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Peter Elbow advises students to write more

by **LISA BURKE**
Co-Editor in Chief

Peter Elbow, a composition theorist, came to Marist to speak about his problems with writing. The lecture was organized by the Writing program, the School of Liberal Arts, Dean of faculty Artin Arslanian, and the CORE Committee.

Writing program director Joe Zeppetello said that the event came together with a lot of help, and he would love to see something like this happen again.

"I would love to see a composition speaker here every other year," he said, "or every year if we can get the funding."

Being so prominent in his field, no one would ever think that Elbow had any problems composing. It was his difficulties with writing that got him started however.

"What got me interested in writing was being unable to write," he said.

He finally realized what was at the root of his problem: an internal struggle between compliance and resistance.

"Writing involves comply-

ing or giving in to code, conventions, and assignments. When writing a paper, you must conform to certain criteria, and I realized that maybe I didn't want to be a compliant student. My inability to write was really resistance."

He found that resistant writers would tie themselves in knots saying things unclearly and that there's something problematic about writing for teachers.

"I didn't start [giving myself and my meaning to my readers] until I stopped writing for teachers."

Elbow talked about his experience of writing as analogous to riding a horse. You get knocked down a few times, and eventually you get back up and succeed. He worked his way through high school as an "A" student, and he later won a scholarship to prestigious Oxford from Williams College. What was considered good writing was not necessarily good in college and Peter had much more trouble getting "A's." When he finally scored a "D" on a paper, his teacher commented, "you continue on your far from headlong rise upward."

His tutor at Oxford was John Wordsworth, grand-nephew of the poet William Wordsworth. He realized that the sessions were not



KATHLEEN KELLY/The Circle
UMass-Amherst professor Peter Elbow, a composition theorist, talked last week in the Performing Arts Room about effective writing techniques

going well when John cleaned his rifle while Peter read one of his essays to him.

Elbow had always known he wanted to be a teacher but he decided he needed a break from school after his time at Oxford.

"I'd staked my identity on

getting a degree and becoming a professor," he said. "When I failed, I wanted to give up, and get out of the world of academia."

He proceeded to give stu-

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Marist to receive new e-mail system by summer

by **KATHERINE SLAUTA**
Staff Writer

This summer, Marist College e-mail will be catching up with the times.

After years of the MusicB e-mail system, the lease on the G3 mainframe that provides this system runs out in June. As a result, Marist will be upgrading to a new G5 class machine. For students, faculty, and staff this means that a new e-mail system will be implemented.

Martha McConaghy, the manager of Operations and Networking for Marist, said the addition of this new G5 mainframe created a need for a new e-mail system.

"We realized we had to provide a new system for students, as well as faculty and staff," McConaghy said.

The new system, known as Foxmail, will be ready in June for all of Marist College. However, over the past year,

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Greek Week shows Marist Greek Council's unity, cooperation

by **MICHELE WILLIAMS**
Staff Writer

With the close of the spring semester, the Greeks came together to promote unity, and proved to the Marist community that Greek life is more than just partying and pledging.

The 12th annual Greek Week, coordinated by Greek Council, included four sororities--Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Sigma Sigma, Kappa

Lambda Psi and Alpha Sigma Tau--and two fraternities--Alpha Phi Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma. In addition, two new organizations that recently became a part of the Greek family--Zeta Psi fraternity and Sigma Gamma Rho sorority--competed. It was held from Apr. 3rd through Apr. 7th, and involved a competition within each of the sororities and fraternities.

Steve Sansola, Assistant Dean of student affairs and the advisor of Greek Council, said that he felt the Greeks did a phenomenal job in demonstrating unity throughout the week.

"Once again, I was proud that the Greek community came together," said Sansola. "The focus of Greek Week is to enhance unity within the (Greek) community, and I hope everyone enjoyed themselves."

Though there were four days of competing, the Greeks had numerous events to take part in. These events included Jell-O eating, cherry in the pie, a scavenger hunt, billiards, swim relay, belly flop, a talent show, field events, a board presentation, and trivial pursuit. At the end of

the week, Zeta Psi earned first place, with Phi Kappa Sigma in second and Alpha Phi Delta placing in third. For the sororities, Alpha Sigma Tau took first place, Kappa Lambda Psi in second, Sigma Sigma Sigma in third, Kappa Kappa Gamma in fourth, and Sigma Gamma Rho in fifth.

While the entire Greek council helped to coordinate Greek Week, Amanda Harmon of Alpha Sigma Tau and Rory Duane of Alpha Phi Delta were in charge of ensuring that everything ran smoothly.

Duane stated that the addition of the new organizations made Greek Week more successful.

"I felt that this year's Greek Week went very well," said Duane. "Everyone had a good time and it was great to have Zeta Psi and Sigma Gamma Rho participating."

Harmon also talked about her satisfaction with the amount of participation from all of the groups.

"Greek Week was a huge success this year," said Harmon. "This year was the

first time in a while that all of the male organizations participated in the talent show, which was something that everyone was happy to see."

Though Zeta Psi and Sigma Gamma Rho competed for the first time this year, for others it was their last time to take part in the festivities.

Janine Kramer, a senior in Kappa Lambda Psi sorority, discussed her enjoyment in her final Greek Week.

"Being my last Greek Week, I was really proud to participate in it," said Kramer. "The two new organizations brought a new energy to the week, and it was great to have them participating."

While many assumed that the new organizations would be the underdogs during the events due to lack of experience, Zeta Psi and Sigma Gamma Rho proved them wrong. With Zeta Psi placing first overall and Sigma Gamma Rho taking first place in numerous events, they proved to their fellow Greeks that teamwork prevails over experience. Dan Caracciolo, President of

Zeta Psi, stated that the fraternity was proud to be a representative during this year's Greek Week.

"It was definitely a great experience for all of us," said Caracciolo. "We were a little skeptical with how we would fare with the events that were unfamiliar to us, but we had a lot of fun and came through. That's what Greek Week is all about: good times, great friends, and friendly competition."

MIKE'S TV PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Spontaneous Human Combustion"
Thurs., Apr. 26, 8 p.m.,
Discovery Channel

48 Hours of "The A-Team"
Sat., Apr. 28, 6 a.m., TVLand

Back-to-back episodes of
"That 70s Show"
Tues., May 1, 8 p.m., Fox

...for more, see **On TV with Mike Thompson, pg. 9**

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Campus Corner

Dennis Young was the winner for Phi Kappa Sigma's 50/50 raffle for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of America that raised \$250.

Students at Marist College are having a walk/run for the American Cancer Society on Thursday, May 3rd, from 5 to 7 p.m. This event will take place on the campus green. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society of Dutchess County. The cost is \$3 for Marist students and \$5 for Marist faculty/staff. Refreshments will be served and a raffle will be held. To sign up for the event, contact Heidi Backlund at x5134.

The Wildcat Services Corporation doesn't necessarily want the shirt off your back, but they would love to get their hands on those items that have been sitting on the floor of your closet since September. Please bring them to the Praxis Clothes Drive on Wednesday, May 2, in the Rotunda. If you have any questions or want to help, call Kate at x4584.

The Marist College Black Student Union presents *Nyabingi - A Night of Expression* on Friday, Apr. 25, in the Cabaret from 9-11 p.m. Admission is free with a valid Marist ID.

The Marist College Student Programming Council presents a trip to Six Flags Great Adventure on Saturday, Apr. 28. The bus leaves the Donnelly parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Tickets are \$15 with a valid Marist ID. Tickets are available at the College Activities Office.

The Marist College Council on Theatre Arts presents *In the Name of the Mother*, an original one-act play by Gerard An-

thony Cox. The play is directed by David Laffin ('93) and performed by Katie McQuade, Kerri-Ann Lang and Sara Zizzi. The production will be held in the Nelly Goletti Theatre on Saturday, Apr. 28 at 8:00 p.m., and admission is free.

Have a Heart...Help Roberto. Roberto is a two-year old boy who is in desperate need of his third heart transplant. By donating a dollar on your way to and from class this Friday, you can help save his life. This event is being co-sponsored by SGA and Zeta Psi.

The Marist College Council on Theatre Arts in conjunction with the Theatre Workshop Class proudly presents *Swift as a Shadow*, a festival of plays written, directed and performed by students. The production will run from Thursday, Apr. 26-Saturday, Apr. 28, and will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the Nelly Goletti Theatre. Donations will be accepted to benefit the John P. Anderson Playwriting Fund.

The Marist College Black Student Union presents *Def Comedy Jam* on Thursday, Apr. 26, in the Cabaret from 9:30-11:30. Admission is \$1 for students and \$2 for others.

Just sitting around your room on Saturday afternoons? Turn on 88.1 WMCR, Marist College Radio, and listen to "The Ed and Malf Show" from 3-5. The Duke and the self-proclaimed Hottest Guy on Campus play a mix of music ranging from 80s to modern rock to punk to just about anything else you can imagine. You can listen to this and all of the other great radio shows on the Internet now as well. Just go to <http://www.academic.marist.edu/wmcr>.

In Your Opinion



Dave Goodwin
Junior

"Ultimate Frisbee at night on the Campus Green."



Hem Borrromeo
Mentor

"The Orientation Leader Selection Program and getting out on the water with the Sailing Club."



Bridget Tracy
Freshman

"It has to be going to shows with my friends."

What is your favorite spring time activity?

SECURITY BRIEFS

Compiled by Scott Neville

Security patrol officers found fresh tire tracks in Upper West Cedar's lawn Monday, Apr. 10, at 6:30 a.m. The muddy ruts lead from the east end of the V block, across the grass to the overflow lot, ending under the wheels of a silver Toyota Four-Runner. The vehicle's owner was left multiple tickets and will be sent a bill for the continued effort to fix UWC's green space.

A man in a red car pulled up behind a student unloading her groceries in the Lower West Cedar parking lot Tuesday, Apr. 10, at 7 p.m. Doing what she thought was a good deed, she walked to the

car to point him in the right direction, when she observed his appearance: male, dark hair, dark mustache and goatee, dark glasses, dark shirt and pants down around his ankles. She abruptly left the scene with her groceries, and he drove off. The report is not clear if he found the destination he was looking for.

