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Leader of the pack

Jen VonSuskil, a junior, has led the women's X-country team to a successful fall page 12

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Campus divided on releasing prof evaluations

by JENNIFER CHANDLER

Senior Editor

Faculty, students and administrators have mixed opinions on the college's policy of not releasing teacher evaluation results' to students, but most favor the posting of course outlines prior to registration, according to interviews conducted by The Circle.

"If we're going to make any serious use of evaluations, then they have to be made available," said William Olson, chairman of the Faculty Executive Committee from

Teacher evaluations, filled out by students at the end of every semester, are used by administration to determine the effectiveness of the teacher, class content and textbooks.

Olson said he has no problem releasing the evaluations, as long as they are interpreted

"I don't think just anybody can read student evaluations and draw accurate conclusions," said Olson. "One has to be very careful of the area of due process."

Linda Cool, assistant academic vice president, said she believed releasing student evaluations of teachers by department would be beneficial if the students could easily ac-

"I don't see how it could be hurtful," said Cool. "I'm just not sure how many students

would look at them."

Heather Wells, a senior from North Greenbush, N.Y., said she was in favor of releasing evaluation results by department.

"I think they should be available somewhere," said Wells. "It would give students insight on how different departments are run."

Student Body President Matt Thomson said as long as individual names aren't revealed, publishing evaluation results would be a good indicator of which divisions need attention.

However, some said they believe releasing results will not help students.

Vincent Toscano, chairman of the Faculty Executive Committee, said evaluation results should not be made available because the evaluation was designed for the faculty to use and it doesn't answer the questions students want to know.

'We designed the questionnaire primarily to ask the students to act as reporters," said Toscano. "They provide the professionals with a way of seeing what goes on in the class."

Students want to know which courses to

take based upon how hard a teacher is or how much work he assigns; these questions aren't answered by the questionnaire, said Toscano who is also an associate professor of history.

Some members of the administration favor posting evaluation results only if they are assured students take them seriously.

"Ninety-five percent of Marist students take evaluations seriously, but it's still that small percentage which raises questions about everyone else's honesty and makes it difficult to know how to read or interpret evaluations," said Cool, who is also acting chairwoman of the division of arts and

Students need to know their comments on the evaluations are being taken seriously so they will take more time to fill them out honestly, said Olson, who is also a professor of history.

"I've heard students say no one pays attention to the evaluations," said Olson. "If student perception is they're (evaluations) not being used for anything, then what the students write won't be useful."

Freshman might not take evaluations seriously, but juniors and seniors want to know what a particular teacher is like. As a result, they would be more honest on the

evaluations, said Madeline Falcone.

According to Toscano, evaluations are a crucial in determining faculty tenure, rank and promotion.

"They aren't the only mean used to judge a faculty member, but they are an important mean," said Toscano.

One solution discussed which would assure that students take the evaluations more seriously would be to have students sign their names to a cover sheet.

Andrew Molloy, chairman of the division of science, said that this accountability would change the whole value of the evaluation because a student criticizing a teacher would have to take responsibility for his opinions.

"There would be less students using the form to vindicate their own shortcomings and more students using it to convey honest and constructive criticism," said Molloy.

Students might also take them more seriously if the evaluations were handed out in the beginning of class, said Olson.

Most evaluations are handed out in the end of class. If I were a student, I'd want to fill it out and get the hell out of class," said Olson. "I hand mine out in the beginning and if it takes half the class, it's worth

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Circle photo/Mike Rodia

Brother Edward Michael (center) is flanked by returning Marist Brothers who helped build Donnelly Hall 🛂 Brother Paul Ambrose, (second in from left) former president of Marist and other college officials during the Donnelly rededication ceremony held Oct. 12.

The Brothers return honor their work

by AARON D. WARD Staff Writer

President Dennis J. Murray "welcomed home" the Marist Brothers during his opening remarks at the Donnelly rededication ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 12.

Many Marist Brothers, wearing buttons that said "The Donnelly Construction Crew," attended the hour-long ceremony which rededicated Donnelly Hall to the original builders — the Marist Brothers.

Speeches by Andrew Molloy, chairperson of the science division, Michael Taltry, a former math teacher, Mark Sullivan, executive vice president, Brother Edward Michael, president of the "Donnelly Construction Crew" and Brother Paul Ambrose, former president of Marist College, summed up the changes to the building and recalled some of the experiences while laboring on Donnelly.

During the invocation, Father Luke McCann said the rededication was "a renewal and selfaffirmation as Marist College enters its service to the Lord in the next century." Father Luke McCann during his invocation.

Donnelly Hall has always been a 'hub'' of activity and remains the centerpiece of the College, remarked Sullivan to the crowd of about 50 people gathered in the Donnelly atrium.

'It is a privilege to re-dedicate Donnelly Hall with the original builders," said Sullivan.

Brother Joseph Belanger fms, professor of French at Marist, recalled building Donnelly.

"This used to be a cornpatch and marsh land and the 30-foot holes we dug for the pillars to support the building were strong enough to support a third and fourth story,' said Belanger.

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haraccmeni "These kinds of calls are almost

by JOY SANCHEZ Staff Writer

He called three times; breathing heavy, saying sexual things and laughing this sick laugh, said one freshman.

"I was so scared I couldn't sleep in my room that night," said the freshman.

Phone calls such as these are common to students living in dormitories where a new phone system has been installed this year, but the college is cracking down and disciplining offenders.

There have been some serious harassment calls, but most have been from people who call several times in a row and then hang up, said students.

"Every time the phone rings we don't answer it because we know it's going to be a prank," said a resident of Leo Hall.

Some female students said they received calls warning them to stay away from other students' boyfriends while others received calls from individuals wanting to get to know them better.

Students have been instructed by the resident assistants to record the times of the phone calls, but most said it wasn't worth it because the phone calls were harmless.

According to Rob Zatkowski, an RA from Meridan, Conn., a caller listened to all the messages on a freshman's phone mail and then left a message for the student applying all the information he had who like others interviewed, asked not to be identified.

Although the Office of Safety and Security has told the student to save all his phone-mail messages in order to trace the calls, no action has been taken, said the student.

tand the importance of watching

security of lost or stolen access

show us if a code is being used on

multiple phones or at the same

time," said Lawton.

Marist is working toward better

"We have programs that can

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out for the code," said Lawton.

an expected problem when you have phones in all the dorm rooms," Leary said. According to Tim Lawton, a

telecommunications analyst, the main cause of caller harassment is a direct result of students not changing their passwords.

Because students have not changed the six-digit password they received in the beginning of the year, anyone can access their phone mail, said Lawton.

"The key is to have a password that is not public knowledge." Lawton said.

Lawton said he can trace calls made to on-campus students and is working with Security to track down the callers and discipline or possibly prosecute them.

Jim Raimo, director of housing and residential life, said that he is aware of four general complaints and in two of these cases, the people were caught and disciplined.

Raimo said he is disappointed see HARASSMENT page 9

Students urged to take care with codes get here, they really don't unders-

by KEITH SOUTAR Staff Writer

The access-code system used in the Marist telephone service has brought smiles — and frowns — to many freshmen and sophomores.

Lost and stolen codes are running up the phone bills of students who were assigned the seven-digit long-distance calling codes for phones in the dormitories.

"It's just people that have nothing better to do with their time," said a freshman in Cham-

pagnat Hall. Although the majority of phone calls have not been serious, some can be catergorized as harassment

However, some students failed to realize that they are responsible for the security of the code, and have had to change it because they revealed it to others.

Since the beginning of the semester, the number of these cases has diminished considerably, according to Tim Lawton, Marist's

telecommunications analyst. "Freshmen are introduced to so

many new things when they first learned from her messages.

One student said he received calls such as hang-ups, death threats and girls chanting nursery rhymes.

"We get calls all the time until 2:30 a.m. when I have to get up in just a few hours," said the student

Director of Safety and Security Joseph F. Leary said he receives around one or two complaints from male and female students per week and is working with the telecommunications office to solve the problem.

Washington, Lithgow hit bullseye in 'Richochet'

Denzel Washington and John Lithgow, two of today's finest actors, star in the new action thriller, "Ricochet."

Washington plays Nick Styles, an up-andcoming assistant D.A. who is framed for a series of crimes by a sadistic psycho he put away. Playing the psycho, with menacing authority, is John Lithgow. This part represents a radical departure for Lithgow, who is known for much more quiet roles, such as the banker in "Terms of Endearment," and Roberta Muldoon, the transvestite in "The World According to

Both actors do well with their roles. Washington makes Styles a very believable character. He plays Styles as an upstanding man who is determined to do what he can to clean up the city, which, in this case, is

Styles is completely bewildered when his world starts to fall apart due to Lithgow's elaborate revenge scheme. He really gets the audience to feel for his character when he can't get anyone to believe that he is being framed. Washington saves his best performance for the last part of the movie when he takes matters into his own hands.

Critics Corner

BRIAN MCNELIS

As good as Denzel Washington is, Lithgow is better. Lithgow's Blake, the sadistic psycho, is one of the meanest villains to come along in film in a long time.

