – Leona Lewis: Following the career path already set by Kelly Clarkson, Lewis won the third season of "The X Factor," the British cousin of "American Idol," then released a cover of Clarkson's single "A Moment Like This." "Bleeding Love" is Lewis' first American single, and it's the perfect way to introduce her to a new audience. The ballad provides Lewis with a way to show off her powerful voice, and the early success of the song is creating major buzz for the U.S. release of her album in April. Audiences usually embrace talented singers with big voices (Mariah Carey, Christina Aguilera, etc.) so Lewis most likely has a long and successful career ahead of her.

"Love in this Club" – Usher feat. Young Jeezy: After taking a four-year break from making music to marry his stylist and have a baby, Usher proves that he hasn't lost any of his abilities to create a hit single. "Love in this Club" isn't as innovative as one would hope, given that Usher had four years to expand his musical style. However, the single made an astounding leap from 51 to one on the Billboard charts in one week, so clearly people are enjoying Usher's newest release.

"When You Look Me in the Eyes" – Jonas Brothers: Three musically talented brothers who have an enormous following of teenage girls sounds like a

description of Hanson circa 1998, but ten years later, the Jonas Brothers have recreated Hanson's formula for success. "When You Look Me in the Eyes" is the second single off their self-titled debut album, and 12-year-old girls across the country can't get enough of the sappy ballad. Musically, the Jonas Brothers haven't done anything that hasn't been done before, but it's hard to deny their mass appeal and rabid fan base.

"Damaged" – Danity Kane: The most successful act to emerge from Diddy's incarnation of "Making the Band," Danity Kane's first single off their sophomore album shows a departure from the hip-hop sound found on their debut album. "Damaged" is an insanely catchy pop song that still has some hip-hop influences, but this new sound is far more radio-friendly than before. The five girls' solo parts are indistinguishable to the casual listener, which is either good because they can harmonize well or bad because you can't tell them apart.

"Picture to Burn" – Taylor Swift: It's like a version of Carrie Underwood's "Before He Cheats" for the high school crowd. Swift's fourth single, like Underwood's, lashes out an ex, expressing disgust with his "stupid old pickup truck/You never let me drive." Eighteen-year-old Swift brings the right amount of energy and anger to the song without sounding like she's trying to make herself seem older.

"Elevator" – Flo Rida feat. Timbaland: The entire world is familiar with Flo Rida's fond-

ness for Apple Bottom jeans and boots with the fur thanks to "Low," so for his second single, he takes the opportunity to introduce everyone to his "elevator" (obviously a thinly veiled sexual reference.) A sample of John Carpenter's theme to the "Halloween" movies and an appearance by Timbaland keeps "Elevator" from being just another rap song that talks about girls, money and parties. No doubt fueled by the continuing success of "Low," "Elevator" is hardly innovative but is so infectious that it doesn't really matter.

"Touch My Body" – Mariah Carey: Ever since a 2001 "TRL" appearance involving a strip tease, and a subsequent hospital stay for "exhaustion," Carey has been trying to get her career back to its mid-'90s peak. The 2005 album "The Emancipation of Mimi" helped boost her deteriorating career, and "Touch My Body," the first single off Carey's 11th album, also contributes to her musical rebirth. The slow dance song doesn't provide the type of incredible vocal performance that Carey is capable of, but the chorus is catchy enough to make up for any shortcomings.

"You're Gonna Miss This" – Trace Adkins: Country songs are often known for their ability to tell a story in just under four minutes, and Adkins' latest single is no different. Each verse describes an event in the life of a girl who is unhappy, with another character assuring her that she'll look back and miss this time in her life. "These are some good times/So take a good look

around/You may not know it now/But you're gonna miss this," Adkins sings in the chorus. It's a sentiment that everyone can relate to, and his gravelly vocals give the song an emotional edge.

"Killa" – Cherish feat. Yung Joc: In an attempt to fill the R&B girl group void left by Destiny's Child, Cherish released their first single in 2006 to moderate success, but nothing happened in the song's aftermath to propel them to extreme stardom. Two years later, the release of "Killa" proves that there is still a lot of potential left in the four sisters of Cherish. The catchy song is climbing up the charts, and while Cherish probably won't reach the same level of success as Destiny's Child, but if they keep releasing quality singles like this, they could surprise everyone.

