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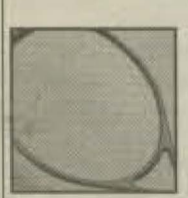
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Well-being appropriately stressed at Wellness Fair

by SARAH FELICICCHIA
Staff Writer

The fifth annual Wellness Fair kicked off in the McCann Center on Friday, September 20 at noon and as Program Chair and Director of the Counseling Center, Roberta Staples said it was all about people looking after their own well-being.

The fair's organization relied on the cooperation of many departments including Student Affairs, Health Services, Human Resources and numerous volunteers from the community. The booths and health experts varied widely. From disease prevention to stress reduction, there were few health and wellness avenues missing.

Through the Dutchess County Council on Alcoholism and Chemical Dependency, Inc., a representative from SmokeFree Dutchess was in attendance. Aside from handing out brochures on the dangers of smoking, the representative urged students to start a campus coalition: Students in College Against Tobacco, with the goal of deterring smoking. A staggering statistic in a pamphlet states that in Dutchess County, 30 teen-agers start smoking each day and ten will die early as a result.

Senior Anne Kearns, who has attended and received a free massage all four years said she almost fell asleep during her massage by Cathy Stubbs, a licensed massage therapist and registered nurse.

Other businesses like Sun City Tanning and vendors with free samples of new food products hoped to ignite fresh interest in their businesses. All Sport Health and Fitness offers Pilates, water aerobics and cardio kickboxing, and had a contest for people to win a free three-month membership.

Director of Technology Training Tina Royal attended the fair and said that there was great diversity and some people



Exhibits and demonstrations galore at the Wellness Fair

come back every year.

Detlef Wolf, a licensed acupuncturist, attended for his third year, and said even if it does not stimulate much new business for him, he enjoys being a part of the fair. "It is worth coming back to the Wellness Fair each year just to inform people. If they know what acupuncture can do and the kind of benefit without Western medicine," said Wolf.

One of the less traditional themes presented at the fair a Feng Shui booth. Cindy Greer, founder and president of Natural Forces, is a specialist on this Chinese art of placing furniture and other materials in a way that helps someone, as she said, "Experience a more balanced and positive life."

Greer will possibly be back to Marist to hold workshops for promoting Feng Shui in dorm rooms. Representatives of the New York State Police, Troop K, were also on hand along with other local law enforcement and protection agencies. Trooper Kimberly Campos offered information about criteria required and the services provided to the public by state troopers. She also encouraged people to try on a

pair of goggles to experience the vision impairment of someone with a .17 alcohol blood level.

Trooper Jeffery Galm and his K-9 partner attracted many animal lovers. The police dog is named Cotter, for John Cotter, an investigator who was killed in the line of duty over 30 years ago. Cotter and Galm work to detect and seize narcotics, along with tracking missing persons.

From a local mental health center with brochures on suicide, depression, trauma, and overcoming addiction to laser eye surgery information, the variety of expertise seemed endless. Transfer student Gina D'Angelo said, "It's informative, I got a lot of information about Lyme disease, mental health, alcoholism, and of course safe sex." Even Marist's own Fencing Club



PHOTO CREDIT/CHRIS TOMKINSON

"Never mess with Zoro"

made an appearance with a demonstration of the many "sword fighting" style techniques. "It was our fourth year [at the fair], it gives the college a chance to see what we do," said club president Brian Sands.

From the classic to the nontraditional methods of staying healthy and living a healthful lifestyle, the interactive fair's focus on health and safety was overall well-received by both faculty and students.

Asher advises Marist on higher education

by FLORA LUI
Staff Writer

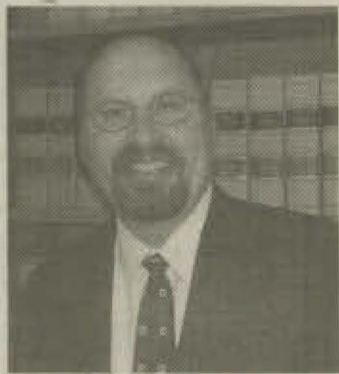


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Donald Asher is a nationally known speaker and writer on the topics of higher education and careers.

The Center for Career Services is offering a special videoconference tonight with Donald Asher to aid students in all majors to understand how to increase their chances of being admitted into today's demanding graduate schools.

This valuable event will be held between 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the TV Studio.

This extraordinary opportunity is broadcasted nationwide to Marist from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. This event will be con-

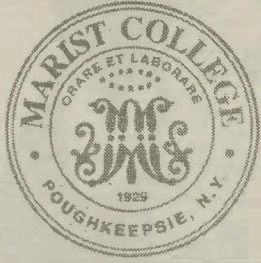
ducted by nationally known speaker and writer, Donald Asher. Students will be able to call in with questions and receive live feedback and advice. Topics during the conference included:

- How to identify your target schools.
 - How to manage your references.
 - How to research schools and then actually use the information.
 - How to write a winning essay.
 - How to avoid common errors.
 - How to get key people on your side.
 - Other points critical to success in graduate school applications.
- Asher has been a national

speaker and writer for the past ten years; he has spoken on topics of career and higher education such as interesting colleges in this country and the college choice process.

He is the author of eight books and frequently makes appearances on numerous college campuses. His latest book, *Cool Colleges: For Hyper-Intelligent, Self-Directed, Late Blooming, and Just Plain Different*, included facts and experiences from his two daughters who wrestled through their college-choice decision.

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Security Briefs



compiled by **ED WILLIAMS III**
Community Editor

Tuesday 9/17

A student was left scratching their head after being perplexed as to how a scratch appeared on their car. The student noticed the scratch on the 1993 white Honda after coming back from class in the Beck parking lot. The scratch is thought to have been produced by a key, but the scratcher is unknown.

Wednesday 9/18

A minor case of vandalism was reported in Sheahan at about 1:00 a.m. The screen on a window of the first floor looked to be cut. Entry was not gained, and the screen was repaired.

Wednesday 9/18

After failing to use conventional wisdom, two students tried to gain entry into Midrise at about 3:18 a.m. via the ground floor windows. Obviously not a fan of doors, the two students were spotted by the security guard on duty and sent back to their own dorms. There was no word on if they went back home through their windows or their door.

Friday 9/20

Fear not faithful security brief readers, the leg and arm of the wounded couch in Marion Hall have been fixed. However, in an unrelated incident, a hole 15-18 inches thick

and 6-8 inches wide was found in the wall of the second floor lounge at about 12:25 a.m. The assailant of the wall is still on the loose.

Saturday 9/21

At about 12:40 a.m., a student was spotted by the watchful eye of security walking through the tunnel and heading towards the river with a backpack. He was with a group of three other students, and due to a suspicion of alcohol, security performed a search of the backpack to find a bevy of tasty beverages. Six bottles of Bacardi Silver, 7 bottles of Mike's Hard Lemonade, 8 cans of Coors Light and a partial bottle of Southern Comfort were confiscated.

Sunday 9/22

A small gathering outside of Marion Hall was broken up by security after a suspicion of alcohol at about 11:00 p.m. By the time security joined the party, it appeared as though some of the students were able to dump out their alcoholic beverages. Six of the 12 students were found with alcohol, while the others just had good ol' fashioned soda pop.

Sunday 9/22

Perhaps inspired by an altercation in Champagnat last week, two non-Marist students jumped an off-campus Marist student outside of G-block in Gartland Commons at

about 1:14 a.m. The off-campus student apparently threw a stone at another group of people, which included the other two combatants, to get their attention. The two people involved in the altercation were not amused and suspected malicious intent. The gloves came off, and the punches were flying as a brouhaha broke ensued. The off-campus student suffered a broken nose in the melee, while the non-students were arrested by Town of Poughkeepsie Police.

Sunday 9/22

AAA Taxicab Services has apparently joined Marist and their fight against underage drinking on campus. A driver dropped off a student outside of the Old Townhouses. The student was carrying with him a freshly filled keg. The driver notified security of what the student had with him, and this led to the confiscation of the alcohol.

Sunday 9/22

Talmadge Court makes a rare appearance in the briefs this week, and they nearly averted the offense, too. Security was dispatched for an alcohol confiscation. When they arrived on the scene, they confiscated a tap-less keg, but it was nearly empty as the party seemed to be almost over already.



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Campus Corner



Join the fun at the Mardi Bob Hoe Bowl as The Marist Bowling Club kicks off its 2002-2003 league. \$6 will get you three games of bowling, transportation and shoe rental each week. The bus leaves weekly at 9:00 p.m. from Donnelly. Registrations for the club's league have begun. Go to <http://maristonline.com/bowling> to register. The deadline is Monday, Sept. 28 at 8:00 p.m. Call Secretary Ed Williams III at x4622 for more information.