In the beginning of the film, when the character of Blake is set up, Lithgow seems uncomfortable with the role. However, as the movie progresses, he settles down and

puts in a great performance. By the end of the film, the audience has learned to hate him with a passion, as he delivers his dialogue consisting mostly of four-letter words - in a very sneering fashion.

The story progresses very swiftly and logically. The beginning of the movie sets up the rivalry between Washington and Lithgow. Washington is a rookie cop who foils Lithgow's attempted heist and sends him to jail.

While in jail, Lithgow plots a revenge scheme while Washington climbs the ranks to become assistant D.A. Lithgow then escapes and enacts his plan on Washington. The rest of the movie details Washington's attempts to clear himself and get rid of Lithgow.

Overall, the middle part of the film is the worst part of the film. Nothing happens and it is rather boring. However, as soon as Lithgow escapes, the fun begins.

The movie's many action scenes are handled very well and are very exciting. The ending is especially well done with Lithgow and Washington slugging it out on top of a metal tower. Washington also does a take-off on Jimmy Cagney from the movie, "White

The problem with "Ricochet" is that as the plot progresses there are some highly implausible sequences. One must suspend belief for a while in order to follow what is going on. The film is also needlessly violent at times. One of the most glaring examples of this occurs in the scene where Lithgow escapes from jail.

In supporting roles are rapper Ice T and actress Lindsay Wagner, of T.V.'s "Bionic Woman" fame.

Although "Ricochet" has its problems, it is an entertaining and taut action/thriller which is well worth the money.

pportunities abound at job expo confidence in yourself, and a good sophomores, and juniors are in-

by KRISTA RAAB Staff Writer

A variety of representatives ranging from IBM to MTV will be present at the Career and Employer Expo on Oct. 30, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the McCann Center.

Students will have an opportunity to distribute resumes or simply ask questions of employers from several fields including business, communications, education, retail/fashion, and science.

According to Deidre Sepp, director of the center for career development and field experience, the employer expo has been successful in helping Marist students acquire

The exact number of jobs obtained by Marist students through the three previous expos will be published in a report by the end of October, Sepp said.

Although there have been job placements as a result of the expo, Sepp said it will not be successful for everyone.

"You can't walk into the McCann Center and think that you will walk out with a job, it's not that kind of situation," Sepp said.

Bringing a resume is just one way to make a favorable impression, but it is not a necessity, Sepp said.

"My fear is that seniors will panic if they don't have a resume, but they can gather information from the employers about the opportunities available, pick up a business card, and then follow it up with a letter or resume," Sepp said.

Sepp said a resume is an additional tool students can use to list experience potential employers may want to know.

"The resume is the symbol of the professional person, no matter what type of job you're looking for," said Sepp. "It may help the student appear much more polished, organized, and prepared in the eyes of an employer.

The final resume workshop prior to the expo will be held on Oct. 22, from 5 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.

Aside from practical experience recorded on the resume, enthusiasm, the ability to communicate and to deal with people,

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work ethic are all very important, Sepp said.

According to Sepp, the expo also enables students to ask employers questions about the type of positions available, when they begin hiring, how they got their start, and what advice they could offer.

"This is the type of environment where the student can feel comfortable asking questions in because there is such a wealth of information from the people representing the companies," Sepp said.

Students not looking for information regarding post-graduate work at this time can utilize a new feature being offered this year.

"We have invited representatives from various academic disciplines to talk about academic programs, major choices, Marist abroad, certificate programs, internships, and all kinds of things freshmen,

terested in and if they are so inclined they can also talk to employers about part-time and summer jobs," Sepp said.

In addition to the expo, there will three panel discussions held simultaneously in the Red Fox room titled: "Clueless About Careers? Tips for the Undeclared Student", "Marist Success Stories: Tips from Alumni to make your Marist Education Pay Off", and "International Careers: Choosing a Career in a Global Marketplace."

"The expo is a one-stop shopping opportunity for people who have career decision making needs and who have employment needs," Sepp said.

"It's up to the student to follow through, make sure that the employer has whatever they need to evaluate the application or resume," Sepp said.

Play sparks controversy by MEGAN MCDONNELL

Senior Editor

A Broadway show is coming soon to a theater near you - but parental discretion is advised.

"Burn This," a play performed by the Marist College Council on Theater Arts, is about heterosexual and homosexual relationships. The production, which debuts on the Marist stage tonight, is considered by many to be controversial because of homosexual overtones and the usage of profanity.

Hence, signs around campus promoting the play contain the warning: "For mature audiences

There is one scene of explicit homosexuality, said president of MCCTA Steve Fosse, and the audience is called upon to look at it from an adult standpoint.

The profanity is not used in an in how we interpret it.'

exploitive way, rather it is needed to portray character and depict realism, said Marc Liepis, who portrays one of the main characters in the play.

The main characters in the play are a female dancer, her welleducated boyfriend, the belligerent brother of her deceased homosexual roommate and another homosexual.

Fosse called the play an art form, and said performing the play has received no a ninistrative complaints.

Producer Jerome Anderson said he is hoping for a spark of controversy.

"It would add to the mystique of the play," said Anderson, a junior from Cleveland, Ohio. "This show is so different from anything we've ever done on the Marist College stage and we are taking a big risk

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Fashion to go European

'Marist signs on foreign designers

> by NOELLE BELOIN Staff Writer

Recruiting designer critics and establishing internships in Milan and Paris were two of the things on Carmine Porcelli's master plan as he traveled to Europe last summer.

Porcelli, director of the Marist fashion program for five years, acquired Italian designer Gianni Versace, who is known for his wild and romantic prints, to be a designer critic for the fashion students. Emanuel Ungaro was the first designer critic who coached the students by letter and videotape last

Versace will also be involved in the first Marist fashion program internship abroad, said Porcelli.

The intern program, which will begin next summer in Paris and Milan, involves rising seniors, according to Porcelli.

"This is extraodinary hands-on experience for my students," said Porcelli. "Paris still has the great designers and it's amazing that we're able to be part of it.'

Another design project and possible summer internship is with the Ferragamo shoe and accessories design business, which is the largest shoe manufacturer in Italy, Porcelli

The shoe design project all depends on timing, Porcelli said. Making shoes takes a long time, said Porcelli. This year will be devoted to the sketches and next year will focus on the actual shoe.

While over in Europe, Porcelli was invited to a dinner hosted by Versace at the Italian Embassy.

"It was a black-tie dinner held in the gardens," said Porcelli. "I met a lot of designers and critics that were aware of me and the fashion program at Marist. To be recognized by people in Paris was amazing," he said.



Circle photo/Matt Martin

Carmine Porcelli, director of the fashion department, visited Europe this past summer in an effort to establish internships for fashion majors and also to recruit designers to critique students' work.

The fashion program consists of 90 students and Porcelli said he likes to keep the number to a

"It's important that my students have hands-on experience but with too many students you can't have that," said Porcelli. "If the program gets too big, it'll lose its specialness.'

Students in the fashion department are geared to get important jobs once they leave Marist after four years, explained Porcelli.

Of the seniors that have graduated, 85 percent were placed in jobs in the industry, said

Porcelli.

"My students are working, working, working so they get the best jobs," said Porcelli. "Most of the interns have been offered fulltime jobs after graduation, that's how good they are.'

Porcelli, along with the fashion department and fashion students, will be honored at a party held at the Perry Ellis showrooms in Manhattan later this year.

The party, according to Porcelli, is to kick off the new season and to generate funds and advertising for the Silver Needle fashion show held each spring.

Campaigning Ferraro to speak at Marist

by HOLLY WOEHR Staff Writer

Geraldine A. Ferraro, candidate for the U.S. Senate representative from New York State, will bring national politics into the spotlight when she speaks to the Marist community Monday, Nov. 11.

In 1984, Ferraro became the first woman vice presidential candidate when she accepted the appointment from Democratic presidential candidate Walter Mondale. She will speak in the Theater from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. about current issues and about her '92 campaign for U.S.

Coordination of Ferraro's visit is being handled by Dr. Joanne Myers, assistant professor of political science, Marist alumnus Peter O'Keefe Jr., director of volunteers for Ferraro, and Marist adult student Eileen Hickey, who works in Democratic politics at a state level.

Myers said the connections through O'Keefe and Hickey, in addition to the central location of Marist, influenced Ferraro's decision to commit to speaking at the event, which is being sponsored by the Political Science Club.

It will be good to bring national politics to a college campus that doesn't see much political in-terest," said Amy Ellen Bedford, president of the Political Science

Myers, who has previously heard Ferraro speak, said Ferraro is a 'very interesting and a very well spoken woman.

Because of Ferraro's tight schedule, no plans have yet been made for her to meet with the administration.

Ferraro, who is originally from Beacon, N.Y., will be on campus just for the afternoon and then will attend a fund-raising dinner in honor of her campaign at Hickey's house in the evening.

Bedford said she hopes there will be a large student turnout for the lecture and that she also will be able to meet Ferraro.

Ferraro's primary campaign goal is to succeed New York State Republican Senator Alfonse D'Amato, said Myers.