A Marian Hall resident tried to walk away from the Sheahan Hall entry desk on Wednesday, Apr. 11, at 4 a.m. when he saw an entry officer that he had known for years. The officer stopped him and saw the student was carrying an ID card that wasn't his, which he had apparently meant to swipe through with. Unable to escape undetected, the student relinquished the ID.

An unidentified male approached one patrol officer and five entry officers between midnight and 4 a.m. Wednesday, Apr. 11, asking each for \$10 to get some gas for his thirsty car. The vehicle was later identified as belonging to a Marist student, but the culprit hasn't yet been found. All six of the guards were too destitute to help the wily beggar, rendering his ruse completely ineffective.

Three side rearview mirrors were removed from three vehicles parked in the Sheahan parking lot Thursday, Apr. 12. Each appeared to have been kicked from the cars, but no other damage was reported. All the cars were parked that evening and all were found minus their mirrors the next day.

Three tires were slashed on a West Cedar resident's car sometime before 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 10. The estimated \$200 in dam-

ages was found at 9:30 a.m. the next day. Strangely, he declined any police intervention.

Security officers were advised of a motor vehicle accident at the main entrance. One student vehicle and one Town of Poughkeepsie police vehicle collided Tuesday, Apr. 17, at 12:50 a.m. Marist had four residents plus the driver in the vehicle, exiting the main gate. The light turned green, they went and were smacked into by the squad car. The student reported minor damage, but the squad car received moderate damage to the front end. No injuries were reported.

Leaving a wallet behind to mark her territory, a student left her money unattended at the table to get something to eat in the Cabaret Saturday, Apr. 21, at 2 p.m. Much to everyone's surprise, when she returned, she found that her wallet miraculously disappeared. No witnesses, no leads and no ten dollars were found. Her Marist ID was also stolen, but cancelled before her Marist Money could be depleted.

Infuriated by the audacity of the garbage cans on Delafield Street, an Upper West Cedar resident was arrested and charged with drunken disorderly conduct early Thursday morning, April 19. On his way home from one of the local alcoholic establishments, the trash tumbler overturned garbage cans down a large percentage of Delafield Street. He continued decorating the street with rubbish until Town of Poughkeepsie Police officers arrived. He promptly talked trash to them and opted to spend the night in jail. The UWC resident was allowed to pick up the offal before retiring to his cell.

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WORLD VIEWS

Antarctic rescue mission

ROTHERA, Antarctica - A new rescue flight left an Antarctic base for the South Pole on Tuesday to pick up an American doctor suffering from pancreatitis at a research station there. The physician is the only doctor at Amundsen-Scott Station, where the National Science Foundation conducts astronomy and astrophysics research. Previous attempts to pick up the doctor were abandoned because of bad weather.

Bush discusses arms deal with Taiwan

WASHINGTON - U.S. officials met on Tuesday with a delegation from Taiwan to discuss an arms deal with Taiwan. The deal included submarine destroyers and aircraft carriers. President Bush offered Taiwan the largest arms package in a decade but turned down a request for the Aegis naval air defense system.

Blockade imposed in order to preserve peace

JERUSALEM, Israel - The Israeli military imposed a blockade along the West Bank and Gaza Strip until Friday. The blockade is to protect Israelis from Palestinian terrorism during a national memorial day for recently fallen Israeli soldiers on Tuesday and the nation's Independence Day on Wednesday.

The blockade has stranded many Palestinians, unable to cross into Israel to get to jobs across the border.

Islamic groups have promised to continue bombings during the blockade.

This has been the latest in a host of outbreaks spanning the past seven months.

Two more possible cases of foot-and-mouth in humans

LONDON, England - Two more cases of suspected human foot-and-mouth disease are being tested in London, making the total number of suspected cases three.

The two latest reports came only a day after the first man was tested in North Umbria.

The disease, though deadly and devastating in livestock, is very mild in humans, causing only flu symptoms and blisters in the hands and mouth.

If this is indeed foot-and-mouth disease, it will have been only the second case of human infection.

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various technology staff and students have been testing and working with the system.

"There were a few minor, annoying kinks," McConaghy said. "We've done a good job at fixing those."

Foxmail will differ from the MusicB system in various ways. Not only will the system be changing from a POP3 protocol to an IMAP protocol, it also will be available over the World Wide Web.

Users of the new system will be able to access their e-mail from any computer on campus through the use of a web browser such as Netscape Navigator or Microsoft Internet Explorer.

Its appearance will be similar to the e-mail system Hotmail, and students will be able to use a mouse. The e-mail will also be able to be read through IMAP e-mail clients such as Eudora and Microsoft Outlook Express.

McConaghy said that Marist will host a workshop to teach faculty and staff how to use the system. Next year, ResNet will be available to students who need assistance.

"We'll be going around helping people out," she said. "Also, students can always send a note to Marist ResNet."

However, students who already know how to use e-mail systems similar to Hotmail will have no problem using the Foxmail system.

"Students will be reading their e-mail over the summer through Foxmail," she said.

The new e-mail system will cost "next to nothing" because of factors such as its Linux base.

Marist has encouraged this type of Linux system to be implemented into the e-mail system for quite some time.

McConaghy said many schools use this system, including various ivy league colleges. While the e-mail system was originally supposed to be available during the Fall 2000 semester, the system will not be available till June, due to various kinks and other setbacks.

"Several major schools are using this version," McConaghy said. "We'll see how it works when we get hundreds using it."

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dents the four major techniques he had come up with regarding how they can improve their writing in light of this conflict.

He suggests that you shouldn't write for your audience, but write for yourself, or for an ideal audience who will stimulate you.

Freshman English major Patricia Tarantello said that she learned from the lecture.

"I thought it was interesting," she said. "He gave a lot of good techniques that students could use. I think I will try free-writing more."

Student Government Association Spotlight Mike Russo

Vice President for Student Programming

Hometown: Hagaman, NY
Major: Accounting
Housing: Upper West Cedar
Year at Marist: Senior



Who is that guy behind all the programs going on around campus every week? You have probably seen him at almost every single event run by both SPC and SGA. This busy man is none other than Mike Russo.

Mike and his team of SPC members are some of the most dedicated people on campus. The SPC, as their slogan states, brings to the campus "Exciting Entertainment LIVE!!!" In addition to the work he does with SGA, Mike is responsible for overseeing the daily planning and operations of SPC and each of their events. He is also responsible for addressing the students concerns about programming on campus.

Mike is quick to say that he cannot possibly do all this work without the help of a great executive board, and all the SPC members. The people he says that help most to make things happen are Vice President for SPC Sarah Dowling (SPC President for the new Hogan administration), Secretary Kristin Wegel, Publicity Officers Christina Hope, and Kristin Burlage, and Campus Concerns Officer Rosanna Veras, as well as all the other hard working SPC members on his team.

Some of Mike's and SPC's major accomplishments have been such events as: the Coretta Scott King, Elie Wiesel, F.W. De Klerk, and Dr. Drew Pinsky lectures; as well as the Cherry Poppin Daddies, Third Eye Blind/Tonic concerts, and most recently Everclear/Mayfield 4 and Flipp concert this coming up this weekend.

Mike and the SPC crew work extremely hard every week to put quality programming out for the students of Marist College. These events service every student at the college, from freshman to seniors. Tickets for this weekend's Everclear concert are on sale now at the Office of College Activities. The price is \$12 for Marist students, \$17 for other college students, and \$22 for the general public. The doors open at 6:30 and the concert starts at 7:30

Mike's personal accomplishments include winning the Gerard A. Cox award for school service under the Hunter Administration. He also was involved in his RSC in Champagnat sophomore year, and in the North End in his junior year.

Mike would like to thank all the people involved in putting all the events together, as well as a special thanks to everyone who helped make this years concert plans a success. He hopes to see you all Sunday April 29th in the McCann Center, 7:30 p.m.

-Christopher Cummings, Assistant Director of Public Relations

Liberty Partnership Program students enjoy carnival

Editor's note: This is from a press release from Susan Repko, Director of the Marist College Liberty Partnership Program.

On Saturday, Apr. 21, the Circle K Club provided the second annual Carnival for middle school students enrolled in the Liberty Partnership Program.

The event exemplifies the service that Circle K Club provides to local schools and the community. A total of 28 LPP students from the Poughkeepsie Middle School, Gov. George Clinton School, Warring Academy, Bailey Middle School and Miller Middle School enjoyed games, crafts, and food in the Cabaret.

According to the students, the favorite activities were tossing pies at college students, creating a picture frame, sand art, and a hula hoop contest. Pizza and make-your-own sundaes were enjoyed by everyone at the event.

Over the past two years, Marist clubs have hosted Halloween Parties and Carnivals to bring the LPP students to campus to help them see college in their future.

LPP is funded through the New York State Education Department to provide services that motivate at-risk students to graduate from high school and enter college or the workforce as competent adults. Guidance



Photo courtesy Anne Jordan

28 middle school Liberty Partnership Program students celebrated the second annual Circle K Club Carnival on Saturday, Apr. 21 in the Cabaret.

counselors, teachers and principals refer students to LPP and a total of 225 students are served by the program each year.

Marist students are an important resource to LPP and they serve as tutors, interns, and coordinators. So far this year, over 50 Marist students have either worked or volunteered their time to serve LPP students.

Circle K is an international service organization and there are 33 clubs that operate out of colleges in New York State. Circle K Club and Key Club are both

affiliated with the Kiwanis Club and were represented at the event.

Circle K members from SUNY Binghamton and SUNY Oswego and Key Club members from Shaker High School and Newburgh Free Academy assisted the Marist students.

Carol Pernice, Psychology intern with LPP, coordinated the event with Circle K members Ann Jordan, Chairperson and Michelle VanBrero, President.

Jasmine from the Warring Academy said, "I think that Marist is a nice place to be."

