MURDER AT MARIST: The real story

by Laurie Lovisa

On Feb. 18, 1975, Shelly Sperling, 17, Mahopac, lay dying on the floor of the cafeteria's food service office at Marist College. Moments before, Louis O. Acevedo III, 20, Mahopac, a former boyfriend of Sperling, had entered the cafeteria. Shortly after 6 p.m., a report of shots being fired summoned police to the college campus. Sperling was found dead.

The Sperling murder has become part of Marist folklore. Like most folklore it is laced with fact and fiction. Rumors that have flourished in the last seven years are varied. Some say she was killed by a man under the influence of drugs. Others say she was murdered by a shot to the head. What follows is an attempt to set the record straight through eye witness accounts and reports that appeared in the Poughkeepsie Journal, Feb. 19, 1975.

At 5:45 p.m. Louis O. Acevedo entered the cafeteria with friends to have dinner. Acevedo, then a student at Dutchess Community College, accosted the Sperling girl and a friend of hers, stirred the contents of the food service office. There were three male employees on a break in the office. With a .32 caliber pistol one of two shots were fired at one of the employees as they were doing up until when the trigger was pulled. After that he was doing up until when the trigger was pulled. After that he

"After Shelly was struck, she managed to calm him down and persuade him to bring her to the hospital. She was a remarkable girl," Ryan said. "She feared Acevedo coming after her." Shelly made a point of always being in the company of others," said Ryan. "Walking across campus, Sperling died on the floor. She had been shot twice, once in the shoulder and once in the side.

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Immediately after the murder of Shelly Sperling, Acevedo was taken to the Mid-Hudson Psychiatric Center where he was found murdered by a shot to the head.

"Our theory is that the murder was premeditated," said O'Neil. "We believe Acevedo knew and understood fully what he was doing up until when the trigger was pulled. After that he..." Ryan said that several months prior to the murder, Acevedo had assaulted Sperling. "He and Shelly were down by the river when Acevedo picked up a rock and threw it at her," said Ryan. "After Shelly was struck, she managed to calm him down and persuade him to bring her to the hospital. She was a remarkable girl," Ryan said.

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"If you have to use an introductory approach, you have to be fully intelligible to them," said Goldring. "They should not be the grounding for what purports to be an introduction to undergraduate education." Both opponents and proponents recognize a need for the faculty to understand the proposal more clearly. "The faculty has a right to demand what they teach be fully intelligible to them," said Goldring, "and our students have a total and insurmountable right to demand that we..."
The Readers Write

Editors note: The following letter was received by the editors of the C.U.B. News. The author is a member of the Student Senate and comments on the budget for next year.

Moyhan on aid

To the Editor: In response to a recent letter in the C.U.B. News discussing the budget for next year, I would like to comment on the statement that a majority of C.U.B. would have to be cut. It's true that we need to cut some of the programs, but we must also remember the financial needs of the students.

The Student Senate has worked hard to ensure that students are not negatively affected by these cuts. We are committed to providing a quality education for all students. In order to do this, we must make difficult decisions about where to allocate our limited funds.

I would like to urge everyone to support the Student Senate in our efforts to provide the best possible education for all students.

Sincerely, Moyhan on aid

The Circle

Discussion of focus on prevention

By Diane Oliver

Rape and rape prevention were the topics being discussed by both men and women on Wednesday evening. The discussion was aimed at identifying issues surrounding rape and identifying ways of preventing it.

The panel consisted of two women and one man who shared their experiences and opinions on the matter. The panelists included a graduate student in psychology, a sociology professor, and a community organizer.

The graduate student shared her experience of being raped and discussed the psychological impact it had on her. She stressed the importance of providing support and resources for survivors.

The sociology professor talked about the social and cultural factors that contribute to rape culture. She emphasized the need for education and awareness campaigns to address these issues.

The community organizer shared their work in the community and discussed the importance of involving community members in the prevention of rape.

The panel concluded with a call to action for everyone to become involved in preventing rape. They encouraged people to educate themselves and others about the issue, to support survivors, and to advocate for policies that prevent rape.

Those interested in learning more about rape prevention are encouraged to contact the Sexual Assault Resource Center for information and resources.

Murray reflects on Africa

By Joyce K. de Fezio

Murray was a professor of African history who taught at the University of the South. He was known for his expertise and passion for the subject.

During his time in Africa, Murray reflected on the importance of education and the need for continued efforts to improve access to quality education. He noted that the continent was a place of diversity and richness, but also of poverty and inequality.

Murray emphasized the need for more investment in education and the importance of empowering African youth. He believed that education was a key tool for developing the continent and improving the lives of its people.

The lecture was well-received by the audience, who were inspired by Murray's insights and passion for the subject. Many attendees expressed a desire to learn more about African history and culture.

The lecture was held in the University of the South's lecture hall, which was packed with students, faculty, and community members.

Frieberg gets special unit

By Bob Kelly

The Bainbridge Women's Community Center received a special unit in the last budget cycle. The unit is designed to provide additional support for women in the community.

The special unit includes a full-time social worker and a part-time health provider. It also provides access to community resources and support groups.

The unit has been well-received by the community, and many women have benefited from the additional support.

The unit is a result of the efforts of the Women's Community Center and the local government. The center has worked hard to provide services for women in the community, and the special unit is a testament to their efforts.

