

Panel leads AIDS talk

By JAMES MARCONI
News Editor

On Monday night, a frank panel discussion with three people living with AIDS marked the arrival of twelve sections of the AIDS Memorial Quilt at Marist. The colorful segments, a tribute to those who have died from AIDS complications, will hang in the Rotunda until Thursday evening.

"It's about living," said Cornell Davis, one of the panelists. "We live our lives as normal people. Anything, with perseverance, can be overcome."

Though Davis displayed considerable optimism, statistics in a slide show presented during the course of the evening reinforced the grave nature of the worldwide AIDS epidemic. Forty-two million people around the globe live with the disease, and over 25 million people have died of AIDS-related complications since 1991.

Even "with all the education and money in the United States, 44,000 people are infected each year," said Brother John Nash.

As people who have to deal



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Twelve segments of the AIDS Quilt will hang in the Rotunda until Friday, in honor of the disease's victims.

with its effects on a daily basis, Cornell Davis, his wife Peggy Patterson Davis (an '03 Marist alumna), and Ben Barile feel it is their obligation to educate people about how to prevent and how to deal with AIDS.

Patterson Davis said that in the present day, perceptions of AIDS

have changed enough for those infected to seek help and support professionally, and from loved ones.

"Back [when I was first diagnosed] there was not really anyone to talk to," Patterson Davis said. "I was struggling to get through my education. I wasn't

able to talk freely about this, and it hurt me. Today it's different - people are more comfortable talking about it. Back then I felt like I was alone."

Medicine has also drastically improved, according to Barile, but it does come at a steep price,

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Housing selection locked in for fall

By DANIELLE JOHNSTON
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Everywhere you travel on campus recently, the same question seems to be on everyone's minds: "Where are you planning on living next year?" There are numerous responses to this question. The housing process, which for most people is very stressful, began last week for freshmen and continued this week with the upperclassmen picking on Monday and Tuesday nights.

Everyone hears of the housing horror stories that surface on campus each year around this time. Campus is full of rumors of students not getting housing, getting kicked out of the housing that they had received, or their groups being forced to split up into separate houses. Many people thought that once the stressful part of choosing housemates was over, it was an easy process to choose which house to live in. This, however, is not always the

case. All of the drama that occurs before groups decide where to live is nothing compared to much of the drama that occurs the day of house picking.

The freshman class picked for their houses and suites last Monday and Tuesday nights. There are numerous options open to them as they can live in Gartland, Midrise, Benoit, or Gregory, with the possibility of Marian or even Foy opening up to offer them even more options. If none of that works, there is also the Residence Inn, located a few miles south, down Route 9. Even with all these options there are about 100 freshmen at this time on the wait list to receive housing for next year.

Anyone who was here last year still remembers the problems that many students were faced with for housing for the 2006-2007 school year. When the final picks had finished last year, many freshmen with low priority points did not have housing, or

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NPR chief stresses media importance

By ANDREW OVERTON
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The president and chief executive officer of National Public Radio (NPR), Kevin Klose spoke April 11 at Marist on the topic "Broadcasting's Impact on International Affairs: Civil Society or Civil War Can Depend on Who Says What on the Air."

Citizens must demand the best from journalists, Klose said, because "citizenship depends on informed citizenry."

"A people cannot be both ignorant and free," Klose said, paraphrasing Thomas Jefferson's words. "That's our responsibility. If we're going to be free...we've got to be informed."

Klose, a former editor, and national and foreign correspondent with *The Washington Post*, addressed Marist students and faculty last Wednesday in the Henry Hudson Room of Fontaine Hall.

Klose examined the goals of journalism, specifically NPR's radio journalism in his speech.

Good journalism should be independ-

ent, credible, and give the reader "one clear crack at the facts," Klose said.

NPR is "contextual, fact-based journalism for radio broadcasting," Klose said.

Although he still identifies problems with neutral NPR reporting, Klose recognizes that journalism is a "human endeavor and it's flawed."

"You try to capture it all," Klose said, "and you ain't gonna get it all."

Nonetheless, Klose said he thinks it is important to examine bias in the media and question the credibility of sources. Klose used the example of when Clear Channel Radio banned air-play of the Dixie Chicks after the lead singer said, "We're ashamed that the president of the United States is from Texas."

Klose rejects the philosophy that "if it bleeds it leads." Instead, he argues, even though it may get ratings, "violence might not be the best commencement of the day."

When large corporations motivated by profit control the media, it is hard for the consumers get authentic, diverse, and well-informed voices, Klose said.

While profit-driven journalism is not ideal, neither is state-controlled journalism.

"The one enemy you don't want in your newsroom is the state," Klose said.

The evolving world of media has provided new outlets for NPR journalism.

In addition to its over 700 local stations, NPR has 79 of its radio programs available for download off the NPR website or from iTunes as podcasts so listeners can listen to their favorite NPR shows on their computers and iPods.

In the question and answer session following his speech, Klose commented on the recent Don Imus controversy where Imus slurred the Rutgers women basketball team.

"I think he said truly objectionable things," Klose said. "I'm sorry it happened because it didn't need to have happened."

Klose closed his speech saying, "As they say at Fox, 'we report it and you decide.'"

Smyth addresses dangers of journalism

By SANDRA BUJALSKI
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Journalists face many dangers including harassment, imprisonment, and death because of their job. Frank Smyth, the Washington, D.C. representative of the Committee to Protect Journalists spoke to students Friday about these dangers.

In 1991, Smyth himself was captured and imprisoned in Iraq while reporting for various news

sources. He said that it has become even more unsafe for journalists there since the United States invaded the country in 2003.

"Iraq is the most dangerous place for journalists in recent years," he said.

Journalists of Iraqi nationality are targeted the most, according to Smyth. Seventy-nine of the 100 deaths since 2003 have been Iraqi. Two were Americans.

Smyth said that it is not only

the Iraqi forces killing news reporters. U.S. troops killed an award winning American journalist because they were threatened by the way he looked. They mistook his camera for a rocket propelled grenade launcher and opened fire on him.

Smyth is a graduate of Boston College and the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. He came to speak to Marist students on Friday at the Washington, D.C.

representative for the Committee to Protect Journalists.

CPJ is an independent, non-profit organization dedicated to protecting journalists worldwide. Smyth said that they want to draw attention to the dangers that journalists face while doing their job every day.

"We provide support to journalists who need it," he said.

According to Smyth there are many ways that people try to restrict the press. They use

harassment, imprisonment, violence, and the most common way is murder. Over 70% are murdered, and most of the victims are print reporters.

Most of the time the suspected perpetrators are people involved with the government according to the CPJ.

"More than a third of journalists are murdered by their own government or military," Smyth said.

Journalists have an important

job, according to Smyth, providing beneficial information to everyone.

"Journalists have an obligation to report the story," he said. "[They give] people value information."

Anyone who gathers information and disseminates it is a journalist, he said, including people who write web logs, or blogs.

"You are a journalist if you act like one," Smyth said.



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Members of WMAR, the Marist college radio station, strike a pose at their club's table during the open house for accepted students last weekend. The open house offered potential incoming freshman the opportunity to see the all of the various extracurricular activities available. It also featured a concert by the Marist Band and Singers in the McCann center, and other activities designed to acquaint potential students with Marist facilities, academics, and organizations.



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security briefs

You people aren't giving me much to work with

By KATE GIGLIO
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Yeah soooo there aren't that many briefs this week because, well, no one's done anything particularly interesting lately, or they've managed to not get caught. I guess it was a crappy weekend; I know I tried to stay inside and out of trouble/the weather as much as possible, but mostly because moisture makes my hair unmanageably poufy. Blame it on the rain. Hell, blame it on the stars ... but if we could all band together as a community and maybe cause some trouble that doesn't involve boots on cars, 28-year-olds trying to sneak into freshman dorms, and beer cans in toilets, that'd be just peachy. Maybe do a quick Google search for "pranks" or "how to not waste my college years sitting around playing Xbox." I guess it's a little late to suggest this, but once a bunch of friends and I built a very large (read: immobile) snowman ... in front of someone's front door. The thing was an icy beast, and the kids were very upset, especially since we'd stolen one of their hats for the snowmonster to wear. So maybe you should keep that in mind for next winter. Also, I read somewhere that a regular latex condom holds about five gallons of water. Benoit residents, are you listening? I bet you could do something with THAT bit of information. And I'm sure you've got plenty of unused ones

4/10 12:10 p.m.

In the Lowell Thomas lot, a car backed out of a spot, hitting another, illegally parked vehicle. The latter received a ticket and a small dent. The

driver of the first car wasn't even going to leave a note (!). Well, you know what, neither would I. Partially because I don't have a conscience, but also because if I hit a car that was illegally parked (I'm looking at you, Hoop-permits-in-Foy-lot), then I probably did it on purpose

4/11 6:30 p.m.

A visitor to campus rolled on in to the Sheahan lot on Wednesday with the goal of making it to that evening's lecture, "Blessed are the Peacemakers: Messengers of Hope in a 'Post-Christian' Era." Said visitor was cruisin' in a large Lincoln sedan, and ironically, somehow managed to plow into a Mitsubishi Eclipse. The owner of the Eclipse was, justifiably, pretty pissed off; apparently his car was well-maintained and rather what the kids call souped-up. The accident was described by the town police as a "fender-bender," which I guess in this case translates to "Italian flag reflector cracked in half"

4/12 1:05 p.m.

A student reported that her car, which was parked in the Lower New lot, was riddled with scratches on its back bumper and that chips of paint were missing. There was no note. Looks like someeonee is neither a peacemaker nor a messenger of hope in a post-Christian era. Christ almighty, the golden rule means NOTHING these days

4/12 3:10 p.m.

In the McCann lot, a student backing out of a parking space in his obnoxiously large Yukon struck a Toyota, which

sustained damage to its rear taillight and rear fender. The drivers exchanged information and no police report was filed. Which reminds me of the time when a landscaping truck rear-ended me at a (red) traffic light. Which leads me to my very important main point: Idiotic people drive big dumb things

4/14 11:20 p.m.