There's more than just dustbunnies under that bed: As May approaches, visions of packing up turn student's thoughts to storage

by ANN METZ
Staff Writer

Easter vacation has come and gone and now there's only a brief span of time between Final Exam Week and the beginning of summer vacation. You've seen the notes posted around your dorm about vacating the residency halls immediately after your last exam. As you stroll leisurely into your dorm, smiling as you think about the languid summer days in store, a thought hits you abruptly.

What about all that personal property that has accumulated in the confines of your room? Where are you going to keep it all over the summer? Do your parents have to rent a WWF-size U-haul to tow it back home? A slow, tight knot of worry begins to crawl into your stomach as you recall just how much of this stuff you didn't have on the day that you moved in. Items like that new PC and printer, as well as all the boxes of clothes, decorative possessions like knickknacks and stuffed animals look cozy in your room, but definitely pose problems for storage at home. You don't have either a garage or basement, or you take the train to and from New York, and all this excess baggage is cumbersome.

Relax. Have you ever consid-

ered the possibility of placing your belongings into storage over the summer? There are a number of excellent places within close proximity to Marist College that provide safe places to lock away all those accumulated survival necessities.

First, I spoke with Drew Colwell, who works for Add Space Heated Self-Storage on Market Street Industrial Park, in Wappingers Falls. He says that the price of storing material in one of Add Space's climate controlled facilities depends on the size of the rented unit. A 5 x 5 x 9 foot room costs \$47.00 per month. But, at Add Space, the average size rented by most college students is the 5 x 10 at \$75.00 per month. Colwell pointed out, however, that anyone who might be thinking of putting some belongings in a storage space should first look for a storage facility in close proximity to one's house.

"It's not worth the money to store your belongings at a location that is more than two hours distance from your home. You want to be sure that you can have convenient access to your things if for some reason you decide you need something that you have packed away," said Colwell.

However, he pointed out that in the case of those who live in

New York City, it might be more beneficial to their wallet if they stored their belongings outside the city, as prices are higher there.

At most storage facilities, you can store as much as possible. However, there are certain limits. You cannot store flammable materials such as propane tanks, or perishable items. You also cannot store anything pressurized, such as scuba diving tanks. For the most part, however, storage facilities are flexible about what can be kept within a facility.

When asked what advice he could give, Drew Colwell recommended looking into a climate controlled storage space.

"It is more expensive," Colwell said, "but in the long run it preserves items and ensures greater quality. You don't want too much fluctuation in temperature or mold could grow on some of the items you are storing. If it's 100 degrees outside, the temperature inside the climate-controlled facility will remain at 75 or 80 degrees. Also, make sure you shop around and compare several different places. Be aware that there is a security deposit you must pay, in addition to the first month's rent: It's usually about 50 or 60 dollars."

Another option available, in

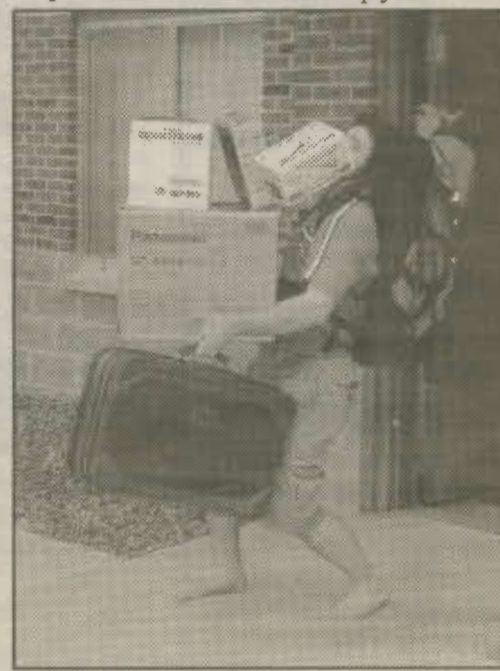
case you don't want to go the more expensive route and pay for climate control, is the non-climate controlled facilities at 9D E-Z Storage at 1404 Route 9D, also in Wappingers Falls. Melody Gebo, the manager, spoke with me. She says their storage spaces are the same size as Add Space, but the monthly rate is slightly cheaper. For a 5 x 10 foot storage space, it costs about \$45 dollars per month. A 5 x 10 storage room can hold several boxes and a futon. She said the sizes of the spaces in-

crease slightly for girls because they have more items, but the 5 x 10 is the most frequent size requested by males. She recommends that anything you store be placed in plastic containers and all boxes should be numbered. You should then make a corresponding list of all the things in the boxes. It is not a good idea to store valuables, even though the grounds are protected by secu-

urity. Lastly, Melody tells all her customers to keep things that you may want access to close to the entrance of the facility for easy access.

Many students at Marist choose to store items over the summer. A student named Katie S. told me that she stores things in a facility close to her home because she doesn't have a basement or a garage.

"I think it's kind of expensive," she said. "I would recommend it only if you don't have anywhere else to keep your stuff."



Jared Avigliano/The Circle
Students are often juggling with excess baggage by May.

Marist students display diplomacy in NYC's Model United Nations

by JACLYN JACOBSEN
Features Editor

On April 12 through April 15, fifteen students embarked on their yearly adventure to New York City, to compete in the largest intercollegiate conference in North America. National Model United Nations opened offi-

cially on Tuesday, April 12, to a record number of participants, 3,000, hailing from all corners of the United States as well as Canada, Germany, and even Egypt.

Opening Ceremonies, and the majority of the conference, were held in New York's world-fa-

mous, five-star hotel, the Grand Hyatt, located directly next to Grand Central Station. The key speaker was Marian Wright Edelman, an accomplished lawyer and advocate for children's rights in Washington, D. C.

After a quick dinner break, the students quickly assembled

into their assigned committees. Following the structure of the actual United Nations, the students are divided into such groups as First General Plenary, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Bureau of the Africa Caribbean Pacific-European Union Joint Assembly, Economic and

Social Council Plenary, and the Commission on Human Rights, to name a few. Specific topics were assigned to each committee, and the delegates, as participants are called, began to work on them immediately.

For the entire year, groups

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Embarking on a new voyage: Ellis Island meets the Internet

by JASON SHAW
Staff Writer

People think that America has forgotten its roots or, even more, that we do not care about our origins. Well, EllisIslandRecords.org proved all those critics wrong when they opened their website for business on April 18, 2001, as the site exceeded all expectations to score an unprecedented 27,000 hits per second.

EllisIslandRecords.org is a new state-of-the-art website that gives you the opportunity to track your bloodline all the way back to your ancestors' arrival at Ellis Island. Not only can you find out names and dates, but you can also view photographs of the original documents from your ancestors' arrival at the historic island. These documents contain such information as the immigrants' ages, ethnicities, and hometowns. And to help you to further get

the feel for you ancestors' entry to America, there are even artist renderings of the ships that brought millions of immigrants to the New World.

The database for the site is powerful; it would have to be in order to store the information of the 22 million immigrants that stepped foot on New York's shores between 1892 and 1924. The website, which is run by the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, boasts one and a half terabytes of storage space and ten servers that can hold up to 100,000 users at any given time. This digital behemoth was able to accommodate 8 million people on the site's opening day and after two more servers are added, that number will increase.

However the majority of people hoping to access the site are met with the message: "Due to an extraordinary number of visitors, we must limit access to this site. Please keep trying, or check back later."

After time, the frenzy will die down and everybody will be able to log on to the site. But that does not make the initial number of visitors and America's high demand to know their roots any less amazing. And even if you are already well informed on your family's roots, being able to view your ancestors' antiquated documents is an extraordinary opportunity.

"I think it's really cool that this site exists," said sophomore Heather Oehme. "We've all heard stories about our families' history, and it's great that we can now see the physical evidence behind the stories."

If you can't wait until EllisIslandRecords.org becomes easily accessible, or if you want to know even more about your ancestors, you are encouraged to check out the newly opened American Family Immigration History Center, located on Ellis Island. But if you do not want to take that long car trip, EllisIslandRecords.org

allows you to discover your past by using today's technology. Just wait until the early hours of the morning to try to access it. The sheer magnitude of be-

ing able to electronically access a much-fabled epoch of our history as Americans by a simple click of a button has many Internet users awe-struck.

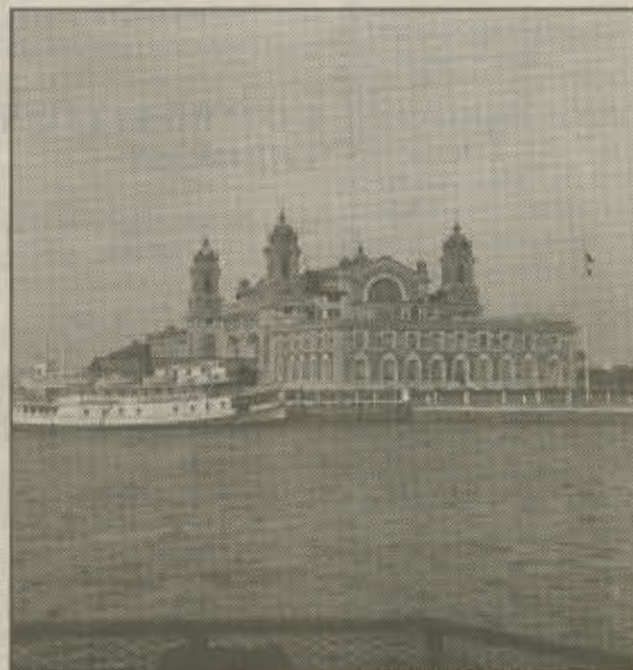


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Ellis Island... The doorway into the United States, just a click away.

Students unified by MCISC

by J.R. HORAN
Staff Writer

On a campus with many different groups and social cliques that are often difficult to talk to, it is nice to see a club that encourages students of different cultures to interact with each other. This is the purpose of the Marist College International Students Club (MCISC). To make different groups on the Marist campus aware of others and foster friendships among different groups of people that would not normally know about each other is one of the club's main objectives. The club is specifically designed to benefit international students who often feel very alone and confused by the social aspect of American culture.