Marist College Singers proudly presents a cancer benefit concert on Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002. The concert will take place at 8:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Donations are greatly appreciated. If you have any questions call the music department at x3232.

SPC presents Rusted Root with special guest Mike Doherty on Thursday, Sept. 26. Tickets are \$2 for students with a valid Marist ID. The show starts at 8:00 p.m., and

the doors open at 7:00 p.m.

Come dance the night away at Club Affairs' sponsored Dance-a-thon to benefit the American Red Cross. Music from the 1970's, 80's, 90's and today will fill the Student Center's rooms 348, 348A and 349 on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 7:00-11:00 p.m.

Attention all aspiring singers! Auditions for Singers' Night on Broadway, a fundraiser concert fea-

turing Broadway's most beloved show tunes, will be held Oct. 16 in the music department SC150 from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. All pieces must be from a Broadway show, the song must be memorized and totally prepared, and you must bring sheet music for your number. No CD's or tapes may be used. Call x3242 for more details.

Attention all psychology students! You are cordially invited to attend the Dunlap social, the psychology department's annual student/faculty social. The event will take place in Dr. Dunlap's home on Friday, Oct. 14 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Directions are available in the graduate lounge.

There will be a graduate school forum on Wednesday, Oct. 2 in the Cabaret from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. There will be representatives from over 50 graduate and professional schools in attendance to discuss their academic programs, admission procedures and financial assistance.

Support your campus radio station 88.1 WMCR. Student run shows have already begun. Tune in every Saturday from 1-3 p.m. for the Ed and Greg Shelton Spectacular and again on Sundays from 5-7 when they'll be joined by The Professor and A-Bomb for the best in sports

talk radio. Other shows to look for include Kim and Alisa's specialty show Saturdays from 3-5 p.m. and Summer's rotational show on Wednesdays from 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Parent's weekend is upon us, and the campus will be rockin' with great events to bring your folks to. Rockapella, of Where in the World is Carmen San Diego fame, will be performing in the McCann Center on Saturday, Sept. 28 at 9:00 p.m. Dean Simmons will be performing a Garth Brooks tribute on Friday, Sept. 27 at 9:00 p.m. in the McCann Center.

Hooked on Playstation 2 and X-Box? College Activities has the games for you. Available for the PS2 are NFL Primetime 2002, NHL 2002, Final Fantasy X and Tetris Worlds. Available for X-Box are NBA Live 2002, Triple Play 2002 and Legends of Wrestling.

Retraction:

In last week's edition, Marina's Pizzeria was left out of "Look no further for supplies and services: it's in your backyard."

Marina's Pizzeria can be reached at 486-5000

ATTENTION MARIST STUDENTS AND FACULTY!!!

EFFECTIVE MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

The Bank of New York will begin to exercise their right to have vehicles towed from the bank parking lot.

The Bank property is private property and customers and employees have preference to park there.

It is acceptable to park there in the evenings after the bank is closed and on the weekends.

The bank's hours are Monday-Friday 8:00-5:00 p.m.



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Students walk with enthusiasm to their five o'clock class.

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In his San-Francisco based firm, Asher Associates, he provides staffing assistance and career development to corporations, nonprofit organizations and colleges nationwide.

Asher has also been a featured

speaker for the National Association of Graduate Admissions Professions and the McNair Scholars National Convention on Undergraduate Research.

For more information about this once-a-year event, please contact

the Center for Career Services either by phone at extension 2843 or on the third floor of the Cannavino Library in Room 332. Space is limited; don't miss this opportunity to learn how to get into highly competitive schools.

Marist money accounts become more accessible

by **SARAH FELICICCHIA**
Staff Writer

As the end of the first month of school approaches, students have gotten used to spending their Marist Money and Thrifty Cash, but how much do they actually have left?

That question can easily be answered. Marist Money balances are now available to students online. From the dorm room, day or night, or during library or computer lab hours, any student with access to a computer and the Internet can follow these simple guidelines necessary to find their account information. Freshman Cassi Matos comments, "It is nice to see how much money I have left without having to leave my room. It will make it easier to keep track of my money and manage it better."

First, log on to www.marist.edu/maristmoney/. On the left-hand side of the screen, click on "Marist Money Statement." After accepting the agreement to protect Marist

account numbers and passwords, a to enter the K-account user name and password will appear.

Both Marist Money and Thrifty Cash plans are displayed, showing the original deposit into the account, the total spend on purchases, as well as the current balance. While the balances are updated weekly, there is no breakdown of where and when the money was spent.

"I'm glad that it is so easy to obtain my account balance and I can see how much I've spent, but I think it would be real helpful to have a breakdown of expenses," said Courtney Kretz, freshman. "Especially for students who are prone to over spending."

Cassi Matos, freshman, agrees. "It's nice to be able to see how much money I have left without having to leave my room."

Once finished, be sure to exit the web browser completely in order to prevent others from seeing your Marist Money statement. If there are problems, questions or comments about the statement, e-mail maristmoney@marist.edu.

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Disability rights honored

by *Editorial Staff*

The Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute, led by Marist College professor David Woolner, and the World Committee on Disability presented its sixth annual Franklin Delano Roosevelt International Disability Award to the Republic of Ecuador, for its dedication in protecting the rights of its disabled citizens on Thursday, September 19 at the United Nations. Christopher Reeve, Vice Chairman of the National Organization for Disability, was also on hand to fete Ecuador's accomplishment.

"I hope that you understand this token is in recognition of how grateful we are ... that you are still working so hard to include our minority, members of the disability community in your society," said the actor, who is most known for his work in Superman.

Anna Eleanor Roosevelt, granddaughter of the New Deal president, also played a key role in bestowing the honor to Ecuador.

"My grandfather proved the ability for a disabled person to positively benefit society," Roosevelt said. "He would have been proud to present this award to Ecuador today and I do so in his name."

Ecuadorian president Gustavo Naboa

journeyed to New York to accept this prestigious award, which had previously been awarded to the Republic of Korea, Canada, Ireland, Hungary, and Thailand. The award included a \$50,000 grant and a donation of one thousand wheelchairs from Kenneth Behring, founder of the Wheelchair Foundation. Other attendants included Ambassador William vanden Heuvel, co-Chair of

the FERI Institute, and Alan A. Reich, Chairman of the World Committee on Disability. Making a special appearance was Nane Annan, wife of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Secretary General Kofi Annan also expressed admiration for Ecuador's efforts to establish disability rights and become a global leader in this field. "Mr. President, yours was one of the first countries, not only in Latin America but worldwide, to include the rights of people with disabilities in its Constitution, and to provide legal instruments to uphold these writes," stated the Secretary's remarks, read by Chef de Cabinet S. Iqbal Riza,

"Participating in this ceremony lets people see that the United Nations, and other NGOs, do make a difference and are reflected in policy making around the world," said Marist student Jaclyn Jacobsen, who volunteered for the event. "Through this event, I was able to see first-hand how ef-



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Ecuadorian President, Gustavo Noboa, received the sixth annual Franklin Delano Roosevelt International Disability Award.



FEATURES

Helicopter rides bring students to new heights

by JAMIE WAJDOWICZ
Staff Writer

Have you ever dreamed about getting out of bed one night, and flying through the night sky to explore our campus in your pajamas? On Friday, September 20 students were given the opportunity to see a part of the Hudson Valley region from a new perspective.

The U.S. Marines came to the Marist campus to give free helicopter rides to students and distribute information on some of the various Marine programs.

"It was a real thrill, the pilot would dip it, she freaked us out," said senior Liz Sovern. "I had no idea half the stuff around here existed. The mental hospital looked really pretty from above." Junior Kelly Dooley agreed and said, "The helicopter ride was fun and is an opportunity many people do not get to experience."

This was not the first time heli-

copter rides were offered at Marist, but last year the weather was poor and may be deterred the number of student who intended to participate.

"I wanted to go last year, but it was raining before I got down here," said student Kimberly Cuccia before her ride. Afterwards Cuccia said, "This was a great experience, one that I will never forget. I can't wait to do it again in April!"

Captain Christopher Beasley and Lieutenant Balbo helped to support the program, along with helicopter pilot Mindy Rizer. The event, which was scheduled to take place near the McCann Center, had to be moved down by the boathouses because of the Wellness Fair. A fire engine was at the scene to make students feel more comfortable, and just in case any unforeseen complications occurred.