Myers said Ferraro, who serves on the board of the Planned Parenthood Action Fund, is pro-choice in the issue of abortion and she believes every situation is different and should be handled individually.

Ferraro, an advocate for civil rights, also worked on the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment and sponsored the Women's Equity Act, which provided job options for homemakers, ended pension discrimination against women and allowed homemakers to open Individual Retirement Accounts.

Ferraro also fought for the rights of senior citizens while serving on the Select Committee on Aging, where she opposed the proposed cuts in Social Security and Medicare.

Ferraro's concern for the financial problems of middle class families encouraged her to begin her campaign for U.S. Senate this past May, according to a biographical account of Ferraro published by her campaign committee.

Ferraro graduated from Marymount Manhattan College and Fordham University School of

Ferraro has received honorary degrees from several New York colleges and universities including Marymount Manhattan College, New York Law School, Hunter College, Plattsburgh College, Briarcliff College for Business and Potsdam College.

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by JENN JOHANNESSEN **Managing Editor**

Sniffling, sneezing, coughing, aching, stuffy head, fever...you know the rest and so do nearly 430 students who've been to health services over midterm week.

Since the first day of school there have been a number of students with viral illnesses, colds and bronchial and upper respiratory infections, said Jane O'Brien, director of health services.

This upsurge of illness around campus is a result of a combination of factors, according to O'Brien.

"Freshmen new to dorm life that have become accustomed to their 'family germs' at home are now mixed in closely with other students in their classrooms and in the cafeteria. ' said O'Brien.

Students living away from home have to choose their own food and end up eating more junk because

they don't have their parents around to help them make nutritious decisions, said O'Brien.

Living in an apartment with other students creates an environment where you are prone to sharing cups and utensils, therefore vulnerable to picking up a virus, according to O'Brien.

Sleeping late and missing breakfast are also factors that contribute to the deterioration of the immune system, making it easier to get sick, said O'Brien.

Students who were sick during midterm week talked about what it's like to take exams while suffering from an illness

"I dragged myself to my classes all week even though I was sick," said Traci Crostinwaite, communication arts major from Willimantic, Conn.

Sorting through her tiny white

envelopes of antibiotics, aspirin and decongestant, she added, 'Everyone was sick in my Writing for Radio, TV and Film class and the professor let us go early because we were in no condition to ask questions," said Crosthwaite.

"It's hard to study for exams when your head is pounding everytime you look down," said Kate Keenan, a senior communication arts major from Vernon,

Keenan added that she was approached by a photographer who wanted to take her picture for the Marist viewbook on the worst day of her cold.

O'Brien suggested some basic advice on how to keep yourself more resistant to future viral ilinesses; eat well, exercise, get plenty of sleep and don't drink from or share other people's glasses or soda

Rededication.

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about two.

It cost Marist about \$8 million built. to renovate classrooms, offices, greenhouse. This is about ten times ed beauty and dreamed of a more than the original cost to build building in-the-round," said Donnelly, according to Sullivan. Ambrose.

The ceremony brought many

worked on the original construc-

knocked down," said Blanchard, to Sullivan.

Sullivan said the construction of ed it was Brother Donnelly's vision the original Donnelly took four and love of beauty that allowed years and the renovations took such an impressive structure that was far ahead of its time to be

"He was a relatively quiet perscience laboratories and add a son of exceptional vision, who lov-

The integrity of the man and of families, friends and Brothers the building named for him have together for the first time in years. given Marist a history and tradition Brother Ray Blanchard, who to preserve, Ambrose said.

Sullivan thanked the Buildings tion of Donnelly, said a great deal and Grounds Committee and the has changed since the last time he late Edward Waters for making the had visited Marist five years ago. renovations possible. Waters "I might get lost inside Donnel- secured a federal grant for the ly now, but I do recognize what got renovations to Donnelly, according

who graduated in 1961 and used to As Ambrose said: "This is more live in a building near McCann than a face-lift: new air conditionwhich has since been knocked ing, a new roof that won't leak and own. adequate parking have prepared Brother Ambrose said he believ- Donnelly Hall for the future."

ommuters complain of alienat problem lies in the resignation of the emphasis of this campus is

by JOHN MCAULIFFE Staff writer

Commuter students voicing complaints that Marist College is not meeting their needs, cited parking problems and inadequate commuter facilities as part of the problem.

Students also said it's almost impossible to be a part of extra curricular activities.

Bob Lynch, coordinator of student activities, said the whole Marist community must rise up and meet the needs of commuters.

One of the efforts to help commuters feel they are a part of campus is a luncheon for commuters with members of the faculty and the council of student leaders, said Lynch.

"This would let the commuters know that they have a bridge with the campus," said Lynch.

While complaints by commuters cover a wide range of issues, lack of activities for commuters was the biggest complaint.

Debra Jack, a junior from Fishkill N.Y., voiced her opinion on this problem.

"Most clubs meet at 9:30 at night. It's almost impossible to make the meetings being a commuter," she said.

Greg Brown, a freshmen who lives one hour away in Goshen N.Y., agreed that lack of activities for commuters are a problem.

"The way they operate here does not allow the commuter to become part of the campus," said Brown. According to junior Katherine Warren, another Fishkill resident,

definitely on its residents. However, Lynch denied this.

"The first priority I have is to make sure the commuters are aware of activities on campus. My last priority are the residents because they are easier to get in touch with," said Lynch.

One way the college can usually get in touch with the commuters is through the Commuter Union, which is their representative voice at Marist.

"The key to communication with the commuters is the Commuter Union," said Lynch.

However, this year the Commuter Union has been going through its own problems that have kept them from meeting, said Matt Thomson, student body president. According to Thomson, their

Commuter Union President Pat Reilly Reilly was asked to resign by

CSL for "negligence of duties," said Thomson. Since that time, Thomson said

two students to whom he had offered the position declined. "Most people want to help com-

muters integrate more on campus, but they don't want the responsibility of being CU president," said Thomson.

Thomson said a new president will be appointed in the near future so that the CU can resume its functioning.

Until a new president is found. Thomson said he will handle the duties of CU president. He will not assume the CU vote in CSL.

Thomson said that it's disap-

pointing that an entire segment of the Marist population will temporarily not be represented in the student government. As a result of there being one less vote in CSL, Thomson said he will require all legislation be passed unanimously.

Other problems that exist, according to commuters, deal with parking.

Unlike most students, their complaint wasn't about how far away their cars were parked, but that they must go back to their cars in between classes or else lug all of their books with them.

"You basically, live out of the trunk of your car," said Warren. Warren, Jack and Brown all decided that a possible solution to this issue would be to have lockers installed, so they have a place to

keep their belongings,

Debate team captures title; aims for another winning year

by VINCENT J. ZURLO Staff Writer

Marist debate is like Notre Dame football.

So begins the sign on Head Debate Coach Jim Springston's office door.

In the next three lines of the sign, Springston lists the reasons why the debate team finished its season ranked fifth in the nation and first in the Northeast Region last year by the Cross Examination Debate Association.

Discipline. Hard work. Tradition.

In five years, the team has won a total of 51 championships, two of those having been won in the first two tournaments it has competed in this season; the second one being the West Point Invitational Debate tournament, where Marist won the Saber, a prestigious award, for the first time.

Springston was hired to start a debate program at Marist in the fall of 1985.

Springston put the team together

"We got to the top of the mountain. We want to stay there."

by encouraging his freshman speech students to give it a try.

Today, the team travels around the country to about 25 tournaments a year and rarely comes home empty-handed.

On Oct. 6, the Marist team left the 24th Annual West Point Invitational Debate Tournament with its top prize, the West Point Saber.

"Everyone is just looking at the saber and I'm thinking, is this Saber going to be in my office on Monday?" said Springston, recalling his thoughts while waiting for

the West Point Cadet to read the judges' decision.

The team of Tom Kavan and Greg Maxim beat a team from the College of William and Mary in the final round.

For Kavan, beating that team was "sweet revenge" because Marist was knocked out of the semi-finals in last year's tournament by a team from that school.

The debate season starts at the end of September and ends in early April, but for the 38 members of the team, preparation begins in the heat of summer when it goes to a national debate camp in August to take classes and work on skills for two weeks.

This summer, Marist hosted the camp, housing the teams in Marian Hall

The team began researching for the season on Sept. 1, meeting every night for four hours, getting

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MIPO sponsors trip to Washington, D.C.

by BETH CONRAD

Senior Editor

The Marist Institute for Public Opinion is offering a one-credit course involving a five-day trip to Washington, D.C., for a series of seminars with political reporters who have written books on politics and elections.

The seminars will give students the opportunity to discuss the current presidential campaign and political developments with national reporters.

The trip will be from Nov. 6 until Nov. 10. Although an organizational meeting was held on Oct. 23, students who are still interested in participating should contact Lee M. Miringoff, assistant professor of political science.

The cost for the trip is \$425, which covers travel, breakfast, dinner and lodging.

Students are expected to read

manuscripts of each book written by the reporters before the trip and write an analysis of their experiences at the end of the course.

Students will be given an inside look at the major movers of the national news media and a front row seat to the political process, said Miringoff.