The club meets about once or twice a month and sponsors a series of group activities and events that are meant to bring together diverse groups of stu-

dents. There are no overwhelming commitments necessary to be part of MCISC; all that is really asked is that you bring a positive attitude and open minds as people from different cultures often have different points of view with different ideas to share. Overall, being part of the club is not so much a membership or a group belonging, but a learning experience that introduces different people to each other that would not otherwise meet without having been a part of MCISC.

This past week, the club had a picnic lunch on the beautiful lake Minnewaska where participants played cricket, went hiking, and enjoyed themselves as they were immersed in each others uniquely different cultures.

"The club's main objective is to mingle," said club president Mel Sales, an international student from Italy. Mel, along with other club members, has been

working hard to produce the biggest project that the newly formed club has ever undertaken, the International Food Exhibit, which will take place this weekend on the campus green, along with live music from the *Sam Hill Band* and a wide variety of cultural foods to sample. The event was considered a monumental success and another food exhibit is expected to be planned for next year.

There are other club events currently in the works for the International Students club, such as campus-sponsored international trips, speeches from diplomatic speakers, and an International Film showing where films from other countries can be viewed.

If you would like more information about the International Students Club contact Mel Sales at 485-1057 or Grace LaFemina at x5692.

Week-long conference draws Marist students

From United Nations, 4

around the world have been working and researching their respective nations. In November, college groups are designated a certain nation to represent at the conference in April. This year, Marist College represented the Republic of Portugal. Previously, Marist had represented Azerbaijan, Vietnam, and Panama.

After a year of researching each country's governmental policies, its stances on the environment, human rights, economics, intergovernmental organizations, such as the European Union and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and other political aspects of the government, the delegates were ready to debate with other schools,

representing their own nations, in New York City.

The goal of the conference, and of the individual committees, is to teach firsthand how the United Nations works, how it maintains and promotes peace among the nations, and how it tries to implement programs to ameliorate conditions worldwide for all citizens.

"It gives everyone a chance to really experience the political process in person," says Kendra Hanson, president of Model United Nations. "We're able to write resolutions and negotiate with fellow delegates, and fully act as representatives of the nations we've been assigned."

Debate and discussion, although a large part of the con-

ference, is not nearly the only activity in which the participants partake. Traditionally, on Wednesday morning, most schools visit the embassy of the country that they are representing, and are able to present questions to actual officials about the policies of their nations.

Also, traditionally on Thursday, the longest day of debate, the conference invites speakers to formally address each committee. This year, United Nations officials, working in every field from child welfare to African studies, spoke to the masses of participants. This year, Mrs. Kofi Annan made a special surprise appearance, meandering through meeting rooms and halls, and complimenting the students on their hard work.

"One of the best aspects of coming to this conference year after year," began Sergio Alves, Vice President of the club, "is that we're able to work with so many different, unique people from all areas of the globe. It really says something about the spirit of the United Nations."

Traditionally, both Opening and Closing Ceremonies are held in the General Assembly Hall in the actual United Nations building. There, a few acclaimed speakers spoke, the nations officially voted on all of the resolutions that were crafted by the individual committees, and the conference ceremoniously ended.

"All in all," Patrick Spence, Treasure of the club, noted, "you don't get any sleep all week, but it's well worth it."

Jaclyn Jacobsen would like to wish her father a Happy 46th Birthday today.

Your Daily Horoscope

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ARIES

Hide out someplace where you can concentrate. There's someth you've been accumulating. You'll be upset if you miss the deadline, so don't put it off any longer.



TAURUS

Your dreams can come true. Sometimes it takes planning and hard work. Keep track of the pennies. When you have them all rounded up, make your choice.



GEMINI

You may have to pull rank. Others don't know who you are, but it's not their fault. You were getting ready for a moment that's fast approaching. Don't worry: You'll find the right word. Just say "no."



CANCER

You have a lot to think about. You might have some paperwork to catch up on, too. Stay informed. That will give you more to work with when it gets to be your turn tomorrow.



LEO

Socially, things couldn't be better. Romantically, there could be problems. If you get too busy with your friends, your sweetheart might get jealous. You can make a schedule and stick to it.



VIRGO

Welcome back to someone else's version of reality. He or she has all sorts of ideas about how you should spend your time. It may be uncomfortable to squeeze into the old routine. You've grown.



LIBRA

You've entered a new phase. Even when you're relaxed, you're taking care of business. It'll be easy once you get used to it. You'll have more structure in your life, but that can be a comfort. Relax.



SCORPIO

Continue working on your calculations. You can find the money to complete a household project, just the way you imagined. This isn't easy, but you knew it wouldn't be. Sharpen your pencils.



SAGITTARIUS

If you don't already have a good partner, get one. It should be obvious which person would be best for you. Actually, he or she may be hollering at you, so stop thinking for a moment and start listening.



CAPRICORN

You should have your routine pretty well memorized by now. That makes it pretty easy, but don't doze off. Something you hadn't expected could throw a wrench into the machinery.



AQUARIUS

Something a favorite person says will let you know you're loved. Sure, you already knew that. But just in case you forgot, it's nice to be reminded. This person may not come right out and say it directly, but you'll know.

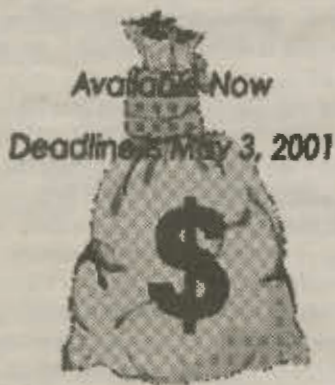


PISCES

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Persecution

by NIK BONAPARTIS
Staff Writer

In last Sunday's New York Times magazine, comments by New York Knicks guards Charlie Ward and Allan Houston set off a media storm when their words were stripped out of context and played as the anti-Semitic trump card.

The two Knick guards have slipped under the radar, sublime basketball stars that don't have multi-million dollar endorsements and aren't fixtures on ESPN's highlight reel. They both let their game and their athleticism speak for them, and they have been among the few class acts in the NBA for the past several years.

The Times article "The Knick's Dysfunctional Family", by Eric Konigsberg, analyzed the only basketball team to play in the world's media capital, getting underneath the game and exposing the personal lives and beliefs of the players. In one passage, Konigsberg visits a prayer session held by Houston, Ward, forward Kurt Thomas and guard Mark Jackson. The Knicks have been known as religious team, gathering in circles to pray after each game, win or lose. And the prayer crosses interfaith boundaries - Larry Johnson cries to Allah while Charlie Ward quietly thanks Jesus Christ.

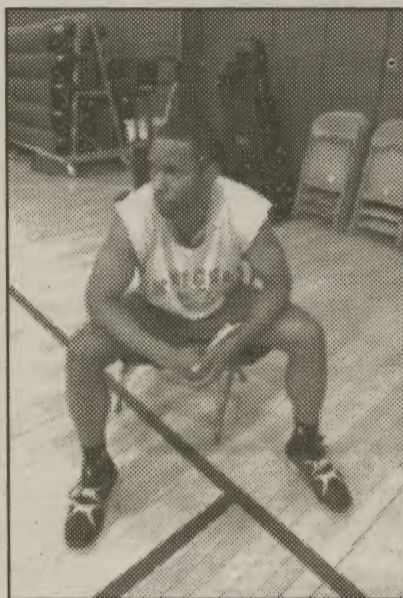
Konigsberg explained the Knicks players seemed intrigued by his Jewish faith, asked questions of him, but then proceeding to attack him with questions about Christian persecution at the hands of Jews.

If the Madison Square Garden Network did a Marv Albert-led investigation and played Konigsberg's voice recorder, or transcribed his notes, it would be likely that the story followed a different angle.

What happened instead was a cheap shot at returning the fa-

vor to the Knick's players. Konigsberg let an opaque disgust show through his stab at objectivity in the article as he painted Ward, Houston, Thomas and Jackson as religious extremists, the kind of nutcases who would knock on your door, shove pamphlets down your throat, and force you to join their religion.

Houston, a two-time All Star, came to New York from Detroit and endured criticism as he adjusted to the Knick's playing style under Jeff Van Gundy. Houston, however, refused to react negatively, and since then he has risen to be the team's leading scorer and leader, and a



New York Knicks guard Charlie Ward takes a moment.

player embraced his teammates as well as by the fans. Ward beat the odds as a Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback, then was overlooked in the NFL draft because teams thought a player his size wouldn't survive in the NFL. He roughed it as one of the Knick's garbage-time regulars for a few seasons before Van Gundy gave him the chance to be the Knick's starting point guard. Both men are known for their outstanding service and contributions to their community, have exhibited responsible

attitudes while serving as role models to children, and are the furthest thing from malicious.

And the resulting media attention has exposed a major fault in logic for those still pointing the blame in society. People in the public eye want reparations for slavery, for the Holocaust, and apparently, for the persecution of Jesus and Christians. But the overlooked factor in all of these issues is that most of the people who committed these deeds are long gone. Now, instead of working to heal, people form organizations and hand pick petty incidents, exposing them in the name of the enforcers of the politically correct.

Now, after NBA commissioner David Stern issued a strong statement blasting Ward for his words, no matter how selective, Ward finds himself apologizing for his faith. Which brings us to a question that won't be addressed in the media - where will the line be between people practicing their own religions and others being "offended" by them?

The situation provides an interesting look at how infantile a professional sports league can be when crossed with a public relations mess, PC hounds and issues that people don't take lightly. In the last major incident that prompted NBA Commissioner David Stern to force a player to modify his personal life to his wishes, All-Star Allen Iverson was humbled and instructed to change the lyrics to his rap album, recorded and produced independently of the National Basketball Association. Maybe this time around Stern will rewrite Charlie Ward's bible.

Nik Bonapartis, who wears a cool leather jacket, is nice enough to promise you an article if you kindly ask him while he is experiencing a River Day "moment".

Dread and repulsion Quebec was a riot: Too bad you didn't notice



by CHRIS KNUDTSEN
Co-Editor-in-Chief

The Summit of the Americas met over this past weekend behind a four mile wide fence that kept away agitated demonstrators while leaders of 34 nations met to discuss the creation of a Free Trade Area of Americas. While the pompous politicians prattled about their concerns for the poor, the police went off with pepper spray, water cannons, billy clubs and tear gas.