"We hope to get the word out

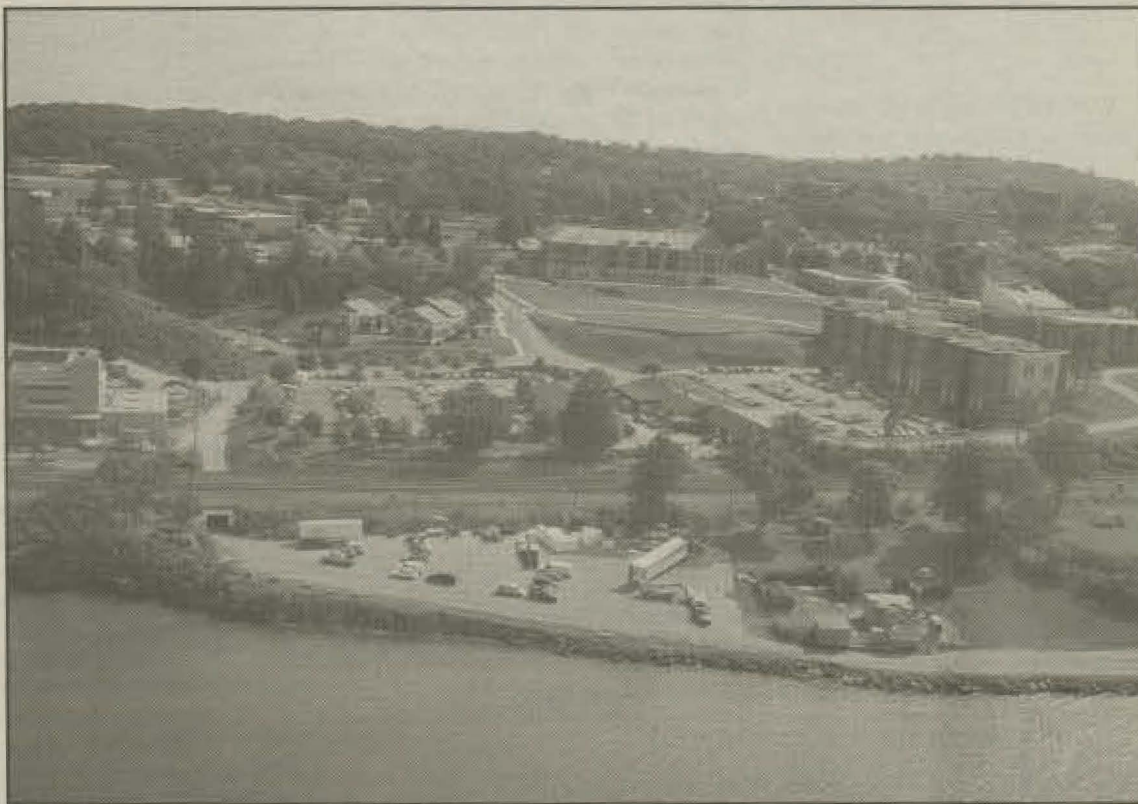


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The Marist campus was one of the many views seen from the U.S. Marine helicopter last Friday.



PHOTO CREDIT/CHRIS TOMKINSON

Students ready for flight by the Hudson River.

Class of 2006: Diverse, involved, intelligent

by ANGELA DEFINI
Staff Writer

Just who is the freshmen class of 2006? According to Coordinator of Admissions Jay Murray, as of September 20, there are 3,878 full-time traditional undergraduate students and 965 of them are first time entering freshmen.

"The most interesting fact about this year's class is that it is one of the most ethnically diverse that Marist has seen in years," said Murray. Also twelve percent of the freshmen represent a minority group, which is up two percent from last year.

The average SAT score for a 2002 Marist freshman was an 1156, which slightly exceeds the 2001 freshman average of 1149. The average freshman grade point average (GPA) was an 88 out of a total 100, surpassing last year's freshmen GPA of 87.8. This GPA is based on an average of the core academic classes students took in high school, not just on their overall career grade point averages.

"I feel that attending Marist was the best decision I ever made," said

Champagnat resident Melissa Bernardi. "There is always something to do and always new people to meet. When I talk to my friends that go to different colleges and ask them what their college is like, their answers really don't compare to how wonderful Marist is. I love it here."

Twenty-seven states are represented by the class of 2006, beating the count of 24 states represented by the class of 2005. Fifty-two percent of freshmen are from New York State. Murray also said the class has two international students.

Adjusting to a new academic schedule can add pressures to freshman year, but professors can help to make the transition smoother by sending out an encouraging vibe to students.

Freshman Lisa Varhue said she feels classes are going well and professors add to her positive perspective.

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about these Marine Officer Programs," said Beasley referring to training programs like pilot lessons and judge advocate courses.

The Marines bring their program to schools across the United States to encourage students to enlist. In the upstate New York region they also visit the campuses of Colgate University and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

"We requested permission to do this on campus and it's a good opportunity. For us, there is no

money, no payment involved," said Beasley.

Cpt. Beasley said they only hope to get the word out about Marine Officer Programs. Within the last year, five Marist students have enlisted in the Marines, some of which had come up and asked him about the programs and became interested.

"Through the generosity of the local Marines, I was able to take part in what few have ever experienced," said Junior Joe Armieri.

The Marines will be visiting the Marist campus again on Friday, October 12 this time bringing only the pull-up bar challenge. Forty-five seconds wins a water bottle and seventy seconds wins a T-shirt.

secondsseconds wins a T-shirt. rt/ "Pain is weakness leaving the body."

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Graduate School Forum

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Abroad students react to Sept. 11 anniversary

by STACEY CASWELL
Staff Writer

With the passing of the one-year anniversary of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11th having only just elapsed, the memorial embers of the disaster still glare with the force of a raging fire in the minds of not only United States citizens, but those worldwide.

People in more than 80 countries participated in international commemorations honoring those that perished as a result of the destructive suicide missions at the Pentagon, Pittsburgh and the Twin Towers in New York City.

Marist students that have traveled abroad this semester are having to commemorate the anniversary in their own way, far from the comfort of their own home.

"I just felt that I was missing out on part of the remembrance. The only way I felt connected was reading the newspapers," Kelly McCaig, a junior, studying abroad for a semester in Madrid, Spain. "I felt disconnected from everything that was occurring at both my home, with my family, and at college with my friends, in regards to the ceremonies that were being held. It was one time during my abroad experience that I really wished I could have been back in the US."

In Madrid, the City Hall organized a commemoration banner that was placed in a heavily populated plaza where people could sign notes of consolation to the victims and survivors of the attacks. The banner was later sent to New York City.

However it seems that other students studying abroad in Spain also felt as McCaig did, regardless of the planned events which were geared towards helping to aid in the grieving process that many are experiencing.

"I guess I just felt left out, especially in regards to the ceremonies that were occurring in the US," said Tim Nolan, a junior, who is also living in Madrid. "I wasn't in my country so I felt for everyone that was going through everything over there. Being here, I just didn't feel like I was in the right place and I got that same vibe from everyone that had come over to study from Marist. They just wanted to be home."

Throughout the world, throngs of mourners from all over the globe gathered together, from Amsterdam to Australia, to venerate and show their support for those who had lost loved ones in the violent strike of terror that has continued to torture America in its aftermath.

According to the National Public Radio, there was only one case of celebration in favor of September 11th. The anti-American movement

occurred when radical Muslims met to celebrate in North London at the Finsbury Park Mosque.

"I was actually a little afraid about being here because being an American in a foreign country you tend to be a target, and I didn't know how people were going to react and if they would feel happy or sad about it," Corredine said. "But it turned out that people were genuinely concerned and moved by it. It was in the papers and everything, which made me see that it was not just viewed as an American tragedy, but one that was worldwide," said Kerry Corredine, a student studying abroad for the year.

Caswell is currently studying in Madrid, Spain.

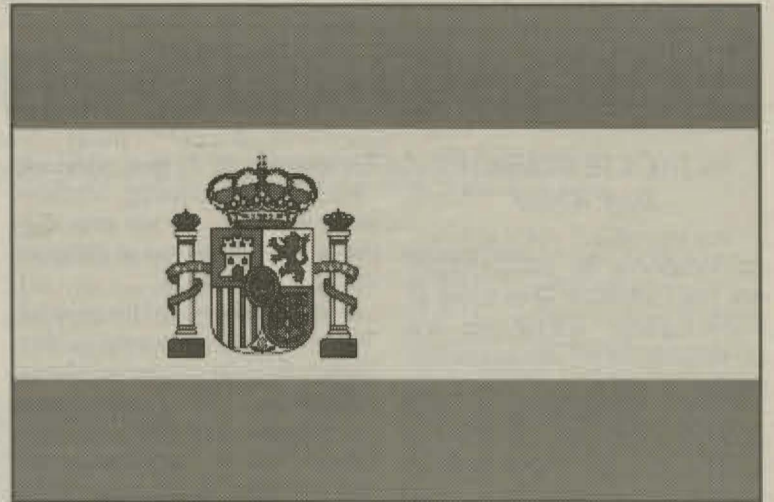


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Abroad students remember 9-11.