Security was on patrol and coasting along Talmadge Court when they noticed that the fire alarm was going off. The fire department came and discovered that the culprit was a very intuitive young man who claimed that "someone" had broken the light bulb on the lamppost outside their residence, and he "didn't know what to do" so he "pulled the fire alarm." A likely reaction, because if there's one thing a broken light bulb can do, it's "catch on fire"

4/14 1:00 a.m.

A student reported that he had been walking home alone through the city of Poughkeepsie when a car pulled up alongside him, and assailants assaulted him and stole his wallet. Okay, well, don't walk through Poughkeepsie alone? At night? Drunk? These suggestions are right on par with "Don't talk to strangers" and "Don't stick a fork in an electrical socket"

4/14 1:39 a.m.

The fire alarm in Marian Hall went off after an unknown trickster set off the alarm box. If you're spending your Friday night running around like a hooligan, pulling on a box, it's presumably the only one

you've touched in a while

4/14 2:40 a.m.

A male Champagnat resident lent his Marist ID to his guest so he could try getting into the dorm. The ID was confiscated and sent to Security. I guess the "Here, you swipe my ID and make sure you put your thumb over the photo!" thing has worked before, but it takes a certain degree of mastery. And an elusive little something I like to call "hand-eye coordination"

4/14 6:50 a.m.

Housekeeping reported severe damage to the downstairs Benoit bathroom. There was a bunch of stuff just ... destroyed. What an unoriginal way to spend, seemingly, your Friday night. Honestly I feel like giving out a prize, or maybe a scholarship, to the person(s) who can pull off the most creative display of debauchery on campus. Because this is just constant amateur hour and I'm drowning in bad material over here. SHAPE UP OR SHIP OUT

4/14 11:35 a.m.

A male former student tried to enter Leo Hall with his expired Marist ID. Also expired? The condom in his wallet

4/15 2:53 a.m.

A security guard noticed something was amiss with a garbage can over by that really long staircase in the McCann lot. He went over to investigate further, discovered that it was on fire, and put it out with the fire extinguisher. And you thought you could only find flaming trash in New Jersey

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April 19, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 19
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9:00 p.m.

Friday, April 20
RELAY FOR LIFE on the campus green
6:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 22
Flag Football Tournament North Field
2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
signups: April 20, 10 a.m. - noon in Champagnat Breezeway

Sunday, April 22
SPC Trip: Six Flags leave Donnelly at 8 a.m. tickets on sale at College Activities

Monday, April 23
"A Bunch of Songs & A Couple of Girls" featuring Katie McSherry & Caryn Shatraw in the PAR
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Race for on-campus housing leaves some left in dust

were stuck in the hotel miles away from campus. Some of the students who were placed in the hotel were not going to have cars, and they were faced with the problem of not getting to and from campus. Sarah English, the director of housing, was faced with a problem. She needed to provide housing for numerous to-be sophomores without enough space to provide for them.

To rectify the problem with lack of housing for the soon-to-be sophomores, Lower New Townhouses were offered to the students, which were taken by those groups with high priority points. Even with this opening, many freshmen were without housing or stuck in the hotel. Foy, which had been filled with upperclassmen, was offered to many of the students stuck in Marian, the hotel, or without housing. Some upperclassmen who were in Foy were kicked out and forced to move around campus. There were many moves and many people unhappy with their housing, though the Department of Housing tried its best to fix the problems.

With the knowledge that there are a large number of freshmen slated without housing right now, many of the upperclassmen feared that they would be kicked out of Foy to make room for the soon-to-be sophomores who didn't have a place to live. Chris

Waters, a current sophomore slated to reside in Foy next fall, said he was nervous that the events of last year would occur again and force him and his house out.

"Since the current freshman class is so big," he said, "upper class housing may be used to house them thus taking away valuable room for the upperclassmen."

English said that she doesn't see this as being a major possibility. There is no guarantee that it won't happen, but they have tried to prepare so that these fears do not become reality. The housing department has tried to come up with a plan so that the same issues that occurred in the 2006-2007 school year will not be repeated.

"The 2006-2007 school year was an incredibly high year; this is not expected for housing for next year," English said. "We have taken steps to try to avoid what happened last year from happening again."

Currently there are 50 spots in Marian that are closed off and an additional 50 spots in Foy that are not being offered to anyone as of yet. They will be waiting to open these rooms until housing is over to try to accommodate for everyone. Though underclassmen could possibly bump upperclassmen out of Foy, it is unlikely, said English. English and the entire housing department have

worked to try and make housing more efficient and satisfying for all students involved in the process.

Another problem that seems to be affecting housing is the number of students in each class. This year's freshmen class is 1,038, as opposed to admissions' goal of 940 students in a class: An overenrollment of 100 students. Dean of admissions Kent Rinehart said that that had been unexpected.

"Last year was a strange admissions year," Rinehart said. "We admitted fewer students and had a higher yield of those accepting the offer."

This was a surprise, as admissions had accepted fewer students than they had in past years. Last year they accepted 48 percent of the applicants, while this year they only accepted 41 percent. This year they accepted fewer students, and more of those accepted are commuter students. Commuters make up only about 10 percent of the class, still more than most classes. However, Rinehart said, admissions has no intention of turning Marist into a commuter school.

"Admissions recognizes the problem and is making every effort to rectify it, while at the same time not putting the college at any risk," said Rinehart.

Many housing issues stem from the manner in which Marist housing is decided. The priority

point system, which many deem as unfair, can cause major rifts in friendships as well as difficulties in finding a place to live. Points are awarded based on academic and disciplinary records as well as campus involvement. People who want the best housing want to get into a group that has the most priority points. But if someone with whom you want to live has low priority points, the whole group's average goes down. This causes many problems for people who don't have 33 priority points or above (the maximum is 36).

Not all schools decide housing on a priority-point based system, but many do use a lotto system as to who gets what for housing. Many people from other schools don't think this is a fair solution, either. A junior at George Washington University in Washington D.C. said, "At least you can control which housing you get by being active and having a high GPA. We just put our group into the system and it randomizes who gets the best housing based on nothing. If we don't get good housing we can't do anything about it, but at least at Marist you're able to control what you can get and you get what you deserve."

But many doubt if that is true. Even with the priority point system, many people still blame the Department of Housing for their poor housing picks. Housing

receives many complaints about the lack of it and how students have not gotten what they wanted for housing. There are even Facebook groups out there like "Has Marist Housing Screwed You Over Lately?" This group was designed for all the people who believe they have been wronged by the housing system, alleging that the priority point system isn't fair. "We are creating this group as part of a social change class project to show the unfair bias within Marist housing," the group describes itself on Facebook.

A major issue that students cite is that many people with low priority points expect to get the best housing, and that just isn't the case. The students go into housing and complain to English about the problems with priority points, but the priority points are what the students themselves earn. There is no one to blame but themselves for the low priority points, English said. They control how active they are on campus, what their GPA is, any room damage, and even Judicial issues. Housing is not responsible for these issues, but many students blame the housing department.

"The problem with housing is that it is an emotional thing. It would be great if we had space per person in the school, but if that were the case at the end of the housing process there would

be numerous vacancies," English said.

Many students go through the housing process just to see what housing they would get if they did want to live on campus, and then just withdraw from housing. Though this opens up houses to those on the waiting list, issues arise if everyone who desires housing is already accommodated. When students withdraw to live off campus, vacancies become common. This in turn can raise the cost of housing because of the presence of empty rooms on campus. Next, students would complain about the high cost of on-campus housing.

Housing is such a stressful process for all those involved; the students and those who work for the Department of Housing.

"We work so hard trying to put people together and keep groups whole," English said. "We like to think we are trying to do our best for the students."

Unfortunately, many people, usually with lower priority points, will have a problem getting housing for next year. Housing, along with the help of admissions, is trying to make the housing process a less stressful process, but it just seems to be a fact; some people will get housing, while others will not.

AIDS Quilt hangs in Rotunda, in memorial of those who died

literally.

"I pay roughly \$2,200 per month," he said. I wiped out my whole life savings. In order to get [social] services, you almost have to be poor."

Davis agreed that the price for life-saving medications is particularly steep, but said that he is grateful the United States military pays for his treatment.

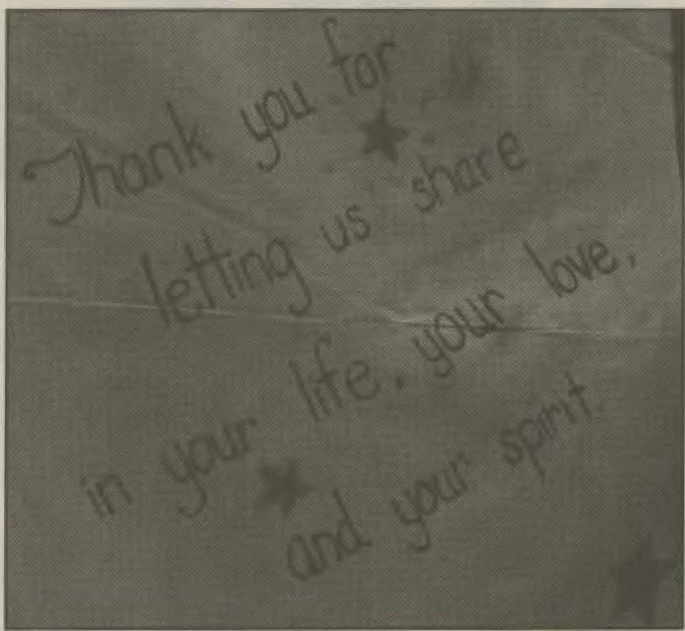
"I've been pretty fortunate," he said. "I am a veteran of the Vietnam era, so I get all of my medications through the VA."

At the end of the day dealing with AIDS means living life one day at a time, according to Davis, who said he "thanks God" for

each moment that he has with his family.

Patterson Davis agreed.