Arguments against the FTAA are similar to those raised against the IMF and WTO; international trade organizations such as these are prone to the exploitation and degradation of indigenous people who lack the monetary and political power to resist them. Human rights groups are up in arms because they realize the treacherous conditions that workers in many nations face and labor unions are riled up at the treacherous conditions that will besiege their jobs once our nation's conglomerations leave our borders. There are dozens of other sub-causes involved in the opposition such as the environmental threats that most of these corporations pose when they dump toxic wastes and pollutants into Third World nations that can't fight off multi-billion dollar lawyers.

As the elected officials of "the Americas" hid behind a wire semblance of the Berlin wall, we can only question their legitimacy while they cower from their constituencies. The Canadian Prime Minister was quoted in the April 22 issue of the New York Times as saying, "We are very legitimate, all of us were elected." They speak about the future of half of the entire world, if not all of it, behind closed doors and pretend to be proud members of democratic institutions. Ironically, Fidel Castro was absent from the meeting since Cuba is not considered a democracy but the other 34 leaders probably figured that they could continue to further impoverish the people of Cuba without seeking Castro's input.

The saddest thing about this entire scenario is that the whole phenomenon went relatively unnoticed by the majority of this country's population. The average citizen, especially the average young citizen, probably heard that there were protests in Quebec if they heard anything at all. An average sound byte or video clip on the evening news

ranges anywhere from twenty seconds to about two minutes so a quick clip of some green-haired revolutionary is probably the extent of coverage that this event received. That leaves no time for the nationwide audience to hear about why there were a few thousand people in the street risking tears, black eyes, and imprisonment. And now in tonight's sports...

Take a moment to stop and think about why there has yet to be any controversial or truly informative coverage of these mass protests in the mainstream media. If you need a hint, look at who owns the television station you get your news from or who owns the magazines or newspaper you read. Chances are that these media tycoons are part of the same parent conglomerate that stands to benefit from a massive trade union in our hemisphere through cheap labor and forced markets. Supposedly, this trade union (due to become fully established by 2005) will have an annual output of 11 trillion dollars.

An enormous amount of good could be done with 11 trillion dollars. Too bad that the majority of that money will be made by private corporations that couldn't care less about the social and economic problems of the South American nations or any of the Third World nations in the rest of the world.

How much of that money will be stained with blood from dirty sweatshops or tainted with a nuclear glow from all of the sludge that couldn't be dumped in the US? On the bright side, now we'll be able to buy cheaper Nike products and eat cheaper McDonald's meat while we continue to systematically screw over the people who have no opportunity to make a change. Or we can take advantage of our relative well being and make some small changes in the way we live our everyday lives.

There's only a certain expectation that we can hold for how much of an effect we can have but at least there are some options. Stop supporting these corporations with your hard earned money; find companies that aren't somehow incorporated into the giant mega-conglomerations and reward them for their ethics with your business. Find some way to step outside of the direct influence of the institutions that are destroying our world and ruining millions of lives. I'm done.

Chris Knudtsen is not a hater. Unless you categorically disagree with everything he says, or if you have bad breath. Then he hates you.

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A few parting words

by **NAOMI BROWN**
Staff Writer

For mostly financial reasons I will be transferring from Marist after this semester. Who cares? What relevance does this have to this article? Simply put: transferring students are asked to schedule an exit interview. One of the questions I was asked was if I could tell administration one thing, what would it be? My answer was that they do not listen to the students enough.

Sure, they talk to you in the halls, and express concern over your questions and pet peeves about going to school at Marist. But I don't think that they *really* listen to us. I mean, come on! How many concerns do the students at Marist have? Lots of them.

We are concerned about safety at Marist. Many in the student body do not feel as if security does their job. They spend their time giving out parking tickets and parking themselves in the entranceways to the dorms. But the fact is, even there they do not do what they say they do. Security guards have been found by fellow students to be asleep on the job of supposedly protecting us in our rooms. I have personally gone to programs and heard stories of rapes on campus that are not acknowledged by the school.

We are concerned about the food and quality handed out in the cafeteria. Horror stories of people finding maggots in their bagels abound. When you walk into the cafeteria, it is hard to find a clean utensil. People have

gotten sick eating off the plates there, and several people bring their own utensils and cups. I opened a jelly packet once and was greeted with grape mold. They have used a leaf blower to clean out the cafeteria. If students on campus are required to eat in the cafeteria, then they should be provided with a cafeteria that is a lot cleaner than ours is.

We are concerned with the campus life policies on campus. Yes, I understand that Marist wants to know who is in the resident areas, hence the guest pass. But what I find ridiculous is that my brother cannot officially stay in the same room with me because he's of the opposite sex. Even more ridiculous is that the no cohabitation rule is still officially in place for upper-class students. We are supposed to be adults, capable of knowing our limits and being responsible. How realistic is this rule for the 19, 20 or 21-year-old student? Not realistic at all.

Marist, home of the Bed Foxes and the Mattress College, both of which are names for our school. Students know that our school is extremely sexually active. Not only that, but STD's fly all over the campus. Marist prides themselves on caring about students, not just academically but as individuals as well. If this is so, then the school should provide a health services department that address the needs of today's college student. In a word: condoms.

Administrations response to these issues would probably be, "Get involved in RSC, get in-

involved in SGA and have your concerns expressed." Not every student has the time or the interest to join SGA or RSC. Are the few dedicated students in these organizations going to be the only ones whose voices are heard? That shouldn't be the case. And the fact is that this is not the first time these concerns have been expressed. They have been stated over and over again, and *The Circle* has published many articles addressing these very issues.

The fact is administration DOES NOT listen to the Marist College community. If they did, and actually attended to our concerns, these issues would not keep resurfacing over and over. The voices of the students should not be ignored.

Do I think that what I said at my exit interview will be seriously looked at? Possibly. Do I think that this article will help? Not really. If articles in *The Circle* actually helped, mine wouldn't have a place here. My article will be read, and like all the other opinions of Marist students it will be pushed to the side.

But who knows...maybe someone will actually look at this and force themselves to think about the real problem here at Marist...the "hear no evil" mentality maintained by certain members of the college. And it is this mentality that could eventually destroy this school more than anything else.

Naomi Brown will be missed.

The point of Praxis

by **BEN BRENKERT**
Asst. Opinion Editor

On Apr. 19, Marist College witnessed the 2001 Annual Praxis Forum. As members of the Marist community filled seats in the Cabaret, others waited patiently for the discussions to ensue. In the background, music played by Braden Russom, engendered spirits of intrigue and awe, shock and wonderment. For here was the opportunity to hear about activism, to watch inspired men and women speak on their reflective activity within their designated praxis assignments. If nothing less, the mood was enthusiastic and the topics sociologically mindful.

After reflecting on the title of this year's forum I reevaluated the notion of crisis within the greater Poughkeepsie area. Truth be told, Poughkeepsie is an inner-city area with low-income residents, immigration issues, and poverty. Simultaneously, Poughkeepsie is a business district, a college community, and a community in political, social and economic transition. Poughkeepsie situates itself along the Hudson River, where the impact of PCBs has raised issues. Like dredging the river, and the purity levels of drinking water. Poughkeepsie also serves as a median between Albany and New York City. As such, Poughkeepsie harbors urban issues consistent with larger cities, such as the crisis of migrant workers and the need for increased day care facilities. With so many issues permeating the streets, houses, buildings, and roads, Poughkeepsie exemplifies the urgent call to community activism, something men like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and C. Wright Mills were concerned with.

Dr. Greg Moses wrote, in the forum's program, that "Praxis is a Greek word that means activity, doing, or conduct, especially when activity is undertaken for good reasons and becomes its own reward...We use the term Praxis in order to emphasize our aspiration that community service is not mere doing, but a special opportunity for reflective activity." And that is what the audience heard, as students like Kate McDonald and Isa Greenberg volunteered their stories about fighting for the rights of migrant workers in Albany or the debacle in criminal justice. As Greenberg delivered the lines to her poem many of the members of the audience shook their heads; perhaps they too realized the burdens of conformity.

Perhaps the most inspirational moment came, when keynote speaker Lateef Islam, of

Poughkeepsie's Family Partnership Center, addressed the audience with an evocative look into the downside of blacklisting urbanites and neophytes. His message was clear: don't rely on the normal images of urban decay for activism. Instead, members of richer communities are called to see the beauty and talents of children, albeit musical, artistic, literary, etc. Clearly, the choices were tell the children they were going to fail and watch them fail or tell the children that God gave them gifts, many gifts and watch them grow to become lawyers, policemen or teachers. Islam also reiterated one of the pervasive themes articulated by many of the speakers: that the future of America lies in the hands of children, and that without our children America's future is grim.

As Marist students came and left the forum, one could see spirits of involvement and activism spread throughout the room. Many present at the forum knew of certain social issues, while others might not have known how to get involved; therefore, the Praxis Forum was their means by which they could realize the ends of community activism. Many who came sought out places like soup kitchens or waterfront projects; others saw themselves partaking in such programs as Global Outreach or Big Brothers and Sisters.

The minor in Public Praxis offers courses in human rights, affluence and poverty, human values, choice, and public praxis. Through pursuance of scholarly inquiry, and by attending roundtable discussions experiences are illuminated. The Praxis Forum bore witness to "The Crisis" of Marist's white middle-class apathy. However the hope for increased activism touched the souls of those present in the audience. "The Crisis" was not overlooked, but understood. The means of involvement and activism are present everywhere, be it Poughkeepsie, Albany or New York City. The question is whether or not members of the community are willing to take 10 minutes from their daily lives to reflect on issues that affect them, find an agency where they can get involved, and then enlist in the services of that agency. In summary, without community activism the status quo will be expanded and the beloved community never fully actualized or realized. How much time would it really take to truly make a difference in the community that surrounds us?

Ben Brenkert is 1 issue away from becoming "Da Man".