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In general, the freshman class of 2006 has begun life at Marist off to a strong start, showing a large interest in getting involved in the Marist community. Campus Ministry is the club showing the most

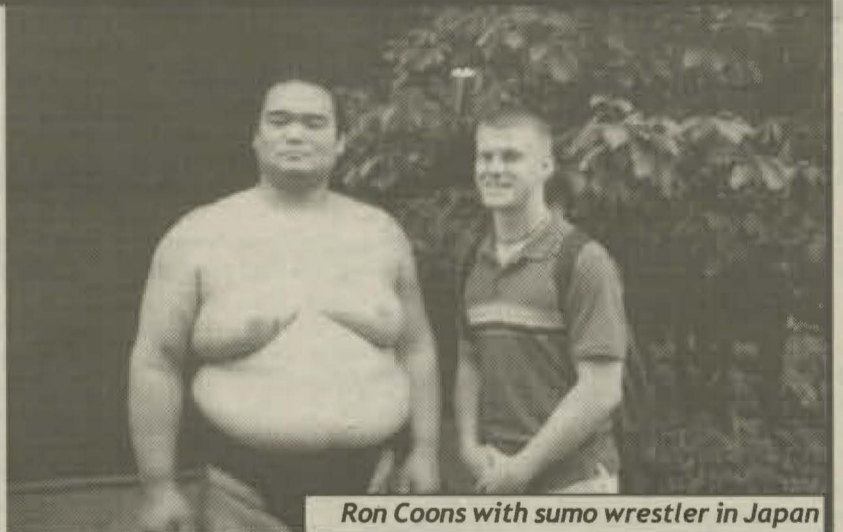
growth from interested freshman with 455 freshmen signed up.

Brother Frank Kelly, director of Campus Ministry, said this semester's number of participants is the largest Campus Ministry has ever seen. The welcoming meeting had to be split up because there was no location on campus large enough to hold all of the students interested.

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Ron Coons with sumo wrestler in Japan

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Anthony DiPalma and Eric Schleif in Switzerland



Alexis Valianos in England



Congress shall pass no law...abridging the freedom of speech or of the press.

Marist lacks in ethnic diversity

by JACKIE STASIUK
Staff Writer

"Are you white? Are you living comfortably in the middle class? Are you Catholic? Then come to Marist College. It's for you. It's an institution of homogenous people!"

Perhaps, that should be the new ad for the Marist Admissions website. I know it sounds awfully harsh, but consider it. Everyone you pass in route to class probably looks just like you. They probably dress like you. They probably talk like you (being that most of them come from Upstate New York, Long Island, Connecticut and New Jersey). And if you do have

the opportunity to pass someone of a different ethnicity, consider yourself lucky. It's not everyday that you see someone of different ethnicity on campus.

Where are the rest of the people? Where do they go to school? It's certain they do not go to Marist College.

I attended high school in West Orange, New Jersey where the total school population was approximately 1600 students. My graduating class was 376. The minorities, African Americans, Hispanics and Asians, outnumbered the white students. It was one of those schools where you could see someone new everyday. And it wasn't just someone new. It was some-

one of a different background, heritage and religion. It kept things interesting when high school began to become repetitive.

Being a part of a school where the student population was extraordinarily diverse taught me innumerable valuable lessons. But, perhaps the most prominent lesson I learned from West Orange High School was tolerance and appreciation of others. All of the students that graduated from my high school received two educations: one, obviously in academics, but another in cultural diversity. There is a world of people out there and they do not all come from the same place as you. Accept the differ-

ences and embrace them; learn from them.

I feel extremely fortunate to have received such an education. However, coming to Marist has made me realize that not everyone received this invaluable education. And perhaps the people that really missed out are the administrators of this institution.

As an institution of higher learning it is the duty of this college to provide its students with the best quality education it can provide. Education is not just academics. Students must be knowledgeable of the world around them.

Marist College is a sheltered campus. The lack of diversity here is alarming. I am frankly becoming

bored with seeing the same generic mold of people. It's fascinating to learn about other cultures and other ways of life. However, it's not learning this information out of a textbook that makes the difference in people. It's learning it from your peers. It's learning it through observation.

For those of you who did not graduate from high schools that were diverse, it's unfortunate that Marist College does not provide that type of environment. Experience people of other cultures and learn to appreciate them through tolerance. In a world today that is doomed by hatred and fighting, perhaps tolerance could be the key. Variety is the spice of life.

High national rankings lead to higher academic standards

by TIM DUGUAY
Staff Writer

Marist College has recently been ranked in the top 20 in academics within schools of the Northeast.

In fact, according to Tim Massie, from the Public Affairs office at Marist, they were ranked 18th out of 165 in schools within its category of private colleges. This is a major change from when I was a freshman, where you would be accepted with a 1050 on your SATs and have a B average. It now seems like Marist would be scar-

ing away potentially promising students with their new, higher academic standards.

Another part of me thinks that it is good that Marist is improving their standards and noticing that students coming into college are of a newer, more motivated breed. With the school growing in many different ways, I think that it would be wrong to let anything less than the brightest into the school. In an academic setting, it is best to have students who are motivated to learn, and with high academic standards needed to get into this school, I think it is a step in the

right direction.

It seems a little disheartening that less emphasis is being put on being a well-rounded student. I was always taught in order to get the most out of college; a social life needs to be included in the academic environment?

I propose the solution that if Marist is going to raise the academic standards of the school, they will also need to raise the standards for activities participated in while in high school. This could include: sports, community service, National Honor Society, etc. I can tell you from personal

experience that I did not have the best SAT scores, but I was involved in high school, and that is what earned me a spot where I am today.

College is becoming too much of a place where high school students are afraid to apply. It has parents and students taking a step back from taking tours and scouting out potential schools, and instead makes them wonder, is my child good enough for this school's standards?

Again I am not saying that Marist needs to take students with a 75 average throughout high school

and 850 on their SATs. All that I am suggesting is that college is not only classes but also an experience. So the next time admissions is wondering if they should choose a student with 1400 on their SATs and a 98 average or a student with 1150 on their SATs, an 85 average, and participated in several activities within their high school, think hard about who is going to contribute more to making the campus a better place to work and live. I'd

choose the latter.

Letters to the editor: Response to last week's articles

by STEPHANIE PIERCE
Staff Writer

This is in response to the article written about the Resident Assistants that participated in MTV's "I Bet You Will's" partially naked relay race across the Campus Green. I know things didn't exactly turn out the way they were supposed to and one of the R.A.s busted out of the box covering their "Family Jewels," but let's be serious. R.A.s are still students and want to have fun like any other student on a college campus. Don't get me wrong, I'm not saying I condone what happened, but punishing them just because they are R.A.s in a freshman dorm would be ridiculous.

Jackie Stasiuk was correct when she said, "Being an R.A., especially a freshman R.A., is a large responsibility." I know because I am currently an R.A. and was once one for a freshman dorm. She was also correct when said, "R.A.s are supposed to supervise and enforce administrative policies and regulations." However, they did nothing that violated those policies and

regulations, nor did they slack on the responsibility they have to their residents. Also, there is nothing in the student handbook that prohibits what they did, so no punishment should be administered. Punishment really can't be administered for such an act because, just like my Criminal Law professor teaches us, there has to be fair notice stating that something is wrong and stating the consequences behind it, which in this case was not done.

Jackie seems to be making more out of this situation than is really necessary. At least the R.A.s weren't running across the Campus Green drunk, which is clearly against this school's policies. President Murray may not have sent a memo around telling the freshman R.A.s to participate in the activities brought to campus by MTV's "I Bet You Will," but he sure didn't send one around prohibiting it either.

by CHRIS CAMP
Staff Writer

This is a reply to last week's Opinion Article written by Jackie Stasiuk:

I strongly feel that your opinion article was extremely out of line. For another RA, a peer if you will, to write something that harsh about your fellow RA is absolutely ridiculous. I just happened to have one of those RA's last year as a fresh-

man and not only was he a role model for all of us and someone who set down the law but he also befriended all of us and was someone we could look to for help or advise.