"I have four beautiful boys. It is a struggle, but I'm still living to see my children through life," she said. "I was [also] blessed to



A close-up of one panel on the AIDS Memorial Quilt, dedicated to those who have died of AIDS complications

see my first grandchild." Though the Davises and Barile are testaments to those who have

AIDS, many more have succumbed to its effects. To commemorate this fact multiple clubs around campus, spearheaded by the Lesbian, Gay, Straight Alliance raised the funds necessary to bring a portion of the AIDS Quilt to Marist. The college itself contributed about half of the necessary \$1400.

"The AIDS Quilt itself serves as a memorial...to those who have lost their lives to AIDS," said LGSA secretary Jennifer Cadic, who coordinated the various clubs. "To me personally it's very emotional to see the panels of those who

were lost."

Strudler's class to host poker tournament

Marist College - Members of Dr. Keith Strudler's Sports Public Relations class will be hosting the 2nd Annual Marist College Poker Tournament on April 25, 2007 at 9:30 pm in the Student Center rooms 348-349.

This event is open to all Marist Students; spaces will be filled on a first-come first serve basis.

There is a charge of \$3 for all participants, with all proceeds benefiting the "Hope for a Cure foundation for Parkinson's research". Any and all donations are welcome.

Prizes will be awarded to the top finishers, and there will be free food, drinks, t-shirts and other giveaway items that all

participants can enjoy.

Grand prize winner gets a chance to go on set of "Inside the NFL" with Dan Marino, Bob Costas, Cris Collinsworth, Cris Carter and Peter King.

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Today's latest happenings in the ever-changing world of celebrities

By CHELSEA MURRAY
Staff Writer

After the Oscars a little over a month ago, Hollywood has been relatively quiet in comparison to the hype and tension that comes along with awards season. To keep you up to date, here is a list of the important stories in entertainment news the past few weeks.

To all you girls who ever dreamed of being a princess: now you have a shot at that dream. Princess Diana and Prince Charles' eldest son, the gorgeous Prince William, and his girlfriend of almost five years, Kate Middleton, amicably split up earlier this week. Girls the world over can now get their feet ready to slip into the glass slipper because the best royal catch and future King of England is back on the market.

Britney Spears and Kevin Federline have worked out the kinks of their messy divorce after the pop star emerged out of rehab clean, revived, and wearing a wig. Britney has seriously cleaned up her act during the past month. She looks great,

reportedly feels great and now has something more to smile about since she and Federline have hammered out the details of their divorce. Apparently they both get joint custody of their children, the profit of their mansion once it's sold and the city of Las Vegas, where they both go often for weekend getaways.

The world has finally realized the reason behind Reese Witherspoon's sexy transformation during awards season this year. The "Legally Blonde" bombshell turned heads and was on my best-dressed list for the Oscars. One reason behind this transformation was the pending divorce from husband of seven years, Ryan Phillippe. And now it has slowly leaked out that the mother of two is quietly dating her "Rendition" co-star, Jake Gyllenhaal. No wonder she looks so good; that man would make any woman feel sexy.

This season on American Idol the hype is not about who is the best, but rather who is the worst. Sanjaya Malakar has swept the nation and proved that even though he is a "horrendous" singer, that he can last a long

time. At first it seemed that the only logical reason for Sanjaya to stay on the show was the fact that America was collectively wearing earplugs during the show and continued to vote him in. The real reason behind his lengthy stint on the show is the website "Vote for the Worst," Howard Stern, and young pre-pubescent girls. Let's just hope America realizes the mistake before it's too late. Simon Cowell has vowed to jump ship on the show if Sanjaya takes the overall prize as the American Idol. Let's hope that doesn't happen because what would that show be without his biting (albeit honest) remarks and baby tee's?

This may not be a pressing celebrity story, but what college-aged individual didn't secretly (if not openly) love The Spice Girls? So of course any time a Spice Girl is mentioned in the news, it is worth retelling. Mel B (aka. Scary Spice) added a little spice to her life after giving birth to a baby girl early on April 3. Her ex, Eddie Murphy, has denied that he is the father of the baby; however, if he turns out to be wrong, father and daughter will ironically share the same birthday. In other Spice news, Posh and David Beckham will make the move across the pond to Los Angeles where she can hang out with new best friend Katie Holmes, shop and eat out. Oh yeah, and he can play soccer.

Angelina Jolie has received massive amounts of critical and scathing press the past few weeks after her quick adoption of her new son, Pax, from Vietnam. The actress and UN ambassador has been deemed "Super girl" by her other half, Brad Pitt, because of all she does for the world. The woman is doing what she wants to do with her life. It doesn't matter if society agrees with her uncon-

Left, Sanjaya Malakar of American Idol sports his famous mokawk while performing for the famously snarky Simon Cowell and his fellow Idol Judges.

ventional ways, but they should stop breathing down her neck.

Well known shock jock Don Imus was fired last week from his radio show for making a racist and rude comment about the Rutgers women's basketball team. Imus spent weeks apologizing for what he said, but that

just wasn't enough for his sponsors and big guns supporting the basketball team such as Reverend Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson and even Elton John. The shock jock spent his entire career making controversial comments like this but apparently this was the last straw.

Since the death of Anna Nicole Smith in February, the story about the paternity of her daughter has been exploited and splashed all over the news 24/7. The mystery has now been solved: Larry Birkhead is the proven biological father of baby Daniellynn. Shocker!

Tyler's Top Ten Television Cancellations

By TYLER THURSTON
Staff Writer

Truth be told, our lives are made up of a series of fleeting moments. These moments, captured in only our memories, usually consist of a summer romance, a friendship grown distant by time, or a school year gone by too fast. Sometimes, though, it can be a television show.

Well, maybe that's a stretch. As sad as it may be to admit, there are times when the relationship you develop with your favorite television show can be as deep and meaningful as a romantic foray. And then, like some scorned lover, the networks pull the plug on your show, leaving you lonely and wanting answers as you relive every detail of your relationship. Like all relationships, some television shows are gracefully put out to pasture, both sides mutually agreeing to move on. Others, however, like the summer romances gone astray, are ended before their time. This week, let's relive the top ten television shows cancelled prematurely — breakups that were definitely not mutual. Not that I'm bitter or anything.

10) Family Guy (FOX)

Okay, so what if they brought it back? They still cancelled it in the first place. That's like drunkenly breaking up with your girlfriend, then calling her the next day to tell her you're really sorry. That doesn't erase it, you still did it. And for FOX, it wasn't even the next day — it was three years later, when following the skyrocketing DVD sales, FOX decided that maybe there was an audience for this cult cartoon classic. On Sunday nights it has found this audience, and should be there to stay. That is, until FOX decides to start drinking again.

9) Stark Raving Mad (NBC)

Maybe it was the actors, Neil Patrick Harris and Tony Shaloub, who would later go on to mine comedic gold in "How I Met Your Mother," and "Monk," respectively. Maybe it was the creator, Steven Levitan, one of the creative forces behind both "Just Shoot Me!" and "Frasier." On second thought, neither of those reasons probably explains why this comedy never clicked with NBC audiences. With its sharp writing and stellar performances, it rightfully should have.

8) Andy Richter Controls the Universe (FOX)

Man, Andy Richter just cannot catch a break. His current show, "Andy Barker P.I." was just relegated to the viewer-barren Saturday nights, allotting it a slow, painful death. After spending years playing co-pilot to Conan O'Brien, most of Richter's attempts at television have been solid ("Quintuplets"? Let's forget that ever existed. FOX sure has.). His greatest effort, however, remains "Andy Richter Controls the Universe," an intelligent insight into the comedic mind of Richter himself. Intelligent, live-action comedy? On FOX? No wonder it didn't work.

7) Invasion (ABC)

Remember the serialized drama on ABC? No, not the one with the plane crash — the other one. Yeah, not many viewers did either. Proving too exhaustive to sit through after an episode of "Lost," this sci-fi drama chronicling the aftermath of a hurricane in a Florida town was unable to step out of the shadow of its lead-in. Sad, because when it did, it always helped its viewers weather the storm.

6) Commander-in-Chief (ABC)

The 2005 television season turned out to be quite trying for ABC. As its hopeful science-fiction successor lost viewers left and right, its fictional president stood on the verge of impeachment. However, with strong writing, powerful performances from Geena Davis, Donald Sutherland, and a slew of others, plus a premise of unprecedented proportions — the only flaws in this administration came at the hand of ABC. By juggling a series of show-runners, turning Geena Davis into an action hero, and forcing the show to face-off against that little show on FOX about wannabe singers, ABC made the show attempt to overcome impossible obstacles. When the ax finally swung down in May, viewers and critics alike clamored for a second term.

5) Freaks and Geeks (NBC)

No one wants to relive high school. Keeping this in mind helps to explain the failure of this NBC comedy, a sometimes unnerving look into life in a high school during the 80's. Maybe they were stuffed into lockers, maybe they had a trau-

matic experience involving a flag pole and underpants, or maybe their asking for extra homework in case of a snow day just didn't sit well with their classmates. Whatever audience's reasons may be for not tuning in, they missed out on one of the most accurate depictions of high school ever documented — even if it never made it past freshman year.

4) The Comeback (HBO)

As washed-up sitcom actress Valerie Cherish, Lisa Kudrow often uttered her trademark catchphrase, "I don't want to see that." As it turns out, audiences at home echoed a similar sentiment. Examining the inner-workings of mainstream Hollywood, "The Comeback" featured a delicate balance of comedy and drama, scripts and improvisation, and Hollywood and reality. Judging by Kudrow's post-cancellation Emmy nomination, some people *did* want to see that.

3) My So-Called Life (ABC)

Long before Dawson rowed up the creek, Mischa Barton perfected her pout, or Chad Michael Murray learned how to furrow his brow to convey emotion, there was a different type of teen drama. While it may not have had any big-budget explosions or car crashes, all the angst of what it means to be a teenager was there. Maybe that's why it didn't work. They probably should've killed off Claire Danes in a car accident and had Jared Leto carry her away from the wreck while the flames grow higher in the background. That seems logical.

2) Sports Night (ABC)

Josh Charles, Peter Krause, and Felicity Huffman all starring together in one project, Aaron Sorkin giving voice to their characters. Shame on you, ABC. Shame on you.