OPINIONS OF THE WEEK

"Matt's a good date. In stead of bringing flowers, he brings alcohol.

- Lisa Burke

"I know my rights. I watch *Law & Order*."

- Mike Thompson

"Alright, who wants to look at it?"

-Matt Daigle

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

Hate-mongering a la Derrick A. Jones (*The Circle*, April 5, 2001) is not what our world needs. Today it's China, yesterday it was the Jews, tomorrow it'll be the Muslims and the gays. And the killing goes on and on and on.

Much more productive would be what faculty and students did during the Gulf War and the Bosnia crisis and after the fall of the Berlin Wall: organize an information and discussion session.

Also helpful, of course, is to learn more about Asia and China. Asian courses at Marist are so undersubscribed that the History Department considered not replacing Dr. Gronewold, who is leaving at the end of this semester. Fortunately, Marist has reconsidered and will hire an Asianist.

Hate and ignorance are lethal.

Sincerely,
Bro. Joe Belanger, FMS

Get your parting shots in now! One week to rant and rave in Op-Ed, or maybe even get into Scott's security briefs!

Hey ho, bye Joe

by ADAM KOWALSKI
Staff Writer

It's pretty hard to sit here and write this obituary/tribute/whatever you want to call it for Joey Ramone (born Jeffery Hyman), the lead singer for the legendary punk rock band *The Ramones*. Nothing that I say will quite sum up what this man meant not just for punk rock, but all kinds of music. Without ever scoring a Top 40 hit in the US *The Ramones* spent the better part of 20 years changing the music that kids all over the world hear and play every single day.

The Ramones introduced a type of music to the world that was completely new, yet utterly simplistic. It was driven by the energy. To quote Joe Strummer, vocalist of *The Clash*, "*The Ramones* played for only 30 min-



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Ramones frontman Joey Ramone inspired twenty-five years of punk. But the crowd could not possibly have withstood a 31st. It was *The Ramones* that encouraged *The Clash* to pursue their music when the bands first met on *The Ramones* trip to England back in 1976. Who knows how many other musicians *The Ramones* got to pick up instruments over the next 25 years.

I remember back in 1996 paying \$45 for Lollapalooza tickets pretty much just for the fact that I knew that it would be the last *Ramones* tour. Around 4:30 in the afternoon out walk the *Ramones*, clad in their trademark leather jackets, despite the fact that it was about 90 degrees that day. The jackets lasted only about half of the set but that didn't stop them from blowing the crowd away. They flew through around 25 songs in about 50 minutes, the only thing that was really said between songs was 1-2-3-4. They were incredible.

Little did I, or for that matter anyone else at the show, know that Joey Ramone had already been diagnosed with Lymphoma, a very deadly form of cancer. I first heard about it about a month ago in the *New York Post*; it seems that the cancer was much worse than the article suggested. On April 15th, Easter Sunday, Joey Ramone passed away while listening to the *U2* song "In a Little While." According to Joey's mother, "as the song finished so did he." Bono from *U2* was one of the

last people to talk to Joey. Bono had called him in the hospital hours before he died to wish him well.

Over the last few days there has been a flood of musicians singing the praises of Joey and *The Ramones*. "I wish I could have met him and told him what a huge influence he had on my life, and what an inspiration his music was," - Mark Hoppus of *Blink 182*. "They were my first real influence, a bunch of local kids from Queens that made me realize that I could actually start a band myself" - Adam Horowitz of *The Beastie Boys*. "It was hearing the Ramones that made me want to be in a band" - Brett Gurewitz founder of both *Bad Religion* and *Epitaph Records*. "I had the chance to go up and say hello to him once, but I lost

ABSOLUTE MADNESS! Riot, rampage and retirement



by JIMBO MARITATO
A&E Editor

Has anyone seen the blue-haired menace that once walked this campus (and no, I'm not talking about that cheap freshman imitation; you know who you are.)? I haven't. It seems in recent months I have come to a turning point in my life, and despite what I might have thought only a year ago, I believe the change is for the better.

I recently attended a lecture by the one and only Maxwell Schmurder titled, "I Was a Teenage Revolutionary." I believe that if I were to hold a lecture in fifteen years chronicling my teen years, it would be called, "I Was the Guy Who Hit Your Garbage Cans With His Car and Then Left the Trash Strewn About Your Lawn." It seems the little vandal in me has dropped dead. It suddenly has come to my attention that the morning after a night of riot and rampage there are people who must deal with the havoc that I have wreaked the previous night. As

ridiculous as it seems, the pointless smashing of one of my car windows in December has made an incredible impact on my life because I was the one cleaning up the mess in the morning for once.

I turned 21 this past weekend. I am the third-oldest member of my circle of friends with several youngins beneath me on the age ladder. Those of us who are older have suddenly found ourselves fed up with the juvenile antics of our younger counterparts. While in some cases my seniority comes only by a matter of months, I feel as though I am living a completely different lifestyle. Friday nights of getting thrown out of the local supermarket for filling shopping carts with merchandise and racing up and down the aisles no longer appeal to me. What was once a thrilling experience can only now be summed up as "baby games."

Many the "punk" has claimed I have sold out. I now have a nice cushy corporate job at IBM. I no longer feel pleasure at the sound of a fresh egg smashing against the passenger window of a Ford Explorer. I have a different take on the story.

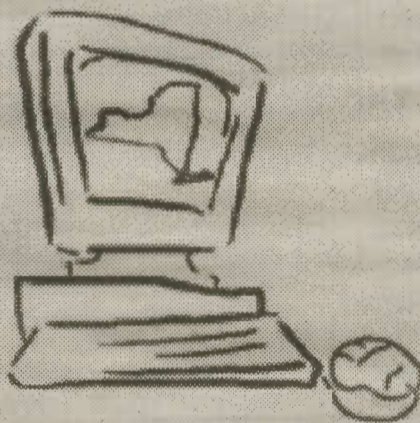
This new view with which I see the world does not mean that I proclaim that the masses are or were ever right about anything. I still attest that the

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For one to get a decent job, have a reliable source of income, and take care of his or her responsibilities should not be frowned upon. Many of the most angry people I call my friends complain that "no one" does anything about the problems of the world. Wanton

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Softball splits four in Buffalo, keeps fourth place

by SCOTT MONTESANO
Staff Writer

The start of virtually every college softball team's season is loaded with non-league games. The beauty of these games is that they are nothing more than glorified exhibition games.

After a slow start in non-league play, the Red Foxes softball team has come to life during the more important Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) portion of the schedule, and are in the hunt for the school's first ever MAAC playoff appearance.

Marist continued its charge towards a playoff spot this past weekend, going 2-2 on the usually deadly western New York road trip. The Foxes lost tight games to both Niagara and Canisius, but also hammered each team for doubleheader splits.

The weekend splits give Marist a 7-5 MAAC record, good for the 4th and final playoff spot with four conference games remaining.

The Foxes opened up their road trip last Saturday with an odd 11 a.m. start in Niagara

Falls against the Purple Eagles. While Niagara was still rubbing their eyes to get awake, Marist used a Melissa Tucci grand slam to storm ahead on their way to a 6-1 win. Unfortunately, the Foxes couldn't complete the sweep falling 2-1 in the nightcap.

In game one, Niagara actually took a brief lead in the bottom of the second thanks to two Foxes errors and an Ashleigh Cirilla RBI single. Nevertheless, Marist came right back in the top of the third.

Jessica Craver was hit by a pitch to start the rally for Marist. Then Amanda Koldjeski followed with a single to left. After Bobbi Jo Gonnello popped out in the infield, Kara Lacey singled to load the bases for Tucci's grand slam.

Tucci sent a blast to left field giving Marist a 4-1 lead, and knocking Purple Eagles starter Kristin Willebrant out of the game. It was Tucci's fourth homerun of the season.

The grand slam proved to be all Marist would need as Niagara only severely threatened once, in the bottom of the third.

Following a Jodie Bowers triple, Niagara had the tying run in scoring position. However, one batter later, Foxes third baseman Kathleen McEvily fielded a Molly Bagley grounder and fired it home to get out Bowers.

Marist put two more runs on the board in the seventh as Gonnello and Lacey added RBIs on a double and single, respectively.

Melanie Kasack earned the win on the mound, allowing only one unearned run and five hits. The win improved the Bethel, CT, native's record to 7-11 after a sub-par start. In addition, Koldjeski went 3-3 in the first game.

Game two would be a completely different story, as it would be Niagara who would ride the momentum of a homerun on the road to victory.

Niagara junior Brooke Bradburn hit a solo homerun with two outs in the bottom of the sixth to snap a 1-1 tie and give the Purple Eagles the split of the Saturday doubleheader.

It was only the third hit that Nicole Fox gave up on the mound for Marist but it was definitely a costly one.

The Purple Eagles once again took a 1-0 lead, this time in the opening inning, before Marist came to tie the game in the third.

The Foxes lone run came as a result of two Niagara errors. Besides that, Marist's offense was non-existent, for the team could only manage four hits. The Foxes did put the trying fun at second base in top of the seventh but Craver grounded out to second to end the game.

Two-time MAAC player of the week, Michelle Gosh was held to a 1-8 day, including an 0-4 performance in the Foxes game one win.

On Sunday, Marist traveled 30 minutes south to take on the Canisius Golden Griffins. As in the doubleheader with Niagara a day earlier, Marist jumped all over a sluggish Canisius team, but couldn't finish off the sweep, losing a tight second game. The Foxes took game one 7-0, but lost game two, 4-1.

The first game was Marist's right from the beginning. The Foxes put two runs on the board in the top of the first. That lead would be added to in the fifth as Marist added four more runs, before closing out

the scoring with one more tally in the sixth.

Koldjeski went 2-4 with three RBIs while Kathleen McEvily added a 3-4 day. Kasack went the distance for the shutout, her third of the season and the team's fourth overall. On the weekend, Kasack went 2-0 allowing no earned runs.

In game two, Marist hurler Fox and her Canisius counterpart Genevieve Garcia battled in a pitcher's duel. Neither team was able to crack the scoreboard until the top of the sixth when Marist took the lead.