Most anyone else would jump at the opportunity to win \$100 to race naked across the green. Everyone had their laugh and found it amusing. There is absolutely no reason to suggest that they get punished. There is also no reason

to make this school set stricter and more conservative rules and regulations then it already has. If anyone should be punished it should be you for bad mouthing your fellow RA in the school newspaper. That is definitely weak.

Before you go judging the character of these "Free Bird" RA's maybe you should check out how they actually do their job. Some of them might be actually really good at what they do.

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Congress shall pass no law...abridging the freedom of speech or of the press.

Elections for Chancellor have global impact *Outcome may determine Middle East involvement*

by Scott Perrell
Staff Writer

For having once been considered an important staple in the NATO alliance, and among the most robust economies in the world; things are now changing in Germany.

Several political nightmares have hit German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder's Social Democrat party in recent weeks. A weakened economy, foreign policy blunders, domestic disagreement over the Iraq issue, and a very close election could spell big trouble for Leftists in Berlin.

Schroeder broke a major campaign promise for this week's election. Devastating unemployment has rocked the country, and Schroeder's Social Democrats failed to meet their goal of reducing the jobless ranks.

Some have drawn comparisons to the brutal Japanese fiscal situation. Despite their victory in the polls this week, one must wonder if the re-elected government can

really solve the problem, and if they cannot not, how much support will the conservative opposition gain.

The key for Schroeder's legislative agenda has to be a rekindling of the coalition between his Social Democrats and the Greens, who had their best showing in German history this week.

Should that agreement be renewed, Schroeder's coalition would have an eleven-seat majority over elements of the right (led by Chan-

cellor hopeful Edmond Stoiber). Before anything can get done, the Chancellor must decide how much

power to give the Greens - who received nearly 9% of the vote - in his cabinet, if any at all.

But Germany has even bigger fish to fry. Schroeder has come out in



(AP PHOTO)

strong opposition of America's resolution to invade Iraq - a position that might have actually

sealed his victory in the election. However, conservative elements in Germany are worried about U.S.-German relations. And they have every right to be concerned, after a departing German foreign minister made allusions to George W. Bush acting like Hitler, in reference to his proposed policy on Iraq. That minister has resigned after the gaffe and numerous members of the Bush administration expressed their outrage over the alleged comment this Sunday on the

morning talk shows. So what are the implications to all of this? Last week I came out in

support of Bush's resolution to invade Iraq, so long as there was multilateral support in Europe. Schroeder's re-election all but assures German non-participation. But if the conservatives can rally the public to Bush's side, a messy situation might develop in Germany.

Meanwhile, Bush will continue to seek the support of the German military in the Gulf, probably escalating the German debate over Iraq.

But what about the future? America is mighty angry about the "Hitler" comment. If the military effort in Iraq were a "go", Germany sitting out would hurt relations even more. In Bush's eyes, the wrong man was elected, the wrong policy stance is being advocated, and the wrong rhetoric is coming from the German foreign ministry. The conservatives in Germany are worried that US-German relations are at their worst in 50 years. And they're right. Will Schroeder do something, or has America become that unimportant to him?

Standards should not be different

by JAMES J. SKEGGS
Opinions Editor

There have been articles published recently, implicating that at least seven New York Met baseball players smoked marijuana this season. Well this must be the end of the word and it's obviously worth publishing and being aired on Sportscenter, right? ... I say definitely not!

Nobody should care whether or not these professional athletes smoke certain substances, either on or off the field. They are regular people just like you and me, they're not your role models, so can do whatever it is that they want to do: it's their life.

We just pay money to see them play baseball. I want to see them hit homeruns and make spectacular diving catches. I don't want to know if they get high, or are attracted to the same sex, and in fact partake in an intricate study of the layout of their dining room.

Who cares if Mike Piazza is gay, I certainly don't. Good for him, just remind me to walk away if he puts his arm around me at the bar and gives me a wink. A person's personal life has nothing to do with me and it is certainly not worthy of being published in any form of print media. Write about things they do for the community or even if they get arrested, but don't lecture me on their lifestyle.

If these guys want to get 'elevated to new levels' on their own

time, then I say go for it. Pictures were recently published of pitcher Grant Roberts, smoking out of a bong (a device used to smoke marijuana to all who do not know).

The pictures were taken when he was 21 years old and playing baseball in the minor leagues. Now let me ask you how these pictures are relevant to his professional career at the present time, four years later. He was still a kid then, the same age as many of the students here at Marist, and he was hanging out with his friends. I don't think that it holds any weight at all four years later, especially when it's his own personal business.

Some people raise the question of these athletes being role models for young children. Yet, these were kids who grew up in our commercialized society and thus became a product of it. They didn't have any part in creating this society; they were simply born into it just like you and me. Society taught them that playing in the Major leagues was a dream worthy of chasing, and that if they were really lucky then they might one day be able to call themselves professional ballplayers.

So we raise them to dream of making it big, then when they get close to being good enough these corporate teams reel them in like fish with hundred dollar bills at the ends of their hook as bait. Most young people could not turn offers like this down, so they accept them and become professional athletes and begin getting paid to perform.

My question is where along the line did they sign something saying that they now forfeit their rights to being a human being. They didn't ask to be that talented and they shouldn't have to give up being normal. People pay to watch them play a game that they are really good at and that is where it should stop. They don't owe the public anything; especially having to hold themselves to being perfect, model citizens.

If you don't like what they do on their own time then don't buy a ticket pal, stay home and watch the Home shopping network. But wait, Martha Stewart is a crook, Enron executives are hustlers, and the President cheats on his wife...so where's your role model located now.

The bottom line is that if you want you're kids to have a role model, then look no further than in your bathroom mirror. Teach them to be a fan of the sport and to root their favorite player on when he's actually playing the game. Then when they're at home they should try and model their lives after mom and dad. Let the baseball players play their game and either like it or don't like it, just don't waste my time writing about Met's smoking weed. Be a real sport's writers and tell me about hitting slumps, homeruns, pennant chases, and just let me be a fan, not a judge and a jury.

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Rusted Root set to rock out Marist

by ALLISON KELLER
A&E Editor

After over a decade of playing truly original and creative music, Rusted Root is invading the Marist campus.

Budding in 1990 and finally blooming in 1992, Rusted Root made their start like any other band. Michael Glabicki, Jenn Wertz, Liz Berlin, Jim Donovan, Patrick Norman, and John Buynak started out playing for small venues of 100 to 200 people.

"It was a great experience," said Professor Brad Freeman. "People were looking to buy our CDs. We didn't even have a CD out."

Freeman, a current Professor at Marist College, was with the band when they were just getting started. To assist the band on their way to stardom, Freeman started a small independent label called "Blue Duck Records," so Rusted Root could supply the demand for CDs after their shows.

The band signed to Mercury Records in 1994, and has since then signed to their current label of Island Records. Island Records is also the label of Daniel Bedingfield, singer of the latest smash hit "If Only I Could Through This," and

Sum 41.

Through the years, since their conception, Rusted Root has evolved as a band.

"They have remained somewhat true to their original sound, just more refined," says Freeman. Like any other band, Rusted Root has come to recognize the requirements and demands that the professional music industry can press upon any band.

The Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania natives teamed up with Bill Bottrell to create their fourth album. "Welcome To My Party" is the follow up to the wildly successful 1994 album, "When I woke."

On this album, Rusted definitely has a new sound. Unlike previous albums, "Welcome To My Party" is completely lacking drums. However, a fresh new techno sound

or drastic their music changes, there is one thing that remains the same about the rock icon: they're unstoppable live show presence.

"They have remained, throughout the passed decade, as one of the top live bands in the country," affirmed Freeman, "Rusted Root has not lost the 'WOW' quality that they started with."

Rusted Root has become an American fixture throughout pop-culture. Their song, "Send Me On My Way," can be heard on movie soundtracks such as *Ice Age* and *Twister*. However, they have not failed to recognize the importance of having a good sound.

After a year hiatus, Rusted Root is back and better than ever. With a strong fan base, it can only be expected that Rusted Root will be making music for a long time to come.

"A song is an organism that has a history and has different meanings to many different people," says Rusted Root lead singer, Michael Glabicki, as quoted on www.islandrecords.com "Those people attach themselves to this organism and because of that, it's a ritual, a way to jointly go places."

Come enjoy the organism as Rusted Root lets the creative juices flow on September 26, 2002. Yes, that is tonight. To acquire a ticket to see "one of the top live bands in the country" perform in the McCann Center at 9 p.m., stop by the College Activities Center, located in the Student Center. Special guest, Michael Doughty, will be warming up the stage.