1) Arrested Development (FOX)

Yes, the network that brought you "The War at Home" also brought you this critically-acclaimed comedy. They may have brought it to you, but as Andy Richter can attest, they had no idea what to do with it. Shuffling timeslots, poor promotion, and the lack of self-contained episodes forced this award-winning comedy's progression to continually live up to its title.



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A fashionista's guide: everyone's classic must-haves

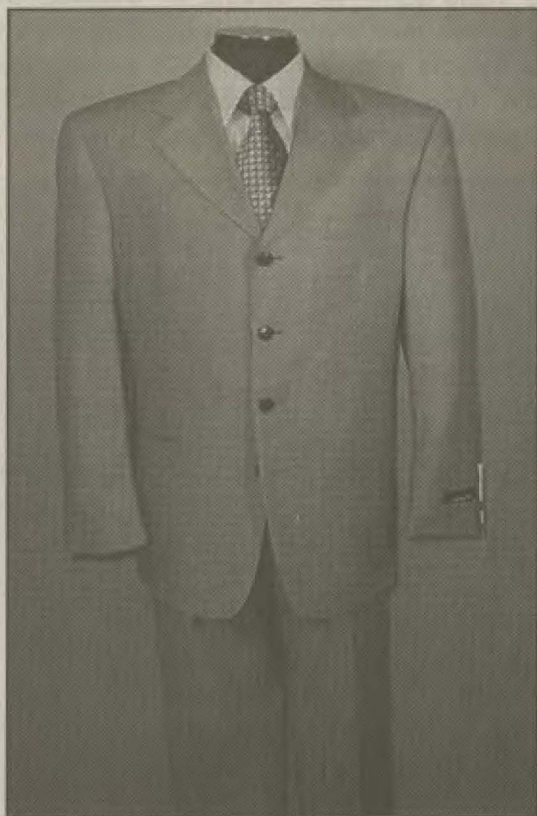
By KATE GOODIN
Staff Writer

Fashion is a business that thrives on novelty, change, and modernity. Trends change with the seasons and fads are little more than fleeting moments of popularity. There are, however, certain garments and accessories for both men and women that have endured in the transient world of fashion. Following is a list of timeless pieces that anchor anyone's wardrobe.

For women, there are several classics that no closet is complete without. First, and perhaps most famously, is the Little Black Dress (LBD). The LBD is usually crafted in a simple silhouette and made of a quality fabric with just enough stretch to accommodate a slight weight gain or loss. It is also most commonly knee-length and can vary in sleeve length. While I advocate the LBD concept as being your go-to dress for any occasion, I feel it does not necessarily have to be black or little. I think it is wise for every woman to have one dress in their closet in a solid color and classic shape that they can dress up or down for a myriad of occasions; however, choose the color and shape that best fit you. If you love fire-engine red or an asymmetrical hem, go for it. You're the one wearing it, so choose what you love.

Another classic for women is a pair of basic black pumps. Again, you can do slight variations on this one. A black stiletto heel is standard, but even I, a seasoned heel-wearer, have

trouble tottering about on strappy stilettos all day long. If it suits you, choose a heel with more substance. Feel free to choose subtle details that



A well-made, tailored suit for men.

accessories that will never go out of style. A simple strand of pearls is always elegant but if that's not you, choose an accessory that will



The essential little black dress.

bag - this doesn't mean you have spend a small fortune getting this season's "It" bag. It means getting a bag that's "It" for you. Choose one in a neutral color; black, brown, camel, or even red are safe bets. Personalize your "It" bag by choosing one with funky details or fabrications. Whether it's Payless or Prada, it's yours.

There are also several timeless pieces for men. First, men can never go wrong with a well-made, tailored suit. It doesn't have to be designer label, but it should fit well and be crafted from a good-quality material, usually in black, grey, or navy. Men can now build an entire wardrobe around just one great suit.

Although men have less choice in the way of accessories, personalizing your suits with different colored shirts, ties, or cufflinks can give you a new look every day of the week. A pair of well-made black shoes and a stylish watch smarten up any outfit perfectly and classically.

One garment that is a classic for both men and women is simple, ingenious, and functional: the trench coat. Invented during World War I for men as literally a coat for the trenches, it has since evolved into a classic for both sexes. For women to pull it off with panache, opt for a trench with a knotted belt to flatter any figure.

So there you have it: a repertoire of classic garments and accessories for both men and women. Take the time to search for your timeless pieces and invest in good-quality fabrics and classic silhouettes, for these are the pieces that will last a lifetime.

set your pumps apart from others. Patent leather, understated accents, or a tasteful buckle will kick your heels up a notch.

Last, but hardly least, there are a few staple

become your signature piece. If you love bold cocktail rings or dangly earrings, wear them with pride! They are part of what fashions your unique style. I also recommend finding an "It"

Controversial commentary: Imus' punishment too harsh?

By MICHELLE FABER
Staff Writer

Recently, there has been a racial uproar in the media regarded radio host, Don Imus. Imus and his fellow radio host were talking about the Rutgers girls basketball team on their show, and as they were discussing their loss to Tennessee, Imus said, "That's some nappy-headed hos there". This quick comment has sparked weeks of controversy, leading to Don Imus' firing from his radio and television shows.

Imus has repeatedly apologized for his actions and comments. He has met with Reverend Al Sharpton, the entire Rutgers basketball team, and many other people that have become involved with this controversy. At first, he was suspended for two weeks from his radio and television show. After the controversy continued, however, both the radio and television stations decided to fire Imus.

These remarks were racist, rude, and completely unnecessary. After getting so far during the national championship, it is disgusting that Imus had to put these hard-working girls down. Now, they are not getting press about how amazing they played, they are getting press for being called 'hos'. Imus should have been punished for these comments.

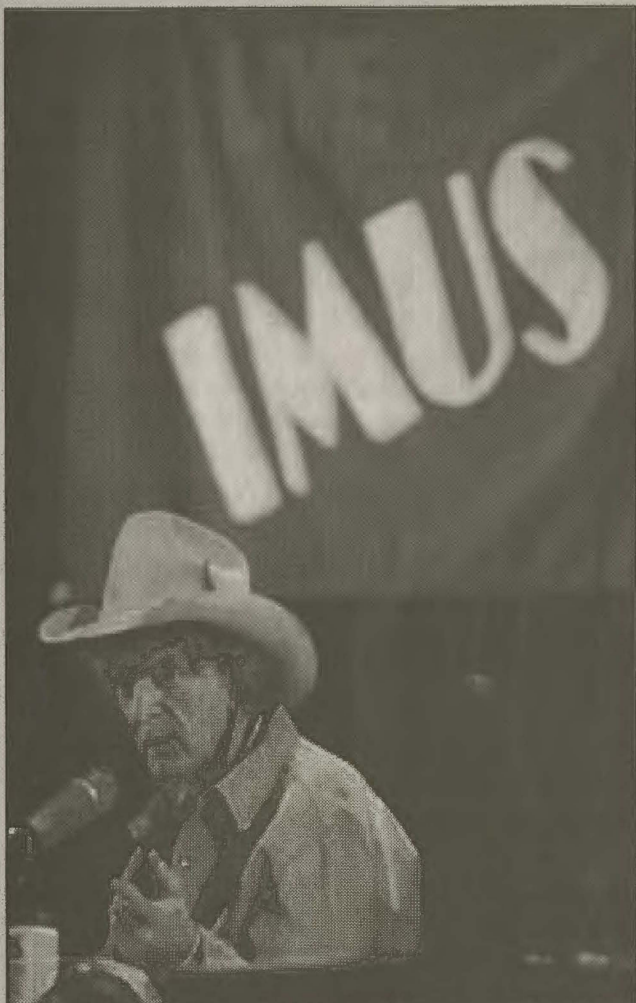
On the other hand, was Imus' final punishment too harsh for the crime? He admits that these comments were inexcusable and horrible, but Imus swears that he did not think about these comments and had no hurtful intention behind them. He said, "These young women also need to know, not as an excuse, not after what I'm going to say now do I expect these young women to say, 'oh, well he works with black children, or he has black friends, that means he can say this'. That's not what I'm saying. But they need to know that I'm a good person who said a bad

thing, and there's a big difference". Imus has made a living making fun of everyone on his radio show, why now is he finally being called-out for his rude remarks?