The center is grateful for the support of the community and looks forward to continuing to provide services for women in the future.

The Holocaust: a survivor's story

By Terry Ann Sullivan

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The Holocaust was a tragic event in human history, and its impact is still felt today. It is important to remember the lives lost and the atrocities committed during this time.

One woman who survived the Holocaust is Anne Frank. Her story is a powerful reminder of the human capacity for evil, and the resilience of the human spirit. Frank's diary, which was published after her death, provides a firsthand account of life during the Holocaust.

Frank's story has been adapted into a play, which is currently touring the country. The play is a powerful reminder of the importance of remembering the Holocaust and the need for continued efforts to prevent similar atrocities from occurring.

The play is a must-see for anyone interested in learning more about the Holocaust and its impact on the world. It is a powerful reminder of the importance of remembering the past and working to create a better future for all.

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Rowers lose to LaSalle at president's regatta

by Kathy O'Connor

With only one point lead, LaSalle College beat Marist in the overall points standing to win the President's Cup Regatta. The battle between Marist and LaSalle began in the first race of the day, in the men's varsity four race, LaSalle beat Marist by only one half a second with a time of 6:59.0.

In the women's varsity eight race, LaSalle was 2 seconds tougher than the Marist women pulled ahead to win a close race. Low Deborah then crossed the line in 7:25.7. LaSalle once again showed their strength in the men's varsity eight race, winning with a time of 6:41.2. Marist placed sixth in that race with a time of 7:25.7.

For the second time that day, Marist was robbed of a victory by a half of a second. The men's light-weight four race was won by SUNY Maritime in 8:05.7 ahead of Marist in 8:06.1. Marist placed third in the women's novice eight race with a time of 9:34.6 behind Lowell's 9:15.8 and Manhattan as 9:34.2 finish. LaSalle with a time of 10:59.3, finished strong against Marist in the women's light-weight four race to win in 10:59.3.

However, Marist did not stop, and won the men's novice four race with a strong finish of 10:45.2. Skidmore was second with a time of 10:45.1 and Manhattan's crew pulled ahead in the men's novice four race to win in 9:55.4, leaving Marist behind to finish in 10:02.8. In the final race of the day, the men's varsity eight, Marist and LaSalle were up against each other again to battle it out for first place. LaSalle finished in 8:13.5, forcing Marist in to second place in a time of 8:23.5. It was a battle the entire day for Marist. 'If we had a boat in the varsity light eight race, or had won four races, we might have come out on top," said Marist Crew Coach Larry Davis. "If we had won the race against LaSalle which we lost by only a half a second, we could have gotten the points and won overall," he added. Davis said he was pleased with the overall performance of his team. "The women's varsity eight and four boats did a good job," he said, "as well as the men's varsity four." "The novice boats had a tough time, but have showed an increased improvement throughout the season," said Davis. The Marist crew has done more chance to improve its times before the Dad Vail Regatta on May 7 and 8.

Saturday they will travel to Conn. to race at Lake Waramaug with Trinity, Williams and Colgate Colleges.

The Dad Vail Regatta held in Philadelphia, is the small college championships.

Marist staff members run in Boston marathon

by Ken Bohan

After nearly 24 miles and three and a half hours of running, two miles from the finish line ran as close to home as the moon and not much easier to reach. At the 1982 running of The Boston Marathon Glen Marini, Marist's women's trainer, and Dick Quinn, the assistant athletic director, reached that finish line despite the water was calm and Marist was leading in the overall points standing. LaSalle then followed this victory up with a win in the men's varsity four race.

Marist, now 4.3 overall, played to large crowd of supporters as students and parents took advantage of the beautiful weather on both days. On Saturday, Sept. 18, teams 13-10 behind the offense of attackers Lou Consetti and Dave Naar, Consetti, the team's leading scorer, made six goals and Naar made three goals to edge Marist in a fine offensive runs all afternoon. Ted Loughlin and John Lennon scored the other two Marist goals.

Stevens, trailing early, came on strong in the second half and Marist's lead to 10-8 when Lennon scored his goal. It was the lift the team needed at that point. "I'm very proud at the team today," coach Ted Peterson said. "We really pulled it together when it got close." The Marist mid fielders played well all day, both offensively and defensively. Charlie Downey, Greg Smith, and Pete Jackson were especially active for Marist. Quinn, who before coming to Marist had previously played soccer in season. The defense, after letting a few early goals in, tightened up when the game got hot. Pat Delori, probably the most consistent Marist defender this year, held the defense.

Friday's 1-5 win over Fairleigh Dickinson, sophomore goalie John Mariniello, Marist's trainer, and Mike Quinn, with at least one point lead, LaSalle out after fenning the race adding, "If it hadn't happened, I would probably wouldn't have finished." Mariniello said they drank a sufficient body fluids and get his body temperature back to normal (as did overall winner Alberto Saibatu), he said he collapsed upon finishing the race adding, "If it hadn't happened, I would probably wouldn't have finished." Mariniello said they drank a sufficient amount of water before and during the race but Quinn, as well as many others, just didn't feel well to the end of the race. Regarding his own apparent lack of trouble with the heat Mariniello said, "I just take the heat better than some." Quinn and Mariniello started running together last summer when Mariniello arrived to take the trainer position. Mariniello said he's been running for about six years. He said he originally started to lose weight and has kept track of every mile he's run giving the total as 8,290 miles.

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