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Marist students provide security for Olympics in Atlanta

by LEAH SHELTON
Staff Writer

Senior Matt Halicy commuted 22 hours to work this summer. He was one of 35 criminal justice majors from Marist who worked security at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta.

According to John Doherty, assistant professor of criminal justice at Marist, the students were required to arrive in time for opening ceremonies on July 19.

They were given a choice of being paid \$55 per day or receiving free room and board. Doherty said most chose the latter, and most of them were housed in the

upscale Woodward Academy in the College Park section of Atlanta.

According to Halicy, classrooms were converted into sleeping quarters for the students. Showers and two payphones were located in the hallways.

"It wasn't that bad. The air conditioning was the best part," Halicy said.

The students were employed by Borg-Warner, one of four security companies protecting the Olympic games this summer.

Suzanne Wallace of Spring Valley, NY, a student employed by Borg-Warner in Atlanta, said the

work students were assigned to was slightly chaotic.

"There were more people telling us what to do than people doing actual work," she said. "I expected more order."

The new guards were assigned to several different tasks throughout their stay in Atlanta. The students' jobs ranged from keeping civilians out of law enforcement gates to protecting hotels to monitoring the opening and closing ceremonies.

Rebecca Tatum, a senior from Washington state, said she worked at Centennial Park and the Aquatic Center, and she also

got to check athletes' identifications.

In addition to working 10 to 12 hours each day, the students were also able to attend some of the Olympic events.

Tatum said the bombing at Centennial Park did not keep the new guards from doing their best.

"Our jobs seem small, but after it happened, I realized that we were really important and we really did make a difference," Tatum said.

Wallace said she did not want to leave after the bombing.

"I felt more inclined to be stricter with my post," she said.

The students stayed in Atlanta for different lengths of time, depending upon their contracts with Borg-Warner. Some will get internship credit for their work. For others, the experience in itself was enough.

Students seeking credit for their work were required to keep journals of their experiences and submit a paper to professor Doherty.

The criminal justice department and Professor Doherty will host a public forum this semester. Students will be discussing their Olympic experiences, both good and bad.

Conan O'Brien helps freshmen settle in 'Late Night' host films bizarre segments at Marist

by KRISTIN RICHARD
Editor-in-chief

The day after the freshmen moved in, they were bombarded with bizarre gifts hand-delivered by a popular late night TV talk show host.

Conan O'Brien, host of "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," came to Marist on Labor Day to film a segment of his show, which aired Sept. 6.

Michael Hammeke, a 1994 Marist graduate and production assistant on the show, suggested Marist as a possible location to film the skit of Conan and his sidekick Andy helping freshmen move into the dorms.

"We're helping them settle in with inappropriate gifts: a snake, a Great Dane, cans of whipped cream, and some ugly furniture," Hammeke said.

Freshman Kelly Thompson, a Leo Hall resident in one of the skits, said O'Brien was even tempted to play a trick on her roommate, who was not present for the taping of the show.

"He wanted to put a snake in my roommate's drawer and wait for her to come

back," Thompson said.

According to Hammeke, Marist was chosen primarily because of its proximity to New York City, where the show is filmed Tuesday through Friday.

Fortunately, Hammeke said the crew encountered no major problems with setting up the skits at Marist.

"This worked out perfectly. I gave Marist a call and set things up, and everything went smoothly," he said.

Although O'Brien complained about the acoustics in Leo Hall, he said the people at Marist were very accommodating to the disruptions associated with filming a show on a college campus.

"The people here seem very kind. They've all been nice to us and tolerated our shenanigans," O'Brien said.

Andy Richter, Conan's sidekick on "Late Night," said the trip to Marist reminded him of his own college days.

"When I went to the dorms, I remembered how glad I am that I don't have to live in a dorm anymore," he said.

Karen Pfannemiller, a freshman from

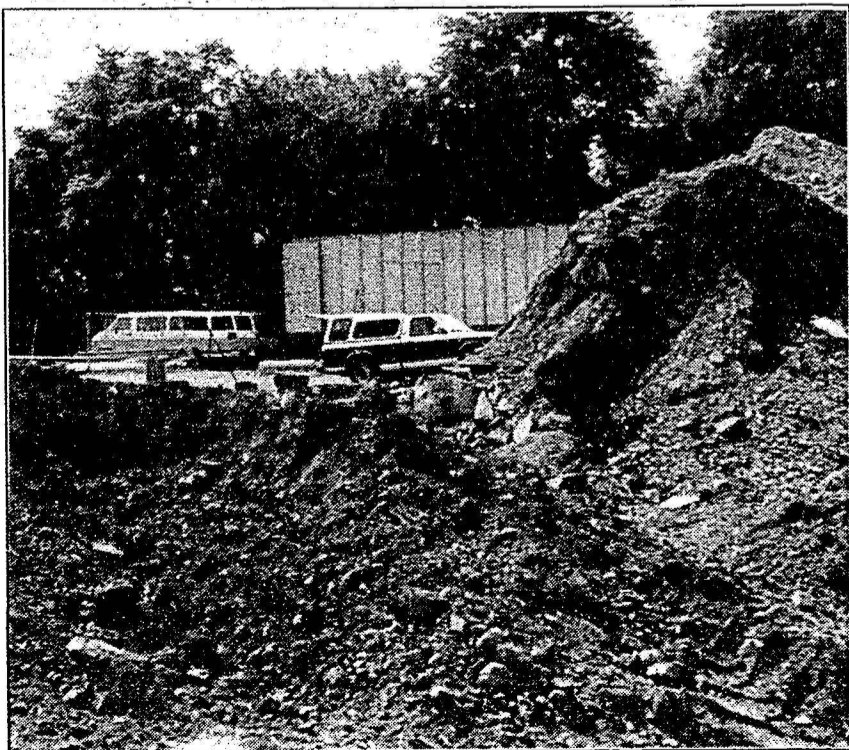


Conan O'Brien (R), pictured here with his sidekick Andy Richter (L) and Production Assistant Michael Hammeke (C), filmed a segment of 'Late Night' at Marist.

Bellerose Village, L.I., said the taping of the show added some excitement to dorm life on the second day of school.

"It was definitely fun and pretty crazy,"

she said. The edited version of the Marist skits lasted eight minutes, which made it the longest segment ever to air on O'Brien's show.



Circle photo/Diane Kolod

Construction on the James J. McCann Recreation Center, which began last spring, is one month behind schedule. The new addition will include a new gym, a weight room, and additional locker space.

McCann construction behind schedule

by BEN AGOES
Staff Writer

Marist students arrived this fall just as renovations to the James J. McCann Recreation Center ended and construction on the addition began.

The project is about one month behind schedule, in part because an old dump discovered on the site had to be emptied. Tom Daly, director of the physical plant, said the dump was a 20 foot deep ravine filled with garbage and appliances left by the original Marist Brothers in the 1950's and 1960's.

"Cable, pipe, and other utility relocation set con-

struction further behind," he said. "The project is now expected to be completed early next semester in January."

Daly said students will see a lot of action happening in the next few months as the new building is raised.

Numerous administrators and faculty were relocated early this summer as renovations to the existing building began.

Assistant Men's Basketball Coach, Stephen Sauers, recently moved into his new office after spending most of the summer in the McCann dance studio.

"All the construction is a bit of an inconvenience," Sauers said, "but we have to be patient because it will benefit so many."

Tim Murray, director of Marist Athletics, said he thinks the 20,000 square foot addition will be a great asset to students.

"We envision it to be a real gathering place for all students to come down and work out in an

upbeat atmosphere," said Murray.

The new building will contain a multipurpose gym, a weight room, and locker space. According to Daly, these are necessary additions.

"The two current weight rooms are a joke," he said. "Team sports dominate the gym, so the new

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The Circle Poll

We asked 502 freshmen:
Has Marist met your expectations so far?

Yes- 390 No- 60
Not Sure- 52

The Circle conducted an unsentimental poll on Sept. 9-15. Five hundred two freshmen were asked this week's question.

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National & World News Briefs

from the Associated Press

TWA salvage resumes

SHINNECOCK, N.Y. (AP) - Navy divers looking for the remaining wreckage of TWA Flight 800 were back in the ocean today after being kept out for several days by the rough seas kicked up by Hurricane Hortense.

The divers were concentrating on the easternmost field of debris, where most of the plane's fuselage is believed to have fallen. Some divers also were sent to a wreckage area closer to Kennedy Airport, where the jumbo jet took off on a flight to Paris.

Investigators hope that recovery of the remaining third of the plane's wreckage will help them determine conclusively whether the plane was downed by a bomb, a missile or a mechanical malfunction.

Mother Teresa is taken to hospital after a fall

CALCUTTA, India (AP) - Ten days after leaving the hospital, Mother Teresa was readmitted Monday after falling from her bed.

The nun had bruises on her face and an irregular heartbeat after the fall, doctors said. Her injuries were not life-threatening, they added.

Mother Teresa was fully conscious Monday, eating normally and speaking to the doctors, said Dr. Asim Bardhan, her personal physician.

Doctors did not say when she might be released.

Flash Floods Kill Dozens South of Khartoum

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) - Surging waters swept through shantytowns near the Sudanese capital, killing dozens of people and leaving thousands homeless, Sudanese television reported Monday.

The floods were the latest to devastate the poor region around Khartoum, where the White Nile and Blue Nile converge.

There were no specific figures on the dead and homeless; television said dozens had died.

In recent months, floods have destroyed hundreds of homes in central and northern Sudan, leaving more than 15,000 homeless.

Last week, at least 17 people

Raytheon Wins Contract for New Air Traffic Control System

WASHINGTON (AP) - The government Monday awarded a contract potentially worth \$1 billion to upgrade the nation's air traffic control system.

Raytheon Co. of Marlborough, Mass., will be the prime contractor for the new Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System, known as STARS, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

The new equipment will replace systems more than 20 at 172 FAA towers around the country as well as 199 Defense Department airports.

The first of the new units is expected to be operational by December 1998 at Boston's Logan airport, and the system should be completed by 2007.

Marist and Beyond

Clinton orders deployment of troops to Iraq after delay

By JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - After an embarrassing delay for the United States, the government of Kuwait has agreed to allow additional American troops to be stationed on its territory, the White House said Monday.

President Clinton said the buildup does not mean the U.S. is seeking a military confrontation with Iraq.

"We have sought no confrontation with Saddam Hussein. We never did and we don't now," the president said in the Oval Office after receiving a report on crime.

"My concern is that we limit Saddam Hussein's ability to threaten his neighbors, that we do it with the no-fly zone and, in so doing, we keep our pilots safe."

White House spokesman Mike McCurry told reporters Kuwait decided to accept more U.S. troops but declined to say how many.

"We can confirm that the government of Kuwait is to station our troops there," McCurry said. "I'm not discussing numbers."

Meanwhile, Defense Secretary William Perry left Turkey today after winning only limited backing for the American military

buildup against Iraq.

Foreign Minister Tansu Ciller of Turkey said Perry had not asked to use the southern Incirlik air base to strike at Iraqi targets.

The Kuwaitis had delayed approval of the additional troops over the weekend and in a vaguely worded statement Monday had not confirmed approval for the new forces.