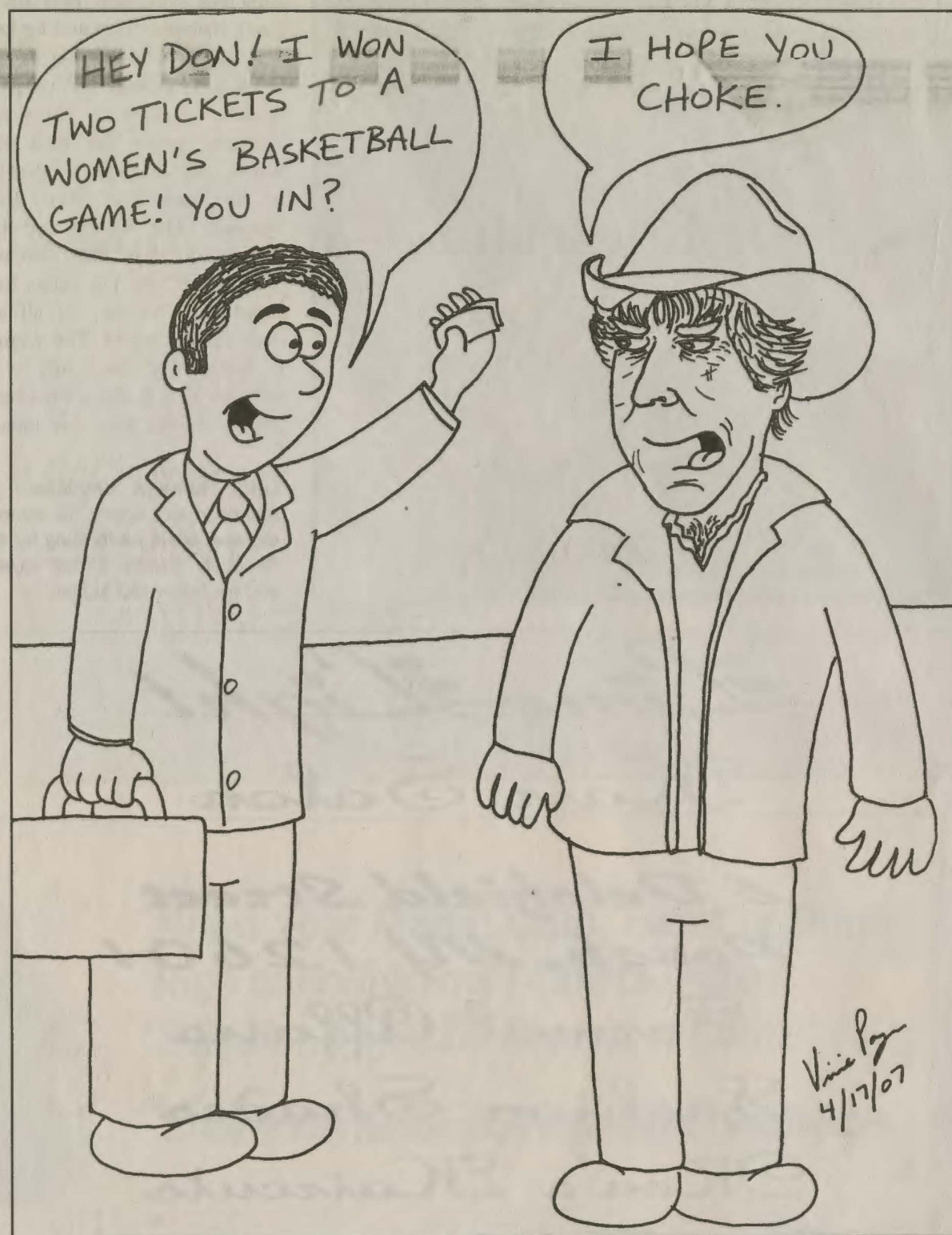
When it comes to race, there seems to be a bit of a double-standard in the media. Whether this is wrong or right, it is hard to tell. If Imus was black and made these comments, would there have been as much controversy? No matter who makes racist comments in a public setting, they should be punished. He has a responsibility as a talk show host, and he disregarded this responsibility when he made racist and sexist comments.

I am not saying that Imus should not have been punished. These comments were cruel and did not even make sense. These women work extremely hard and they should be extremely proud of themselves. In no way are they 'hos'. One must keep in mind, though, that Imus is an extremely charitable person. He owns the Imus Ranch, which takes care of children with cancer and raises millions of dollars for this cause. Imus used his radio and television show as a plug to raise money for these children.

Now that Imus has been fired, will his charity go down with him? I believe that Imus is not as bad of a person as he is being made out to be. He is just a guy who made a mistake and said an extremely stupid, bad comment that ruined his life. He should have been suspended, and warned. This is the first time that Imus has ever gotten in trouble for a rude remark, why does he not get a second chance? If the Rutgers women can forgive him, why can't America? Imus should have been punished, but he should have been given one more chance. If a comment like this emerged again, then by all means, he deserves to be fired. It just seems harsh to take away a job that this man has been doing for 30-35 years after one comment that he is extremely apologetic for.



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Migraines: A typical headache just can't compare

By KATE HORVATH
Circle Contributor

I bet every student at Marist College can say without any hesitation that they have gotten a headache before. Waking up early after a long night of cramming for a big test can definitely make your head spin. However, what is less common than a familiar headache and much more serious, are migraines and cluster headaches; two terms the fortunate people who lack their painful symptoms should be thankful they can't say they have.

Migraines affect more than 28 million Americans. Although many people confuse this expression for a regular headache, its symptoms are much more severe. A regular headache can be enough to make people not want to do their work or complete everyday activities, but migraines have the potential to be disabling.

Often followed by nausea and vomiting, many migraine sufferers receive a warning sign from their bodies that let them know a migraine is coming. Known as an "aura," or "sensory warning sign," victims of this painful headache will often see blind spots and reoccurring flashes of light, or even experience some tingling in their arm or leg. On the other hand, even if your migraines do not include auras as warning signs, it is proven that in many cases you may receive "sensations of premonition," also known as "prodrome." These sensations may include feelings of intense energy, cravings for sweets, thirst, irritability, and even depression.

Although these indications may seem odd to be linked together as premonitions for a migraine, their reoccurring patterns have been proven as signs. Prodrome occurs several hours or even a day or two before the migraine actually strikes.

Anybody can be a victim of migraines, but they affect three times more women than men. Migraines may begin in childhood and adolescence, and tend to grow less frequent and intense as you grow older. Children as young as age 1 can suffer from migraines but the head

pain generally lasts for a shorter period of time. Although in adults the pain is focused mainly on one side of the head, children will experience the throbbing in both sides. Children can also have prodrome, but their sensations include yawning, sleepiness, and cravings for foods such as chocolate, bananas, yogurt, and other sugary foods.

Unfortunately, if it is untreated, the agonizing pain of a migraine can last up to several days for some people,

but it usually lasts an average of 4 to 72 hours.

The main setback of a migraine headache is its ability to debilitate you from doing things you normally could achieve without the pain. The pulsating and throbbing in your head increases with physical activity and an intense sensitivity to light and sound can make you want to crawl up in bed and cancel all your plans. Migraines can be treated and prevented with over the counter medication such as Advil or Excedrin, but a doctor is recommended to help find the right kind that will work the best with your particular symptoms.

Cluster headaches are less common than migraines,

affecting about 69 people out of every 100,000. Also known as "migrainous neuralgia," this painful form of headache is now recognized as a distinctive syndrome.

The most common form of cluster headaches is the episodic type. When this occurs, a person can experience up to three short-lived attacks of pain per day over a 4 to 8 week period, which is then followed by a pain-free interval that averages up to 1 year. This makes the pain worse because when it hits you, it is unexpected and long lasting.

The other form of cluster headaches is the chronic form, which is sometimes referred to as "chronic migrainous neuralgia," and is less common than episodic. The episodic type of cluster headache can transform into the chronic form, beginning several years after the cluster

headaches begin. When it reaches this point you no longer experience continuous stages of remission.

Therefore the chronic form of cluster headaches is more severe because the pain continues without major periods of pain-free intervals. The later the episodic disorder starts in patients, the greater the chance it has of

becoming chronic. Every cluster headache is excruciating and extremely intense, making the pulsating effect of a migraine seem minor.

Cluster headaches come without warning, so patients do not experience the auras or prodrome that many migraine sufferers are accustomed to. The pain of a cluster headache can take over a person's entire face, neck, and ears, but most commonly starts around the eye and temple. In about 75 percent of all cases, the headache lasts around 30 minutes to 2 hours, and occurs between 9 pm and 10 am. Therefore another negative effect of cluster headaches is loss of sleep, because the painful attack will surely awaken you. Occasionally, the pain can last as short as 10 minutes, and unfortunately as long as several hours. Unlike migraines, men are more susceptible to obtain cluster headaches than women are, with a surprising 6:1 ratio. Cluster headaches can start at any age, but are most common in adults between 20 and 50 years of age. No matter how old you are, the pain is unbearable.

In most cases, over the counter drugs are not effective enough to stop the bouts of pain that come with cluster headaches. In fact, most doctors recommend ditching medicines taken orally because they are slowly absorbed and therefore ineffective for the rapid and brief headache pain. Instead, many have resulted in the inhalation of oxygen and other methods to help diminish their suffering.

Both migraines and cluster headaches are severe forms of pain. I hear people quite frequently complain about having a migraine when they probably, not knowing what a real migraine actually is, only have a bad headache. So next time you wake up with a headache after partying too much or need an Advil after an intense study session, be thankful. You're lucky you actually could go out with your friends and study for an immense amount of time, without being interrupted by a real headache.



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Former Virginia Tech student recounts day of tragedy

By TRAVIS MILLER
 Staff Writer

Four police officers carry a limp body across a field. The man's shirt is pulled up across his chest, and his shorts expose his blooded legs. You've all seen the picture, probably what seems like 1000 times by now.

I was a student at Virginia Tech from 2003-2004 before transferring closer to home. Many friends of mine are still down there. In fact, just a month ago, I spent my spring break in Blacksburg, reliving my first year of college.

Monday morning, sitting in the library, I saw a news headline: "One killed in dorm shooting at Virginia Tech." After reading the article, I immediately called my friend Marcus to ask for the dirt. His cell phone was off, so I texted another

friend. No response. I thought nothing of it. Maybe they were in class, or still sleeping.

I went back to the library, and when I saw the refreshed headline, I almost fell out of my chair.

"Dozens killed in shooting rampage at Virginia Tech."

I frantically ran outside, forgetting my umbrella in the library on the rainy day. I sped through my cell phone contacts, dialing any number with a "VT" tag next to their name. None of the dozen or so phones even rang; they all sent me straight to voicemail, which I later found out was due to the flood of incoming and outgoing calls in Blacksburg. Even worse, all of their voicemail inboxes were already full.

Finally, I got a hold of my friend Crystal, a graduate student at Virginia Tech, who student teaches in Roanoke, half an hour north of

Blacksburg. Expecting the opposite, I inherited the role of bearer of bad news. She was only aware of one being dead in a dorm room shooting. My cell phone vibrated nonstop

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for the remainder of the day. Local friends called to check in to make sure my VT friends were okay, and to ask for inside information that I didn't have, and my VT friends gradually all got a hold of me to let me know they were fine, and filled me in on anything they knew.

Through two classes and an internship interview, I dealt with the emotionally draining vibration of my phone. I wanted to turn it off or

throw it into the river, but I couldn't...just in case.

I went to my friend's room in Marian Hall, where I watched clips of the event on her computer.

During one interview, a Virginia Tech student spoke about two of his friends who were shot, and his professor who was allegedly shot in the face, and didn't make it. What happened next made my stomach turn.

