VIETNAM DISCUSSED

At this first meeting, the featured speaker was Mr. John Sharkey, former N.B.C. correspondent covering the war in South Viet-Nam.

Mr. Sharkey analyzed the situation as it was when he left the area. As he described the general situation, politicians in Asia have generally been concerned with their own betterment at the expense of their people's economic and political growth and prosperity. The values of the leaders in these nations are constantly changing; they are altered to suit the situation. This flexibility often leads to many loops among the various factions vying for power.

Mr. Sharkey also placed a large portion of the responsibility for the lack of leadership in Indo-China on the French and their system of education. This system of educating only a select few has built up an aristocracy of wealth whose main loyalty in the past has been in the interests of France. These men saw their future as closely bound to that of France. When independence came to the area, these educated men formed the nucleus of the ruling class. They came from the best French military schools, the best trade schools, and the best universities. Within this group the reins of power were continually being reshuffled. Few, if any, of these men possessed what we might call the Democratic spirit. They were the elite typified by such men as the late President Diem, who apparently became more interested in preserving his own power than infighting the communists, according to Mr. Sharkey. He also stated that the main aim of the N.F.L. (National Liberation Front) is to get a negotiated peace. He predicted that the French and their system of education will always work against any solution reached.

BLED-IN

More than one hundred and eighty of our students have expressed a desire to donate a pint of blood for our soldiers in Vietnam at the "bleed-in" which will be held in the Champlain Library on Friday, December 16th. The American Red Cross mobile bloodmobile will be on campus the entire day, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The class of 1969 has been especially responsive to this blood drive.

The first "bleed-in" was held at the University of New Mexico as a con­structive answer to the demonstrations by college students at Berkeley and Oakland. Since then, many colleges, including Washington, Illinois, Stanford, and Washington State have held "bleed-ins" on their campuses. Although "bleed-ins" are organized to show support for our government's policy in Vietnam, a few Marist students, who do not support this policy, are donating blood solely to aid our soldiers in Vietnam.

The "bleed-in" is being organized by the Marist YAF, in cooperation with the Student Committee for Vietnam. Marist students should be proud of themselves for the support of the petition and "bleed-in" and for their enthusiastic reaction to the symposium on Viet­nam. As college students we are not asked to participate in the fighting but as citizens we are expected to analyze and respond to our government's policy, we at Marist have done this.

HIGH TOR REVIEWED

Thursday evening, December 9th, saw the opening performance of the Theatre Guild's production of Maxwell Anderson's verse play, High Tor.

The play itself represented somewhat of a deviation from the traditional Theatre Guild productions in that it contained both dream fantasy and poetic dialogue. Congratulations were the order of the day for all those involved with the production: Fine comic performances by Art J. Biggs Jr. and Judge Skinnerhorn (Alex Atree and Joe Towers respectively) proved to be one of the highlights of the play. Peggy Kane, a senior at Lourdes High School, likewise turned in a fine portrayal of the grandly Lise.

Bill Townsend as Dewitt, a scheming old salt inclined toward soliloquies, presented to his audience a fine performance of both riotous comedy and tender pathos.

Joan Archer as Judith, the would-be wife of Van Doran, realistically battled against the idealistic nature of her lover.

Jim Sullivan as Van Doran portrayed a vacillating character torn between his self-imposed romanticism and the bitter truth of reality. The outstanding performances of all these actors, however, are based on a great extent upon the efforts of two men, Prof. Stephen Lanning, the moderator of the guild, and Mr. James Brit, the director. Each truly deserves the thanks of the entire cast.

Not to be forgotten is the fine work of the stage crew and make-up committee whose obvious talents served to heighten interest and enjoyment of the play.

'68 A' GO-GO

by Bill Karl

The phenomenal success of the class of '68 in the field of novel mixers was continued on December 3rd with the coming of Marist College's first "Go-Gos." The girls made their debut at a mixer appropriately entitled "68 A Go-Go" and, although attendance was not as good as would have been desired due to a large number of functions thrown on the same night at several nearby schools, all those who attended enjoyed the evening.