Some of the reporters scheduled to meet with students are: Carl Leubsdorf, bureau chief of The Dallas Morning News; Susan Page, white house correspondent for Newsday; Howard Fineman, chief political correspondent for Newsweek; E.J. Dionne, political reporter for The Washington Post and Evans Witt, a national political reporter for The Associated Press.

This is a unique opportunity to link Marist students with people who are major figures in political journalism, concluded Miringoff.

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New group pushes awareness

by DOMINICK E. FONTANA Staff Writer

A new club on campus called Students Encouraging Global Awareness, (SEGA), will soon receive a charter so they can start committees who will educate Marist in areas such as: recycling, animal rights, rain forests, pollution and human rights.

Shane Riordan, a freshman from Brookefield, Conn. and the leader of SEGA, said he has been looking for information from Greenpeace, Walden Pond, Amnesty International and several other active "awareness-groups."

"We need dedicated people to do the legwork and explain the issues," Riordan, an environmental science major, said to the group which meets every Thursday night. "SEGA needs to keep students involved and interested, especially with the recycling law."

The Dutchess County Mandatory Recycling Law went into effect July 1 and Marist has hired an outside company to separate garbage since a recycling program does not exist on campus, according to an article in the Oct. 10 issue of The Circle

Tracy O'Leary, a communication arts major and committee head for animal rights in SEGA, said she hopes to set up information tables in the Campus Center so students and faculty can learn more about the treatment of animals.

"We don't want people to be angry at us because we are only here to educate, not to intimidate," said O'Leary, a junior from Hudson, N.Y. "I want to see more people asking questions like, 'Why are animals treated this way?"

SAFAR, an animal rights group, became inactive last year after the Council of Student Leaders took away their charter because they did not uphold the minimum of two activities per semester, according to Bob Lynch, coordinator of student activities.

Greenpeace, a worldwide awareness group established in 1971, sent a representative to Marist on Oct. 8 after which Riordan and SEGA made statements saying that there exists an "environmentally aware" group on campus. The lecture was sponsored by the College Union Board and was held in the theatre.

Christopher Childs produced a

slide show and lectured on how Greenpeace "communicated" with countries, companies, and even small towns that treated animals poorly or "abused" the earth in some way. Some slides showed Greenpeace representatives hanging large banners from company water towers or pulling stunts like blocking the line of fire between harpoons and whales.

Childs told a near-capacity audience how important it is to be living in the past two "benchmark years on this planet" because the Berlin Wall is down and communism has crumbled.

Yet, Childs focussed more on "not_solving problems, but to create opportunities and express what our duties are to solve the problems."

Riordan said he enjoyed the lecture and is trying his best to find more information in order for SEGA to support itself and become "useful in the community."

"We hope to have a definite Marist recycling program completed by the end of the semester," Riordan said. "Each and every student must take a serious look on the way they live."

Book prices lower off campus, but service may be a problem

by JOSEPH PANETTIERI

Staff writer

Students may purchase textbooks at a cheaper price off campus, however, managers at the Marist and area bookstores agree that problems with shipment and delivery may cause delays that make the extra savings no great bargain, according to a survey done by The Circle.

"The money students spend in

"The money students spend in this store, about \$2 million last year, is sent directly to the Marist College Business Office and aids in keeping tuition down," said Anthony D'Angelo, manager of the bookstore. "Therefore, the bookstore is saving students money."

A comparison of textbook prices at the Marist bookstore and bookstores in the Poughkeepsie area found differences.

While the college bookstore charges \$51.40 for "Fundamentals of Investment Management" by Geoffrey A. Hirtland and Stanley B. Block and \$52.00 for "The Practice of Public Relations" by Fraser P. Seitel, The recommended selling price for each text is \$43.95 and \$42.95, respectively, said the manager of Brentano's, a local bookstore.

These are just two of the ten required course texts used in the com-

parison of on-campus and offcampus bookstore prices, done by The Circle.

Six of the texts cost an average of \$5.50 less at off-campus stores than at the Marist bookstore. Three texts were unavailable off campus.

One text, "Quantitative Analysis for Management, the Third Edition," cost more off campus. It carried a price of \$55.00 at the Merritt Bookstore, while costing

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\$48.00 at the college bookstore. D'Angelo said "sudents must

D'Angelo said "sudents must realize this is a business and that text books represent only about two percent of the total college cost."

"Off-campus stores are an option, but often they cannot provide a text book with the ease and speed that the college store can," he said.

D'Angelo's opinion about service and speed were echoed by some off-campus stores.

Management at Brentano's said:
"It is not as if this store could find every book a student needs. We are happy to place an order but often the publisher only makes it

available to college stores since it is a college text."

The time it takes to deliver a text from the publisher to the bookstore and finally to the student is also a factor in store service, said D'Angelo.

Off-campus stores varied in their statements concerning delivery time.

Brentano's management cited a lengthy six-week receiving time on specially ordered texts, just in time to study for mid-terms.

"That is why the college store is so much better suited to handle a student's needs," said Brentano's management.

Sandra Morell, an employee of Waldenbooks, said the delivery time for a student-ordered text would be from a week to ten days.

If students are on a tight budget, they have the option of buying used books at a discounted price here, said Dangelo.

The college bookstore spent \$130,451 last year buying back books from students at exactly half the original cost which they paid, said Dangelo.

When students receive less than half of what they paid for a text, it is because no teacher requested that book for the following semester and an outside book company is actually buying the book back, said D'Angelo.

New look of campus wows visiting alumni

by JOHN MC AULIFFE Staff Writer

Ed Fogarty came to the realization while he was playing football with his sons on Leonidoff Field that he was one of the many students responsible for laying down the sod for this athletic field when it was first put down in 1968.

Two weekends ago, Fogarty and many others were the guests of honor at Marist College's Alumni Weekend.

This weekend was a time for fun, a time to reminisce with old friends and a time to realize how their college has moved into the future.

Don Hinchey, a member of the Class of 1971 and former defensive end of the football team, was amazed at the changes that had taken place since his graduation.

"Marist went from a small liberal arts college to one on-par with major colleges and univer-

sities," said Hinchey.
Facilities that have been added since the Class of 1971 graduated are the Dyson Center, the Lowell Thomas Communications Center, residence areas on the North End and the McCann Center

The alumni said the McCann Center had changed the most since they had left Marist.

Edgar Royce, another member of the Class of '71 and former basketball player, was impressed with McCann in comparison to where he played when he attended Marist-Marian Hall.

"Marian Hall was our gymnasium and basketball court for practices," said Royce. "We played our games in Dutchess Community College and in Lourdes Highchess Community

College and in Lourdes High School; look at what the players get to play in now."

Kevin McGee, a member of the Class of '77, could not get over how much the swimming pool had changed since his graduation.

The swimming pool was once located where Lowell Thomas currently stands.

Paul Brown, a member of the Class of '71 and former Circle editor, was not as awestruck as some of his fellow classmates were because he was Marist's vice president in charge of development for many years.

Brown accredits Marist's success to President Dennis Murray.

"Dennis Murray has been the Robert Moses of Marist College," said Brown.

Moses was one of New York City's greatest builders.

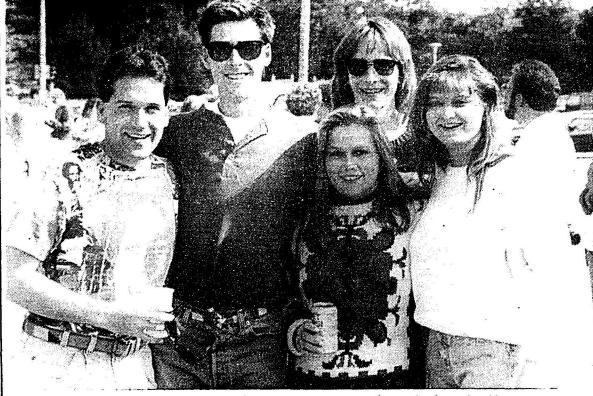
Fogarty, another member of the Class of '71 and past-president of the Gaelic Society, also admired what Murray has done for Marist since becoming president in 1980, succeeding Linus Foy.

"I thought that Linus Foy was the best builder of the 60's and 70's," he said. "Dennis Murray has continued in the tradition, giving Marist College a very positive

The IBM/Marist joint study was one of Murray's more positive accomplishments in the eyes of the Alumni.

The study, among other things, gave Marist hundreds of computers which are accessible to faculty, students and a staff.

According to Royce, when he was at Marist there was only one computer at the college and it was an IBM that ran on the punch cards with holes.



Members of last year's graduating class and a current student mingle at the Alumni picnic held Oct. 12 in the Sheahan parking lot. Circle photo/Mike Rodia

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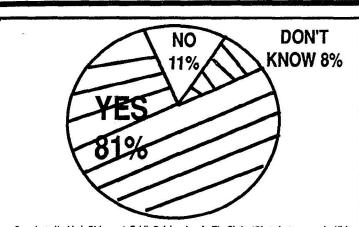
... continued from page 1 that time," said Olson.

An alternative to releasing evaluation results would be to require teachers to post course outlines prior to registration.