Lacey picked up an RBI giving Marist the 1-0 advantage. However, Canisius used five consecutive hits in the bottom of the frame to pull ahead and get the 4-1 win.

The loss dropped Fox's record to 7-6.

The weekend split gave Marist a 15-18-1 overall record heading into two non-league games this past Tuesday and Wednesday against Hartford and Army.

The Foxes' pitching staff has come right along since the start of the season. Kasack has returned to the dominant form she had in 2000. Over the weekend she rendered bats useless against her.

Fox was also effective despite losing both games she pitched. Take away the sixth inning in the two games she pitched and her weekend would have been a much different story.

With the western New York road trip out of the way Marist is in prime position for a MAAC playoff berth. Marist only has four games remaining, and a split should lock up the school's first ever appearance in the MAAC playoffs after just missing them each of the past two years.

Marist hosts the lowly Iona Gaels at 12:00 on Saturday for a doubleheader. This is the Foxes' last official home game. The Foxes wrap up MAAC play next Tuesday in Jersey City against the powerful Peacocks of St. Peter's.

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but we hung in there," Szefer said. "We had a great ninth inning at the plate. We didn't play our best, but pulled out the victory."

There are three conference series remaining in the season and the Red Foxes are in a good position to continue play into the postseason. However, Szefer does not want his team getting over-confident.

"We are in a good position to get a high seed in the tournament, but we still have to keep the rest of the season in perspective," he said. "The other teams are not going to roll over and die for us, we still have to play tough each game."

Marist will travel to Manhattan for a three-game series against Manhattan College this weekend.

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[And it's not at all where I thought I'd end up.]
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Swampy Speaks

by MIKE FERRARO
Sports Editor

The talk before last weekend's National Football League Draft was mostly about uncertainty. Very little about this draft appeared to be certain, except that the San Diego Chargers would grab Virginia Tech quarterback Michael Vick with the first overall pick.

As it turned out, nothing about the 2001 NFL Draft was a sure thing.

The Chargers traded the first overall pick to the Atlanta Falcons on Friday for Atlanta's first-round pick (fifth overall), third-round pick, second-round pick in 2002 and wide receiver Tim Dwight. The Falcons promptly selected Vick with pick number one.

At first glance, San Diego appeared to make a horrible mistake. The team had received horrible quarterback play seemingly ever since Stan Humphries retired. Ryan Leaf, Jim Harbaugh, Erik Kramer, Moses Moreno, and Craig Whelihan all struggled. While Vick is still quite raw and has to refine his skills as a quarterback, he has the potential to bring athleticism to the position that has not previously been seen.

The Chargers used the fifth overall pick to select TCU running back LaDainian Tomlinson. With the first pick in round two, the team hopefully answered its long-term need at quarterback when Purdue's Drew Brees fell to them. Figure Brees to sit behind off-season acquisition Doug Flutie for a short time, but he should be ready to play before Vick is.

While San Diego secured two quality players, the question remains if the team made the right to decision to not ante up for Vick's signing bonus, which essentially caused the trade. Only time will tell if Vick ends up fulfilling his enormous potential.

Here are some of the other teams that made noise this weekend, for better or for worse:

SEATTLE - Several experts, including Mel Kiper himself, lauded the Seahawks for their selections, particularly on day one. With his first of two first-round picks, Mike Holmgren selected North Carolina State wide receiver Koren Robinson, who will be an All-Pro if his attitude matches his tremendous talent. Count on Holmgren to get the best out of Robinson.

With their second first-round pick, Seattle selected guard Steve Hutchinson from Michigan, who will be a welcome addition to the offensive line. Both filled positions of need, as did cornerback Ken Lucas in round two and fullback Heath Evans in round three.

ST. LOUIS - Defense, or lack thereof, led the Rams to an early playoff exit last year. With three first-round picks, St. Louis made it crystal clear that it would rebuild the D. Defensive tackle Damione Lewis from Miami is a blend of athleticism and power, while Adam Archuleta is an intriguing prospect who will attempt to convert to safety from linebacker. The last of the first-rounders, defensive tackle Ryan Pickett, was a slight reach but has plenty of upside.

BALTIMORE - The defending Super Bowl champions made another improvement to the offensive side of the ball with Arizona State tight end Todd Heap, a tremendous pass-catching prospect. He will learn from one of the best of all time in Shannon Sharpe. Second-round selection Gary Baxter will provide needed depth to the secondary and special teams. Both are solid picks for the future.

CINCINNATI - The Bengals have traditionally been bashed for their off-season maneuvers, mostly with just cause. However, Cincinnati showed some signs of life in free-agency, and while their draft was considered to be mediocre by some, it may be a pleasant surprise. First-round selection Justin Smith, a defensive end from Missouri, brings a great motor to a de-

fense that desperately needs it. Wide receiver Chad Johnson slipped into round two because of a poor combine performance, but look for him to be a steal.

MIAMI - When your quarterbacks are Jay Fiedler and Ray Lucas, and Drew Brees is available, and you select a nickel cornerback on a team that has Sam Madison and Patrick Surtain, you wasted a first-round pick. Jamar Fletcher from Wisconsin may be a good cover corner, but was this pick necessary?

DALLAS - This team has drafted poorly ever since Jimmy Johnson left, and the trend continued this year. The Cowboys' first pick was in round two, and they reached for unpolished Georgia quarterback Quincy Carter. Looking at this team's recent drafts makes it easy to understand its dismal state.

And now, the locals:

JETS - They traded up to get the man they wanted, wide receiver Santana Moss from Miami. Although he does not possess ideal size, all he does is make big plays. He will be a welcome addition for Herman Edwards's team. Second-round pick LaMont Jordan, a running back from Maryland, was inconsistent in college. They need him to be a reliable backup to Curtis Martin.

GIANTS - Not really an eventful draft for the Super Bowl runners-up, although they did trade up to select Syracuse corner Will Allen. His senior year was not outstanding, but he rose in the draft through his effort at the combine. The Giants needed an upgrade over Dave Thomas at corner, and Allen should provide that.

PATRIOTS - A team that had a lot of needs may have filled quite a few of them with a solid draft. Defensive tackle Richard Seymour is a good athlete and will apply pressure on the quarterback. The Patriots also made quality upgrades on the offensive line, at tight end, and in the secondary. Fifth-round safety Hakim Akbar from Washington was one of the steals of the draft.

Women's lacrosse earns weekend split

by PETER PALMIERI
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Second chances do not come around that often, but the women's lacrosse team is getting a second chance in more than one way at the 2001 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Championships this weekend.

Last season the team finished as regular season champions, but failed to complete the championship run. As one of four teams in the championship tournament, the women have a chance to put last season's loss behind them and become the best team in the conference.

The team finished the regular season with a 7-5 record overall finished at 4-2 in the MAAC, winning two out of its last three league contests.

On Apr. 22, the Red Foxes hosted the Purple Eagles from Niagara. Sophomore Molly Hanley led the Marist attack with three goals, followed by two goals apiece from senior Pam Brown, junior Kelly Sullivan, and freshman Maria Reoch. Marist trailed by three at the half, but evened the score and took a two-goal lead in the second half.

Niagara cut the Marist lead to one goal when Megan McNerney netted a goal. Four minutes later, Allison Cooney evened up the score, forcing overtime. In the two overtime periods, Belinda Patterson tallied the only goal, giving Niagara the 12-11 victory.

Head coach Megan McGonagle was happy with her team's performance and said that with some luck, the end result would have been in the favor of the Red Foxes.

"It was a heartbreaking loss," she said. "We got the ball on net, but hit the post a few times and there were a few questionable calls. We fought hard."

On Apr. 21, Marist hosted Canisius at Leonidoff Field. Led by seven goals from Brown, the Foxes routed the Golden Grif-

fins. Six other players reached the back of the net for Marist, including senior Jamine Aponte, who added two goals. Senior goaltender Christy Uellendahl made eight saves for Marist.

With her seven goals, Brown totaled 14 goals for the week and added two assists to earn the honor of MAAC Player of the Week. It is the second time that the senior co-captain has earned the award.

"We have a lot of players on our team that do well in games," McGonagle said. "Pam is a staple."

With the loss, Marist fell to third place in the conference and will face second-place Niagara in the MAAC tournament. McGonagle is confident that the Foxes can be successful in the tournament.

"We have a lot of experienced players that have been in the tournament situation before," she said. "We have been in this situation before and know what it takes to win."

McGonagle also said that while the loss to Niagara in overtime gives the team a hunger to get even, being in the tournament itself is enough motivation. However, having recently seen what Niagara brings to the table will help the Foxes to prepare for the match-up.

"We did not make any tactical mistakes in the last game," she said. "We made some little mistakes, and when we put it all together Niagara is a very beatable team. We know what to expect."

Even with its confidence, the Foxes will have to remain focused on playing one game at a time, according to McGonagle.

"The team knows that they have to win on Saturday in order to win the tournament," she said. "We have to focus on the do or die aspect of the tournament."

Fairfield University is hosting the tournament this year and is the first seed: Marist will face Niagara on Saturday.

Men's lacrosse closes out home schedule with Providence loss

by PETEMOYLAN
Staff Writer

What was supposed to be a triumphant home culmination of four years as members of the Marist men's lacrosse team took an unexpected turn Saturday for eight seniors.

With the stands full of Marist supporters including lacrosse alums cheering the pre-game honoring of Jim Mekovetz, Kris Miller, Chris LaRose, Ryan McCue, Neil Crescenti, Jaak Leino, Dave Dever, and Rob Zbikowski, the stage was set for what very well could be the most memorable game of the year. Marist came out of the gate strong, with Mekovetz scoring the first goal after only a

minute ticked of the clock. The Red Foxes would find the back of the net again in the first quarter with a goal from freshman standout Brady Becklo, but Providence was up to the offensive challenge by registering three goals of their own.

McCue was able to add another goal to the cause but Providence goalie John Farley caught fire as he registered big save after big save.

"We had a lot of good scoring chances, but he wasn't letting anything by," said Mekovetz. "Sometimes a guy just gets hot."