"4 Minutes" – Madonna feat. Justin Timberlake and Timbaland: Madonna has never been known for her incredible vocal power, despite the fact that she has ruled the pop charts for 26 years. She has always relied on other things, usually controversy or the high quality of her music, to propel her songs up the charts. "4 Minutes" is no different; Madonna recruits Justin Timberlake and master producer Timbaland for help on the first single off her 11th album. The song is busy and energetic, with Madonna and Timberlake sharing the vocals and Timbaland contributing a marching band-esque horn sound. This song will undoubtedly be Madonna's 13th number one single.

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Interview: Freshman with mononucleosis

By **KARLIE JOSEPH**
Staff Writer

Freshmen Christina Bartumioli sat cross-legged on her cozy Victoria Secret Pink comforter, statistics books sprawled open on her lap. It was March 10 and she was accustomed to her new routine - writing papers in her flannel pajamas, and sucking on cough drops throughout the day.

"I'm used to this all by now," said Bartumioli, a hint of rasp in her voice from the tail end of bronchitis she has been fighting. "As a matter of fact, I can't really remember it being any other way." According to Marist Health Services, Bartumioli was one of 18 cases of mononucleosis diagnosed at Marist College last semester, and one of 200 students that went home as a result of sickness.

Aside from mono, Bartumioli has been on antibiotics three times over the course of this school year. After a "rough start" to college life, Bartumioli is readjusting to a normal, healthier routine.

Bartumioli started feeling symptoms roughly a week before Thanksgiving break, but she didn't see it as anything severe.

"I figured I just had a cold and a sore throat," she said, pushing her blonde hair out

of her eyes. "I was never really sick before college. I just figured the discomfort was normal." Growing up in Greenlawn, Long Island, Bartumioli said she never missed more than a day of school in her entire high school career at St. Anthony's Catholic High School. As an active member on the varsity soccer team, she was constantly conscious of her health. "I didn't have time to be sick, balancing school and sports, plus, my parents always were there guiding my hectic life," she said smiling. Luckily, the worst part of mono came at a time when her parents were there to help.

"My things were literally packed and in my car Sunday night after Thanksgiving weekend when I started experiencing extreme pain in my throat," she said. "I had seen the doctor over break and my strep test had come back negative, so I had a feeling something worse was about to come." After being brought to the PM Pediatrics, a local doctor's office that has night hours, Bartumioli was advised to be brought directly to the hospital. There she was given an IV due to her excessive swollen glands and a "quick mono test" showed positive results almost immediately.

"The feeling was absolutely

horrible. I couldn't even swallow my own saliva without gripping into the mattress of my bed," she said.

Bartumioli was out of school for two more weeks following Thanksgiving break. During that time her life was full of doctors' visits

"After her third visit to the doctor her steroid dosage was not only prolonged, but she was informed that her case of mono was "if not the worst, definitely in the top three" most severe cases of mono her doctor had ever treated."

and endless types of medication. After her third visit to the doctor her steroid dosage was not only prolonged, but she was informed that her case of mono was "if not the worst, definitely in the top three" most severe cases of mono her doctor had ever treated.

"The hardest part was going back to school and having to focus on work when all my body wanted to do was rest," she said. "Though I attempted to do a lot of my work while at home, I was still extremely overwhelmed."

Though Marist has seen a high quantity of sickness this season, Bartumioli confesses that some of her sickness could probably have been avoided.

"I admit I lived a little irresponsibly," she said "I would literally stay up until 5 a.m. a