"I see no reason why they (course outlines) couldn't be made available on a general basis and if students used that tool, it would save a lot of aggravation at the beginning of the semester," said Olson who is also a professor of

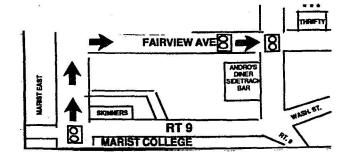
history.

Because some students like to take hard classes and others like a lighter workload, it would be a good idea to post the outlines so students could see what will be expected of them, said Kirstin Rinn, sophomore from South Carolina



In a policonducted by Linda Dickerson's Public Opinion class for The Circle, 150 students were asked if they were in favor of "Releasing the results of the Marist Faculty evaulations which are done by student's at the end of every semester. This would not entail releasing individual teacher's evaluations, only the departmental results." The survey was conducted Oct. 8-15 using face-to-face interviews.

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In the Dark

It's time for the release of teacher evaluations by department

Near the end of every semester, in almost every class on campus, professors take time out during class to hand out evaluation forms.

Students spend anywhere from 15 minutes to 15 seconds filling out these evaluations which ask for judgments on the quality of the teacher, class content, texts used in the course and what, if anything, could be done for improvement.

What happens to these evaluations?

For one thing, teachers receive a copy of how they rated and how their department rated compared to others at the college.

The administration certainly receives a copy of each teacher's ratings and, in conjunction with faculty leaders, uses the information as one of the criteria for promotion, granting tenure or dismissals.

Yet, students aren't allowed to see any results nor are they given any feedback on either their evaluations or the process itself.

There are several reasons given by certain faculty — who, it should be noted, are not all against releasing the evaluation results — and administration as to why students are not allowed access to departmental results of the students' teacher evaluations.

The main reason given is students don't take the evaluations seriously enough so the results are skewed. Releasing skewed results might create improper perceptions in the mind of students.

As Linda Cool, assistant academic vice president said, "95 percent of Marist students take the evaluations seriously, but it's still that small percentage which makes it difficult to know how to read or interpret these evaluations."

A valid point, no doubt, but there will always be a small percentage of students who will skew any evaluation process. If this is the rationale for punishing students by not releasing results, then perhaps it's time to get a new system.

And if such a small percentage of students do make it difficult to interpret the evaluations, as Cool says, how much do these results influence decisions like which teachers get tenure and which teachers get

The logical follow-up to this question would be: Is this the best system we can have, where students aren't allowed to see evaluation results because they may be skewed and difficult to read. But decisions of tenure, promotion and dismissal are based, in part, on the same results?

It's not like the faculty or administration would know any better than students, which students blow off the evaluations and which don't.

One tip-off to a hastily filled out evaluation is when the questions on the back side aren't filled out. These surveys should be thrown out. If a student can't take the time to complete the form, the student's opinion and analysis should be rendered meaningless.

Let's face it. A majority of students take teacher evaluations very seriously and they have a right to see the results by department.

The fact that a minority of students don't take the evaluations seriously is not an excuse not to release them. It's a big hint the system needs to be changed.

And changing the system wouldn't be too difficult. First, incomplete evaluations should be discounted. Second, the forms should be handed out in the beginning of class to discourage students from taking the process lightly. And, most importantly, the results must be made available to students. It would encourage those departments rated poorly to undergo a self-examination process and it would provide valuable information to students which aids in making decisions like which classes to take, which teachers to take and which major to choose.

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Mid East conference: Solution or Problem?

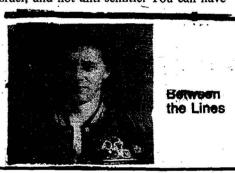
By MARK MARBLE

The announcement last week of a Middle East peace conference once again raised the hopes of many around the world, and seemed to give more credibility to the "New World Order" described by President Bush. This October 30 conference in Madrid will bring together representatives of most of the major Middle Eastern states (Iran excluded), along with Presidents Bush and Gorbachev. This event is a step in the right direction, but unless "Old World Order" problems can be solved, there will not likely be anything new in Middle East politics.

The major problems in this volatile region seem to revolve around Israel. I say "seem to" because the Middle East had always been an unstable and unpredictable area, even before Israel came into existence. At least the current issues of conflict involve Israel. The major regional powers (Saudi Arabia, Syria, Jordan) have insisted that Israel give back the occupied territories of the West Bank, Gaza Strip, and Golan Heights, which Israel has controlled since the end of the 1976 war. This act, along with the creation of a Palestinian state, would then supposedly result in these powers recognizing Israel's right to exist, and ending the state of war that technically still exists between Israel and its Arab neighbors (Egypt excluded)

Israel has agreed to attend this conference, but it has done so reluctantly. It feels it has been pressured by the United States to attend. This assessement is probably correct, but considering all the weapons and aid the United States pumps into Israel asking them to just sit down and listen is not asking a hell of a lot. Israel has stated that "all issues" will be on the table at the conference. They have also stated that they will never give up tradiction to me. Israel must realize that if they really want peace these territories must be returned, either now or someday. They must also realize that the United States cannot just blindly support them when the U.S. is trying to bring both sides together. The Israelis refused to halt the building of new

settlements in the West Bank, even though they knew that this act would anger their neighbors and decrease the chances for peace. And then, when President Bush wanted the ten billion dollars in loan guarantees to Israel held up, the Israeli response was to call the President antisemitic. Now that was a great tactical move. It really was. It was smooth and slick, but it was downright stupid. One can be anti-Israel, and not anti-semitic. You can have



nothing against the Jews, or even agree with Israel's right to exist, and still disagree with their policies. Israel is a state, not a religion. This fact should be thought of more often, especially since most Jews in Israel are secular anyway.

There are possible solutions to these territorial disputes. The Golan heights, because of its strategic importance, could become a demilitarized zone or an area occupied by U.N. peace keeping forces. Maybe Israel could keep some of the West Bank (including Jerusalem) if they gave up the rest, and the rest became a Palestinian state. Whether you think Israel should give up land for peace or not, the odds are that, after this conference is over, nothing will have changed. Both sides will try to smile and act friendly, but neither side will be willing to really listen, let alone compromise. It is fitting that the conference takes place at the end of October, because both Israelis and Arabs are engaged in political "trick or treating". Both sides will answer the door, but neither side is willing to give anything away

Mark Marble is the political columnist for The Circle.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Call to end insensitivity

Dear Editor:

I couldn't help wondering how a lecture that I attended at SUNY New Paltz entitled "Loving Another Latino" would go at Marist College. It Wouldn't!

As I sat in a room full of people of color as beautiful and diverse as the rainbow, a rush of anger mixed with sadness overcame me because I know that this college could never be so open-minded. Letting the Latin community sponsor a conference where two women would speak of their relationship is

out of the question.

So then I started thinking, and I asked myself, why is it that the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Association at Marist doesn't meet openly?

Everyone that lives on campus can recall getting flyers each semester with the names of famous individuals that have a different sexual inclination than the majority of the population. It doesn't mention place, time or date

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Lecture on Jewish traditions a broadening experience

by LIZ BOUCHER

A Student's Review of Dr. Leonard Féin's lecture: Jews and the Justice Tradition

Dr. Leonard Fein delivered a fluent lecture entitled "Jews and the Justice Tradi-Wednesday night in the campus theater. This was the 15th lecture in the William and Sadie Effron lecture series in Jewish studies. Dr. Fein discussed the social mission of the Jew. Rabbinic Judaism he said emphasizes stability, while Prophetic Judaism stresses social change. Fain concludes that it is Prophetic Judaism that has had the greater influence on the Jewish preoccupation with justice.

Fein continued by presenting the two most common rationales as to why Jews seek social justice. Due to the lengthy persecution of the Jewish people throughout history, some theorists hold that Jews identify with other underdog peoples.

Another explanation follows that it is the Jewish legacy which stems from the Bible that has influenced modern Jews toward equity. Fein finds both explanations inadequate-persecution constricts and embitters before it provokes empathy. As for the Jewish legacy, Fain determines that most

Jews are unfamiliar with the Books of the Prophets and are therefore unaware of such 'legacy".

The peak of Fein's discourse revolved around a question-what is the modern Jew about? Faith, as Dr. Fein notes, has been a problem for many Jews. The religious faith of the Jews shouldn't be the central question. but rather the faithfulness to a tradition that calls upon Jews to see that social justice is advanced, according to Fein.

Judaism today is a vocation, a cultural calling. Jews are driven towards justice, so the future will be safe for the universal God,

Dr. Fein concludes with the hope that the recent conflicts between Jews and blacks will not discourage Jewish support for the expansion of the black equality.

This reviewer found the Fein lecture informative and captivating. Not only did I learn more about the Jewish faith and tradition, but my horizons were broadened by my exposure to a different cultural heritage.

"Jews and the Justice Tradition" answered questions about justice and faith in Judaism, while prompting its audience to define for themselves their own faith and social mission.

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The major reason for this lack of information is there have been many incidents of harassment and discrimination, not only from students, but also from staff, faculty and administration towards the members of GBSLA.