At 1:30 p.m., police had not removed any bodies from Norris Hall, where the shootings took place, nor were the bodies identified. Regardless, the reporter asked the student to name the professor

who was allegedly shot and killed. With slight hesitation, the student uttered the professor's name. This was completely unethical of the reporter to ask, because not only was it speculation, but the professor's family could be watching. A newscast on the television is no way to learn of a family member's death. This act was foreshadowing of the way the media handled this situation for the rest of the day.

I went home at 7:30 p.m. and turned on the television for the first time that day. At first, I just saw student interviews, until the "specialists" came on. I kept changing the channel, but from CNN, to Fox News, to MSNBC, I couldn't avoid it. They all had an agenda to whom do we assess the blame?

Blaming the Virginia Tech administration for not reacting fast enough, for not canceling classes

right away, for not locking down campus immediately, does not change what has already happened. The lives lost cannot be brought back, and no amount of hate or anger towards those in charge who "didn't handle the situation properly," will bring them back.

When I finally got a hold of my friend Marcus, he told me a representative from a media network approached him and asked to interview him for a show later that night. His response was simple:

"Every news station has been showing a picture of a man's bloody, limp body being dragged by four police officers, all day long. That man is my friend. His name is Kevin. He's in ICU. I'm afraid I can't be on your show tonight. I'll be in the hospital visiting him."

Media attention of university shooting insensitive to victims

By SARAH GUNNER
 Staff Writer

Before Monday, all I knew about Virginia Tech was that they beat Illinois in the men's NCAA basketball tournament to make it

to the second round, but ultimately lost to Southern Illinois in the next round. Dick Vitale joyously referred to them as the "VA Tech Hokies", and their student section was filled with college kids covered in orange and maroon, supporting their team.

Before Monday. By Tuesday, scenes were rampant on the internet news sites, facebook, and television of the horrifying massacre that took place as countless students and faculty were massacred by one gunman. News reporters were breaking down on camera, unable to contain their sadness at the sight they were exposed to over the past 24 hours.

Students at VA Tech were alternately giving interviews or shunning the cameras as they grieved and tried to comprehend the terror that their campus had been forced to endure. They were clutching each other, falling to the ground as their sobs overtook their bodies.

As more and more information comes to light about who the shooter was and the names of the people who were murdered are released, it

is becoming clear that this is indeed almost incomprehensibly tragic. A 76-year-old Holocaust survivor, who was a professor at the school, barred the door to his classroom in order to give his students time to flee. He was killed, along with many others in the room. A senior RA who

Blame and politics cannot change this. They may be able to change the future and stop something like this from ever happening again- but never can they give back the families of the dead their loved ones.

was a triple major in Biology, English and Psychology, with a perfect 4.0 GPA was one of the two people murdered in the original 7:15 a.m. shooting at West Ambler Johnston Dormitory. This is horrifying. This is what keeps people awake at night. I cannot explain in words the heartbreak that I feel for the family of the victims, the school, and the victims themselves.

We cannot let the victims and the dead be lost amid the barrage of questions and answers, the instinctual need to find out what exactly happened, the unending media attention that often leads only to desensitization.

With the terror come questions, along with feelings of outrage from many. Why didn't the school lockdown the entire campus after the first shooting, in which two people died? Why were the students not even alerted about the first shooting until two hours later, by email, at which point it was already too late? How did the shooter get his guns, and what does this say about our gun laws as a nation? Where there signs

that the gunman exhibited previous to the shootings that may have shown he was mentally ill, or criminally minded, and could he have been stopped before it ever reached this point? If this could happen at Virginia Tech, what stops someone from doing something similar at Marist, or any other college around the country?

What is certain, amid all these uncertainties, is that none of the answers to these questions can bring back the dead. Of course we want our campuses to be safe- and I personally believe that this cannot be done until our gun laws are significantly tightened. We can try and blame the university for not alerting students quickly enough, but we do not know what really happened and how much time the administration truly had to respond to the quickly unfolding massacre. The age of the gunman, the note he left and some of the personal recollections of him by others points to serious mental illness.

However, we cannot let the victims and the dead be lost amid the barrage of questions and answers, the instinctual need to find out what exactly happened, the unending media attention that often leads only to desensitization. These were real people, some of whom were set to graduate in about a month, some only freshmen, some highly regarded scientists at the top of their field

and they all had families, lives and opportunities that have been cruelly and abruptly taken. Blame and politics cannot change this. They may be able to change the future and stop something like this from ever happening again- but never can they give back the families of the dead

their loved ones. Do not let the people who have lost their lives and futures be forgotten amid the swirling media attention and political backlash. I urge the students and faculty of Marist College to take a moment, as they read this, to think about the people,

the families, and the school and take a quiet moment to remember the individuals who will never be allowed to have the chances we do. Say a prayer, if you believe in prayer, for the souls of the dead, even the gunman. Remember.

Letter to the Editor

Hatzolah unethical during N.Y. accident

Dear Circle Editors,

After reading Ms. Rochelle's article, I felt it necessary to clarify and comment on some of the talking points highlighted in her article. As a career EMS provider I have had some experience with Hatzolah, the Hassidic volunteer ambulance involved with auto accident which sparked the Crown Heights Riots. It's important to note that the Hatzolah crew aided the Jewish driver alone, despite the fact that Gavin Cato (the young boy struck) suffered major, and ultimately fatal, trauma. According to New York State and City protocol, as well as common sense, he should have been the first patient packaged and removed from the scene. While there are conflicting reports as to why this occurred, it's important to know that this is not the first, nor will it be the last time such actions were/are taken by Hatzolah. Unlike the rest of the agencies which participate in the FDNY*EMS system, Hatzolah strictly caters to the Hassidic community. The first EMS unit to arrive on the scene of any emergency has the legal responsibility to assess, triage, and initiate treatment on the most severely injured patients. So why wasn't Gavin Cato transported to the hospital by the first arriving ambulance? While every other EMS agency has zero control of where they are sent, the type of assignment they

are sent on, and the kind of patient(s) they are to treat, Hatzolah operates with relative impunity to state and city oversight, often handpicking their patients based on religion. With that said, I don't blame the community for being upset by this flagrant and illegal breach of protocol. However, I absolutely don't support the riots and violence that ensued. As far as Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson and their inner circles are concerned, let's not beat around the bush when we categorize these people. They are reverse racists who have no desire for equality, as that would render them unemployed. While Imus' remarks were clearly ignorant, they simply don't merit the backlash. The guy has a right to free speech just like the rest of us, he's a "shock jock" (as Ms. Rochelle accurately noted) who has over his 40 years in radio insulted just about everyone, and let's not forget that he's just as human and just as susceptible to misspeaking as the next guy. Where was the pomp and circumstance when Sharpton had a slip of the tongue and said all five NYPD officers involved in the Sean Bell case should be shot? At least Imus apologized; Sharpton didn't feel it was necessary.

Sincerely,
 Jared A. Pennella

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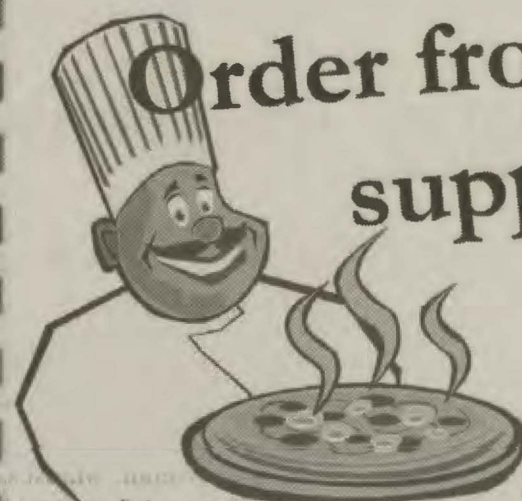
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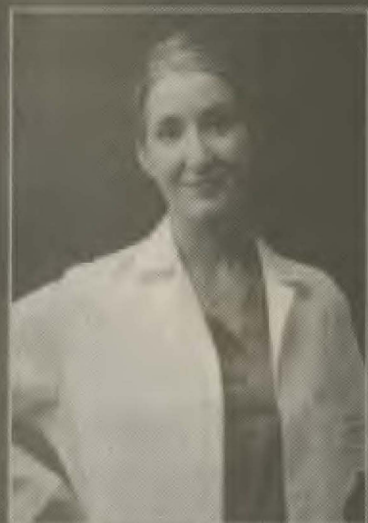
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Foxes tops in MAAC

By STEVE SCHULT
Circle Contributor

The last time that the Marist women's tennis team lost a conference match, the majority of the student body was still in high school.

The Red Foxes topped Niagara University on Sunday by a score of 5-2, which was their 22nd consecutive Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) win and allowed them to finish the season at a perfect 7-0 in MAAC play for the third consecutive season. The team finished 10-1 on the year with the only blemish coming against Colgate.

Cassie Strange led the Red Foxes on Sunday as she contributed in both singles and doubles matches. She took her singles match with a score of 6-4 and 6-2 to earn a point for the Foxes, and then teamed up with junior Erin Godly and Christine Ong in two separate doubles matches and won those matches by scores of 8-4 and 9-8, respectively.

Junior Christine Ong, Erin

Men's tennis finishes second in MAAC

By NATE FIELDS
Staff Writer

It was a week of ups and downs for the Marist Red Fox men's tennis team. Coach Tim Smith's squad posted the school's first ever win over a Hudson Valley rival, dropped a critical Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) contest to Manhattan, and then traveled to Buffalo only to be felled 4-3 by the Bulls. But when all was said and done, the Foxes still managed to lock up the second seed for this weekend's MAAC tournament.

The Foxes journeyed to West Point last Wednesday riding a five-game win streak and having won nine of its last 11 contests. The Army Black Knights had never lost to Marist, but Smith knew coming into the match, his Foxes would put up a fight.

"I felt for the first time we had a 50-50 chance to beat them," Smith said.

Marist lost two of three doubles matches to start the contest, losing the doubles point. The Foxes' lone victory came at third doubles, where the freshman tandem of Loic Sessagesimi and Christian Coley picked up an 8-6 win.