Critics of the Clinton administration's response to Iraq's latest acts of aggression pointed to Kuwait's delay in approving the deployment as an example of the failure to pull together the coalition that drove Saddam Hussein's forces from

Community News



Democratic candidates for the New York State Senate gathered at the Poughkeepsie Post Office on Labor Day to support workers' rights. Circle photo/ Stephanie Mercurio

Democratic candidates speak at Labor Day union rally

by GYNA SLOMCINSKY
Staff Writer

On Labor Day, several unions and political candidates gathered at a rally at the Poughkeepsie post office.

They discussed issues, including the question of job security and creating more jobs in the Hudson River Valley.

Joel Tyner, a candidate for New York State Senate, organized the rally with fellow candidates, hoping to bring the Hudson Valley closer.

Nancy Cozean, a candidate for the New York State Assembly, said it is up to Americans to change.

"America needs to get back to work," she said.

Cozean also said that the unions need to get more in-

involved.

"Last year, the unions were quiet," she said. "This year they need to come back with more force."

Cozean also said that at IBM thirty to forty years ago, people could organize unions; but now there is an increasing risk of getting fired.

Tyner talked about the middle class paying more taxes than the richest 5 percent of New York and how that affects the people of the Hudson Valley.

He said state schools are losing more money because people in the Senate now use the money for other purposes.

"We need to make tuition cheaper for community colleges instead of cutting money from them," he said.

Tyner also said he is making honesty the center of his campaign.

"I'm running on the truth," he said.

Joe Ruggerio, councilman for Wappingers Falls, is running for New York State Assembly. He talked about creating more jobs in the area.

Ruggerio also said that the rise in tuition is unnecessary.

"The tuition is going up too much and the middle class can't afford it," he said.

Ruggerio said that to protect the Hudson Valley, young people need to get involved.

"Our future is at stake," he said.

At the rally, Ruggerio said that it was time for Generation X to take advantage and get involved.

Bosnians cast votes for three-member presidency

By SRECKO LATAL
Associated Press Writer

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) - Far fewer Muslims cast ballots in Serb-held lands in the Bosnian elections than previously thought, U.N. officials said Monday, adding to fears that Bosnia's ethnic divide was irreversible.

U.N. spokesman Alexander Ivanko said only 13,500 Muslims voted Saturday in or near villages they had been driven from during the 3 1/2-year war. No more than 1,200 Serbs went into territory controlled by Muslims and

Croats to vote, he added.

Election officials announced the first results from two of the 109 voting districts, both in Sarajevo, and not likely to be representative of the overall vote.

In those two districts, Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic, the favorite, won 76 percent of the vote for the Muslim member of the three-man presidency. Former Prime Minister Haris Silajdzic won about 20 percent.

The voting also was to choose a federal legislature and leaders and legislators for the Muslim-Croat and Serb halves of Bosnia. International election officials

estimated overall turnout at 60 percent to 70 percent. They called that a respectable figure, especially in a country where war that ended only months ago had left at least 250,000 people dead.

As organizers tallied votes in Bosnia's peaceful if imperfect elections two of the region's main power brokers agreed to hold their first summit.

Izetbegovic and former archrival Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic are to meet in Paris in three weeks, an indicator of how far the once-enemy leaders have come since the 1995 Dayton peace accord.

Security Briefs

* September 17, 9:35 a.m., An unattended parked MACK dump truck rolled down through the fence and hit 5 cars in the Mc Cann parking lot. The truck was owned by Harlem Valley Sand and Gravel Co. in Poughkeepsie, NY, driven by Arthur Dubois. There were no injuries.

* There has been several fire alarms set off down on the North End of campus. These alarms were set off due to high levels of heat and grease in stoves.

* A few underage intoxicated students have been sent to St. Francis hospital to sober up. There have been no serious injuries.

Netanyahu says Syria pressuring Israel to talk

By GWEN ACKERMAN
Associated Press Writer

JERUSALEM (AP) - Syria has moved troops toward Israeli-controlled territory, in what Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said today is an attempt to pressure Israel into resuming peace talks on Syrian terms.

Syria has been shuffling perhaps several thousand of its 40,000 troops in Lebanon since mid-August. Syrian Information Minister Mohammed Salman said the movement simply reflected "confidence" in a rehabilitated Lebanese army, the pan-Arab newspaper Al-Hayat said Tuesday.

Israeli military commentators are skeptical. They say Israel is especially concerned by the deployment of Syrian commandos in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley and at the base of the Israeli-controlled Mount Hermon, which is a key to Israel's defense strategy.

The Maariv daily reported today that Syrian President Hafez Assad on Monday warned Israel via American mediators that he has other options if peace talks do not resume.

Netanyahu spokesman David Bar Illan confirmed today that Israel has received a message from Syria that was "not satisfactory, but it was certainly not the kind of threat implied by the newspaper."

The Weekend

Weather

Today:

Windy with mixed sunshine and clouds. High mid 60's to 65. Lows 35 to 45.

Friday:

Mostly sunny. Highs in upper 60's



Saturday: A mix of sun and clouds. High 70.

Sunday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of a shower. High in the 60's.

Source: Associated Press

Friends and family remember deceased student at memorial mass and tree planting

by Stephanie Mercurio
News Editor

Students mourned the loss of a member of the Marist community on Sept. 4.

Diana Morgan, a member of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority and a freshman at Marist, died May 7, 1996 from meningococcal meningitis. Morgan's sorority sisters held a memorial mass and tree dedication for her.

Morgan's sorority sisters, as well as her mother, read poems and sang songs at the tree dedication between the Lowell Thomas and Dyson buildings. Father Luke gave the memorial mass in the chapel on campus.

Dawn Langevin, a senior and member of Sigma Sigma Sigma, said the sorority dealt with Ralph Short and the physical plant to find their tree.

"We wanted a tree that held

meaning, so Ralph Short helped us find it," said Langevin. "We choose a baby tree that we could watch grow and flourish."

Langevin said there was symbolism in the type of tree they picked.

"In the spring, it will bloom purple flowers, which is our sorority color," said Langevin.

Langevin said the site for the tree is perfect.

"Everyone hangs out between Lowell Thomas and Dyson, so everyone can watch the tree grow," said Langevin. "Everyone can look at the tree and remember Diana."

Donna Nastasi, a junior and member of Sigma Sigma Sigma, said that Morgan will always be remembered.

"Diana was a wonderful person," said Nastasi. "We will all remember her and keep her in our hearts."



The sisters from Sigma Sigma Sigma gather around a tree planted in memory of Diana Morgan, a freshman who died of meningitis last spring.

Marist graduate receives prestigious ability first award

by Tim Manson
Staff Writer

A 1995 Marist College graduate, Robert Targos, has been chosen by Just One Break (J.O.B.), a non-profit employment service for people with disabilities, to receive an award known as the Ability First Awards.

He has also been working endlessly to promote disability education and show as many students, children and faculty alike that people are people whether disabled or not.

"Robert was more interested in getting someone to meet the person, not the disability," said James Ryan, program coordinator and counselor. Ryan knew and worked with Targos all of his four years at Marist. "If a disability was one one-hundredth of a person's makeup, Robert felt it should be treated as such."

Targos worked on disability education with students at Marist, but it wasn't the average situation where one person stood in front of the room and talked. Instead, Targos organized things like Jeopardy and Family Feud to show that talking about disabilities didn't have to be as serious and sullen

as most people would think.

Targos was introduced to J.O.B. through the Special Services office at Marist. They set up interviews for him with such companies as NBC, FOX, McGraw-Hill, and Nickelodeon. In August 1995, Targos took a job at Nickelodeon on a freelance basis as an Online Communicator. On August 1, 1996, he was given a full-time position.

However, Targos is not the only Marist student to work with J.O.B. According to Desmond Murray, assistant director of field experience, Marist has developed a very good relationship with J.O.B. In fact, in the summer of 1995, three out of the nine students that J.O.B. placed in internship positions were Marist students. In the summer of 1996, four out of twelve were from Marist. All these students got internships with Fortune 500 companies including Merrill-Lynch, Coopers & Lybrand, and Cushman & Wakefield.

"I think that says something for Marist," said Murray. "It gives good name recognition to Marist, and at the same time has added to the success of J.O.B."

Robert will be receiving the award on Wednesday, September

18 at the Grand Hyatt New York Hotel at a \$200 a plate luncheon. Others receiving the award will be Jean Driscoll, the top ranked wheelchair racer and seven time Boston Marathon winner, and Joseph E. Spinnato, the President of the Hotel Association of New York City, Inc. Previous winners include Chris Burke, best known for his role as Corky on the ABC series "Life Goes On."

Although everyone who knows Targos thinks he deserves this award more than anyone, Targos himself seems surprised and overwhelmed.

"I was blown away that they thought my accomplishments and what I was doing was important to

their organization," said Targos. "This award really lets me know that I have educated people about disabilities in the way I should, and it gives me confidence to educate more people in the future."

But even as the bewilderment of success overcomes him, Targos still refers to Marist as the best time in his life and the rea-

son he is where he is.

"Without Marist and without the people at Marist, I wouldn't have been able to achieve this," said Targos. "My life wouldn't have turned out the way it did if it wasn't for Marist. I'm very proud to be a Marist College graduate."

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Jeanne White lecture makes AIDS real for Marist students

by **EMILY KUCHARCZYK**
Staff Writer

Marist students were faced with the reality of AIDS, as Jeanne White-Ginder talked about her son's ordeal with the disease. Hundreds of students listened in stunned silence as White told the story of her son, Ryan.

"My life changed overnight because of this disease. I had to deal with something I wouldn't ever want to deal with," White said.

Since her son's death in 1990, White said it has been her mission to speak to people, both young and old, about AIDS. She said she is not a professional speaker, but is a loving mother who lost her son. She just wanted to make a difference in the fight against AIDS.

Ryan White was diagnosed with AIDS in 1984 at age 13.

"When he got sick, I really felt that the world had come to an end," she said.

Ryan contracted the disease

from a contaminated clotting factor that he took for his hemophilia. He was only given three to six months to live, but instead lived for five and a half years.

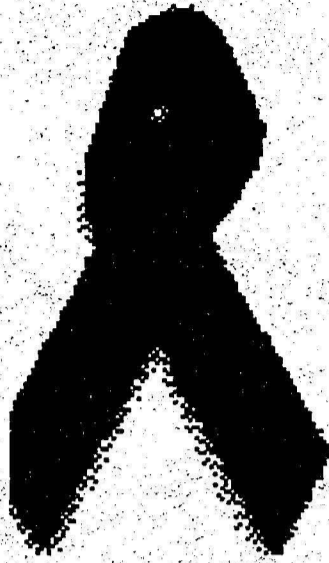
White talked about all the pain she felt because of the way people treated her son. Three of Ryan's teachers came to visit him when he was sick, but upon discovering he had AIDS, decided that it was a good time to leave.

Ryan was forced to fight in court in order to attend school. He was harassed by townspeople, and parishioners in the local church would not even shake hands with him on Easter Sunday.