There is no need for sexual or racial discrimination in Marist or any other institution. The people who harass verbally or physically should know that there are people in the community, like me and

many others, that will not tolerate your ' close-minded childish behavior.

I just want people to know that if you don't experience with, relate to or get to know people different from yourselves while in college, it will be very difficult to do so when you go back to the sheltered life you lead in the comfort of your homes and families.

Marist College, wake up.

Ivelisse Gonzalez, a senior

A mid-term visit to the dentist

by AMY ELLEN BEDFORD

Midterm break. Time to go home, have Mom cook you favorite meals, squeeze \$40 out of Dad for gas money, remember how much you hate your siblings and time for that mandatory vacation rite-of-passage.

Yes, time for the trip to the dentist. Everyone's favorite vacation activity must be the annual or biannual (depending on how much of a shyster your dentist is) teeth cleaning.

I don't know if your dentist pulls this trick, but on my most recent visit to his office, I was shafted with the learner-dentist - you know, the recent graduate breaking into her own practice.

I think I know more about dentistry than she does. Perhaps she already knew what a whiner patient I am, or perhaps she was just absent the day her med school class discussed nerve endings and the pain threshold of the mouth.

With that sharp metal toothpick those quacks have the nerve to call an 'instrument' used to pick out plaque (the imagery is lovely) she kept missing my teeth and stabbing my tongue and the roof of my

mouth. I'm lucky that with her poor eye-hand coordination she didn't also nick my toenails.

She then pulls the 'instrument' out of my mouth and in an apparent attempt at dental education, holds it up to my eyes and asks, "See this plaque? Do you know what this is?"

Of course I know what it is. It's



Why are we the only ones laughing?

years of neglect in the form of corned beef sandwiches and Bud Light that even the best Water Pik couldn't reach. If I had known I would be quizzed at the dentist's office, I would have studied. Going to the dentist is bad enough that I don't need to be skeeved out by my very own plaque.

AIDS prevention in the practice of dentistry is all well and good, but I thought this woman was going to throw a couple coats of paint on the wall while I was there because every surface in the office was so well covered.

The worst part of this entire humiliating experience must be the nasty fluoride treatments we are all forced to endure. A couple of years ago my dentist tried to get hip and ordered the fluoride treatment gel in "cool" flavors: raspberry, pina colada and chocolate. Yes, chocolate.

If I am going to enjoy this process, make the gel in flavors I'll enjoy: Coors Light, BK Broiler, or Mom's spaghetti sauce.

When I was in grammar school, the teachers would give out dental care kits (remember, they were given out with those stupid dental notes everyone forgot to get signed and bring back in.) The best part of the kit was those red tablets you swooshed around your mouth with

The areas in your mouth where plaque was present would turn red. Naturally, we never used them for dental health. They were toys!

Amy Ellen Bedford is the The Circle's humor columnist.

Frat supports community

Dear Editor:

Phi Sigma Kappa, in conjunction with Marist College, is doing their part in helping the school and the community of Poughkeepsie.

On Monday, October 14th, the fraternity, with the help of Marist College, sponsored a stress release pillow fight in the four residence halls on campus.

Phi Sigma Kappa, which made one-hundred dollars on the event, will donate ally the proceeds to the starlight Foundation, which grants wishes to terminally ill children.

"It provided a lot of fun for everyone involved," said Jeremy Sencer, head of the fraternity's fund raising committee. "It was a good stress release and it was for a good cause."

There was a good turnout for those who took part and others who just wanted to watch.

"Champagnat Hall was excellent with about 150 people either watching or participating," said Sencer.

This past monday, Phi sigma Kappa, again with the assistance of Marist College were able to display a car that was involved in a drunk

driving accident on the lawn between the Dyson Center and the Lowell Thomas Communications Center to kick off Alcohol Awareness Week.

"We just wanted to show what can happen if you drink and drive," said Mario Sinatra, the fraternity's president. It is a no-win situation. With a lot of brothers off-campus we know how important it is to make people and students aware of it, he said.

Another Phi Sigma Kappa and Marist College sponsored event is going on this Saturday when the brothers of the newly formed fraternity begin a clean-up of the

The cleaning of the river will begin at noon at the boathouses, said Robert Broders, director of community service.

The last planned event is a Thanksgiving week food drive to benenfit underprivileged families in the area that Phi Sigma Kappa is doing with the campus ministry.

Brett Riolo, junior, PR director -Phi Sigma Kappa

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ready for competitions.

Debate competitions are held on weekends. Each week, the team has a choice of about 40 tournaments around the country that it can attend.

Most tournaments last two days, with each school's team competing as individual teams consisting of two people.

Competition is divided into rounds that are scored by judges. After the final round, the judges tally the scores, and the top teams are seeded and advance to the final rounds.

In debate, participants do not know their point totals until the end, adding pressure to an already tense event.

This, however, does not bother Maxim, a junior from Clanton, Conn., who joined the team in his freshman year.

freshman year.
"Pressure," said Maxim, "is what turns coals into diamonds."

Because the coaches of the teams competing in the tournament serve as judges, Springston does not see his team debate unless they advance to the final rounds, when the judging is done by coaches whose teams have been eliminated.

Springston came to Marist from the University of Michigan, where he coached debate for four years. He came for the challenge of building a program. He also came to win.

"He's one of the most respected coaches in the country. Everyone knows who Jim Springston is," said Kavan, a senior from Southington, Conn..

After seven short years, the Marist debate program has firmly established a reputation for itself.

"We are the top small college in debate," Springston said.

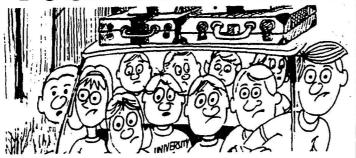
"We got to the top of the mountain," Springston said. "We want to stay there."

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After rough start, 'Evita' cast is ready to hit some high notes

by NOELLE BELOIN Staff Writer

Never mind crying for Argentina, the early production stages of "Evita" were nearly cancelled resulting from a lack of student interest.

Wipe your eyes now because extra auditions for Marist College Council on Theatre Arts (MCCTA) production of this latin-based musical have placed it back on

At the first audition only 20 people showed up, according to Steve Fosse, president of MCCTA.

"The musical has five to six principal parts and needs a chorus of 30-33 people," said Fosse.

Many people showed an interest,

but when they didn't get the parts they wanted, they dropped out, said Fosse.

About three or four girls who tried out for the lead role of 'Evita' quit after not getting the part, explained Fosse.

"After people I know in the club didn't come back, I took it personally," Fosse said. "I took it upon myself to go talk to them to see what was wrong."

One of the girls who did try out for the role of "Evita" was Sara Taney, vice president of MCCTA, she returned on her own after not getting the lead.

"I accepted my chorus part im-mediately," said Taney. "I've been very lucky with the amount of leads 've gotten in the past.'

Taney said she feels that the girl who got the lead deserved it and she has no problem with it.

Tom Lawrence, director of the musical, held extra auditions which brought in more people to fill the

"Tom is doing a phenomenal job," said Fosse. "We were lucky to get him." Lawrence, who last directed

"Camelot," is from the County Players of Wappingers Falls. As of now everything is going well. "All I have to say is our direc-

tor has been smiling," Fosse said. The cast has learned four to five songs and have begun the dancing routines with the help of choreographer Gloria Poplava.

For the musical, "Evita," a professional band and music director were brought in and are being paid from the proceeds.

"Terry Poplava, our musical director, put together a great band using his contacts," said Fosse. "By using professionals, the sound is a lot better.'

The last student band was for "Jesus Christ Superstar" two years

The MCCTA is a young club this year after many of the experienced people graduated last May.

At the general meeting in the beginning of the semester about 200 people showed up-mostly freshman, according to Fosse.

Although the club is composed of young people with very little or no experience and a few older members, Fosse's attitude is that it will work.

"Evita may have been on the ropes, but it is on the rebound,"

4 free on adjournment

by RICHARD NASS

News Editor

Four Marist students, who had been arrested for disorderly conduct three weeks ago, will all have the charge cleared from their record provided they not be charged with any criminal violations during the next six months, according to City of Poughkeepsie court

Seniors John Diaks, 21, of Lynbrook, N.Y., John Broker, 21, of New Haven, Ct., Devin Farley, 21, of Bloomingdale, N.J., and Peter Timpone, 21, of Woodstock Vt., entered their pleas in city court on Oct. 9, according to court records.

In order for the arrest charge of disorderly conduct to be cleared from their records, each must not be charged with any criminal violations during the next six months.

The four students were arrested for for breaking up a fight between non-Marist students and several females at a party given by the women at their home on 145 Washington St.

The five non-Marist students were also arrested.

According to eyewitness accounts, the non-Marist students become verbally and physically abusive to some of the women living at the address and the four Marist students intervened to help.

Three of the females living at the residence received summonses for violating the City of Poughkeepsie's noise ordinance, according to David Bennett, a sargent from the City of Poughkeepsie Police Department.

The three pleaded guilty on October 7, and paid the maximum fine of \$25, according to court records.

A male student was hospitalized for alcohol poisoning this past weekend, after he became ill from drinking a mixture of beer and gin, according to J.F. Leary, director of safety and security.