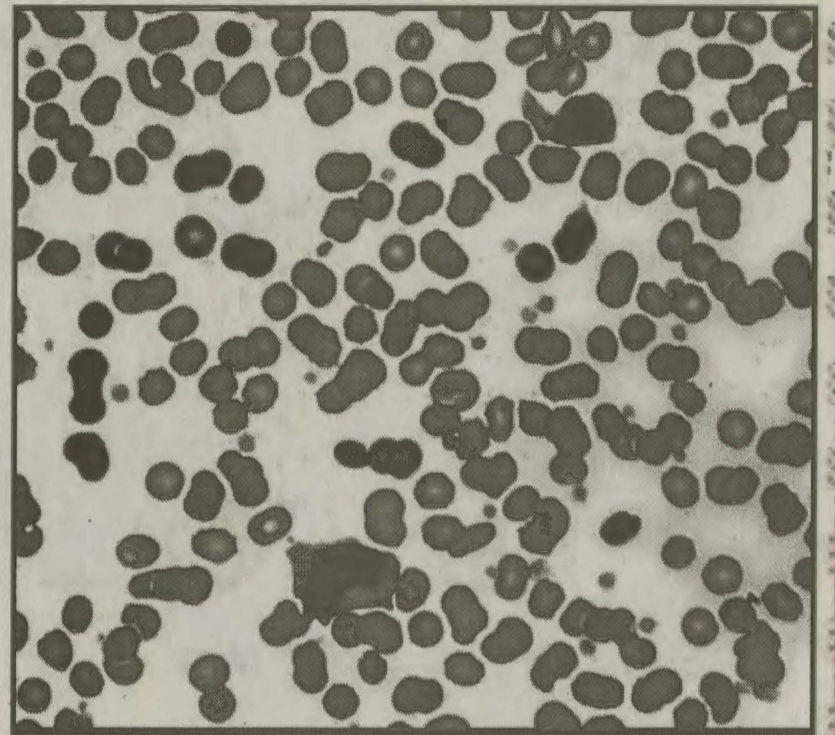
lot of nights for no real reason. Even simple things like not eating well, not wearing warm clothes, or going to the gym every day regardless of how tired I was really wore me down."

Bartumioli said that freshman lifestyles can be a little

chaotic and at times self destructive, though it is all part of the process of learning.

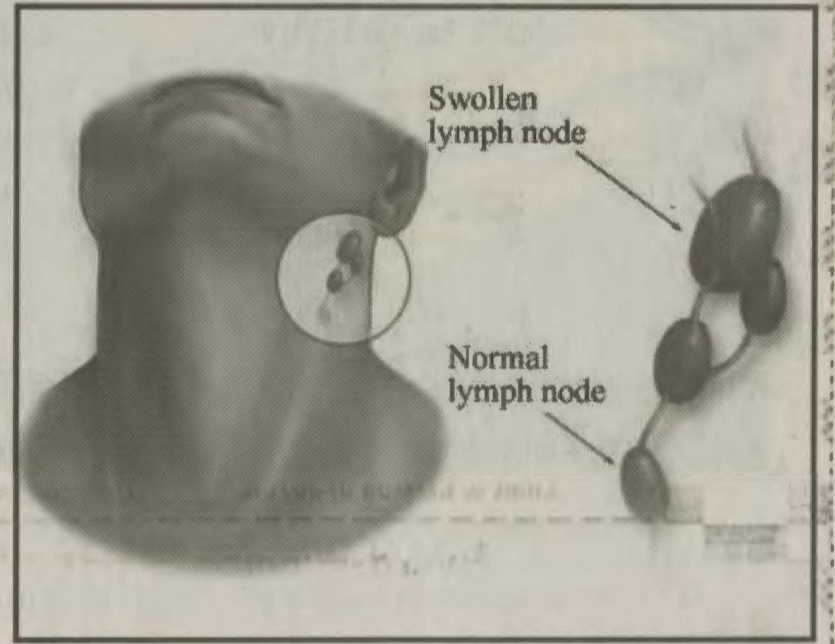
"Even if you had walked into this room four months ago you would have seen a drastic difference," she said "Though my immune system isn't exactly where it used to be, I still feel much more relaxed and in control. I try to simplify my life by doing work ahead of time and going to the gym in the early afternoon that way my body is getting the right amount of rest at nights and I can stay as healthy as possible."

Bartumioli said she learned a lesson by letting it get that far, and is glad she can turn her focus back to her performance as a student at Marist. She cautions all students, especially freshman, to be careful and to stay healthy.