Because of the harassment, the Whites moved to another town. Ryan said he wanted to die in a happier place.

White blames the negative reaction to a lack of understanding of the disease. People did not know much about AIDS at that time and did not want to.

"I am just a mom trying to get you young people to wake up about this disease, to make this disease real, and that you have a



choice now whether you get AIDS. People didn't used to have choices," she said.

White stressed the importance of parents talking with their children about AIDS. She said parents are afraid to talk about AIDS with their children, but they must because 71 percent of people who have AIDS are between the ages of 20 and 40.

As a parent, White offered her own advice.

"Love yourself, have sex when you want to, not because someone else wants you to. Don't let people put pressure on you to do something you're not so quite sure you want to do," she said.

Her message was simple, be careful.

Students, including Clifden Kennedy, took White's message to heart.

"She had a very powerful message. She's making a difference everyday in the lives of others," Kennedy said.

He said he hopes to see more programs like this one.

Student Programming Council President Sean White hopes to have more AIDS-related programs as well because he said he feels it is a very important issue for students to confront.

SPC Publicity Officer Tracy Paurowski said one of the reasons for having White come to Marist and lecture was they knew it would be something that would touch everybody's hearts.

"Right around when we were

kids, we heard about this massive thing called AIDS, and now we just wanted to follow up on it and be like, 'you guys are still living with this. This still happens.'"

Many students have known someone with the disease, including freshman Erin Pender, who lost two friends and a cousin to AIDS. She said she hopes for more involvement in fighting the disease, saying that the majority of people might forget about it unless reminded.

"There are those who take it to heart for the rest of their lives, but we just need more people to do that," Pender said.

White stressed that thought as well, telling students to get involved before it is too late.

"Is it going to have to touch you personally before you get involved with AIDS?" she said.

She said one of the most important things young people can do is to get involved in fighting AIDS and the prejudices that surround the disease.

Freshmen adjust to a new lifestyle at Marist

by **CHARLOTTE PARTRIDGE**
Staff Writer

The long walk to Dyson, the indescribable cafeteria food, people everywhere to distract you, using e-mail for the first time, tons of reading every night and swiping your I.D. to get into the place you call home are just some things every Marist freshman goes through.

Now it is the class of 2000's turn to begin adjusting to a new life at Marist.

Freshman Cassandra Giarrusso said she really likes the atmosphere at Marist and the attitudes of the students and faculty.

"Marist has a really nice campus and the people here are friendly," Giarrusso said.

Craig Adelhardote said he enjoys the people on his floor in Sheahan.

"Everyone gets along. There is a real sense of community," he said.

Sheahan Mentor Mary Beth Dohrenwend said she understands the freshmen's first impressions of Marist because, like them, this is also her first year. She said she agrees the freshmen have bonded, especially in her building, and she said that Sheahan has as whole become a respectful community in itself.

"In this building, students have been very proactive. They are taking the initiative to develop a community and get to know each other," Dohrenwend said.

Leslie Damato said she agrees that living in a dorm really bonds the students together.

"I know almost everyone in Sheahan, and we have really bonded," she said.

Leo residents also praised the camaraderie they share. Roommates Mike Nazaltowitz and Harry Iavorne said they agree

"In this building, students have been very proactive. They are taking the initiative to develop a community and get to know each other."

— *Mary Beth Dohrenwend, Sheahan Hall mentor*

that the social life at Marist makes weekends more enjoyable.

Katie Tower, also a Leo resident, said she appreciates all the people on her floor.

"I got here a couple of days early for band, and there was like one other person on the floor. I was lonely, but now I'm having a great time," Tower said.

Some freshmen said they found some things about being a freshman more difficult than others.

Katie Kasper said adjusting to the course work was the most difficult aspect of settling in.

"I'm still getting used to all the reading I have to do, but other than that, it is all pretty great," Kasper said.

Leo Resident Assistant Kelly M. Quinn said she sympathetically tries to help her residents adjust to Marist because she remembers her freshman year clearly. It was only a year ago.

"Many of my residents are very overwhelmed with the workload because it is a lot more than what they had their senior year of high school. Some are homesick, but I tell them to take the first two weeks to get settled and if they need to, talk to the mentor," Quinn said.

Matt McKendry is one freshman who said he adjusted quickly to the new lifestyle at Marist.

"Being a freshman isn't as hard as I thought. Marist is exactly how I expected it," McKendry.

ACCOUNTING OPEN HOUSE

The Center for Career Services will be sponsoring the annual Accounting Open House.

When: Thursday, September 19, 1996

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Lowell Thomas 125.

Panelists from the following organizations will be represented at the Open House: *Ernest & Young; Internal Revenue Service; Sedore, O'Sullivan, Letterio & Barschi; Texaco; and H&R Block.*

One of the presenters is Arthur Brown, a 1995 Marist College Alumni who received the highest score on the Certified Public Accountant exam in New York State in 1995. Also, Brown served as an intern in the Accounting Department of IBM when he was an Adult Education student at Marist.

The Open House is geared for accounting and finance majors who are interested in a career in accounting. For more information, contact Desmond Murray, assistant director of field experience, at 575-3543

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Brother Frank Kelly brings new outlook to Campus Ministry

by MICHELLE GRIFFIS
Staff Writer

Problems with relationships, roommate conflicts, the stress of studying for a tough exam, these are issues that can make any college student feel trapped and alone. They need someone to turn to. At Marist College, that someone is Brother Frank Kelly.

Kelly is the new director of Campus Ministry, and is a graduate of Marist, class of '73. He received a B.A. in history.

"I feel like I am coming home, to a place that is close to my heart," Kelly said.

He said that as a student he met and came to know the Brothers. In 1981, he took his final vows and became a Marist Brother.

When Kelly was in college, during the late sixties, early seventies, he said that it was a time in which the culture emphasized doing for others.

"I made the choice to live my life for God, to live life in the service of other people, and I love it," Kelly said.

Kelly has worked for the past eight years with college and high school age students. And he has worked with Marist for the past five years.

"I created and directed a post college volunteer year program," Kelly said. The program invites college seniors to give a year of service to the needy and neglected primarily through teaching and social work.

"It's been a very successful program," Kelly said.

Kelly was also the vocation director for the Brothers.

He worked with college age students to help them discern if God was calling them to religious life, married life, or single life.

At Marist high schools in Chicago, and Lawrence, Massachusetts, Kelly worked with high school seniors. He dealt with the issue of seeking good relationships in their lives.

While at Marist, Kelly would like to make students more conscious of Campus Ministry and the activities it provides.

"I invite people to give Campus Ministry a shot, to get involved in one of the activities," Kelly said.

He would also like to expand the retreat program, and get more students involved. He would like to expand the community outreach program as well.

Kelly said that he considers himself a person who understands young adults, male and female, and is open to their opinions and ideas. He is interested in getting to know people.

He has started Campus Ministry outreach in the cafeteria. Monday is cafeteria day, which means that Campus Ministry will be available to students for any information.

"It is a key way of meeting people in a relaxed atmosphere," Kelly added.

Kelly said that he hopes to figure out ways to develop and draw in North End residents to Campus Ministry.

He said that he wants students to know that Campus Ministry is non-denominational, and that they want to be there for every faith, to help in every way they can.

"While here as students be attentive to the core of who you are, as a spiritual person, work on developing your spirit as well as your mind and body," Kelly said.

Though not many people know Kelly well yet, there are a few who have had the chance to meet him. One such person is Deborah DiCaprio, assistant dean of student affairs.

She knew him by his reputation, and his Marist volunteer program. She also knew of his experience with talking to young people.

"I knew that being director of that kind of program made him comfortable outreaching to students," DiCaprio said.

DiCaprio added that with his prior Campus Ministry experience, and his close ties to this institution, it was easy to see that Kelly would be a good choice for the position.

"He was just the kind of person we need," DiCaprio said.

Besides DiCaprio, there is another person who already knows Kelly well. That person is Brother Michael Williams, assistant director of Campus Ministry.

Williams has known Kelly for quite sometime, but this is the first time they have ever worked together.

"He is packed with energy, and he jumps into things without hesitation to achieve what he sees as goals of the program," Williams added.

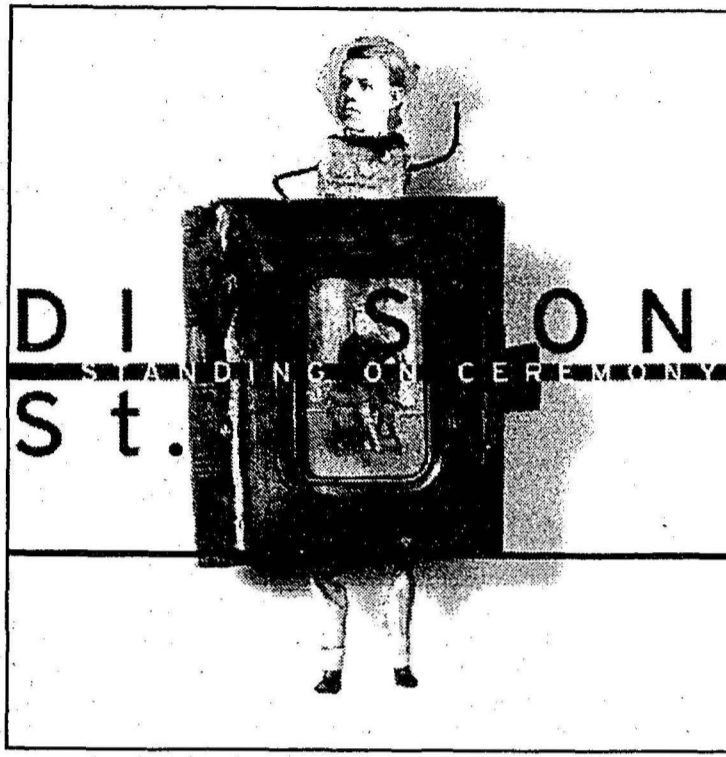
Kelly is originally from Scranton, PA. He received a Masters degree in Pastoral Ministry with a concentration in Campus Ministry from Loyola University in Chicago, and a Masters degree in Spirituality from The Catholic Theological Union in Chicago.

Kelly is meeting so many new people. But he said he does not mind at all.

"I'm loving every minute of being here," Kelly said.

Division St. prepares to rock Marist

Up-and-coming pop rock band will perform in Cabaret



by Jacque Simpson
Feature Editor

There's no real mystery to what happens when you place four musically inclined individuals together. They're going to make some noise. A once small band out of Boston, Division Street is beginning to soar, and they're on the rise to stardom.

Division Street's music can be described in two old fashioned words Rock 'n' Roll, but the band's music is far from old fashioned. In their debut CD, Standing on Ceremony, Division Street have mixed the sounds of pop, with that of funky rock and roll. They are by no means alternative, and they do not want to be labeled as such.

According to the Band's manager David Oriola, "Division Street is about straight forward Rock N' Roll. We're definitely not about the alternative sound."

The band chose to tour the college circuit because they love the way college kids react, they're full of energy. They're also just learning the ropes and they don't want to miss any of the growing steps that a band has to go through before reaching the top. "We want to experience the growing pains, and go through the blood and guts of a tour."