"When we lost the doubles point, I felt our chances went 70-30 in their favor," Smith said.

But the Foxes stormed back in singles play, picking up points at first, second, fifth and sixth singles, and battling to three sets in both third and fourth singles before dropping those matches. Sessagesimi and seniors Pedro Genovese, Ray Josephs and Federico Rolon were all victorious in the three and a half hour epic.

Junior Greg Marks recognized the efforts of his fellow Foxes.

"We lost the doubles point for the first time this year," Marks said. "But to win four singles against Army was huge. Everyone showed up to play, it was a dogfight."

Due to the weather, Marist was unable to host MAAC rival Manhattan in Poughkeepsie last Thursday, but was able to use Army's facilities for the second consecutive day.

The Jaspers roared into West Point winning all three doubles matches and four of six singles matches for the 5-2 victory. It was Marist's first loss in the MAAC, and just its third overall. Sessagesimi and Rolon picked up wins at second and sixth sin-

Godly, and Sophomore Mirelva Colon all picked up singles wins for the Foxes.

Ong was victorious in first singles, picking up the win by a score of 6-3, 6-1, and Godly picked up the point at third singles by a score of 6-0, 6-2. Colon on the other hand, had to sweat her wins out, winning by scores of 7-5, 7-5.

Godly has been consistent for the Red Foxes all year, as she was named MAAC women's tennis player of the week just a few weeks ago. After Sunday's victory, Godly finished the season 10-1 in singles and a perfect 11-0 in doubles matches.

For the Purple Eagles, that was their first conference loss of the season, as they fell to 6-1 in the MAAC and 10-10 on the year. They finish the year just below Marist, second place in the conference.

The Red Foxes look to use this win as momentum for the MAAC tournament which begins this Friday in Flushing, New York.

gles, respectively.

Marist traveled across New York to face the surging University at Buffalo Bulls last Saturday. The Foxes started strong by winning two of three doubles matches for the point. Genovese and Sessagesimi paired up for the win at first singles (9-8), and Josephs and sophomore Antonio Oliver captured third singles 8-2.

Singles play was a different story as Coley and Oliver were the only victorious Foxes, and Buffalo pulled out the 4-3 win. The loss dropped Marist to 13-4 overall, but did not hurt its MAAC standing.

Competing in their own adaptation of the "Buffalo Swing," the Foxes took on host Niagara on Sunday. Like the match against Army, Marist was unable to secure the doubles point, but played with vengeance in singles.

The Foxes won all six singles matches, with five going to at least three sets. Coley dropped Justin McConkey 6-2, 6-0 at third singles for the lone two set win. The win locked up a second seed in the MAAC tournament for the Foxes. Smith provided some outlook for the tournament.

"If the seeds hold true, we will have to play Niagara in the semifinals," he said. "So hopefully our training has paid off, because in less than 24 hours we will have to play Manhattan."

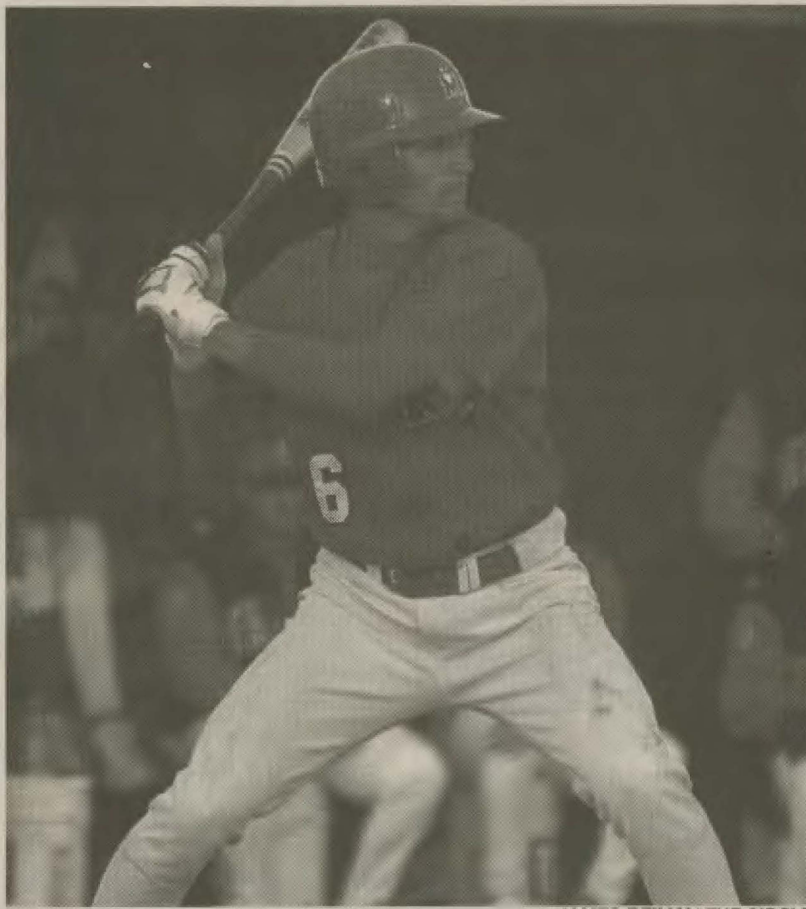
The Foxes kick off MAAC tournament play at 3:30 on Friday in Flushing, New York. Marist looks to take the crown from defending champion Manhattan, who beat Marist in the finals last year.

Water Polo rallies to beat Wagner, dominates Iona

By DAVID HOCHMAN
Staff Writer

The Marist water polo team enjoyed another four-win weekend a few days ago. The women defeated Iona and Wagner on Saturday, then topped Siena and Villanova on Sunday. The Red Foxes are now a perfect 6-0 in conference play and lead the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) standings.

Saturday's game versus Wagner stole the show. The game was played in the McCann Natatorium and freshman Kristen Barnett said the crowd



Richard Curylo has emerged as an offensive threat for the Red Foxes.

Baseball drops doubleheader

By GREG HRINYA
Staff Writer

The Marist baseball team lost both ends of a doubleheader to Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference [MAAC] rival Manhattan on Saturday.

The Red Foxes were shut down by Jasper pitcher Jesse Darcy in game one of the doubleheader. Darcy hurled a complete game, allowing just one run on six hits as Manhattan cruised past Marist 6-1. In game two, the Red Foxes rebounded from a Mike Garcia two-run home run only to yield a two-run walk off double to Garcia in the bottom half of the seventh inning to give the Jaspers a 7-6 win.

The two wins improved Manhattan to 11-0 in the MAAC and 18-11 overall. Marist saw its record fall to 4-7 in the MAAC and 7-21 overall.

Despite a tough loss in the opening game, the Red Foxes' bats heated up in game two, and they found themselves in a posi-

Holy Cross snaps Red Fox winning streak at four

By JOE FERRARY
Staff Writer

The Marist men's lacrosse team had its four-game win streak snapped by Holy Cross as the Crusaders defeated Marist 10-6 on Saturday in Worcester, MA.

With the loss, Marist fell to 4-6 overall, but since this was a non-conference opponent, its 3-1 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) record remained the same. Holy Cross improved its record to 5-6.

Marist head coach, James Simpson, was disappointed in his team's letdown at Holy Cross.

"It's painful," Simpson said. "They are much more talented team than they usually show, and we just didn't come to play. We didn't come out with the same intensity as we would have if this had been a league game."

The Red Foxes found themselves down early and often as Holy Cross exploded to a 4-0

tion to win.

Manhattan opened up the game in the fifth inning when Mike Garcia deposited an Erik Supplee pitch over the left field fence with two outs. The two-run home run gave the Jaspers a 5-2 lead, but Marist responded. Freshman shortstop, Richard Curylo, made the score 5-4 when he hit one of his three singles off Manhattan pitcher Josh Santerre. Red Foxes Max Most and Justin Lepore followed up Curylo with consecutive RBI singles, giving Marist a 6-5 lead.

The story of the day would be Mike Garcia's bat however, and the senior from Miami, Fla. came through for the Jaspers again in the seventh. After Rene Ruiz and Matt Rizzotti singled for the Jaspers, Garcia ended the game with a walk-off double. Garcia finished the game batting 2-3 with five RBI, including a home run in the fifth inning.

The loss for the Red Foxes marks another tough finish and a game that got away. The second

lead. Senior Paul LeBlanc scored twice for Holy Cross during its four-goal outbreak. The Red Foxes did not get on the board until the 12-minute mark of the second period as sophomore Paul Santavica scored the only Marist goal of the first half.

After finding his team down 7-1 at the half, Simpson only had one thing to say to his team during halftime.

"I told the team to go out in the second half and play for one another," Simpson said. "I also told them that we couldn't play much worse than we did in the first half."

After another Holy Cross goal pushed the lead to 8-1, Marist responded with four goals in a span of two minutes in the third period. Junior attack man Nick Hautau scored two of the four goals while freshman Kevin Zorovich added two assists.

With the score 8-5 and one more period to go, Holy Cross

game of the doubleheader is a microcosm of the Marist season and head coach Dennis Healy reiterated those sentiments.

"It's a hard loss to swallow," Healy said. "We have had leads in nine games with less than five outs to go and lost."

The Marist pitching failed to hold the lead that the Red Fox offense regained in the fifth inning by scoring four runs.

Coach Healy was pleased that the bats came alive in the second game but stressed the need for the pitching to improve.

"We came out and swung the bats pretty good," Healy said. "Guys in the middle of the order have to hit in order to win or else you're going to lose. We need to pitch better out of the bullpen though. Our closer Eric Alessio has shown some signs of being really good, but he gave up some hits."

One positive for the Red Foxes after the weekend was the offensive emergence of freshman shortstop Richard Curylo. Although Curylo has struggled in the field, his offensive presence has made an immediate impact in the Marist lineup.

"Offensively, his progress has been outstanding and shortstop is a bigger jump from high school to college," Healy said. "He has been a little disappointing defensively, but he hit .500 over the weekend for us and is getting progressively better."