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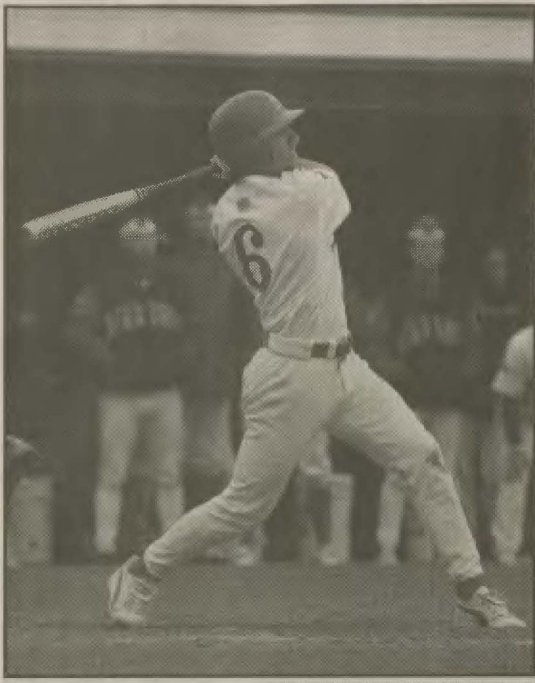
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Baseball takes one from Rider on Sunday



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Curylo was on fire at the plate in this past week-ends three game series against Rider. In Saturday's doubleheader he went 6-8 with two RBIs and on Sunday he went 2-3 with a triple and two more RBIs. He will try to keep up the hot hitting in a three-game series at Iona.

in 7.1 innings and struck out five.

Marist broke a 2-2 tie in the top of the ninth when sophomore shortstop Richie Curylo, who went 6-8 on the day, hit a two-run single. The Foxes added one more to take a three-run lead into the bottom of the ninth, but reliever Brendan Chapin, who has been solid all year, couldn't hold on and allowed Rider to score four runs to take the win.

"Up until the ninth inning, we pretty much controlled the game," Coach Dennis Healy said. "Chapin's been very good up to that point...but he's going to get the ball again."

In the second game, Marist managed just three hits, two of which were by Curylo, who

coach Healy said was "outstanding all weekend."

Sophomore starter B.J. Martin only lasted 3.2 innings and allowed three runs while striking out an impressive seven batters. The offense couldn't get it going all game, however, and they only managed one run for the game.

"Their guy was better than our guy in that game," Healy said. "We've gotta try to find a way to win. We're pretty young so it's hard for us to bounce back...we need to do a better job of that."

Sunday's game turned out much better for the Foxes as they took care of Rider by a score of 5-1. Peterson was able to go the distance for Marist, allowing just one run on five hits while striking out three. Curylo collected two more hits and two RBIs for Marist, completing a great individual weekend for the shortstop in which he collected eight hits and four RBIs.

Coach Healy thinks the team is getting closer to getting hot and picking up some big wins and is happy with their pitching so far, but he knows its going to be difficult for this young team to be able to bounce back from losses.

"Our pitching is better than it's been most years at this point in

the year," he said. "For the most part, our relievers have been throwing the ball pretty good at times. The sticking point is that after they have a bad day, they don't have the confidence to go out and forget it...they don't have the ability to shelve that yet."

Marist is now 6-12 overall and 2-4 in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC). Healy and his team know that they are going to have to start to get on track very soon if they want to compete for first place in the MAAC.

"We're getting closer. At one point we were hitting and weren't pitching enough and now [it's the opposite]," Healy said. "We need to string some wins together and get on a roll."

Marist's next MAAC series will be this weekend at Iona, and the team will look to quickly start accumulating conference wins. Coach Healy knows that they need to start hitting consistently hitting in order to get these wins.

"Kenny Anderson, Brian McDonough, and Ryan Gauck all have to hit," he said. "We're hitting just .250 as a team. Anderson led the team in RBIs

last year and this year he has just one. Our pitching will take shape as we go, but we need to continue to hit."

Stats from Mar. 28-30

SP. No. 7 Stephen Peterson:

1 W, 9 IP, 1 ER, 3 K, 5H

SS. No. 6 Richie Curylo

8-11, 4 RBIs, 1 3B, 4 R

SP. No. 18 Josh Rickards:

7.1 IP, 2 ER, 5 K, 8 H

2B. No. 2 Ricky Pacione:

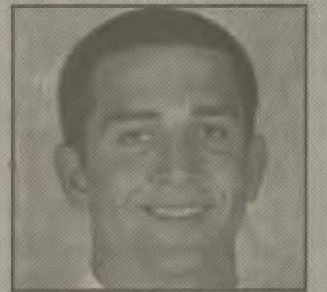
5-9, 2 RBI, 1 R



Roarin' Red Foxes

Marist's male and female star performer for the weekend of Mar. 28-30.