Division Street has been making music together for four years. Prior to the release of Standing on Ceremony, the band of four released a six song cassette, which did well locally. They were able to begin to build a some followers around the Boston area, and that's when they decided to record their first CD.

Oriola said

that there was no real mystery as to how the band chose their name. "There's a Division Street in almost every town, and we liked the way it sounded." But, that shouldn't lead their listeners to believe that there's any division in this group. They're a very tight knit group of vary different people. But, each of their differences mesh together to give a very reminiscent sound. All of the songs which are found on Standing on Ceremony, are originals, written by two members of the band, Jeffrey Scott Bluestein, and Isaac Hasson.

They've opened for Bruce Hornsby and the Range, and another Boston native, Letters for Cleo. Division Street has also been critically acclaimed by the Boston Phoenix, calling their songs "radio-ready."

Division Street has a tight rhythm section, with a funky bassist, lead by guitarist Isaac Hasson.

The group has been together both as musicians, and friends, and uniquely through their growing they have managed to remain friends, each being the driving force of the other. They take each of their music seriously, but at the same time they love making music.

According to bass guitarist, Thom Scheller, "The bottom line is we want to do this for a very long time.

And, it would be foolish of us not to take it seriously, in every detail, to make it happen."

Division Street will be visiting at least 20 colleges this fall. They'll be stopping at Marist Friday, September 20. The show is at 8:30 in the Cabaret. Please come out and support Division Street, who will be selling copies of Standing on Ceremony, after the show



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Editorials**Volunteering is its own reward**

When I returned to school this year, I heard what seemed to be an overwhelming number of students talking about volunteer jobs they had over the summer.

I really give these students credit for taking the time out of their schedules to unselfishly help others.

It takes a very special type of person to take the time to do jobs that are often not very glamorous at best, especially when the jobs are not providing the workers with any money.

In many cases, these are not the people who will be making millions of dollars over the course of their lives, but I think these students have discovered something more valuable than money and material objects.

They have found happiness through compassion and satisfaction through service. I believe that in itself is more to be proud about than an accumulation of fortunes and possessions.

So many people, especially those who have never volunteered, simply do not understand the tremendous sense of accomplishment that is so intimately connected to helping others.

Fortunately, I believe Marist is blessed with a student body that is generally concerned with helping those in need.

In fact, the number of students involved in community service organizations on and off campus was one of the main factors that influenced me in choosing to attend Marist in the first place.

Last year, two students questioned me about why I volunteer to serve the homeless, arguing that it is their own fault they have no money and they should just get a job at McDonald's.

My answer to them is that I don't really think I'm in any position to judge anyone else's mistakes.

In fact, I don't believe anyone who is imperfect has the right to judge another.

We are all human, and because of that, we all make mistakes.

This is something I think is all too often forgotten in our society, but it is something that many volunteers realize.

They have respect for human life, not only certain individual's lives.

Once more people gain this respect, we can begin to work out our problems and prejudices with one another.

Until then, we'll just have to rely on the service of a few good volunteers.

Kristin Richard, Editor-in-chief

THE TRUE 'STUDENT CENTER'

We have a beautiful campus at Marist College in an idyllic spot right next to the Hudson River. It has several buildings rich in tradition and history. Each has its own story.

Yet, this campus is not as centralized as it could be. Gartland Commons is separated from the McCann center by almost a mile. The freshmen, especially, are isolated at the south end of campus, away from the "academic hub." People must go to one building to check their mail, another to take care of financial aid business, another to attend class, and another to sleep.

The layout of our campus, like many others, is symbolic of American society's trend toward specialization. We have different classroom buildings for different subjects and our residence halls. Because we put everything into different compartments, we sometimes fail to see its interconnectedness. However, all parts of our educational experience at Marist are inter-related.

If we were starting from scratch, and had unlimited space and resources, the physical design of the "perfect" campus would be something like this: the "student center," or its equivalent, would be in the center of a giant circle. All buildings would be equidistant from all other buildings along the perimeter of the circle.

The construction of the Student Center and the rotunda in 1994 gave our campus a true heart. It became the focal point. It was supposed to be a place where students and faculty could interact. There needs to be more of this interaction between students and teachers outside of the classroom.

Back in the early days of the college, the second floor of Donnelly housed students. Today, because of our fascination with specialization, we've separated our dorms from our classrooms—forcing our students to draw a line between the two. We take little jaunts to and from our classes and to the library and the computer lab.

Since the entire educational experience at Marist is inter-related, there is no reason why we shouldn't sleep in the same place as we study. Such an arrangement might foster a new kind of academic climate where a student might leave his room to go downstairs to a classroom where he had a class the hour before to ask a teacher for help with an assignment or engage in a discussion. There has to be a continuous flow in the educational process and not a series of little jaunts in which one goes from point A to point B to point C.

Since we cannot change the physical layout of our campus buildings, we should at least adopt a "centralized" mentality. Faculty, staff and students alike should converge at the "student center" to share ideas and knowledge and enrich each other's understanding of the world.

Michael Goot, Managing Editor

Quote of the week**"Silence is also speech"**

— African proverb

**Letters to the Editor**

Editor:

On the morning of September 9, I was posting flyers for my tattoo shop around campus. After posting the last one, I heard somebody tear the flyer from the wall. I confronted the faculty member about why he removed my flyer. He informed me that flyers had to be approved before being posted. I told him that my flyer was approved, stamped, and only posted on the appropriate bulletin boards. Did he even look at the flyer before removing it? "No, I just assumed..." was his response.

Now why would he assume that my flyer would not conform to the rules? Well, in all fairness, my hair is rather long and the numerous tattoos on my arms were visible due to my Harley Davidson tank top.

After all, maybe this "type" of person couldn't possibly have graduated from Bentley College with a BS in economics/finance with honors and an Associates degree in accounting with high honors. He could never have been an international finance analyst for a Fortune 100 company. He couldn't have done graduate work at Marist College. Could he??? Prejudice rears its ugly head everywhere in our society. Judging people by their religion, ethnic background, or the color of (or colors on) their skin is obviously narrow-minded.

I realize the reality is that prejudice will live on, but should it live in our institutions of higher learning? Are they not the last bastions in our society where people can learn, experiment, and be free to explore all creative thoughts, arts, and lifestyles? I would like to invite any students or faculty members to visit my shop, observe our sterilization procedures, our service, and the advice we give young people considering a tattoo.

I am a responsible person, father, youth soccer sponsor, homeowner, registered voter, and I run a respectable business. Please do not let stereotypes lead you to insulting someone you know nothing about. Investigate first, and let your judgment be an informed one and not just an assumption.

Tom Norbom, New View Tattoo

Editor:

This is a sacred time of year for our Jewish sisters and brothers throughout the world. Saturday, Sept. 14, will begin the observance of Rosh Hashanah, a two-day holiday that marks both the beginning of their new year (5757) and the beginning of the 10 days of repentance. This 10 day period ends with the observance of Yom Kippur, the day of atonement.

Happy New Year and God's blessings upon you these holidays!

Campus Ministry

So far, dorm living is not all it is cracked up to be

I do not find that dorm living is all that it is cracked up to be. The luxuries of on-campus living, the ease of being a hop, skip and a jump from anything and everything on campus with all of the luxuries of home. Except air conditioning, windows with screens and an occasional drop of soap and piece of paper towel in the bathroom.

When I first visited Marist, I was under the impression that the bathrooms would be cleaned every day. Unfortunately, since we have not had soap or paper towels in about a week, I was wrong.

Another annoyance is not so much that there is no air conditioning, but the fact that there are no screens on the windows. The campus has some very interesting little creatures flying through the air who love to fly in my window and eat me alive!

Dorm living is getting to be quite difficult. In my dorm, there are only six washers and dryers to accommodate the more than 300 residents. That is one of the biggest complaints I have heard.

One question I have heard is: How do roommates get chosen?

Most freshmen know that we had to fill out that long, boring and involved questionnaire and take all of those computability tests to see who fits the best with whom. But, why are the majority of the freshmen complaining about their roommates?

I think, in the future, the incoming freshman's staff should take into consideration some of the little things that would make our \$20,000 a year stay here a little more pleasant.

Janine Szal is one of The Circle's columnists on freshman issues

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Moderately Hopeful

Candidate-centered elections have changed the way presidential hopefuls campaign. In the past, poor visibility forced a candidate to rely heavily on the reputation, efficiency, and integrity of his party. Today, Bill Clinton and Bob Dole have a host of video cameras, legions of reporters, and at least one television in every household to counter the effects of their party alliance. No wonder Republicans and Democrats alike have endeavored to discover a new ground, a new perspective, a new party for their nominee to run for.

It is not the Ross Perot faction that I refer to. Perot's new political party centers around the faults of present day politics. Such a movement is fascist in nature, and a negative answer to the most pressing needs such as the economy and welfare.

I refer to the great experiment called The Moderates. The Moderates fall in the middle, somewhere between Republican and Democrat, and are the most popular political party in America today. In fact, the Moderates are so popular this election year that they could not decide whether to nominate Bob Dole or Bill Clinton. The answer to their dilemma was to nominate both, and allow them to run against each another for the nation's highest political office.

What happened to the Republican and Democratic parties? They have finally succumbed to the thrashings by intense media coverage. Never before in our history has the president been so directly answerable to the people. Some might argue this is a beneficial development in modern American politics. But how can a President make wise choices when the right decision will bring down approval ratings?

The structure of our government takes for granted that Congress members will be a direct extension of their constituencies. Increased technology and tal-

ented public relations specialists have now found a way to make the United States one large district to which the President must directly answer. The result has been a drastic weakening of political parties and the rise of the Moderates.

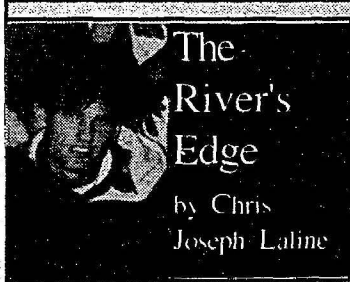
Political extremists like Pat Buchanan and Jesse Jackson will continue to thrive along with the Moderates. Never before have strong political parties threatened them, and weak parties don't seem to effect them either. This is because their messages tend to hit the less informed citizen harder.

A strong government and a leader of nations must thrive on the competition of opposing viewpoints, and the combining of ideas through compromise. That can't happen when both parties continually move closer to the middle of the road, and their candidates move even closer to the middle by denouncing most of those things their party stands for.

There was a time when Democrat meant big government and Republican meant big business. We have no such choices this election. Today, party nominees must bow to the passionate sways of public opinion, and little that meant Democrat or Republican holds weight any more.

Is it time for a new national party to break into the scene? Could we see the manifestation of weakened parties in the form of an alliance like the fictitious Moderates? Probably not in the near future, but perhaps what we have seen occur in the recent past foreshadows a future where new national parties will seize control. Perhaps we are in a transition time for American politics. In the future, history classes will be taught about the decisions our generation made that led to the formation of new party lines.