The Sophomore class asked that Rich Gugliemo and Charlie DiSegra be thanked for the fine job they did with the three girls, and the possibility of having another affair of this type in the coming semester has already been mentioned. A feather in their cap for the Class of '68!
Santa's Presents

Well, it's almost Christmas, and in as many other years, many will come on Christmas Eve with their gifts. But if it's not always the case, our North Pole correspondence, we are able to give a turn up on what it's like to be Santa. We remember that he put out their trees on Christmas morning.

- Donner Dromen was a copy of "101 Party Jokes."
- Father Christmas is the head of his family.
- Brother Sharka is the head of his family.
- "Horizons Unlimited" is the name of the tutoring program which was started in the fall of 1985.
- These students, giving up their afternoons every Tuesday and Thursday, have been able to help students through college, by providing them with a one-on-one tutoring session.
- Student's rights are limited to theabe set by the college, which includes the ability to attend events, to vote in elections, and to use the facilities of the college. The college newspaper acts somewhat as an advertisement and a revenue producer.

MEET THE PRESIDENTS

Mr. R. Ramírez Fisher and Mrs. Nils towns are shown receiving awards for their services to the Fleur De Lis. In front of the school are several men and women who have been recognized for their contributions to the school.

The Higher Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. §1001 et seq., is a federal statute that establishes a national policy for the improvement of higher education in the United States. The purpose of the Act is to provide financial assistance to students who are enrolled in eligible postsecondary educational programs.

TUTORING

Tutoring is a service provided by the college to help students who are struggling with their coursework. It is a free service that is available to all students and is staffed by qualified tutors who are trained to help students improve their understanding of the material.

NIGHT SHIFTS

SHIRT & DRY CLEANING

10th and 11th Floor
Suicide is one of the leading causes of death among young people in the United States. It is estimated that one in ten adults will experience a mental health condition in their lifetime, and approximately one in four adults will develop a mood disorder, anxiety disorder, or substance use disorder at some point in their life.

Letters to the Editor

The primary object of a newspaper is to present its readers a collection of well-researched articles and editorials. The paper is printed to present and to dare not shy away from presenting liberal, leftist, and conservative points of view. It is not the purpose of the newspaper to present a balanced view, but to present a view that is consistent with the newspaper's editorial policy. The newspaper's role is a critical one in the functioning of a democracy, as it provides a platform for the expression of diverse views and allows for the exchange of ideas and opinions.

The power of the ballot is enshrined in the Constitution of the United States, and every citizen is entitled to vote in elections. However, there are many factors that can influence the outcome of an election, such as voter turnout, campaign spending, and media coverage. It is important for all citizens to be informed and involved in the electoral process in order to ensure that their voices are heard and their votes count.

The U.S. Postal Service is the nation's oldest and largest postal service, and it is responsible for delivering mail to every address in the United States. The Postal Service is a federal agency, and it is funded by the sale of postage stamps and other products.

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**HOOPS FOR GOOFs**

by Paul X. Rinn

Marist College commences its intramural Basketball program this year with possibly the best talent it has ever enjoyed. The leagues are enabled by the fact that twenty-five well diversified ball clubs will be competing for the college championships. These courts will be covered by talent ranging all the way from the largest of football players right down to the smallest of laundry men. Of course, some will take the games seriously and others with a grain of salt, and that is naturally where the real fun lies.

Division "A" should be a battle between last year's champs, the "Re-
guards," and a fast-breaking DeSolation Row team. Division "B" looks to be more of a struggle with the strongest teams appearing to be The C-Men, Owen, Pot, and the Metz, all having excellent chances for a playoff berth.

The enthusiasm which appears to exist among the entrants is overwhelming, mainly because everyone is getting a chance, to play and put their moves to a defensive team or man. Of course, one should not really try to classify the type of defenses used by the various teams, for more often than not, they appear to border on the hand-to-hand combat type zone.