Richie Curylo
Baseball, Sophomore



The sophomore shortstop starred at the plate this weekend for the Red Foxes. In Saturday's doubleheader, Curylo went 6-8 with two RBIs. In Sunday's game, he went 2-5 with two RBIs and two runs scored. Curylo is batting .290 as of Mar. 31 with 10 RBIs and three stolen bases in six attempts.

On the horizon:

Marist will head to Iona for a three game series starting on Saturday, April 5 with a doubleheader.

Megan Rigos
Softball, Senior



Rigos was named MAAC Pitcher of the Week for the third time this season for her performance this past weekend against Binghamton, Seton Hall, and Providence. She started three of Marist's six games and pitched complete games in each one. She did not allow an earned run and struck out a total of 26 batters. She now has a 1.37 ERA and 118 strikeouts in 87 innings pitched on the season.

On the Horizon:

The Red Foxes will travel to Fairfield for two games on Sunday, April 6.



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By RICH ARLEO
Sports Co-Editor

After losing both games of a double header to Rider on Saturday, the Red Foxes were able to bounce back and salvage a win on Sunday behind a brilliant pitching performance from sophomore starter Stephen Peterson.

In the first game of the doubleheader, Marist got out to an early 2-0 lead to back starting pitcher Josh Rickards, who had a quality outing. He allowed just two runs

Foxes end four-game skid with Lafayette win

By MATT SPILLANE
News Co-Editor

After dropping its previous four contests, Marist's women's lacrosse team ended its losing streak on Monday, March 31, with a 22-4 drubbing of Lafayette. The Red Foxes scored 17 consecutive goals en route to a 19-2 halftime lead, and improved to 3-5 on the season.

Lafayette scored the game's opening goal 1:05 into the first half, but Marist quickly stole the lead. The Leopards cut Marist's lead to 5-2 with 21:28 remaining in the first half, but then the Red Foxes went on a 17 goal tear to seal the victory.

Eleven different players scored for Marist, including six who scored at least two goals apiece. Sophomore midfielder Liz Falco

led the team with seven points, including four goals and three assists, while winning three draw controls. Senior goalkeeper Liz Burkhard stopped seven shots and scooped up three groundballs. Senior midfielder Lindsey Diener notched three goals and two assists, and needs two points to become the program's all-time point's leader.

Marist Head Coach Tanya Kotowicz expressed her satisfaction with the win.

"I didn't think it would be that big of a blowout," she said. "It allowed us to work on some things without the possibility of losing."

The win was Marist's first since beating Sacred Heart 9-8 on March 9. Since then, the Red Foxes suffered through a four game skid, which included two

one-goal losses. The team travelled to Denver over spring break to play Denver and Colgate, but was beaten 21-10 and 15-12, respectively.

Marist returned to action last week against Brown and Fairfield. The Red Foxes held the lead late in each game, but ended up on the losing side of 13-12 and 11-10 defeats, respectively.

Marist's 11-10 loss to Fairfield on Saturday, March 29, was a double overtime thriller. Fairfield junior attack Abbey Goodwin weaved through the Marist defense, found an opening, and knotted the game at 8-8 with 11:35 left in the game, but both teams were held scoreless through the remainder.

Each team scored twice in the first overtime period, as Marist junior midfielder Cristin Begley

fed a pass to junior attack Kate Nofsker with 0:14 remaining in overtime to keep the contest going. Nofsker made an acrobatic catch, somehow kept her balance, and buried the shot while falling backwards.

However, freshman midfielder Kristen Coleman tallied the winning goal for Fairfield 0:13 into the second overtime, and the Stags ran out the clock for the final 2:47. Although Fairfield (6-1) is a strong team, Kotowicz said that is not how she thought the game would go.

"As a coach you expect something different," she said. "They [Marist] made a couple of mental errors, but we still made some gains."

Fairfield won 13 more draw controls than Marist did, which Kotowicz said had a major

impact on the game's outcome.

"Draw controls were huge," she said. "Fairfield had that craving right off the first whistle. But we turned it around against Lafayette."