Bill Mekrut is one of The Circle's political columnists



The River's Edge

by Chris Joseph Laline

I have just spent the last hour lying beneath a tree near Greystone with a pen and notebook by my side while ideas for an opinion article are racing through my mind. I'm actually trying my hardest to come up with an interesting, insightful opinion article that students will be eager to read, but my mind as it turns out is telling me to find a new hobby.

We are just a few weeks into the very last year of my life on the Hudson. I've seen a lot of issues come and go in this section of the paper that were at some point very important to the lives of many people on this campus. Entering the fourth year of anything, one comes to see his or her experience in a much wider glass.

We have not as a college really faced many issues that are that uncommon to most campuses in the U.S.. Issues of cultural di-

versity, club caps, student apathy, safety on campus, condoms (and gum!) on campus, the usefulness of the library and the tenure of one very special teacher serve as the backdrop for a lot of my memories over the past three years.

They are issues that brought a lot of people together. They are issues that made us look at one another in a different light. They are issues that many did not give a damn about because they just didn't care or the matter did not rest heavily in the scheme of their lives. They were issues that kept us talking and debating into the late hours of the night.

No matter what became of these issues on campus, they have served a purpose that goes far beyond anything we may have learned in a classroom. These issues didn't teach us mathematical equations, rhymes in 15th century children's books or anything else that will be forgotten soon after graduation.

They taught us about life.

They taught us how to, get this one, actually think for ourselves. We may never realize it, but by discussing, debating and hashing out our own personal solutions to these issues among our peers, we have begun to develop who we essentially are.

The October Surprise

Bob Dole has stated that he does not want Reform Party Candidate Ross Perot to partake in the forthcoming presidential debates. His reason is that he does not consider Perot to be "a viable candidate." Perhaps Bob Dole is not familiar with a little something called irony. If non-viable presidential candidates were barred from the debates, Bob Dole would be among them.

They say that politics make strange bedfellows. They say that a lot can happen over the next seven weeks. Sometimes, I get the feeling that this is the same "they" who said that America was ready for Crystal Pepsi.

The reason why people are hesitant to reserve the grand ballroom at the Chuck E. Cheese is that everyone from analysts to pundits, and even that lowly creature called the political columnist, are leaving room open for what is known in political circles as "The October Surprise".

The October Surprise refers to October 1980, when President Carter negotiated for the release of the hostages in Iran. For Carter, who had been trailing Ronald Reagan in the polls, this seemed to be quite a nice surprise on the eve of the election. Of course, the real surprise turned out to be on Carter.

With a secret team, including former head of the CIA, George Bush, who just so happened to be Reagan's running mate, the Reagan camp had quietly negotiated for a postponement in the release of the hostages until January 20, 1981. As an amazing coincidence, that was the same day that Reagan was elected.

Of course, the Dole camp does not have such an advantage. For one thing, the Dole campaign is not organized enough to successfully pull off any kind of back room negotiations with anyone. A possible exception is the tobacco industry. I say "possible exception" to leave the door

open in case scientific research ever does find milk to be as addictive as cigarettes.

Another problem facing Dole is that Clinton does not need a surprise of any kind to be re-elected. The conventional wisdom earlier in this election season was that all the President had to do was not screw up and he would ease right back into the White House.

Subsequent events have proven that even if Clinton does screw up, his standing in the polls is unaffected. Clinton's signature on the Welfare Reform Bill and the dismissal of his chief political advisor, Dick Morris, for solicitation of a prostitute were both potentially damaging is-

sues.

But, the anti-Dole fever sweeping the nation has made people realize that not only is Clinton not that bad, he is the best choice for president. He is far more presidential than the Mr. Wilson from Kansas who tells voters to go back into their caves.

Unlike 16 years ago, it is the Republicans who are banking on an October Surprise. What the Dole campaign does not realize, however, is that the only October surprise that would save their campaign is if we found out that it had been Colin Powell inside of a Bob Dole costume all along.

Christian Bladt is Opinion editor for The Circle



Opinion Editor Christian Bladt interviews 'Late Night' host Conan O'Brien.

When Conan O'Brien was on the Marist campus this past Labor Day, he was kind enough to spend a few moments talking with The Circle's Opinion Editor, Christian Bladt.

CB: So, I was wondering what made you decide to come here to Marist? Was it not up to you, or what?

Conan: Basically, I am completely disconnected from the workings of my show. I'm like Howard Hughes towards the end of his life...

CB: Oh, kept alive by rich people?

Conan: Yeah, I'm kept in a dark room. I'm attended to by mormons. I store my urine in a jar. So, I have no idea what the hell's going on. They just put me in a van and I showed up here at Marist College. Which seems very nice, by the way.

CB: That's kinda how they got me here, actually.

Conan: I hear that's how they recruit, actually. They put a sack over your head, and the next thing you know, you're taking sociology.

CB: It's kinda weird like that. Does this remind you of your early days at Harvard? Or is it totally different?

Conan: It's the same in that every college, in the hallways has cheesy acoustical tile on the ceiling. That's just the same in every institution of learning. So, that brings me back. Yeah, it's pretty much the same. The people here seem very kind; they're nice to us. They've tolerated our shenanigans. Do people still say shenanigans?

CB: Uh, just me actually.

Conan: Okay, that's good. Because I was told that it's a Gen X term, and I'm using it a lot.

CB: Yeah, it's a good thing that you said it to me and not anybody else.

Conan: Okay, so, it's good you don't have a recording device, or we'd be screwed. Are you having a good time here, so far?

CB: Oh, yeah. Actually, I am. This is my third year here.

Conan: What's your major?

CB: Radio/tv/film.

Conan: Okay. Alright, and you have a radio, a tv set, and a VCR?

CB: Yeah, I've got some tapes. Mostly pornos and stuff.

Conan: You have pornos, really?

CB: A couple, yeah. If you want to come over, we can watch them later.

Conan: No, that's alright. Get your hand off my butt.

CB: Sorry, sir.

Conan: Did we get enough here? Smell my hand before we go. Isn't that nice?

CB: Yeah, that's nice. What is it?

Conan: One of the girls had Noxema hand cream and I put it on. It's a nice scent.

CB: Yeah. It kinda smells like pine.

Conan: That's what I'm going for...and this girl's taking our picture. She's from "The Daily Blab"...

CB: Okay, thank you very much.

Unauthorized computer flyers distributed on campus

by MICHAEL GOOT
Managing Editor

Earlier this month, several fliers advertising low-cost laptop computers were posted illegally around campus.

According to Joan Syler, office manager for computer information services, a man named Greg Betros had come into her office this past spring under the pretext that his daughter was coming to school in the fall. In reality, he was trying to sell inexpensive computers. When she discovered his intentions, she asked him to leave.

Several fliers subsequently appeared on campus in large quantities. Syler said the salesman was not authorized to distribute fliers.

"He's certainly not sanctioned by the college or the computer store," she said.

Syler said information services is involved in this type of situation because they have to make sure the computer equipment is compatible with Marist.

"[When] they're approved by us, we know they'll work on our machines," she said.

According to Steve Sansola, assistant dean for activities, the correct procedure for off-campus businesses who want to advertise at Marist is to come to the college activities office first.

"They go through our office," he said. "We give them a set location. It's controlled. We work with them in terms of the

goods and services that they're selling."

Sansola said part of the reason the college requires this sort of approval is that if businesses were allowed to come in without any sort of restriction, they would try to put up fliers all over the place. Also, they would put them under student doors and in their mailboxes.

"The whole reason behind this is to establish a procedure that protects the integrity of the institution," he said.

Sansola also said the college wants to make sure that nothing sold by vendors violates regulations at Marist, such as restrictions on candles and incense in the dormitories.

Sansola encourages off-campus businesses to place an ad in the Circle to reach Marist students. He said it is a better way to reach students because the advertising is not as in-your-face.

"It's a voluntary situation," he said. "People can look at the paper [and say]. 'Yes, I'm interested in that haircut coupon or that computer.'"

Sansola said there is also an area by the post office that can be used to display ads.

"We have a designated small classified board in that area," Sansola said. "We still have to approve it for posting."

Sansola said he enforces the regulations by removing unauthorized signs.

"I walk through the buildings all the time and pick them up," he said.

Barbara McMullen, director of academic computing, said the college buys most of its hardware from IBM, at a reduced cost, because of the joint-study project. It buys software from whatever vendor gives the college the best price.

McMullen said the college has not really had any problems with hard-sells by computer people.

"They're pretty good about it because they know our budget constraints," she said. "I don't think I've really had a problem with a software vendor that's annoying. They're used to dealing with an academic environment."

Betros said he was unsure of some of Marist college procedures regarding posting of fliers.

"I have no exact understanding of where certain things are to be put," he said.

Betros said he is not directly involved in the distribution of fliers, but he lets students whom he does business with, take a few fliers and pass them on.

"When I sell them or rent them a computer, I give them a brochure," he said.

Betros said students were taking large stacks of them and passing them around campus. He has since spoken with Sansola regarding the matter.

"He advised me to tell them that it's okay if they only take a few," he said.

Marist celebrates 50th anniversary

by TOM SCHWAB
Staff Writer

Marist will be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

The celebration begins with the Founder's Day Luncheon on September 18, followed by various lectures and activities throughout the year. President Dennis Murray said the lectures will emphasize the theme of ethics and society.

"There will be a delegation from the Chinese Power Ministry who will take part in a seminar on information technology," said Murray. "This will be the fifth delegation from China to visit the college in the last year."

Other events include the Marist Institute for Public Opinion helping Marist students observe WNBC's election coverage by exit poll analysis, and the possible construction of the Digital Library in the summer of 1998.

"The current building which houses all of our information and technology for the students is inadequate, which is what we want to correct," said Murray. "I believe that when we do this new building, it will be an entire step up for Marist in terms of how we image ourselves and how we're perceived by the higher education society."

Tim Massie, chief college relations officer, said the new library will Marist a state of the art facility that will never be out of date because everything will be accessible digitally, making it possible for the Marist community to receive endless information.

"This is the latest manifestation of our long term relationship with

IBM through this joint study program that has been in place since the 1980's," said Massie.

In anticipation of the 50th anniversary, Murray released a memorandum to the Marist community discussing recent events and highlights for the 1996-97 academic year. The memorandum stated that there was an overwhelming amount of freshmen this year.

"There were 825 freshmen and 125 transfer students," said Murray. "There were also 40,000 inquiries about Marist and more than 4,725 freshman applications."

Massie said the problem of overpopulation of Marist students is Marist itself.

"We are a victim of our own success," said Massie. "We have many students that want to come here, which is one of the reasons the Board of Trustees is constantly looking to purchase more homes and renovating them on their own to make them more available to Marist students."

The memo stated that a central plumbing system was replaced in Champagnat, a new central heating system was replaced in the old Townhouses, the completion of the south entrance of campus and the purchase of Talmadge Court to house 36 students.

Murray said he believes Marist is looked upon with envy.

"Many colleges substantially older than Marist are envious of our academic standing," Murray said.