On the other end, Brian Schuymer was also doing a good job between the pipes for Marist, but Providence was able to tack on two more goals to go

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**Jim Mekovetz
Men's lacrosse**

into halftime with a 5-3 lead.

The third quarter would see another senior step up when Leino found the back of the net. Pat Scully also registered a goal for Marist to tie the game, and

Schuymer's quality effort in goal was complimented by the Marist defense as Providence was held scoreless.

The fourth quarter, however, would belong to Farley who continued to thwart Marist's best efforts defensively, while sparking the offense as well. Providence was able to register four fourth quarter goals off of several two on one opportunities.

"We were going all out on offense, trying to get back into the game, and that gave them some good transition opportunities," said Bill Jennings.

When the horn finally sounded to end the game, Providence exited the field with a 9-5 victory.

Unfortunately, this loss

coupled with a loss earlier in the week to Sacred Heart, has shut the door on Marist's chances of making the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Tournament. Two games still remain on the schedule for Marist, away games against Lafayette and Villanova, but since these are non-conference games, they can't help the Foxes standings in the MAAC, which ends at 3-6.

That said, victories in these games could improve Marist's overall record to a respectable 6-7, as they stand at 4-7 right now.

"Not making the tournament is definitely a tough blow for us," said McCue. "But we still have two games left to play and we want to win."

That's a Fact

Pam Brown was named MAAC women's lacrosse Player of the Week for the second time this season.

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"That was probably the best game (Tim Bittner) has pitched for us. He did a tremendous job in a clutch situation." - John Szeffc, baseball head coach

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Men's tennis wins MAAC Tournament again

Third consecutive trip to the NCAA Tournament

by SCOTT DESIERE
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Ten teams headed to the Americana Tennis and Sports Club in Fishkill, NY this weekend to compete for the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) championship.

Nine teams arrived hoping for a title.

Marist arrived expecting nothing less.

Their expectations were met.

The Red Foxes completed the 3-peat by capturing their third straight MAAC crown, defeating the Manhattan Jaspers 5-2 in the finals. With the win, Marist earned an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament which will begin on Friday, May 11, for the Foxes against a yet to be determined opponent.

"Anytime you win a championship in any arena, whether it be Little League or the NBA or NHL, the players that worked hard to get there are happy," said Smith. "And needless to say, the coaches are happy too, and we are kind of excited to see where we are going to go in the tournament and who were are going to play."

Team captain Patrick Dahmert, a junior, echoed his coach's excitement saying, "It's a great feeling and I'm really excited. This is just a great opportunity for all of us. This will be my third time going to the NCAA

tournament and I'm just so excited for the new guys who are going through all of this for the first time."

Manhattan did all it could to pry the championship away from Marist, but in the end the Foxes' experience in tough settings won out, as Marist scored victories in first, second, third, and sixth singles as well first and third doubles.

"The schedule we put in front of our kids is much more difficult than the schedules that all the other teams in the MAAC play," remarked Smith, "and we get our kids exposed to situations that require a lot of time and energy, not only from them, but from the coaches as well, and that makes us better prepared than other teams."

The Foxes were spearheaded by the effort of sophomore and top singles player Patrick Hofer, who was named the tournament's most outstanding player.

Smith was quick to mention, however, that the win was a team effort.

"Our sixth singles player was as important as our first because Manhattan is a team that has tremendous depth, especially in their 4th through sixth singles players."

Before meeting up with Manhattan in the finals, Marist defeated Loyola in the semifinals. Manhattan advanced to the fi-

nals by overcoming St. Peter's in the other semi-final, a match Smith called the "most exciting I've ever seen in the MAAC."

Marist was aware going in that the competition in this year's tournament would be much tougher than it was the year before.

"I did feel, unlike last year, that either St. Peter's or Manhattan could have beaten us," said Smith. "Last year I would not have said that, I did not think anyone could beat us, but this year was a very even year for us. We beat the teams that we should have, and lost to the teams we should have lost to. The fact that we had yet to upset anyone was a source of concern for me."

Marist headed into the tournament with the top seed, something Smith believes was critical.

"There were three very good teams in this tournament," said Smith, whose overall coaching record stands at a staggering 145-25 mark, "so being the top seed made a huge difference. Manhattan had to play St. Peter's, which I know took something out of them."

Smith believed his team would not be where it is had it not been for the work of assistant coach Charlie Warburton, who has coached alongside him for nine years.

"Charlie frequently doesn't



CARLISLE STOCKTON / Photo Courtesy

Patrick Dahmert will make his third straight NCAA Tournament appearance.

get the accolades that he should," said Smith. "Here is a guy that's been a sounding board, an expert at scouting opponents, and a person that has been there for me to calm me down when I get a little ex-

cited.

"I don't mind getting in my players faces from time to time, and Charlie is always there to bring me back to earth."

Baseball takes two of three from rival Le Moyne

by PETER PALMIERI
Asst. Sports Editor

Marist has played 36 games this season, but perhaps none with more postseason implications than last weekend's series against Le Moyne College.

With first place on the line, Marist hosted second place Le Moyne for a three game series. The Red Foxes dominated every aspect of the game, as the team swept the Saturday doubleheader, but the Dolphins battled back to salvage the final game of the series.

On the first game, Marist received a nearly perfect performance from junior Tim Bittner. Bittner pitched a complete game, allowing only two hits and two walks, while striking out eight batters to earn his fifth win of the season.

Marist used a five-run first inning to set the tone of the game. The Foxes batted through the order in the inning, highlighted by an RBI triple from junior Anthony Bocchino and two RBI from junior Jimmy Willis. Freshman Jimmy Board also added two RBI in the 9-0 victory.

Head coach John Szeffc was happy with the victory and praised the pitching of Bittner. "That was probably the best game that he has pitched for

us," he said. "He did a tremendous job in a clutch situation."

In the second game, the Foxes received another great pitching performance, this time from freshman standout Chris Tracz. Tracz lasted all seven innings, striking out four and allowing one earned run to earn his seventh victory of the season. He now owns a 7-0 record.

Bocchino led the offense for the Foxes, notching five RBI. Sophomore Spike Ridgley led Marist with three hits, resulting in one RBI and two runs scored. Bittner also notched an RBI in the 12-2 victory.

In the rubber match, Marist committed six errors, resulting in four unearned runs for Le Moyne. Despite the pitching effort of sophomore Kevin Ool, who gave up seven runs (three earned) in six innings, Marist fell, 9-3. Willis, Ridgley, and junior Ben Cueto each had RBIs for Marist. Anthony Aquilino and Jeff Justice each notched three RBI for Le Moyne.

The two victories brought the Foxes to 13-5 in the conference. The Foxes remained in first place, ahead of Le Moyne, who is now 7-5 in the MAAC.

Szeffc was happy with Saturday's performance, but said that the team's lapse on Sunday was disappointing.

"We did what we wanted to do," Szeffc said. "Taking two out of three games was important to us and it gives us an upper hand in terms of tiebreakers with Le Moyne. We had good pitching in all three games, but had a mental lapse on Sunday and could not support our pitching."

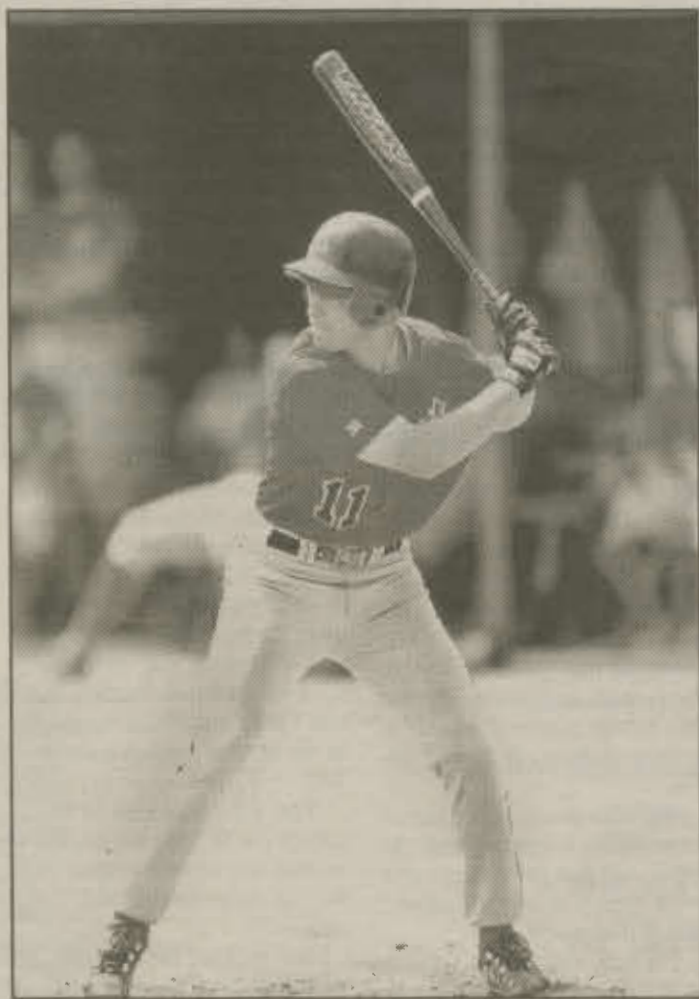
Ool gave the team some good innings according to Szeffc. He also said that the lack of defensive support for the starter was a big disappointment.

Despite the errors on Sunday, Szeffc is confident that the team will remain focused in the future.

"We have better players than the other teams, but we have to learn to keep focused," he said. "We have to take each game pitch by pitch and inning by inning. Everyone has bad days; we'll be alright."

On Tuesday, Marist took on Fordham in a non-conference meeting. The Foxes used a six-run ninth inning to overpower the Rams. Cueto drove in three runs while Ridgley launched a solo homerun to lead the Marist attack. Junior Mark Norton picked up the victory for the Foxes, who improved to 25-11-1 overall.

"It was an up and down game,



CARLISLE STOCKTON / Photo Courtesy

Anthony Bocchino had a stellar weekend in the critical Le Moyne series.

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