Problems with voting procedures dominated the Marist College student elections held last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Only 611 out of approximately 1700 full-time students voted in this year's elections. People complained that the machines were too complicated. "It is my opinion that the machines were too complicated," explains Jim Raimo, Student Government President. The Council on Student Life, who supervised the voting machines in the hope of making the elections more official and increase voter turnout.

"The first way the machines were set up, indicated that one must pull the lever below the persons name," says Raimo. However, this confused people and caused people to vote for someone they did not want. "It is my fault that it was set up that way," admits Raimo. Voting was stopped at this point and students who had voted were notified by a letter, posters and word of mouth. 75% of the students who the first day voted, voted rerun.

The second complaint revolved around the way the votes were set up. A student could vote for any class officer even if they were not a member of the class. "We had to rely on the honesty of the Marist students," says Raimo. To find out if a discrepancy in the number of votes in the race, a discrepancy occurred. Only one incident of this occurred. Jim Muzikowski won out over his competitor, Lisa Arcuri and Joan Gasporovic. The other candidates received 184 and 120 votes, respectively. A total of 495 resident students and 118 commuters voted in the elections held last Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

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In other Student leader positions Georgia Issacs, who ran unopposed for Student Academic Committee President, and Mike Wiese, who ran unopposed for President of College Union Board, both received 381 votes.

Chris Blood received 69 votes to Bob Auville's 51 and Steve Pooch's 49 votes for President of the Junior Class. Janet McNamara beat Dawn Joy Oliver 95-50 for Vice President. Bilair Tribulati won over Diana Kaiser 76-62 for secretary. Bill Laprade received 139 votes for Treasurer.

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Election Problems

by Tom Hassett

Jim "Tutor" Muzikowski is the new Marist College Student Government President for the 1981-'82 school year as a result of last week's campus wide student elections.

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The play "Dr. Doolittle" is scheduled to be performed by the Marist College Student Government. The play is directed by Dee Nell, and written by William Gibson.

"Dr. Doolittle" is a musical for children and adults as well. It is based on Hugh Lofting's book of the same name. The story is primarily about a doctor and how to run a circus as well. Father LaMorte feels the responsibility of housing will become more involved in the process, the students to have faith in such a large institution. We had to experience the use of the voting machines complained Raimo. He explained that he hopes that the newly elected officers learn from this year's elections and don't make the same mistakes.

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The reasons that students did not vote were as follows. A lack of interest, no desire to vote, because they had not been informed of the elections, they were busy, and a lack of information about the elections.

"Our class officers were informed," says Raimo, "and were told to print flyers and distribute them. We also added, "we think that being a student enables the students to have a sense of independence." Dean Cox and LaMarte agreed that the purpose of Sunday night's meeting was to inform the students as to what was actually going on. Their hope and feeling is that the students will become more involved in the process, be able to make intelligent choices, and the responsibility of housing will be shared with both the students and administration.

Cox noted, "it is hard to get the students to have faith in such a large construction when they have yet to see a building," he feels that the floor plans that were distributed at the meeting showed the students that they are "one step closer to reality."
Will the Circle end?

The Circle: A figure that seemingly looks continuous, unfortunately, this doesn't apply to the Marist College campus newspaper. At present, there are no editors for next fall, and the absence of a campus newspaper may be more detrimental than most students have considered.

This past year has brought many changes to the Circle. New columnists, expanded editions, and a larger staff than the previous year, have all worked to make the newspaper a success. Yet, will the next circle, might the Circle. Although applications have been available, there has been no response.

Washington Bee-Hive

To the Editor:

I am enclosing a copy of the 6th semester, Washington Bee-Hive, a publication of students from over 100 colleges to study and raise awareness of all the government related operations: The Congress, President, Administration, Media, Interest Groups. All in all it has been a very rewarding experience for me. It was so enjoyable that I would like to continue on in the future. I would be grateful if you could tell me for further details.

Lauren Devlin

Dear Readers,

I'm sure you must have noticed that the editors of the Circle are not making the rounds as they once were, in order to correct a misprint, a hangover from last semester. However, we are planning to publish a new edition soon to clear the air.

Have Faith

Townhouses which once seemed so incredibly far away are now becoming a reality. It seems very easy not to believe all this talk and that it ever stop? Hopefully, not. We should continue to support the townhouses and hope that they become a permanent feature on our campus.

Inquiring Photographer

Question: What do you think of the courses offered for the fall?

In the fall, we will have a variety of photography courses, including

- Photographic History and Theory
- Creative Photography
- Digital Imaging

These courses will be offered by a renowned photographer, and will provide students with the opportunity to develop their skills and creativity.

Reagan Plan Spans Interest

By Evelyn Greco

Recent developments in President Reagan's proposed budget cuts appear to be affecting many of the campus activities. The budget cuts have led to a reduction in the amount of funding available for student organizations, which in turn has led to a decrease in the amount of money available for student activities.