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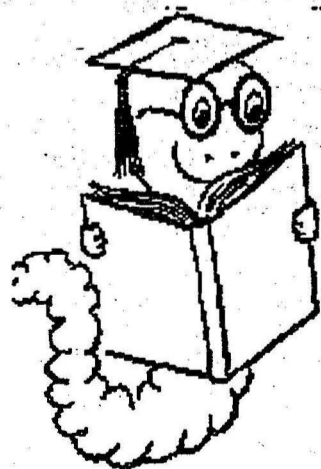
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McCann addition will provide students with extra recreational space

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court will benefit everyone."

"It will be an area where all can come down and play volleyball or a pick up game," said Murray.

Sauers said he hopes the new gym will make late night intramural games obsolete.

Adequate locker rooms were another issue.

"With 22 sports at division one level here at Marist, there is a demand for additional locker room space," said Murray. "The

new building will solve the problem."

A hall of fame room highlighting both Marist and local athletes is also part of the addition. According to Murray, there will not be a lot of memorabilia, however.

"It's going to be more of a high-tech hall of fame utilizing the World Wide Web and other interactive presentations," Murray said.

"Marist has great tradition, and

this is a nice way to honor athletes," said Sauers.

Total cost of the project is \$2 million, and is not expected to go over budget. The McCann Foundation was the largest contributor, donating nearly \$1 million towards the construction of the new building.

\$200,000 from the Marist Plant Fund financed the renovations to the existing McCann Center. Daly said the differential came from private donations.

SGA President responds to campus employment

I have been approached by a number of students regarding work study and campus employment. There are several students applying for work study positions, but unfortunately, not everyone is getting a job. This is an issue that should not only concern the people who approached me, but all 1197 students who are eligible for this aid.

What is the difference between work study and campus employment? Work study is awarded in student's financial aid packages, while campus employment is open to all students regardless of their aid packages. Seventy-five percent of the current funding for work study comes from a federal government grant and the remaining 25% is paid by Marist.

The federal grant is based on formulas from over 25 years ago. This means Marist is paying substantially more than its 25% share of the grant for work study. The only way Marist can receive more funding is to ensure that 5% of the jobs are community-service related. The federal government defines community service as those jobs that improve the quality of life of local residents. If Marist paid more students to do community service jobs, then there would be more jobs on campus and the government would give the college more money.

At the Faculty Convocation, Professor Richard Lewis had an interesting concept for creating more campus employment. Professor Lewis suggested using students as aids to faculty while researching. If every faculty member had a student aid, this would provide a number of students with at least a few hours of work each week. His idea would create more jobs for students and would increase the amount of scholarly research produced by our professors.

If you are still looking for a work study position, Carol Mulqueen, Assistant Director of Financial Aid, is available to help you. Just stop by the financial aid office and she will be able to point you in the right direction. If you cannot find an on-campus position, you may want to look off campus. Nancy Moody, Coordinator of Job Location and Development, may be able to find you part time, off campus employment. Contact her in Donnelly 226, the Office of Career Development, to make an appointment.

The solution for solving work study problems is not a simple one, especially considering that Marist's enrollment has grown while federal work study moneys have remained the same.

What do you think? Stop by the SGA office or call me at x2206. I look forward to hearing from you.

Pat Mara, Student Body President

Trainspotting a hellish roller coaster ride into the dark side of life

by AMIE LEMIRE
A&E Editor

"Choose your future. Choose life...but why would I want to do a thing like that?" And so the essential question of Mark Renton's life is uttered as he high-tails it down an Edinburgh street, doggedly pursued by men in uniform. Renton, as he is known, has not chosen life; rather he cheerfully acknowledges his "sincere and truthful junk habit." The movie which I speak of is "Trainspotting", a tale of drugs and sin and good clean fun in Scotland's underworld.

Ewan McGregor is the best thing to come out of Scotland since the kilt, brilliantly portraying Renton as a tortured young soul who would gladly choose life, if only it weren't so woefully boring. Renton's so-called friends are a motley bunch consisting of Sick Boy, a suave platinum blonde with a stunning knowledge of Bond films; Spud, a wiry goof; Tommy, the Adonis character who will come to acknowledge his own Achilles heel; and Begbie, a scary, violent man who frightens everyone in the group.

The five friends spend their days shooting up, coming down, and stealing stuff to get more junk—and endless cycle.

Shacked up in a squalid hovel, watched over by a leather-clad dealer, aptly named Mother Superior, they philosophize and rationalize their addiction. "Take the best orgasm you ever had, multiply it by a thousand, and you're still nowhere close," Renton states.

While this hand-to-mouth existence is fine for some, Renton tries to kick the habit. In one scene, he ticks off all the ingredients needed for a heroin withdrawal, from cold mushroom soup to vanilla ice cream. However, in a final panic, he breaks down and buys opium suppositories, and nearly loses them. This segues into "the worst toilet in Scotland" scene. While the scene alternates between outright grossness and underwater mysticism, it shows the desperation of Renton and how tight heroin's grip is on him.

The addicts share needles, steal from the National Health Services, and drift in and out of consciousness, pausing only to cook up another batch. Finally, a jolt of reality comes into their lives when Alison, a regular at Mother Superior's, realizes her much-neglected baby has died



in her crib. As she wails in the background, the boys are shocked into a numbed stage of clarity. But the gravity of this situation is too much for their fragile, heroin-soaked minds to take, and Renton's only solution is to "cook up."

Renton decides to try a change of scenery, and moves to London where he takes a job renting flats for a real estate agency. In these scenes, his character progresses to a level of normal human productivity—he has a decent job, is dressed in suits, and has a place of his own. Most importantly, he's away from Edinburgh, away from his loser friends, away from the drugs.

Unfortunately, his former lifestyle still has a hold on him, trying to pull him back down. First, Begbie comes to visit;

he needs a place to hide out because he's wanted in connection with robbery charges. Then Sick Boy follows, with stars in his eyes in the hopes of becoming a London pimp. Renton is both frustrated and disgusted; he's tried so hard to leave Edinburgh and all its misery behind, yet he can't seem to

fully break away.

But he returns home, for Tommy's funeral. The "normal" one of the group has fallen down, succumbed to junk. After his girlfriend leaves him, Tommy turns to heroin to numb his pain. Not long after, he becomes a bonafide addict. This is the moralistic message of the film—the tragedy of Tommy's life and death. That he should be the one who dies is unfair; he is the quintessential victim. But this just contributes to the realism of the film.

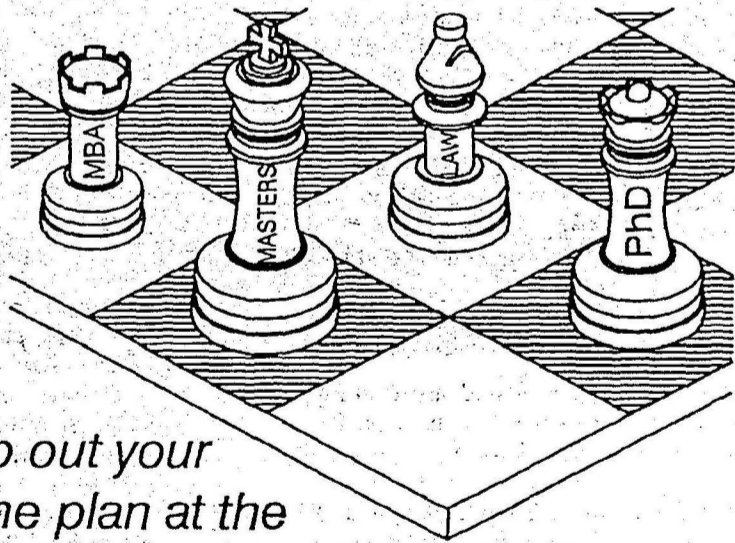
While in Edinburgh, Sick Boy reveals that he has opportunity to score a major deal; all the four of them have to do is move the drugs to London, and they can each make £4,000. The deal goes off successfully, and the boys celebrate in a London hotel. During the night, Renton steals the bag of money and slips out the door. As he walks away, toward a brand new beginning, he reiterates his initial ranting. "Choose life. Choose a job. Choose sit-

ting on that couch watching mind-numbing, spirit-crushing game shows, stuffing junk food into your mouth. Choose your future. Choose life." As he walks away, somehow, it is clear that this is Renton's wake-up call, and from here on out, he is definitely choosing life with a vengeance.

The casual display of drugs, usage and addiction add to the deadening feel of the movie. Life comes and goes, and who really cares? Just shoot up some more and get over it. There's no crying or hysteria when Alison's baby dies, or when Tommy chokes to death in a puddle of his own vomit; Renton doesn't battle loyalty or morality when he steals the bag of money. There is no epiphany where he realizes what a deplorable human being he is; he knows that this money is his last chance to change, and if he doesn't jump now, he'll never get another one. The trio of Danny Boyle, Andrew MacDonal, and John Hodge, who brought us the delightfully twisted "Shallow Grave", have scored another hummer.

"Trainspotting" is a hardcore flick. It has been compared to "Pulp Fiction", but it has a harder edge. Where "Pulp" had black humor to offset the graphic violence (i.e. Butch's selection of weapons, while Marsellus is in the basement with Zed), "Trainspotting" has no such balancing act. The garishness and horror is laid out on the table with no apology, no explanation. This is highly unsettling, but also strangely exhilarating. For a generation who grew up on happy-ending movies, this is what you've been waiting for.

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CMJ festival: a showcase of young talent

by
CINDY
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Staff Writer

Once a year, CMJ holds a four day music marathon in Manhattan that showcases about 500 up-and-coming new bands in various night-clubs throughout the city. The majority of the performers involved in CMJ are either unsigned or newly signed

bands that play the festival to gain exposure to the public and the music industry.

The participating venues for CMJ range from small clubs such as CBGB's to larger places such as the Roseland. Each of these places have specific nights that showcase either independent of major label bands and sometimes the label will special guests to perform. The festival not only has bands perform but also holds question-and-answer panels during the day with keynote speakers. These panels are specifically targeted for college students who have an interest in pursuing a career in the music industry. At these panels, students can ask experts on how to make it in the music business. There are also panels with ac-

complished musician speakers. This year's speakers included Les Claypool of Primus, Patti Smith and Prince. These panels are extremely helpful for students because it gives them the opportunity to speak to different types of people in all aspects of the music industry.

CMJ also showcases movies and presents advanced screening of independent films. This year's screenings were "Feeling Minnesota", starring Keanu Reeves, Cameron Diaz, Dan Akroyd and Courtney Love, and "Hype," a movie chronicling the decade-long rise of the Seattle music scene.

So, if you're a student with an interest in music and have an extra \$200 to spare, the CMJ festival is a great investment. Not

only do you have the opportunity to see cool bands and meet new people, you also have a chance to learn the In's and Out's about the music industry.

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Video Game Review

The evolution of video games leads to Tekken 2

by JIM DZIEZYNSKI
Staff Writer

I've heard it said you should do what you know. If there is one field in which my expertise lies, it would be in the realm of video games. It is so that have come to be the distinguished author of this fine column. Since this is the first installment, let me tell you a little about my qualifications. Besides being a huge game enthusiast I've played games for Capcom, Culture-Brain, and have connections to the big trade shows. I know that must make you all so jealous, right? When it comes right down to it, I love the gaming experience. With that understood, let's start at the logical place—the beginning.