In game one of the doubleheader, Marist found itself tied at one entering the fifth inning, but the Jaspers would pick up two from a Rene Ruiz single and a Matt Rizzotti home run.

Manhattan would then tack on three more runs in the eighth inning, sealing the 6-1 victory.

Marist was led by Ryan Gauck and Keith Glasser, both contributing two hits each.

The Red Foxes will be back in action for a weekend series at Iona. The two teams will play a doubleheader on Saturday, April 21 and close the series out on Sunday.

scored two more times, while Marist scored only once more.

Simpson said there were some bright spots during the 10-6 setback against Holy Cross, like the return of Dan Needle, who had been sidelined for the last two weeks with an injury.

"One of the bright spots for our team was the return of Dan Needle," Simpson remarked. "Dan won 16 of 19 faceoff attempts and gave us a lot of possession opportunities."

For the game, Holy Cross had four players score two goals apiece while Marist was led by Hautau, who scored both of his goals during the third period.

Marist currently sits in fourth place in the MAAC with four league games to go before the MAAC Tournament. The Red Foxes finish their season with three straight home games, including their next contest on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. versus Manhattan on the North End

would be tied in wins and losses with them," she said. "So Villanova was a critical win for us."

Marist continued the onslaught Sunday by beating Siena 13-8 and Villanova 8-6. Rampton impressed again with four more goals versus Siena. Not to be outdone, her classmate, Hilary Schroeder, piled in three goals of her own versus Villanova.

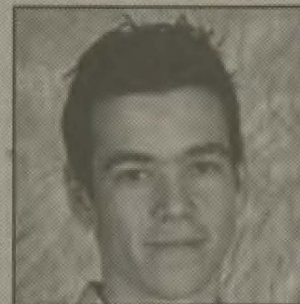
This youthful team seems to be coming together more and more every weekend. This weekend is the last weekend of tournament play before the MAAC Tournament on April 28 and 29.



Roarin' Red Foxes

Marist's male and female star performer for the weekend of Apr. 14-16.

Loic Sessagesimi
Tennis, Freshman



Sessagesimi was able to get the win in second singles on Sunday, winning in three sets, 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 7-5. He also nabbed MAAC player of the week honors the previous week when he won his only match 6-0, 6-3 in second singles at Fairfield.

On the horizon:

Marist will look to rebound from last year's finals loss to Manhattan in the MAAC tournament. The tournament will open up Friday, April 20 in Flushing, NY.



Joanna Maehr
Lacrosse, Senior

Maehr was honored on "Senior Day" this past Saturday. The day was renamed "Joanna Day" since she is the only senior on the team. She was able to add two assists on this day as she helped lead Marist to a 15-8 win over Canisius in her last home game.

On the Horizon:

Marist will battle MAAC rival Le Moyne for first place on Friday, April 20 at Le Moyne in Syracuse, NY at 4:00 p.m.



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Foxes send off lone senior with decisive win over Griffs *Marist stands in second place, face first place Le Moyne Friday*

By MATT SPILLANE
Staff Writer

During the last home game of the season, every team always honors its seniors for putting in the years of commitment and dedication. This year's senior night, however, was a little different for the women's lacrosse team. The Red Foxes honored their lone senior, Joanna Maehr, by trouncing Canisius 15-8 on Saturday night at Dietz Stadium in Kingston. Maehr helped lead the team with an all-around effort, dishing out two assists, picking up four ground balls, winning five draw controls, and forcing four Canisius turnovers.

Since Maehr is the only senior on the team, "Senior Day" became known as "Joanna Day." Coach Noelle Cebron said that "Joanna Day" was a huge deal for Maehr and the rest of the team.

"Being the only senior on the team is tough," she said. "But all the girls rallied around Joanna and wanted to make it a huge day for her."

Cebron said that everyone helped make it a special day, including alumni, who came to

the game wearing "Joanna Day" t-shirts. She could not say enough about Maehr's importance to the team.

"Joanna's a huge asset to the team," Cebron said. "She's been a starter since I've been here, and she's always been reliable. Joanna knows how far the program has come since she got here."

While Saturday was undoubtedly Maehr's day, she was not the only one who stepped up. Junior Ali Carnabuci continued her strong week by netting six goals. Carnabuci was named the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) co-player of the week, along with Le Moyne's Amanda Keegan, after recording 15 points in Marist's three wins last week. Cebron spoke about how Carnabuci has improved as the season has progressed.

"Ali understands her role and has showed a lot of maturity," Cebron said. "She knows her assignments and understands what needs to be done."

Cebron said the success of Carnabuci's teammates has also affected her production.

"Opposing defenses are zero-

ing in on [junior] Lindsey Diener and [freshman] Liz Falco a lot, so that allows other players to step up," she said.

Carnabuci opened the scoring just 30 seconds into the game off an assist from Diener. After Falco put Marist up 7-3 with 7:16 remaining in the first half, Carnabuci scored four of the team's next five goals to put the game out of reach for the Golden Griffins.

Junior goalie Liz Burkhard finished with 10 saves, while Falco had another big game, tallying four goals and one assist. They also earned MAAC weekly honors, being named defensive player of the week and rookie of the week, respectively.

The Red Foxes' victory tied the school record for wins in a season with eight. They are 8-4 overall and 4-1 in the MAAC. With a crucial game against MAAC rival Le Moyne approaching, Cebron said she was happy that her team was not caught looking ahead against Canisius (4-10 overall, 1-4 in the MAAC).

"You're always concerned about a letdown, but they stay focused," she said. "They find

the motivation to win. This team knows what it's like to lose and they don't want to experience that, so they focus one game at a time."

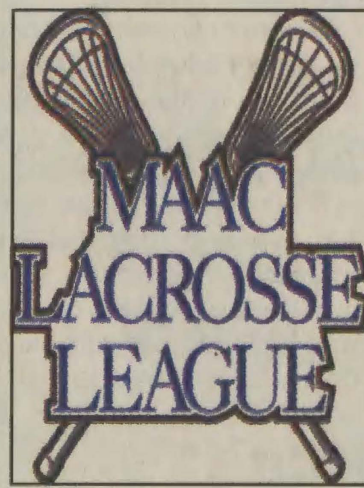
Marist is tied with Fairfield for second place in the conference and is one game behind first place Le Moyne. The Red Foxes will battle the Dolphins for first place on Friday, April 20 at 4 p.m. at Le Moyne.

"It's going to be a fast game," Cebron said. "We have to capitalize on their mistakes, show our speed, and have everyone step up."



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Freshman midfielder Liz Falco garnered rookie of the week honors after a 13 point weekend in which she scored 10 goals. Falco was joined by junior Ali Carnabuci who was MAAC co-player of the week. The Red Foxes are 8-4 overall and 4-1 in the MAAC (tied for second place) with two games remaining in the regular season.



Junior pitcher Megan Rigos was tabbed MAAC pitcher of the week after picking up a win in game one of a double header with Fairfield. Rigos improved to 7-9 with a 2.31 ERA. Marist's record went to 12-22 and 5-3 in the conference which is good for third place in the MAAC. The Red Foxes return to action Sunday at 1 p.m. against Iona at the Gartland Athletic Complex.



JAMES REILLY / THE CIRCLE

Students hold dodgeball tournament in Grey Gym on Sunday evening

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. - This year's campus dodgeball tournament will be held Sunday, Apr. 22, 2007 at the McCann Center's Grey Gym.

The event, hosted as a part of Dr. Keith Strudler's sports public relations class, is sponsored by Dough Boy's Pizza Wings & Ale

House and is scheduled to begin at 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Team registration is at 5 p.m., while the tournament itself is slated to kickoff at around 5:30 p.m. Dough Boy's pizza will be served, prizes will be awarded, and the tournament will be operated under National Amateur

Dodgeball Association rules and regulations.

The cost is \$6 per six person team, and any questions or comments can be directed to Dan Sturtevant at daniel.sturtevant@marist.edu.

Nintendo Wii sports tournament to be held in Cabaret with over \$400 in prizes

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. - Five members of Dr. Keith Strudler's sports public relations class will be holding a Nintendo Wii sports tournament on Monday, Apr. 23, 2007 in the Cabaret, located on the second floor of the Student Center.

Participants will have the opportunity to compete in sports video games including bowling, boxing and tennis. Both the boxing and tennis tournaments will be held in a bracket format, while the bowling tournament will consist of high scores from a

three-game series. The top four scores will advance to the final round. The entrance fee to the tournament is \$1 for each sport the participant wishes to compete in.

Prizes have been donated from Dick's Sporting Goods located in the Poughkeepsie Galleria and MardiBob HoeBowl bowling alley located in the Town of Poughkeepsie. Food will be provided by Angelina's Pizzeria in Hyde Park. Over \$400 in prizes have been donated to the cause.

Joanna Biron, director of par-

ticipant relations, said she is excited about the number of sign-ups already received.

"During our time at the sign-up tables, I saw the event has been extremely well-received by the student population," she said. "We, as a group, plan to put forth a great product for the Marist community."

For more information contact Joanna Biron at Joanna.Biron@marist.edu or on AOL Instant Messenger at WiiSportsTourney.

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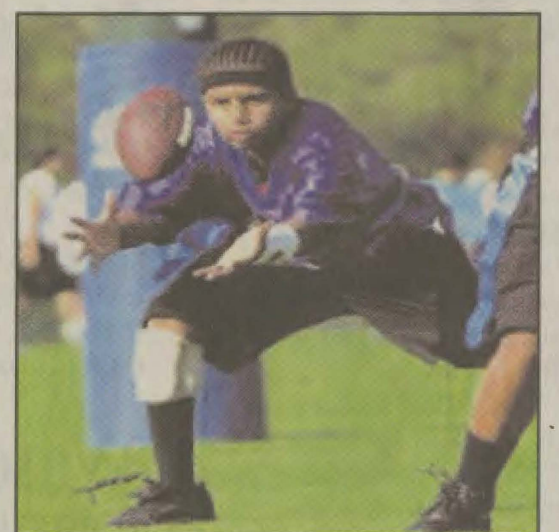
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