After security officers found the student wandering around the Champagnat Breezeway at about 2 a.m. Sunday, they notified the Fairveiw Fire Department, who then transported him to St. Francis Hospital for treatment.

Since the start of the fall semester, 10 students have been hospitalized for alcohol poisoning, according to reports from the Office of Safety and Security.

Friday Night for Singles' allows adults

by ANASTASIA B. CUSTER Staff Writer

Adult singles are being treated to lectures and a forum where they can meet new people in an intellectual setting three nights this semester and three nights next

"Friday Night for Singles," sponsored by Marist College Adult Education, began in 1988 and still exists as a way for adult singles to meet one another and listen to discussions given by various marist professors and by some outside

"It attracts people who have a common interest in learning and that's a basis for getting to know somebody. It's different than a bar. It's a place for people to come together and to be exposed to different ideas," said Kathleen DeFillippo, director of corporate and professional education.

The topics discussed have varied from self assertiveness in single life, to political issues, to sports and relationships.

After a lecture, the crowd is invited to mix amongst one another, talk to the speaker and eat.

"The service was meant for mature singles, people in there 30's and 40's from the Hudson Valley. The objective was to offer an alternative place and atmosphere for people to meet, as opposed to bars," said DeFillippo.

Although most of the featured lecturers were Marist professors, some lecturers were non-faculty, according to DeFillippo.

Speakers featured in this program ranged from: Diane Platt, Andrew Molloy, David Magarity, Carol Paris Steffens, Dr. Edward O'Keefe and Steven Press.

Although the service is offered to both men and women, mostly women attend singles night, according to DeFillippo.

"I think the topics are more appealing to women. It's been a way for women to connect with women," said DeFillippo.

The program appears to be more successful during the fall semester and has helped singles meet one another, said DeFillippo.

"We know of one couple who met and married. There are people who are dating because of the service," said DeFillippo.

During this semester two more singles nights are being offered; Oct. 25 Carol Paris Steffens, consultant therapist, will speak and Nov. 15 William Brinnier, adjunct instructor and counselor, will be the featured speaker.

The singles night takes place in Lowell Thomas in room 125 and costs \$10 per person or two for \$16.

*HARASSMENT-

...continued from page 1 with the number of people getting such calls and he hopes in the future people will have more respect for their fellow students.

According to Raimo, the type of discipline imposed depends upon the nature of the harassment.

One freshman lost four priority points, and due to prior offenses was kicked out of his dorm. He said his calls were just a mean joke.

In the freshman's case, he called the same girl three or four times from different phones, so the calls could not be traced to him.

The student admitted his phone calls were not sexual, but could be considered harassment.

...continued from page 1 If a code is lost or stolen,

students are advised to immediately contact the telephone services office in Donnelly.

Upon notification, the office can deactivate the code and assign a new one to the student, usually within one day.

Another cause for deactivating codes is failure to pay the longdistance bill within 24 hours after reaching its \$50 limit; at this point, a \$20 fee is required for reactivization.

Students who wish to have a higher limit on their bill can check with the telephone services about making a deposit to increase their limit.

According to Lawton, students have been responsible thus far.

"Since the beginning, the problems have been minimal — maybe one or two a week at the most," Lawton said.

Long-distance calls can be made at five percent off AT&T rates, while local calls and the cost of the phone itself are included in the tui-

Under this system, the student must enter the number eight and then their code in order to get an outside line.

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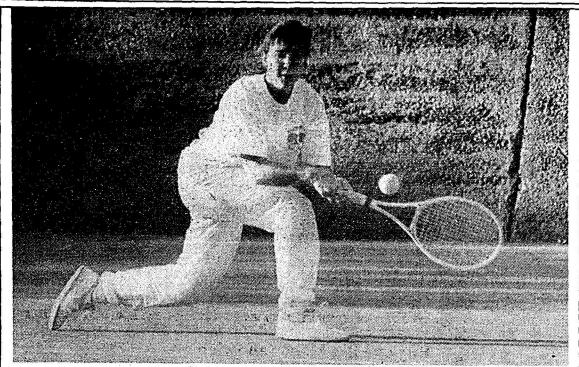
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Marist's Kim Haight returns a backhand in the Red Foxes' 8-0 loss to Canisius College. Haight played her opponent tough, losing 7-5, 6-4. The team will compete in its final match of the season Saturday against St. Francis.

V-ball splits weekend matches

by ANDREW HOLMLUND Staff Writer

The women's volleyball team will return to action tonight at the McCann Center when it plays host to C.W. Post College at 7 p.m. Last Saturday, the Lady Red

Foxes were involved in a tri-match against the University of Hartford and Central Connecticut State University.

Karen Wiley paced the Marist attack. The lone senior slammed down eight kills and notched five blocks in leading Marist over Central Connecticut 15-10, 15-7, 14-16, 8-15, 15-7.

The victory avenged an earlier 15-10, 15-8, 11-15, 15-17 defeat at the hands of Hartford.

Despite the loss to Hartford, Head Coach Ron Foster said he was not disappointed with his team's play.

"We played outstanding against Hartford," said the first-year coach. "We played as well as we could play."

Last Wednesday, Marist took part in a tri-match with Skidmore College and SUNY New Paltz.

The Red Foxes faired well against Skidmore, scoring a 15-8, 15-8, 10-15, and 15-2 win.

However, Marist later succumb-

ed to New Paltz in five sets, 13-15, 15-12, 15-6, 11-15, 10-15.

After leading two sets to one, Foster said he was surprised to see the lead slip away.

"We snatched defeat out of the jaws of victory," he said.

During mid-term week, Marist lost matches to Fairleigh Dickinson and Fordham, but bounced back with wins over Pace and Bard.

They shut down Pace and Bard by scores of 15-4, 15-8, 15-5 and 15-8, 15-10, 15-5, respectively.

Marist played at Iona Tuesday night. Results were not available at press time.

Red Foxes stride toward NEC tourney

by BRIAN MARKHAM Staff Writer

The cross country team's continued to perform well as they prepare for the Northeast Conference Tournament this weekend.

Competing in the Hartwick Invitational on Oct. 12, the women placed second while the men's squad notched a fourth place finish.

Once again, Jen VonSuskil led the Lady Red Foxes. The junior captured second place by completing the 3.1 mile course in 20 minutes, nine seconds.

Head Coach Phil Kelly said he was pleased with the continuing performance of his top runner.

"Jen ran a very solid race," he said. "She continues to run well for

Also running well for the Red Foxes were juniors Sarah Sheehan and Kristy Ryan, finishing eighth and twelfth, respectively.

Freshman Dawn Doty, who completed the race in 22 minutes flat, drew praise from Kelly.

"I was very happy with Dawn's performance," he said. "It is her best time of the year."

Leading the Marist men was Marty Feeney. The junior finished the 5-mile course with a time of 21:54, placing him in ninth place overall.

Following close behind was David Swift. The sophomore nabbed twelfth place overall with a time of 22:06.

Head Coach Pete Colaizzo said he was impressed by the "guts of Feeney.

"He finished with a monster kick," he said. "He passed two runners right at the end."

Athletes of the Week



DONALD D'AIUTO

D'Aiuto, who surpassed the 1,000 yard mark for the second straight season, was named the Atlantic Collegiate Football Conference Offensive Player of the Week and was named to the ECAC Division III NY/NJ Metro Honor Roll.

D'Aiuto was spectacular in a 38-13 loss to RPI last Saturday. The sophomore gained 229 yards on 24 carries and scored two touchdowns on runs of 80 and 24 yards, respectively.



JEANNE BACIGALUPO

Bacigalupo led the women's tennis team to two victories this past week. In her first two singles matches against LIU and RPI, the junior defeated her opponent 6-0, 6-0.

Hailing from Leonia, New Jersey, Bacigalupo has posted a 3-1 mark while playing the number three singles spot.

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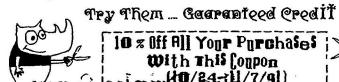
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Booters fall 5-0; slump continues

by TED HOLMLUND

Staff Writer

Things haven't been easy for the soccer team as of late.

The Red Foxes have not picked up a victory in their last six games. Ahead 2-0 at the half, Fairfield did not slow down in the second half. The Stags scored their first goal just 45 seconds into the the half.

Fairfield outshot the Red Foxes 11-6 while improving its season mark

Freshman goalkeeper Matt Palmer made five saves in a losing effort. Last Saturday, the Red Foxes dropped a 3-1 decision to Oneonta State. Shawn Scott scored the lone goal for the Red Foxes. A junior, Scott leads the Red Foxes in scoring with 13 points.

Palmer notched six saves in a losing effort. Head Coach Howard Goldman said the team started slowly and was

unable to recover. "We gave up two easy goals early in the game," Goldman said. "In the second half, we controlled the game. It wasn't enough.'

Last Wednesday, Marist tied Central Connecticut State, 1-1. Senior R.J. Kane scored the only goal for the Red Foxes. It was Kane's

first goal of the season. Goldman said his team should have scored a victory, but is falling short

of the mark offensively. "It was another tie that should've been a win," he said. "We hit the

post enough times. We didn't put the ball away. "We have had a problem finishing off the opponent all year," he said.