Don't pass up this once in a lifetime opportunity.



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reigns throughout several songs. The Rusted Root website quotes band member, Jim Donovan as saying, "I had just started to use my computer as a brand new instrument and it opened me up to a zillion rhythmic possibilities I could have never played on my own."

However, no matter how minute



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Flight School soars again

by ERIK VINCELETTE
Staff Writer

To take on the task of writing about an increasingly popular band on campus, Flight School, one has to start by saying "wow!" They are just that good. A Modern Day Beatles...with a kick.

The band, made up of members Steve Black, Travis Winkley, Jeff Berner, Dave Geschwendt, and Marc Capaldo, are soon to become the band to see in the area. They have already played several shows this year. They were back in action again on Sunday night, taking part of the WMCR Marist Radio sponsored show in the Cabaret. This performance was amazing, to say the least. Anyone who found themselves among the unlucky to have missed such an amazing performance should be ashamed. But relax, Flight School will play again Wednesday night at the Croft Corner Café.

This highly entertaining, devoted, and musically talented group of Marist students is well on the way to stardom. The band play cover songs like they have never heard before. Stunningly accurate, *Flight School* adds a twist of personal influence. They also have a wide selection of original songs that they play throughout their never ending tour of Poughkeepsie and surrounding areas.

A band like this has never been heard before. With the unprecedented arrangement of four guitar players, *Flight School* makes music so pleasing to the ear that it is physically impossible to keep away once one has heard them. Add to that a keyboard, a harmonica, a drummer, who could show up the music fields finest, and a lead singer, that would give Steven Tyler a run for the money, and there it is: the five-member band of Flight School. Yes, it is an awful lot for only five members to

do, but this is not ordinary group. This is the most dedicated band that one will ever have the pleasure to follow or to come in contact. When they are not studying, they are practicing. When they are not practicing, they are performing one of there many shows.

The Band even has a website (www.flightschoolmusic.com) and music loaded onto mp3.com for the listener's enjoyment. On their site, one can download some of their music, see pictures, biographies, and so much more. There are links, and they even have a page for upcoming gigs they are playing with directions to the venue. So jump on the net and check out the website. The bandwagon is filling up with every show they perform. So, come see a Flight School Show.

Black Box presents

by ALLISON KELLER
A&E Editor

For the first time since its construction, the Black Box theatre is ready to be the location for the performances of the works of Marist students.

Located in Fontaine Hall, the Black Box theatre has been used as a simple classroom. Now, two years after lots of hard work, the theatre will finally be used to direct, produce and perform plays and skits done by Marist students.

"Everyone is trying to use the space in Student Center, such as the Nelly Golletti theatre," says Professor Matthew Andrews, an Acting teachers. "This is a space the is purely dedicated to the students."

While most of the perfor-

mance spaces throughout the campus seem to prioritize faculty and adult performances over those of the students, the Black Box theatre is looking to do just the opposite.

Professor Andrews has teamed up with English instructor, Don Anderson, to open the Black Box theatre to any student interested in organizing an original piece of work.

This is an important concept in the Marist community. As such, it should be applauded and supported. By supporting the work and ideas of student striving to be heard, the future of the Black Box theatre will continue to look hopeful.

Those interested in organizing an event for the theatre can contact Professor Andrews or Anderson for more details.

Upcoming events in the Black Box Theatre...

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'02 Summer blockbusters sizzle

by **PAULLUKASON**
A&E Contributor

Summer movies are a time of year that I usually look forward to. The season usually kicks off officially Memorial Day weekend. This year, however, it started a little earlier with *Spiderman* on May 3.

I'll be the first to admit that I'm a movie nerd. I have been following the production status of *Spiderman* since its conception. Since cult master Sam Raimi and Tobey Maguire were attached to the project, I have followed it even more intently. The asinine David Koepp adapted *Spiderman* from the Stan Lee original comic book. Koepp has a tendency to butcher books and other written works. He does butcher the comic book somewhat, however, he seems to make the right adjustments in the right places to make the story more interesting and exciting. This may be the picture he redeems himself with. Maguire is the perfect fit for Peter Parker. All those doubters out there can eat their own words. Kirsten Dunst is her typical dunce self as Mary Jane. Willum Dafoe lends just enough charisma to the Green Goblin to make him work. This is the picture that shows the rest of the world that Raimi is the real deal and a wonderful director. Overall, this is what fans of *Spiderman* have been waiting for. Also, look for a cameo by the greatest B-movie actor of all time, Bruce

Campbell.
Grade: A-

I also had the pleasure of watching *Undercover Brother*, a comedy that most of America was unable to see because they were sick that day. Typecast Eddie Griffin plays our hero, Undercover Brother. The movie plays on pop-culture wit and falls heavily on racist jokes that are quite funny and don't seem to nudge people the wrong way. Look for equal opportunity employers in the last possible place you would find one. *Undercover Brother* is attempting to save the world from "The Man,"



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an evil antagonist looking to take over the world. Look for this absolutely hysterical movie when it comes to video. It will delight everyone.
Grade: B+

The prize piece of the summer was definitely *Road to Perdition*. The dynamite duo of Tom Hanks and Paul Newman is unparalleled. They lend amazing character and charisma to their evil characters. Jude Law also lends his wonderful

talent to the screen. The film is the sophomore effort of Sam Mendes, whose previous film was *American Beauty*. It is usually difficult to notice direction in a movie, but this is an exception. Mendes' direction is one of the best I have seen in a long time. For only being his second movie, he certainly has a great deal of understanding and talent for film. Look for *Road to Perdition* to almost certainly sweep the Oscars come next year. For once, this is a deserving film of such a high achievement.
Grade: A-

This next film was my favorite of the summer, *Minority Report*. The movie stars Tom Cruise, and is directed by Steven Spielberg. Spielberg's previous effort was the misinterpreted *AI: Artificial Intelligence*. Spielberg crafts a wonderful story that not only amuses, but entertains as well. Newcomer Colin Farrell lends his amazing abilities to make Cruise's performance much more powerful. *Minority Report* seems to almost suffer the same fate as *AI*, as the movie could have been shortened by 30 minutes. Spielberg had a trivial ending, but further pursued to achieve the ever-sought-after Hollywood Ending. While not a major downfall, it is a minor flaw that goes unnoticed by several. I am hoping that *Minority Report* will give *Perdition* a run for its money come Oscar time.
Grade: A

When I first heard of a live action version of *Scooby-Doo*, my body cringed. I really neglected to give it a chance. However, my uncle, being the long time Doo fan that he is, saw the movie and eventually convinced me to go see it. The movie is quite predictable, yet has a surprise ending. However dumb and stupid one might think



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this movie is, it can be quite charming and funny. Freddie Prinze Jr., Mathew Lillard, Sarah Michele Gellar (Buffy) and Linda Cardellini play the Scooby Gang in a quite convincing portrayal of the cartoon version of the same name. The movie did quite well at the box office, which nowadays means only one thing: sequel. All I hope is that Warner takes their time and does the sequel right.
Grade: B-

The generally overlooked *Lilo & Stitch* is a wonderful example of how Disney still has its magic. The movie may follow the stereotypical plot path of most Disney movies, but this one is genuinely

unique. While most Disney movies have clear-cut good guys, and bad guys, *Stitch* is the bad guy that plays on the audience's good emotions. Tia Carrera and Ving Rhames are the notables who lend their voices to this wonderful story, which may serve as a new generation's version of *ET*.
Grade: A

There is one movie that I can't forget about - *Star Wars Episode II: Attack of the Clones*. I know everyone has seen the movie, so I will skip the plot synopsis. The story of Clones is one of Lucas' best. However, Lucas still lacks the ability to write dialogue without awkwardness and being clunky. My advice for Lucas is to take someone aboard to assist him in writing *Episode III*. Lucas' ability to interweave characters and back-stories is good, but he needs help with his dialogue. This movie is also an example of good special effects. An interesting tidbit is that none of the clone troopers were real. They were all digitally created. Look for *Episode III* in 2006.
Grade: B

While this summer was an above average season for movies, look for an even better Fall into the Christmas season with *Red Dragon*, *The Transporter*, *Finding Nemo*, *Harry Potter 2*, *The Two Towers*, *Dreamcatcher*, *Gangs of New York* and many more.

Hart stirs laughs

by **SARA STEVENS**
A&E Contributor

Comedian Kevin Hart brought his jocular style to Marist College last Saturday. At 9 p.m., Hart stepped on stage, in front of a crowd that rolled with laughter for hours to come.