Marist was able to earn a 16-12 advantage in draw controls against Lafayette, which will be a crucial factor in the Red Foxes' next game at Iona on Friday, April 4. The Gaels, 3-6 this year, have a plus five differential in draw controls this season, while the Red Foxes have a negative 23 draw control differential.

"We need to take things from the Lafayette game into Iona," Kotowicz said about what her team needs to improve upon for its next matchup. "We're realizing that confidence comes within us, and that we can't let other teams dictate it."

Rigos dominates Seton Hall and Binghamton

By JUSTINE DECOTIS
Staff Writer

The Marist softball team had a frustrating week losing three of four games. Of the games, two were against Seton Hall and two were against Providence. Two of three losses came in one-run games.

The Red Foxes traveled to East Orange, N.J. last Wednesday for a double header against Seton Hall. Marist won the first, 1-0, behind a spectacular pitching performance by senior Megan Rigos. Rigos pitched a complete game two-hitter and did not allow those two hits until the seventh inning.

Along the way, Rigos struck out seven and did not allow any walks. It was Rigos' ninth complete game of the season.

The Red Foxes needed a strong outing from Rigos because Seton Hall starter Ashley Forsyth also pitched a strong game, allowing only three hits and one run. Marist's lone run came from Melissa Giordano's solo home run in the sixth inning.

Marist ran out of luck in the second game, however, losing 6-1. Katie Stillwell pitched a solid

game for Seton Hall, going seven innings and allowing one run. The Red Foxes had eight hits in the contest but were unable to get any big hits at the right time. Heather Viola got the start for Marist and struggled through three innings, allowing six runs on eight hits. Caitlin Carpentier came out of the bullpen and pitched three scoreless innings, giving the team a chance to get back in the game, but the offense did not deliver.

On Sunday, the Red Foxes traveled to Providence to take on the Friars. Rigos got the start for Marist in the first game and pitched well in a 1-0 loss. The Red Foxes were only able to muster two hits in the contest, one by Giordano and the other by Annie Castellano. Providence pitcher Danielle Bertolette pitched a complete game for the Friars.

The string of tough losses for Marist continued in game two of the doubleheader as the team battled to a 6-5 eight-inning loss. The offense that was absent in game one appeared in the second.

The game was a back and forth affair as the Friars took the first

lead of the game with two runs off Marist starter Carpentier. Marist got two runs in the top of the sixth when Castellano hit a two-run home run to left.

Two batters later, McCallion Campbell hit the first home run of her collegiate career, a solo shot to left center. But the Friars came back to tie the game in the bottom half of the inning on an RBI double by Teresa Bertels. Marist was able to regain the lead in the seventh when Pamela de la Llave had an RBI double and later scored on a throwing error. The Friars pushed the game to extra innings when Christy Becker hit a two-run home run with two outs in the bottom of the seventh. Providence would get the walk-off win on a Justine Stratton home run in the bottom of the eighth, her second of the game.

Melissa Giordano and Megan Rigos have been the leaders for the Red Foxes all season. Giordano is batting .398 on the year with nine RBIs; both lead the Foxes. She leads the team in virtually every offensive category and her .436 on-base percentage make her a perfect catalyst for the leadoff spot in the

order. Giordano has been named Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) player of the week twice this season. Rigos' 7-7 record is not representative of her dominant season. She has posted a 1.37 ERA and a .173 batting average against while averaging 1.35 strikeouts per inning. In eleven starts, Rigos has pitched ten complete games. Rigos was named MAAC pitcher of the week for the third time this season last week. Marist continues their season with a double-header against conference rival Fairfield on Apr. 6.



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Senior starter Megan Rigos continued her outstanding season this past weekend for Marist. She pitched in three games and didn't allow an earned run, while striking out 26. She picked up two wins and one loss while going the distance in all three games. On the season, Rigos is 7-7 with a 1.37 ERA. She leads the MAAC in wins, complete games, strikeouts, ERA, and innings pitched.

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Marist searches for new head coach after Brady bolts

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The Marist Red Foxes can now add head coach to their laundry list of concerns for the 2008-2009 season.

James Madison University introduced Brady as its new head coach on March 26 after JMU's previous coach, Dean Keener, resigned after three seasons at the Dukes' helm.