The institution of electronic gaming has its roots in the early sixties when the technology first became available to program the first games. Commercial gaming began with the release of the famous "Pong" home system. Any of us who are 19-24 years old are a very lucky bunch! Our lives run a direct parallel with the evolution of the video game.

Anyway, Pong first came out in 1977 and the first simple arcade machines came out—games like Space Invaders, Asteroids, and Missile Command. The great things about these games were that they defined a generation. Critics passed them off as fads. People would line up and wait for hours for the chance to play these classics. It was a very unique time in our culture.

The world became a different place when the games were brought into our houses. The Pong system had a bit of a cult following but the Atari 2600 brought the experience to new levels. It was about this time (1978-80) that the early PC units began to design games for their respective systems.

For a few years, gaming didn't make any huge leaps or bounds. The early eighties were a testament to the creative genius of

the men who programmed them. Whereas today's games can take a full year to program, the original code to the classic game "Defender" took a mere six hours. Around 1981, the second generation games came out. Pac-Man, Frogger, Berzerk, and Hyperspace were among the hits released at this time. Small progress was made until 1984 when both Atari, Sega, and Nintendo began to incorporate certain characteristics of the home computers into their systems. Apple had taken technology further than it had ever been with the release of the Apple III. Rival company Commodore released the Amiga shortly after. Also notable was the beginning of the first laser-disc games, such as Dragon's Lair and Space Ace. All these events led up to the turning point in home gaming systems.

In 1984, Sega and Nintendo released their revolutionary 8 bit systems. Games were no longer comprised of simple beeps and poor graphics. The power these systems held was enough to generate a wide range of graphics and sounds. Nowadays, it's hard to believe the original NES has been with us for 12 years. Within the next few years, games such as Phantasy Star, The Legend of Zelda, and Ultima Exodus proved these 8 Bit consoles were more than just child's play. In Japan, the games kept getting bigger and bigger. Because of the power of the machines, highly detailed (and highly addictive) role-playing games changed the way we play. Games now had quests and goals, not just high scores. Japan's best exports came to us and America was soon to be an equally large market.

Before the 80's were to end, gaming took it's next big step. In 1989 both NEC and Sega released 16-bit systems which were capable of putting the eight bit systems to shame. The Sega Genesis and Turbo-Grafx 16 marked the beginning of an era which was to solidify the institution of the video game as a way of life. Nintendo followed suit shortly and released the Super NES to

compete with these systems.

It might also be a good time to note PC games were coming into their own as well. High prices kept most consumers away, but great games were available to those who could afford it. All these systems lead up to the 32 bit systems we have currently, namely the Sony Playstation, Panasonic 3DO and the Sega Saturn. On September 30th, Nintendo will release the first 64 bit system in America. The face of gaming keeps changing and getting better. With the advent of the Pentium chip, computer games are better than ever.

With that summary of how things came to be, I'd like to do what I plan to do in every future column—say a little something about the games out there. There will be reviews on the best games I (and my highly dedicated and attentive staff) deem worthy to be played. Here goes a quick list of my personal favorites available right now.

Sony Playstation—Sony has a decent line-up of games out there, but the shining stars go out to Resident Evil, Tekken 2, Wipeout, and NBA Shoot-Out. I'll give more information on these games in future issues as well as tips, tricks, and codes. Tekken 2 has a great code which makes your character's heads huge! Just get all the sub-bosses and hold select while picking your man (or woman). Let go of select at the VS. screen and Presto! huge heads!

Sega Saturn—Sega has a more versatile line-up than Sony with games such as Nights Into Dreams, Shining Wisdom, World Series Baseball 2, and Virtua Fighter 2. Here's a quick Saturn tip-in Gun Griffon, at the title screen press B,B,B,C. Start.

16 Bit Systems—As the 16 bit systems are slowly dying, not much worth getting is coming out soon, though there is a great library of older games which you can find. The only game that really stands out right now is Breath of Fire 2, a huge role-playing game put out by Capcom.

A phenemenon of music

by ROB HOEY
Staff Writer

The Phenomenon Soundtrack is simply a great mix of songs from the soul dealing with love and the power of love. If you are down, these songs will lift your spirits. It's an album that reaches towards you and helps you see the brighter side of the picture.

The album starts off strong with the hit single "Change the World" by Eric Clapton. Listen to this song and you will immediately be snapping your fingers and singing along. It's a fabulous song that gets you thinking and makes you feel great.

The backup vocals at the chorus really keep this song moving and those nice, bluesy guitar riffs give it that oh so special Clapton sound.

The next song on the album is Bryan Ferry's "Dance With Life". It's a song about loving life. There are some great key changes towards the end that make the song and it's theme all the more effective and quite impressive.

The next song is Aaron Neville's "Crazy Love". Aaron's distinctive voice gives this song the soul that it needs to make it a great love song. It's not quite a slow, love ballad that puts you to sleep, nor is it a fast love song that gets your blood flowing.

How Stella got her groove on

by Josie Inaldo
Staff Writer

In How Stella Got her Groove Back, McMillan goes into a new direction in her writing. She uses the stream of consciousness technique this time. The main character, Stella Payne would ramble on with her thoughts and feelings, ignoring grammar and punctuation.

After getting used to the style, I could see why McMillan chose this way of writing. Stella's character is revealed through her monologue and the reader understands Stella's feelings better.

And what a "you go, girl!" character Stella is! She is what the modern woman aspires to be. Stella is forty-two years old, di-

It's just a great soulful love song that puts you into that feel good mode. I usually don't listen to Aaron Neville; but I've listened to this one numerous times and I haven't gotten tired of it.

Also on this album, Jewel does her version of "Have a Little Faith in Me." Great song. She adds life to the lyrics as she cries out for faith and trust. You might get sick of hearing the overplayed "Who Will Save Your Soul" on the radio, but this one is here to stay. Jewel's version is most impressive and very inspiring. I love it.

And just as you thought you might have heard the best song of the album, Peter Gabriel's "I Have the Touch" comes on. This song wakes you up and gets you going. You can't go wrong with Peter Gabriel.

The rest of the album includes Taj Mahal, Marvin Gaye, The Iguanas, Dorothy Moore, JJ Cale, and Thomas Newman. They all perform good songs, but at this point in the album the energy level has hit a plateau.

If you hear Clapton's song on the radio and think that is probably the only good song on the album, think again. Every song on this album is good and at least half of them are great. And each song tells you to sit back, relax, and enjoy life. I highly recommend it.

vorced, a mother of an eleven year boy and an investment analyst. She owns her San Francisco home and has another one on Lake Tahoe. She drives her BMW fast and creates functional art (i.e., expensive furniture) in her spare time. She keeps her personal trainer on call and her Land Cruiser in the garage. The Cosby's look like a welfare family compared to the life Stella Payne leads. The only thing missing in this picture is a man who can rock her world.

While her son, Quincy, visits his father during the summer, Stella decides to take a vacation by herself. It is in Jamaica where Stella meets Winston Shakespeare, a 21 year old who just finished university and is

looking to be a chef's apprentice in the resort that Stella is staying at.

Despite her rationale saying that it is not possible, it happens: she falls in love with a boy half her age. Stella finds herself in an internal battle. Her mind insists that "this thing" is not love but only a fling. Another part of her simply doesn't believe that this young man would want her as a person.

Through her thoughts, we see that this woman that seems like she has it all together, still has her own insecurities and fears that she must deal with. This book is different from her past books. This time it isn't about sisterhood, or the struggling black family, or about the men who treat us bad. This time it's about love and a woman going for hers.

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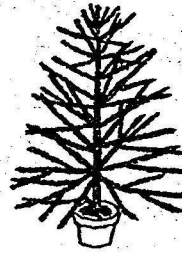
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Football loses opener at Duquesne, 30-17

by CHRIS SMITH
Sports Editor

Their goal of "going all the way" to the championship was slowed down this past Saturday as the football team lost to Duquesne, 30-17, at Rooney field in Pittsburgh.

Going into this game, there were many questions still unanswered. Who will get the start at the quarterback position? Will the long trip have an effect? Could this game dictate the outcome of the entire season?

Junior quarterback Jim Daley, who started on Saturday but was rotated with Bill Tramaglino throughout the entire game, said that mistakes by Marist were the key problem.

"(The team) played well but we just couldn't execute in the red zone," Daley said.

He said that the rotating situation worked out well.

"It didn't cause that much of a problem," he said. "It's tough to get accustomed to, but I'm sure everything will work out."

Daley was 7-of-15 on the day for 78 yards while Tramaglino finished 5-of-17 with 108 yards.

Daley said mental combined with some physical mistakes is what cost Marist the game.

"We just have to bounce back and try our hardest to win the rest of the games," Daley said.

Sophomore tailback J.J. Allen led the ground attack for the Red Foxes on Saturday. He finished the game with 111 yards rushing in 22 carries and had 25 yards in 3 attempts receiving. He scored one of Marist's two touchdowns of the day on a 4-yard run.

Head coach Jim Parady said he was satisfied with Allen's performance.

"I'm really pleased with how (Allen) played," Parady said. "This is really only his first game in three years, so I can't complain with how he did. He did everything he could."

Allen said he was disappointed with the loss.

"We definitely could have beat

them (Duquesne)," Allen said. "There were a few bad calls, but we had many opportunities to put them away."

Allen, a transfer from Howard University, has been challenging junior Jovan Rhodes for the starting job at tailback.

"I put in a lot of work over the summer and it paid off," Allen said.

On the defensive side of the day, Marist was led by junior defensive lineman Darren Valdes, who had two out of the Red Foxes' three interceptions. Valdes also had nine solo tackles on the day.

Valdes said that the Red Foxes did not lack effort but rather simply made mistakes.

"We came out with a lot of heart," Valdes said. "We've been intense in practice and hopefully things will work out. We still have a lot of football left to play."

The running attack that the Dukes used against Marist is what made the difference. Sophomore running back for Duquesne, Andre Hatcher, had 197 out of the Dukes' 242 rushing yards. He gave the Marist rushing defense, which was ranked 19th the nation last year, some trouble.

Valdes said that he thought this was only part of Marist's problem.

"They had a good running back who was tough to bring down, but we didn't play up to our potential," Valdes said. "There is definitely room for improvement."

Marist takes on Iona College on Saturday at Leonidoff Field at 1:00 p.m.

Iona was picked to finish sixth in this year's coaches poll and had a 3-6 record last year.

Daley said the Red Foxes will take no games easy.

"Their (Iona) quarterback from last year is not returning. It depends on the new quarterback as to how good they will be," Daley said. "We must just go out and play to the best of our ability."

A Closer Look At ...



Chris D'Autorio

Team: Football

Position: WR/K

Height: 5'11"

Weight: 185

Hometown: Danbury, Ct.

Major: Marketing

Favorite Movie: Braveheart

Favorite Band: U2

Favorite Food: Ravioli

Favorite Athlete: Fran Tarkenton

Favorite Aspect of Marist: Opportunity to play two sports- Football/ Baseball

Sports Highlight: Game winning score against Monmouth in '95' opener

Men's soccer

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However, Herodes expected a better showing from his players in their home opener. "We gave Mount St. Mary's too much respect," Herodes said. "This team didn't go on the field expecting to win. It was just hoping not to lose."