However, the important thing to remember is that the larger the bumps and bruises now, the more enjoyable the memories will be later, but it could end up as a course in "How to Lose Friends and Make Enemies" if the easy way.

The game, instead of being a run-aways for a large vanilla remained closed until the final seven minutes of play, at which time Marist finally started to put the game on ice. Although the game was a victory for Marist, it was neither exciting nor, more importantly, well played; and if things do not improve, Marist will be in for another long year. This can be counteracted now and in future years only if people begin to think in terms of "not for the man but for the school."

Although Marist will be outclassed by many teams it does not have to be ashamed of, but should not be outclassed. By this is meant that vulgar gestures, childish actions, and the habit of socializing with spectators are considered "bread and butter" in college circles today. Also, considered in the aforementioned category are certain persons ranting and raving on the sidelines, unable to control their emotions. Being considered "bread and butter" is something that should be ashamed of, but it is something that can be and should be corrected.

As Marist grows out of its infancy in academic and structural areas, why must it remain a toddler in its athletic endeavors? Is it about time that someone, whether it be the administration, the coach, or the players themselves, take the responsibility and start to change this childish attitude. This may be accomplished in two ways: first, by the awarding of athletic scholarships and the hiring of a full-time basketball coach who does not have to contend with the worries of coaching another varsity sport and teaching numerous physical education classes. This is not meant as a degradation of our basketball coach, who is doing the best that his ability permits, but by a person who was cut from the team, but as a plea from a student who is interested in the betterment of his school. Secondly, we could drop basketball entirely, but this is a completely negative approach to a positive problem.

In conclusion, I wish to say that this article will not come to its fruition solely by the controversy that may arise but rather by the action themselves, which may come about.

John Murphy, flanked by two Hawks, makes a shot against the break which we lost to New Paltz 64-63 in the last 4 seconds.

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**FROM THE CAVE**

December 16, 1965

Marist College

Scene, we'd like to see U.C.L.A. on too again ... Professionally, come on 25% for the larger half and the hapless Knicks for the shorter part . . . Let us not forget the Sailing team which again posted a victory in the Frosh/Regatta . . . The Basketball squads are on the hardwood again. After two games, the Varsity is 1-1 with an 85-54 loss to King College of Penn. and a 74-54 victory over N. Y. Maritime. The Frosh dropped their opener . . . The Wrestling team also lost their opener on Dec. 4 to N. Y. Maritime . . . Weightlifting is just beginning.

Way back on Nov. 13, the Football Club played host to the Manhattan Jaspers at Riverview Field. At most of you know, the Jasper turned green and died in a game that the 15-0 score makes look close. In an effort to save face, Manhattan has dreamed up excuses for the loss from the night fog to the calling of the officials. They still haven't revealed the real reason that Manhattan lost, which is known to both you and the Cavemen: they were completely outplayed and outclassed on the field. Marist had a better organized, better balanced, and better coached team. In short, Marist was just the best of the two on the field. What the hell is a Jasper? A loser??

**MUSCLEBOUND**

On Saturday, December 11, the Marist Weightlifting Club hosted its third annual B.O . . . the Marist Club President, Joe Cherepowich indicating that they were not yet prepared to meet at that time. In a meet last year with Mt. St. Mary's, the Marist team won by a very large margin.

"The team is exceptionally strong this year with the addition of the freshmen, Joe White, who has already beaten records established last May by senior Bob Savvy. Besides Joe and Bob, senior Mike Ward and sophomores Joe Cherepowich, Nesto Bojanek, Dom noote, & rocky Lin oweki, and Bill Kuffner will attempt to keep up the team's undefeated record and score some points about doing to.

This is the first meet of this season. Some future events to be hosted by Marist will be scheduled with N.Y.U. and Princeton University, and the Dutchess County Open Championships.