"We just haven't been able to put the ball in the net enough."

Goldman said the next two Northeast Conference games are critical in determining the Red Foxes' post season chances.



Circle photo/Matt Martin

Shawn Scott dribbles up field in the Red Foxes' recent 1-1 tie against Central Connecticut. Scott leads the team in scoring with 13 points.

For runner, motivation is both fun and fear

by J.W. STEWART

Staff Writer

Don't tell Jen VonSuskil running is boring.

For VonSuskil, one of the top runners on the women's cross country team, it is the exact opposite.

"I can't understand why people say it's boring," said the junior from Butler, New Jersey. "I love to go out and run hard. I love to

be tired." VonSuskil has had fun running this year. She has placed no lower than fourth in each race to date and her efforts have helped her team finish among the top four in every

This season has been quite a turn-around for the DePaul High School graduate. After a banner freshman campaign - which included an All-Conference selection her running took a slight

During that summer, VonSuskil said she made the mistake of running the Boston Marathon.

"I was delerious at the end," she said. "I was just not ready. I was so out of shape.'

That summer led to an off-year last season with no high placements and no All- Conference selection.

"I did not have a really good season at all," said VonSuskil. "I basically hung up my shoes after the Marathon.'

But in 1991, she has turned it around. She took first-place honors at the Central Connecticut Invitational. VonSuskil has also finished second in the Hartwick and Hunter Invitationals.

She attributes much of her success to old-fashion hard work.

"I worked my butt off last summer," she said. "I think everyone

Indeed. Second-year Coach Phil Kelly had his team running 45 miles per week during the summer.

"She did all her mileage over the summer and that's why she is so much in shape," said Kelly.

VonSuskil became interested in running because her parents "used to run all the time." She began running with them when she was in junior high school and eventually the high school coach asked her to run for the varsity squad.

Her first meet in high school was on New Jersey's toughest course something she did not know until the morning after she finished the

"After I read the paper, I thought, 'Phew! I think I can do this," VonSuskil said.

Although cross country is con-

sidered an individual sport, Von-Suskil said she is happier running with a team and not by herself.

"I like to run with people," she said. "And it's fun to run with a team that wants to win and where everyone wants to do well."

"She's so good because she loves to run," said Kelly. "Some of the other girls enjoy the camaraderie, but nobody loves to run more than

Junior Noel Feehan has been running with VonSuskil since they were the only two freshmen on the team in 1989.

"She's very self-motivated," she said. "She runs for herself and for the team."

"We would go out in the wintertime and run together. We were supposed to run five miles but we'd start talking and run ten miles instead," said Feehan. "She's the best person to run with because she always has a story.

For freshman Dawn Doty, Von-Suskil is someone she can look up to and learn from.

"She's just amazing. She's a very strong runner and very tough," Doty said. "I just watch her and from that I have learned how to set a pace."

said she feels another emotion when she runs besides enjoyment fear.

"I'm so scared before a race. I try to act like I'm not nervous. I think before Central I cried because I was so nervous," VonSuskil said. 'I'll be nervous for the NEC's in two weeks."

'Eventually the nervousness gets replaced with pain," she added.
Someday, the history major

would like to teach school and coach cross country on the side. She already knows what her coaching philosophy will be.

"Run fast. Run to you drop," she said.

"I'm going to sit there with a stopwatch in one hand and a lemonade in the other," she said jokingly. "I'm going to be a hell coach, they're going to hate me.'

Until then, VonSuskil will continue to have fun running for Marist. And she hasn't ruled out another Boston Marathon, either.

"I'll do it again someday - way off. I'll definitely do road races,' she said. "I can't imagine not being competitive. As much as I sometimes hate it, I love it.

"When I'm at the start line I ask VonSuskil knows the feeling of 'Why?' But then after, I know having a disappointing year and she why.''

RPI ravages Red Foxes; Marist 3-4

by MIKE O'FARRELL

Sports Editor

Saturday, the football team will have a much needed day off.

The Red Foxes will be idle this weekend and the break could not have come at a better time. .

So far, it has been a season of streaks. After putting together a three-game win streak, the Red Foxes are now in the midst of a two-game slide — their second such slump of the season.

Marist was pummeled 38-13 in its final home game of the season last Saturday at Leonidoff Field.

The Engineers took complete control of the game in the second quarter.

Leading 14-13, RPI scored twice during the final two minutes of the first half.

After an 80-yard touchdown run from Marist sophomore Donald D'Aiuto, the Engineers took the ball on their own 33-yard line and drove 67 yards in eight plays to pull ahead 21-13.

The drive was capped off when Rip Patton scampered into the endzone from seven vards out.

RPI recovered the ensuing kickoff when it rebounded off Marist's Gerry DelGais.

Six plays later, Grabowski tossed an eight-yard touchdown pass to Paul Sullivan putting the Engineers ahead 28-13 at halftime.

The Engineers used a balanced offensive attack to tally 459 yards of total offense. The RPI ground attack gained 254 yards while Grabowski completed 15 of 25 passes for 205 yards and two touchdowns.

Marist, on the other hand, accumulated most of its yardage on the ground - thanks to D'Aiuto.

The Red Foxes gained 381 yards on the day — 269 coming from the ground and 229 of those yards coming from D'Aiuto.

The sophomore All-American candidate who entered the game twelfth in rushing on the Division III level, tallied his 229 yards on 24 carries.

D'Aiuto, who also caught a pass for 27 yards, scored both Marist touchdowns on runs of 42 and 80 yards, respectively.

For his efforts, D'Aiuto was again named the Atlantic Collegiate Football Conference Offensive Player of the Week. He was also named to the ECAC Division III NY/NJ Metro Honor Roll.

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Fall is the best time for sports. There is so much happening. It is often hard keeping track of it all. First and foremost, the Fall

Don't count the Braves out yet. If Atlanta wins tonight, they will be in the driver's seat.

Once the Braves lost game five to Pittsburgh, Pirates fans were making hotel reservations in Minneapolis because nobody thought Atlanta could win again on the road. Think again.

The nervousness is gone from the Braves. They are playing their game and won't have a problem if it is in Fulton County Stadium or the Metrodome.

Forgive me for bringing this up, but it seems hard to avoid talking about the now infamous "Tomahawk Chop."

Native Americans say this display of fan enthusiasm is degrading and dehumanizing.

Give me a break. If "the chop" is such a bad thing, then why haven't we heard

about this evil rite before the

Braves made it to the World Series? If baseball isn't your game, there is still a plethora of other sports you can turn your attention to. Did you know it was hockey season?

The National Hockey League regular season is underway — but I'm not really sure why.

Me neither.

The NHL has the most botchedup playoff system in the history of sport. After more than an 80 game

season, 16 of the league's 22 teams will make the playoffs. What is the point of the regular season? The Minnesota North Stars took advantage of the system last

season. The lowly Stars emerged as

the best - or should I say the luckiest — team in the NHL. If you want to wait for the real NHL season — the playoffs — to start, perhaps you spend your time following the National Football

League. Two teams - the Washington Redskins and the New Orleans Saints — are still without a loss



Thursday Morning Quarterback

MIKE O'FARREL

eight weeks into the season. However, that could change this weekend.

The Saints will play host to the Bears while the Redskins will be visiting the Giants — a team struggling for its own identity. Washington has not beaten New York since 1987.

Does anyone miss Bo? I didn't think so. Just like Karaoke, Bo is a fad. His days in the limelight are over.

If you like football, but not the NFL, there is always college action every Saturday.

The battle for the top is turning out to be a battle for Florida. Florida State and Miami are first and second, respectively.

It is hard to imagine, but the post-season Bowl talk is already starting.

Speaking of college, hoops are here! Oct. 15 marked the first day of

practice and our very own Red Foxes were on the court for an aggressive first-day workout.

After finishing 6-22 last season, Marist will be trying to prove itself this season.

For you basketball junkies, the NBA is winding down its pre-season. The Knicks already look better

under the direction of Head Coach Pat Riley. Is Rick Fox the next Larry Bird?

Hardly, but the Celtics rookie from North Carolina has looked impressive in the pre-season, scoring over 20 points three times.

With everything going on, it seems someone is missing.

Oh yeah, Tyson.

Mike Tyson's fight against Heavyweight Champion Evander Holyfield was postponed last Friday because of a rib injury suffered by Tyson.

This is the best thing that could have happened to Holyfield.

A judge has denied a request for delaying Tyson's Jan. 27 rape trial. Therefore, it is possible these two fighters will never meet. If convicted, Tyson faces up to 63 years in prison.

While the Holyfield camp is looking for an opponent for the champion, we are never going to hear the end of Don King.

If Tyson is acquitted, the fight will eventually be rescheduled. assuming Holyfield keeps his belt.

If Tyson is convicted, King will be ranting and raving of unfair justice. He will be moaning and groaning that his fighter was not treated fairly.

Some people just never learn.

Mike O'Farrell is The Circle's SDOFTS editor.