In the first few weeks of practice, the new coach has focused on changing that attitude.

"We have to overcome the 'losing syndrome'," Herodes stressed. "Losing becomes a habit, but I can't really change that. It's up to the team."

The coach is counting on a few of his veteran leaders to help turn

the team around. Cary Smith and Kevin Hardy are two of the players that make up the core of this team. Herodes expects a great deal from them, and he describes the duo as "strong, tough guys."

Also, most of the new recruits for 1996 know how to win, having come from successful junior college and high school programs. The team already lost its most acclaimed newcomer, however, when Robert Nyholm suffered a season-ending knee injury only one game into his freshman season.

With a 1-1 overall record, Marist hosted Niagara on

Wednesday, before traveling to Fairfield and Siena next week.

As the Red Foxes head into the meat of the schedule in this, their final year as a member of the NEC, Herodes is hopeful that he can influence the future of Marist soccer.

"I left Iona because there was more to offer here," Herodes stated. "There were more opportunities with the kids here, and I could see some positive things going on with the future of this program."

Women's cross country hopes to finish on top of NEC

by PHILLIP WHITE
Staff Writer

As the women's cross country team starts their 1996 season, optimism seems to be the word around the team's locker room.

In his seventh season as head coach, Phil Kelly said the team should finish in the top three spots in their meets and at least second in the North East Conference.

"Mount St. Mary's will be our toughest competitor. They always have been," Kelly said.

Mount St. Mary's is Marist's most competitive opponent. The Red Foxes challenged them last year, but finished a close second.

The Red Foxes finished first at the Hartford Invitational this past Friday. They had taken nine out of the top 12 finishing places, and Kathleen Woodson, a senior, finished first by 30 seconds

from the second place runner.

"Kathleen is our best runner, the team captain and leads the team," senior Mary McQuillan said.

The upper classmen have helped the Red Foxes maintain their winning record, including Jen Delosso, Karen Mangan, Mary McQuillan, Kerriann Redmond, and Alison Murray.

Kelly, however, puts much of his time and experience in his freshman and sophomore runners. These runners are Karen Donahue, Debbie Flannigan, Jen Glover, Merideth Halstead, Beth Johnson, Leah Koerner, Terra Quinn and Kristyn Russo.

"Even though our senior class is strong, our freshmen and sophomores will provide our core strength for now and for the next couple of seasons," Coach Kelly said.

Looking into the rest of the sea-

son, the Red Foxes' toughest meet looks to be the National Catholic Cross Country Championship, held at Notre Dame, this Friday. Kelly expects this meet to be a difficult meet if Providence College and Georgetown University are there.

With a combination of experienced veteran runners and a strong underclassmen nucleus, this Red Fox team is coming together.

"Even though this is my senior year, not just seniors, but everyone seems to be working together," Murray said.

Despite this being the women's last season in the NEC, Kelly said he believes his team excels in this sport more than most of the teams in the conference.

"We're better than two thirds of the teams in the conference, and we should finish second, if not first," Kelly said.

Volley

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in kills with an average of 2.26.

In addition to being named Northeast Conference Player of the Week, Vir leads this year's team in kills and has the fewest errors of the starters.

Fellow sophomore Schuerger has regained her position as the leader in assists for the team.

Last year, she averaged 7.76 per game.

Marist's upcoming schedule includes games at Seton Hall on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., and the Drexel Tournament on Friday and Saturday.

Their next home game is Tuesday, September 24 against St. Peter's at 7:00 p.m.

STAT OF THE WEEK:

WOMEN'S SOCCER GOALIE BETH ZACK
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QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

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— Bob Herodes,
Men's soccer coach

Women's soccer team tries to break out of scoring slump

by DAVID MCBRIDE
Staff Writer

The Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference will be the new home of the women's soccer team at the start of the 1997-1998 season. So how do the Red Foxes wish to leave the Northeast Conference?

Senior captain Stacey Sebastian said that they have a goal.

"We want to leave our mark," Sebastian said.

Second year head coach Maria Piechocki is back at the helm after a 6-11 inaugural season in which the Red Foxes finished third in the NEC.

Also back this year are team captains senior midfielder/defender Stacey Sebastian, junior goalkeeper Elizabeth Zack, and junior defender Janet Oliver.

Piechocki would like to again reach the NEC tournament as part of the team's season goals.

Sebastian said she agrees with her coach but said that to beat conference powerhouse Monmouth would be a great way to leave the NEC.

"(Our) biggest goal is to win the NEC," Sebastian said. "To beat Monmouth would be incredible."

The team will be aligned in a 4-4-2 set, which means there will be two strikers, four midfielders, and four defenders, with Zack in



Circle photo/Katie Robinson

Freshman Sarah McDermott makes a move on a Niagara defender Saturday at Leonidoff field

goal.

Defensively, this alignment has worked in these early stages of the season, as the Red Fox defense has played solid in the eyes of both the head coach and Sebastian.

"Altogether, they've played solidly," Piechocki said.

Sebastian said she agrees.

"Defensively, we are playing

great," Sebastian said.

The Red Foxes currently have 16 freshmen and sophomores on the team, while there are only five juniors and seniors, but Oliver sees this as being a positive.

"(There's) youth and enthusiasm, and it'll be there in the years to come," Oliver said.

Piechocki said scoring goals is what the team will have to im-

prove on if they want to have a solid farewell season.

The team has been in a slight scoring drought in the last two games, as they displayed in the first two games of the season.

The Red Foxes opened up their season with a 2-1 victory over Stonybrook. They followed this game with a 2-0 shutout over Northeastern. But since then,

they have failed to score.

Even though the Red Foxes have been in a slight scoring slump, they have already shown signs that they can score. And while the offense is looking to once again regain their scoring touch, the defense has been playing solidly, led by Zack.

In just the first week of the season, Zack has already picked up the first NEC Player of the Week award. The junior has allowed a mere two goals in the first three games of the season, a percentage that equals out to a microscopic 0.67. She recorded 43 saves in those first three games.

The team came up on the wrong side of a 1-0 game against Niagara this past weekend. The Purple Eagles scored early in the first half, and that would be the only goal of the game.

Zack registered 13 more saves in the losing effort.

From here, the Red Foxes head off on a road trip that begins at Boston University on Sept. 17.

They will then open their NEC schedule with a road trip at Robert Morris on Sept. 20.

St. Francis (Pa) will be the sight of their last game of this road trip, which will conclude on Sept. 22.

Volleyball relies on veterans for guidance

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Coming off a disappointing 10-27 year, the women's volleyball team is looking forward to what they hope is a vastly improved 1996 season.

In fact, with all twelve letter-winners returning, head coach Emily Alquist said she sees the Red Foxes competing with Northeast Conference powers Rider and St. Francis (Pa) for conference supremacy.

"Being at, or near, the top of the conference is a very realistic goal for this team," the second year head coach said.

Alquist, a 1994 graduate of Minnesota, was encouraged by the good play of the her team at the end of the 1995 season, as the Red Foxes won five of their last 10 and three of their last four to end their season in a positive fashion. What she liked even more, however, was the dedication her team displayed in the off-season.

"It takes a while when a new coach comes in, like I did last year, for the team to adjust to the coach's style and philosophy, but we really worked hard in the summer to get better acquainted with each other," Alquist said.

The hard work has already accounted for two wins in Marist's first four games this year, a feat that took them sixteen games last season. Included in their wins is

a victory over New Hampshire in their own tournament. The Red Foxes took second in the tournament, losing only to eventual champion Providence.

In the New Hampshire tournament, freshman Jen Parker was named all-tournament newcomer. Senior Tara Damarau was named to the all-tournament team.

The players the Red Foxes will be looking to lead them this year are senior captains Jennifer Weinbrecht and Liz Herzner. Along with fellow seniors Damarau and Mary Beth Horman, and sophomores Heather Vir and Ellie Schuerger, they make up the nucleus of the Marist team.

Weinbrecht, a middle blocker from La Jolla, California, led the team in service aces and was second in blocking last year. This year she is in the same position, first in aces with eight, and second in blocking.

Outside hitter Herzner was an all-around good player for the Red Foxes last year, as she was in Marist's top five in every major category last season. Again Herzner is found near the top of every statistic, including being first on the team in blocking percentage at .755.

Damarau, from Tucson, Arizona, led the team in digs last year with an average of 2.76 digs per game. Horman led the team

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Men's x-country journeys across country

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With this being the final year in the Northeast Conference, the men's cross country team looks to go out in style with a league title.

The team will be transferring to the Metro Atlantic Conference where the competition will be a lot more competitive.

This year's squad has good depth along with a strong chemistry between the veteran leaders and young rookies.

Junior captain Matt Pool said he thinks Marist is a darkhorse team in the NEC.

"Our team has a motivational saying for this year which is now or never," Pool said.

Junior Mike Melfi said he thinks this team could win a title.

"We have an outside shot but it will be tough," Melfi said.

The high point so far has been sophomore transfer Ben Hefferon, who has placed first at Central Connecticut State and the Hartford Invitational.

The first meet was switched from Rider University to Central Connecticut State due to the heavy rains. The Red Foxes finished third overall behind Providence and the University of Rhode Island which were the top teams at the meet.

At the Hartford Invitational, the Red Foxes took first place despite heavy rains and a poorly marked course.

Hefferon, one of the teams top

runners, said he does not know what to expect because this is his first year at Marist.

"I'm happy I had a good start back to help the team," Hefferon said.

Pool also said that freshman Peter Startz and Mike Belfi showed strong performances even at their young collegiate careers.

With the season in full swing, the team seems to have started off in the right direction.

The runners are looking forward to the big National Catholic Championships which will be held at Notre Dame on Sept. 20.

New men's soccer coach brings new life

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New blood has been injected into the Marist College Men's Soccer program, but the team may not feel the full effects of the transfusion for some time.

A new head coach, some key recruits, and a new attitude are all part of the 1996 campaign to begin a winning tradition as Marist moves from the Northeast Conference to the more competitive Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.

The Red Foxes' new leader, head coach Bob Herodes, is a product of the MAAC himself.

Before arriving in Poughkeepsie, Herodes spent four years on the coaching staff at Iona, and was named the 1995 MAAC Coach of the Year after guiding the Gaels to the Conference Championship game in only his second season as head coach.

Ironically, Herodes' debut as Marist's head coach came on September 4, against his former team. Thanks to goals from Matt Day, Dave Seipp, and Cary Smith, the Red Foxes escaped Iona with an encouraging 3-1 victory.

"That was a big one for us," Herodes explained. "The guys were nervous about Iona, and it was good to get that out of the

way."

The success came to an abrupt halt on Saturday, however, when a different Marist team showed up to host Mount St. Mary's in the first NEC contest of the season. A lackluster attitude and a handful of key offsidings left the Red Foxes on the wrong side of a 3-0 score.

Mount St. Mary's is always "very good in the conference" according to assistant coach Michael Kenney. Along with Robert Morris, the Mount is expected to challenge for the NEC title this fall.

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