Rockpile

By Bill Palmer

The band Genesis and its members have a special project they are working on: their new album, "Face Value." They recently released a sub album called "The Face Value," which features one of the best songs of the year, "The Face." The band's other albums, "The Second Face," and "The Third Face," are also available.

Campus Announcements

THURSDAY, April 2

5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - "Dr. Doozy" performances - Theater

Friday, April 3

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - "Dr. Dozy" performances - Theater

Saturday, April 4

1:00 p.m. - Kung Fu Club Practice - McCann Dance Rm.

Aerobics instructor Mary Murphy from All Sport in Fishkill, April 9, 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, April 5

12:00 noon - Lecture - Marist Stationary

1:00 p.m. - "Dr. Doozy" performances - Theater

5:00 p.m. - Stamp & Coin Show - FIELDHOUSE CLOSED

5:30 p.m. - "Dr. Doozy" performances - Theater
**Midstation:** The Winner

By Lettia Kennedy

-Midstation, written by Gail Tannenbaum and directed by Don Sutton captured first prize in the Spring Theater Festival this past weekend.

Paige Durban and Allison McCrea were in the midst of a delightful and amusing musical that were worthy of being in school bused in the "real" world while actually worrying about their destinies.

Tannenbaum is in short and simple terms trying to approximate contemporary stage realism in an attempt to create a piece that will be both entertaining and thought-provoking. The main focus of the production is on a mysterious and elusive figure known only as "the winner" or "Midstation," who brings a series of events and decisions to the life of the main character, Tom Hassett.

The play uses a modern, realistic style and incorporates elements of musical theatre to convey its message. The performers are effective in their roles, and the production values are high. The play's themes of finding one's purpose in life and the importance of making choices are relevant and thought-provoking.

**Graduate Study Abroad**

Over 100 students from the School of Continuing Education attended the pre-application meeting of a new group called MONSENTUM. Monuments is a student group organized by Diane Wakefield, who is located in the Counseling Center and who is organizing a service group to assist students in their graduate studies.

The group is concerned with providing information and support to students interested in pursuing graduate study or research. The group members are currently working on developing a newsletter to be distributed to interested students, and they are also planning to hold a series of informational sessions for students interested in graduate study.

**This Week's Place To Be**

By Greg Sydor

Daffodil Days, the annual festival of the Outenake County Unit of the American Cancer Society, is currently underway. This year, the festival is being held at the Renaissance Pub, 23 Duane Street in Poughkeepsie.

The Renaissance has a number of special events planned for the week, including a special brunch menu on Sunday morning, a silent auction on Monday, and a live auction on Tuesday night. The festival also includes a charity basket raffle, with all proceeds going to the American Cancer Society.

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**Playwrite to Speak**

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**New Hope for Cancer Patients**

By Coloan Golonka

Students in non-college housing will have class "priority..." Students may request for general or special housing (see current catalogue put it)? How can you do this time and still enjoy the best years of your life? How can you do this time and still reach the state of mind you want to do is blink. Look into your eyes and see the daffodils at 30' a piece, or 30 for 7 messages.

Remember "You Do Make A Difference in the fight against cancer."

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Pythagoras Muddled Philosophy

By James H. Slater
Special to the Journal

Mythology may be a long and difficult word. Maybe it's our notion of normal society. Left-handedness is definitely a superstitious and mystical concept. Whether it is natural or learned, no one knows for sure. The question of whether left-handedness is due to a genetic or environmental factor remains unanswered.

One theory suggests that left-handedness is due to a genetic factor. This theory is supported by studies that have shown a higher incidence of left-handedness in families where at least one parent is left-handed. However, other studies have failed to confirm these findings, making the genetic theory controversial.

Another theory suggests that left-handedness is due to an environmental factor. This theory is supported by studies that have shown that left-handedness is more common among certain occupations, such as musicians and athletes. However, these studies have not been able to prove that the environment is the sole cause of left-handedness.

So, we still don't know for sure whether left-handedness is due to a genetic or environmental factor. The answer may be somewhere in between. It's a fascinating topic, and one that continues to capture the interest of scientists and laypeople alike.
The Crewmen ready to push off another exciting season. Photo by Mike Chung

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Coach Teator told me that his team is hurting with superstars Kevin Babcock out with an ankle injury, but that he hopes super sub Bill Nixon can fill in. Coach Teator also spoke to Marist fans with the winner to play the Powerful Cavalliers led by Soup Campbell and William Cole.

The Intramural Athlete's of the months for their outstanding play go to Billy Gillespie, Doug Williams, Marvin Rice, Mike Malet, Kevin Babcock and Tom Reed.

Intramural Basketball winding down

Mike Duffy pulling down a rebound in the action packed world known as Intramurals. Photo by Lisa Marchessano

A Closer Look

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Steve Helman will be coaching Our Lady of Lourdes High School in the fall, and by no means was he fired. Fox team suffer emotional trauma from his absence. What is felt by many could be considered confusion and hostility, but I guess that just goes with the job.