From the very start, Hart warned the audience that anyone with a sensitive ear might be offended by his jokes. Hart reminded the audience that "it is all in good fun."

With the audience fastened into the seats of the Cabaret, Hart did everything, but offend the vast majority of the audience. While the jokes told Saturday, September 21, were not for the conservative, no one seemed to mind that much. The laughs reflected the attitude of the audience.

"He is hysterical. I was a little nervous when he warned us. I was like 'Oh no. What am I in for?'" confessed Junior Paul Miller.

However, like many others, Miller stayed in his seat. Okay, so the audience members did not exactly stay in the seats.

Hart had them rolling on

the floor with laughter in response to Hart's take on midgets, Caucasians, unintelligent children, and the citizens of Poughkeepsie.

The program, sponsored by the Student Programming Council, was yet another successful activity. The majority of those in attendance raved about the comedy show for days to come.

"It was definitely a great time provided by the Student Programming Council," said freshman Tracy Bock, "I hope that there are more to come."

For the month of October, the SPC has more planned to tickle the Marist student's funny bone.

Comedian Bill Burr is making a pit stop at Marist on October 4, 2002. Look to the month of November for comedian Alexandra McHale to be stopping by on November 1, 2002, as well as Buzz Sutherland on November 16, 2002. Meshelle Foreman will be cracking up the Marist campus on November 22. Keep an eye on the calendar for more to come.

All things considered, a thumbs up to the SPC for yet another successful event. The Marist community looks forward for more to come.

Men In Black goes Green

by **DEBBIE SAWICKI**
A&E Contributor

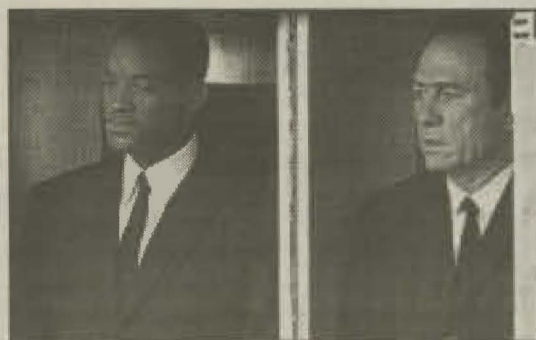
If a student wanted to get the most bang for his or her buck last Thursday night, the outdoor movie was the place to be. The SPC and College Activities teamed up once again to deliver a successful night on the Green. The movie, *Men in Black II*, was premiered cost-free. All that was needed for this free, fun event was something on which to lie or, perhaps, someone with whom to cuddle.

With a 9 P.M. start time, MIIB made an impact with the crowd. With an attendance record higher than that of *Spiderman* or *Harry Potter*, the Student Programming Council and College Activities is soaring on the unexpected success. A definite smash hit, the "Movies on the Green" concept will be one that will hopefully stick around for a while to come.

The outdoor movie idea, after all, was a crowd pleaser. The crowd was impressed with the fact that *Men in Black II* has yet to come out on video.

"I think it's awesome because it's a movie that's not out on video, so it's not like you could go out and rent it," exclaimed sophomore Diana M. Clark, "You can only see it here."

"*Men in Black II*" was playing down at the Hyde Park Drive-in only a few weeks ago. Movie goers would have to pay about six



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dollars for admission as well as an additional hunk of cash for concession food. However, at the weekly Movie on the Green, a student can come in his or her pajamas for free and enjoy the same kind of atmosphere, minus screaming five year olds and people kicking the back of chairs. Also, compliments of the co-sponsors, free soda and free popcorn are pro-

vided. Unless a student has a sweet tooth or a craving for chocolate, the Movie on the Green proves to be the best deal for the starving college student.

With the success of Movies on the Green, students keep cheering for more. Although October brings in the cold weather, another movie is likely to be shown sometime in the next two weeks. With Halloween right around the corner, Sarah Dowling hopes to "show something scary."

This original and innovative idea is getting rave reviews, especially after the showing of *Men in Black II*. It is refreshing to see that steps are being taken to increase the amount activities that are happening on campus.

"I think it's a totally good thing because it's something new and different on campus," cheered Sophomore Marissa Koch.

Try not to miss October's Movie. It will most likely be the last one until the spring. Bring a blanket and show support for a new Marist College activity. It is only with the support and praise of the students that events such as these can occur.



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The ABC's of a losing season: What went wrong for the Mets

by Scott Desiere

Suddenly it all became clear - the New York Mets' losing season can be blamed on a few guys smoking marijuana. Yup, one of the most disappointing seasons from one of the most underachieving teams in recent memory, and Mets fans everywhere were willing to chalk it up to pot. Unfortunately for the Mets and their brass, it is not that simple, and their problems are not that easily solved.

So what went wrong in 2002 for those New York Mets? Well, it's as simple as ABC.

A is for Ace, as in the type of pitcher the Mets do not have. When the Braves or Yankees or Diamondbacks go on a losing streak, they roll out an ace pitcher, a Clemens or a Schilling or a Maddaux. Losing streak over. The Mets have no ace, no one to stop the streaks. And in 2002, they got pretty long.

B is for Benitez, as in the Mets closer. You need a meaningless save in May against the Padres, and he is money in the bank. You need a big save in a pressure spot,

and he never fails to fail. The game he blew in the front end of a doubleheader with the Diamondbacks was a back-breaker, and it sent the Mets on a tailspin they did not recover from.

C is for Clue, as in what Jeremy Burnitz did not have at the plate all year. It's not just that he did not hit the homers or drive in the runs. It's that he looked utterly helpless at the plate, like a child trying to hit major league pitching. By mid-May, he had no chance.

D is for Disinterest, as in what was shown by Roberto Alomar all year long. The Mets thought they were acquiring an all-around superstar that would make their lineup go. But Alomar never seemed to care, not for a minute, and his production went the way of his interest. Down.

E is for Errors. The Mets infield made way too many of them.

F is for Fat. Mo Vaughn, please stand up. Ok, now sit down you waste.

G is for Great, as in the way the Braves played all year. Atlanta's

early summer rampage completely psyched the Mets out.

H is for Hammered, as in what happened to Scott Strickland every time the Mets brought the right-handed set-up man into the game.

I is for Intimidated, and ever since the arrival of Bobby Valentine, the Mets failure to protect batters that were thrown has set a precedent that the Mets can be intimidated.

J is for Joke, as in what Shawn Estes was. The gutless puke did not have the courage to hit Roger Clemens, or the ability to throw a strike. Which one hurt the Mets more is debatable. The best thing he ever did for the team was get traded.

K is for Kind, as in what the Mets leaders are to a fault. Nobody stepped up and got in the team's face to challenge it when things began to go south. Criticize Keith Hernandez all you want, the Mets need a leader like he was.

L is for Leiter, as in the guy the Mets were counting on to be an ace. He just did not come through when needed.

M is for Massive, as in Mo Vaughn's weight. And yes, he deserves to be picked on twice.

N is for Nothing, as in what Mike Piazza has left in the tank. This much is true. Piazza can be the Mets best hitter, or their catcher. He can no longer be both.

O is for Offense, and for the second year in a row, the Mets did not get enough to win.

P is for Pathetic, as in the way Roger Cedeno plays leftfield. Catch the ball you idiot.

Q is for quiet, as in the way the Mets are on the base paths. They are slow, don't steal, and it takes three hits minimum to score a run.

R is for Rodriguez, as in Alex Rodriguez. Fred Wilpon got cheap at the worst possible time, and because of it, the Mets will have to watch a man who desperately wanted to play for them re-write baseball history for another team.

S is for Short, as in where the ball landed every time Mike Piazza tried to throw it to second. Stolen bases were so easy for Mets opponents this year.

T is for Timò, as in Timo Perez, and this has nothing to do with anything, but why the hell wasn't he running hard in Game 1 of the Subway Series. Cost us the game!

U is for...ahhh what the heck, while I'm on the subject, I hate Derek Jeter. And all of his teammates and his family. And anyone that has ever worn a Yankee uniform, except Paul O'Neill and Robin Ventura.

V is for Ventura, speaking of Robin. His leadership was sorely missed in the Mets clubhouse.

W is for Worn, as in worn out, as in what happened to Pedro Astacio's arm at the end of the summer.

X is for nothing. There is nothing for X.

Ditto for Y.

Z is for Zero. This one pretty much sums things up. From the offense, to the pitching, to the coaching staff, to the front office and beyond, for the New York Mets, 2002 was a big zero.

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than the team won all of last season.