After signing a four-year contract extension following the 2006-2007 season, Brady committed to only one of those years. In his four years with Marist, Brady guided the team to a 73-50 record, the second winningest span in Red Foxes' history. Only the 1984-1988 class that featured Rik Smits won more games (74). Despite his success, the coach believed the Colonial Athletic Conference (CAC) represented his best opportunity for success.

He certainly has his work cut out for him.

The Dukes finished 13-17 this past season, which marked the most wins the school has earned in the past four seasons. The school finished 10th in the CAC and its 5-13 record tied for last with Drexel and Georgia State. The only highlight for the Dukes this past season was a fast 9-3 start that included a 100-88 win over Marist rival Siena.

Although the Red Foxes lost six seniors, the former JMU coach didn't leave a stable position behind either.

"Some say you've had three years to bring kids in but this program is still in a rebuilding mode," Keener said following his resignation.

The one player Brady will rely on is senior Abduai Jalloh. The senior led the Dukes in scoring with 15.5 points per game and will reunite with Brady. Brady recruited Jalloh to play at Saint Joseph's before eventually accepting the Marist head coaching position Dave Magarity vacated.

Marist Director of Athletics Tim Murray believes the JMU position presented Brady with a similar challenge he encountered at Marist.

"Matt looked at it as an opportunity similar to the one he had here, an opportunity to go in and build a program that has not had an awful lot of success," Murray said.

Mike Ferraro, Marist Sports Information Director, feels that Brady will receive more recognition in the CAC.

"He probably feels like he has an opportunity there, an opportunity from a visibility factor when you talk about what George Mason did a few years ago and with what some of the other

teams have done," Ferraro said. "There's some fairly high-profile teams in that conference."

For Brady, the decision to forego the final three years on his deal was not a financial one.

"I know that there's enough [at JMU] to win," Brady said at his press conference on Mar. 26. "When you inherit a program, that's all you want to know.... It's a school with a great academic reputation, a nice campus, proximity to fertile recruiting areas, and it's in a league that can potentially get multiple bids to the NCAA Tournament."

With Brady's departure, Murray and the rest of Marist's brass must now pick up the pieces. The search for a new head coach is an ongoing process that will continue this week as Murray travels to the Final Four.

"Tim has met with people already, both off campus and on campus," Ferraro said. "He's going to be going to the Final Four, and he will be talking to people on Thursday and Friday down there. Once the Final Four wraps itself up, I think this process is going to start getting quicker next week."

Murray has already spoken with several candidates from a varying range of levels in NCAA basketball. His search will continue this weekend.

"Right now the list includes a

total mix [of coaches]," Murray said. "A lot of Division I assistant and associate head coaches [have been contacted], and then some other head coaches."

In addition to the coaching staff, several uncertainties linger regarding next season. There is the possibility that current Marist players could transfer to other schools in light of Brady's decision. Fortunately for the Red Foxes, six players have already used their redshirt year of eligibility, making a transfer unlikely. Any player that has used his redshirt year would have to sit out a year of playing eligibility or transfer to a Division II school. Both moves are not very likely. For the players that have not qualified for a fifth year of eligibility, the possibility remains.

"Whenever you have a coaching change that's always a possibility," Murray said regarding transfers. "I've met with most of the team and I think everybody is excited about the opportunity of a new coach. There's a little bit of an anxiety as well, which is completely normal when there's a coaching change."

According to Murray, the team understands that it will take a collective effort from the players currently on the roster to ensure the 2008-2009 season is not a rebuilding one for the Red Foxes. From a recruiting stand



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Marist head coach Matt Brady left to fill the same position at James Madison University. Brady had three years remaining on an extension he signed following last season. He was 73-50 in his four seasons here.

point, there is still an opportunity to bring in players. All of the players Brady recruited to Marist are still scheduled to attend the school next season.

"We have scholarships available and coaches that I've talked to already look at that as an opportunity where they can come in and make an immediate impact on their program," Murray said. "I look at that as a positive."

Despite losing six seniors and a coaching staff, Marist still has a

collection of talented guards on the roster. The Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) has been known as a guard-league and Marist potentially returns David Devezin, Jay Gavin, Dejuan Goodwin, and Jeremiah Bowman.

For Murray, that is a solid foundation to build upon.

"The MAAC is in a lot of ways a league for guards," Murray said. "I think we have very strong guard-play and I think that's going to help us."

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