The 2001 Foxes went 3-23 overall and 0-9 in the MAAC.

In 2000, the Foxes were victorious only once all season.

This year's team is characterized by plenty of youth. There are no

seniors on the nine-player roster and only one junior, Christine Brozek.

In fact, second-year head coach Sarah Watters, has made an obvious attempt to completely rebuild

a program that has struggled for several years.

There are six freshmen, which is an astonishing 67% of the roster.

Entering this season, Courtney Pusko, Brozek and dos Santos -

the team's lone veteran's - combined for 78 matches of experience.

Marist next plays at Syracuse September 28 and Binghamton September 29.

NFL picks by the experts (sort of)

The Guys Who Talk About Sports...and Entertainment



Scotty (5-9)



Drex (10-4)



Shiek (5-9)



Mr. Director (7-6)



Pete (7-7)

Favorite	Line	Underdog	Scotty (5-9)	Drex (10-4)	Shiek (5-9)	Mr. Director (7-6)	Pete (7-7)
Miami	3	KANSAS CITY	Chiefs	Dolphins	Chiefs	Dolphins	Dolphins
BUFFALO	3	Chicago	Bears	Bears	Bears	Bears	Bears
New Orleans	7	DETROIT	Saints	Saints	Lions	Lions	Lions
GREEN BAY	7	Carolina	Packers	Panthers	Packers	Packers	Packers
JACKSONVILLE	3 1/2	New York Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets
PHILADELPHIA	20 1/2	Houston	Texans	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Texans
PITTSBURGH	6 1/2	Cleveland	Steelers	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns
Dallas	even	ST. LOUIS	Rams	Rams	Rams	Rams	Rams
New York Giants	3	ARIZONA	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants
Tampa Bay	7	CINCINNATI	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs
OAKLAND	6 1/2	Tennessee	Raiders	Raiders	Titans	Titans	Raiders
New England	3	SAN DIEGO	Patriots	Chargers	Patriots	Chargers	Chargers
SEATTLE	3	Minnesota	Vikings	Seahawks	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
Denver	7 1/2	BALTIMORE	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos

The Circle sports department is looking to do a special weekly section dedicated to official club sports. If you are involved with any official club teams, such as men's volleyball and rugby or you are trying to get a club started such as golf or field hockey, our section would like to hear from you. We would like to cover one club team each week to increase attention on campus to teams that students may not know about. Please contact Pete at x5687 or Paul at x5830 for more info. Thank you

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Football team looks to get back to winning ways against Wagner

by PETER PALMIERI
Sports Editor

After suffering a 36-0 setback against Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) foe Duquesne, the Marist College Red Foxes will be looking to get back on a winning streak against Wagner on Saturday.

The loss was the team's first on the year and prevented the team from going 3-0 for the first time since the 1989 season.

Marist last played Wagner during the 2000 season, with the Red Foxes outlasting the Seahawks 34-31.

Wagner is 3-0 on the season, posting victories over two MAAC teams, La Salle and Iona, as well as

a 17-14 victory over Stony Brook.

Seahawk Leaders

Wagner is led by running back Chris Davis, who has rushed for 260 yards in three games (5.3 yards/carry). David Bateman has been behind center for the Seahawks the last two games and has been impressive, completing 15 of 22 passes and throwing for three touchdowns.

On the other side of the ball, the Wagner defense leads the Northeast Conference (NEC) in rushing defense, allowing just 52.7 yards/game on the ground. The team also leads the NEC in scoring defense, allowing 21 points in three games.

Red Fox Leaders

For Marist, its steady ground attack suffered a setback against league-leader Duquesne. The team, which averages 232 yards on the ground per game, managed a mere 17 yards on 27 carries against the Dukes. Chris Price, who leads the MAAC in rushing with 113.7 yards per game and 6.4 yards per carry, totaled 13 yards on seven carries last week, while teammate Alfred Riullano (82 yards/game; 5.2 yards/carry) ran for 10 yards on 10 carries.

Kevin Bielen completed six passes for 23 yards.

Last Time They Met

Marist and Wagner have faced each other eight times, dating back to the 1992 season. Both teams

have four victories, but Marist has won four of the last five meetings.

In the last meeting between the two teams, Marist escaped with a

victory when John Corneliusen hit Sean Stellato in the endzone with :45 left in the game. Price had a 26-yard touchdown in the game.

Szefc to leave Marist

After spending seven seasons coaching the Marist baseball team, head coach John Szefc is leaving his post and taking a position with the University of Louisiana-Lafayette program.

Szefc will be taking the position of top assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at the UL-Lafayette. Last year, the Ragin' Cajuns finished 17th in the nation and 15th in attendance. UL-Lafayette plays in the Sun Belt division.

Szefc who began coaching the

team in 1996, led the Red Foxes to four NCAA appearances. He owns a career record with Marist of 212-137 and one tie. During his run, the baseball teams has won three consecutive Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) titles and have won at least one game in the NCAA tournament each time they competed.

Last season, the team won a school record 41-wins before being defeated in the NCAA Regional.

-Paul Seach

Women's volleyball improves on last year's win total

by SCOTT MONTESANO
Staff Writer

After winning their first match, the Red Foxes women's volleyball team went on to lose it's next three at the Marist Invitational at the McCann Center last weekend.

All-Tournament team selection Aline dos Santos paced the Foxes over the two days of matches with 51 kills and 42 digs. The sophomore from Sao Paulo, Brazil was the lone Red Fox to earn a spot on the all-tournament team.

Freshman setter Meghan Cochrane had 118 assists, while freshman libero (defensive specialist) Jennafer Espie added 46 digs for the Foxes.

Marist opened the invitational with a 3-0 win over LaSalle on September 20, outscoring the Explor-



PHOTOCREDIT/Chris Donatone
Marist volleyball players celebrate a point during last weekend's Marist Invitational Tournament. The team went 1-3 at the tournament

ers 90-78 to pick up the sweep.

Dos Santos had a 12-kill, 12-dig, double-double effort in the victory.

However, this turned out to be

losses on September 21 to Hartford and Akron.

The Akron Zips went on to win the tournament with

the Foxes only victory of the tournament.

Army defeated the Foxes 3-1 later in the day.

The Foxes then wrapped up the tournament with a pair of 3-0

a 4-0 record. Tournament Most Valuable Player Sandy Lewis led Akron with 55 kills and a .300 hitting percentage.

Marist went 1-3 on the weekend leaving the Foxes at 4-11 overall, however every match has been a non-conference affair thus far. Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) action does not start until Oct. 2 when Marist hosts Rte. 9 rival Siena.

Even with a sub .500 record, the four wins for the 2002 Foxes is more

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Last week, a headline in the sports section read, "Football looking for first 3-0 start in program's history."

In 1989, the football team began the season 3-0 and went on to finish the year with a 5-5-1 record. We apologize for the error

Tennis team off to successful start

by PAUL SEACH
Assistant Sports Editor

The Marist men's tennis team kicked off its season this past week playing against Wagner College and by participating in the Brown Invitational tournament.

Playing at the Dutchess Racquet Club, the tennis team hosted Wagner College and cruised through the event, winning 6-1.

In singles matches, number one Pat Hofer defeated Wagner's John Pruett 6-1, 6-0. In number two singles David Slater was victorious against Stan Johnson winning by the score of 6-1, 6-0. Sophomore Mike Nassif had little trouble defeating Brandon Sogluizzo, winning 6-0 and 6-0.

The Marist men's team took all the doubles matches, led by the number one team of Martin Aldorsson and Hofer winning 8-5, while Slater and Alain Boletta won 8-3. Nassif and Viktor Sapezhnikov won by default.

This past weekend the men's team participated in the Brown Invitational in Providence, Rhode Island.

In the main draw, Hofer won the consolation match against Cesar Andrede of Iona 4-6, 7-6 (7-5) and 10-6. Aldorsson won the A4

singles by defeating Dartmouth's Logan West 6-4, 6-3.

In doubles Aldorsson and Hofer got revenge on an old foe defeating Anderson and Slattery of Boston College 8-3. The Marist doubles team beat Dartmouth's two after dropping both matches in as many outings.

Marist head coach Tim Smith was pleased, especially since many victories were against tough schools including Dartmouth and Harvard. Playing Harvard is nothing new for Marist considering it was Harvard that handed Marist an early exit from the NCAA tennis tournament last year.

"This is the most wins our team has had in the four years of

participating in this tournament," Smith told goredfoxes.com.

Next for the team is a trip to Storrs, Connecticut to compete in the UCONN tournament on September 27-28.

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