Marist student gets to mingle with astronauts and Reagan

Astronaut Alan Shepard, left, with Joe Podesta, second from right, at the 25th anniversary dinner for NASA's Mercury Seven, America's first manned orbital flight.

The $1,000 a setting banquet was star-studded, with President and Mrs. Reagan, the Mercury Seven crew and most other astronauts, various politicians, military officials, Roy Neal and Bob Hope in attendance.

Podesta and his family were guests of Rear Admiral Alan Shepard, one of the original American astronauts.

Podesta's father and Shepard became friendly after a business association this past year. The elder Podesta is chairman of the board of the Phoenix Communications Group, which includes Major League Baseball Productions.

The company made a 25th anniversary video for the Houston Astros, and the 25th anniversary of Mercury Seven was worked into it.

The younger Podesta works for Major League Baseball Productions when he can find time during his schedule at Marist.

Podesta said he wasn't phased by the event until he actually walked into the reception room.

"I didn't hit me until I walked in and just looked around at the amazing array of people gathered in one room. Alan Shepard told me I looked white as a ghost and asked me if I was okay," Podesta said.

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Financial Aid
Co-ops & Internships

GRE (Graduate Record Examination) will be administered by the Marist College Testing Center in Byre at ext. 152. GRE is a test for students who wish to receive graduate admission. GRE is offered on several dates for admission to graduate programs. For more information, call 570-327-9370.

Health
Weight Watchers

The Weight Watchers Quick Start program will be offered as an eight week program with one meeting scheduled per week. For more information, call 570-314-6270.

Entertainment

Foreign Films

"Le Strada," a Federico Fellini film, is about a simple-minded man, identified as Charlie Chaplin, who is lost,因而可洛recommended. The film will be shown in Byre on Tuesday, March 2, at 9:00 p.m. with change of time. The film shown will be, "The Last House on Katharine Street," a film dealing with a poor woman's visualization of the family bond and her guilt in killing her husband. The film will also be shown in CHS at 7:00 p.m. Fifth floor.

Music

"Fifth of May," written by Larry Wilson and directed by John Bigno, will be presented by the Marist College Choir at 8:00 p.m. at the Byre Theater. There will be a fee of $3.00 per ticket. The program will include the National Anthem, "America the Beautiful," "I'll Fly Away," "America the Beautiful," "The Lord's Prayer," and "The Lord's Prayer."

Potpourri

Peer pressure: Friendship can have costs

by Michael McGarvey

It's the same day at Marist East. Students and faculty assemble for the school's annual Mardi Gras carnival. In the gallery lounge in the student center is a table covered with colorful Mardi Gras masks. A box of blank Mardi Gras masks is also available for those who wish to design their own. The table is manned by students from the Marist College Art Department. The carnival is being held off the River Pomilla area at Byre.

Later that night, after the Mardi Gras carnival, there will be an all-night dance in Byre. The music will be provided by the Freskis Lounge. The coffeehouse is open from 7:00 p.m. Admission is free.

Sometimes, the best way to change your life is to start a new one.

by Elaine Podlasek

The best way to change your life is to start a new one. This is especially true for students who are trying to change their lifestyle.

Berrigan speaks on social responsibility

by Kristine Manning

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Weekend burglars strike at campus housing units

by Michael McGarvey

The weekend burglars strike at campus housing units. The police are investigating the break-ins at Poughkeepsie Tower and Bellamy Towers.

A group of students living in the towers reported that they were missing personal items. The police are currently investigating the break-ins.

The students who were burglarized said that they were missing personal items such as money, jewelry, and electronics. The police are currently investigating the break-ins.

"All of the time when out in the lounge, there was no one around anything of value. It was all just on the floor, on the third floor. No one was around the room.""
classifieds

THINK ABOUT IT!

Student Government

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Do you think the students of this college should have more involvement in the decision-making process of the college administration? Yes/No

Student Government

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AIDS speaker urges care

by Michael Krasner

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Downtown Growth: New hotel may increase business in Poughkeepsie

by Laurence Arthur

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A new hotel intended to boost business downtown is nearing completion. When complete, the hotel will add 100 rooms and a convention center.

The new hotel is being built on the north side of the Mid-Hudson Civic Center, near the Main Mall business area, said Aposporos. The hotel will provide the area with a potential for increased business.

The hotel will be run by the Dallas-based Archways Hospitality. The hotel is being built by the Archways Hospitality group, a subsidiary of the Dallas-based Archways Hospitality.

The hotel will have three floors and will be located near the north side of the Mid-Hudson Civic Center. 

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Opinion

Clean it up!

Mary is in the forefront these days. And whether the students at Marist realize it or not, their actions are making the campus a better place. But why is it that every time students are asked to do something, they always refuse?

It's not that Mary students are not interested. It's just that they don't want to get involved. They want to sit back and do nothing, and then complain about the mess they've created. It's frustrating, really. But it's true.

I'm not saying that every Mary student should be an environmentalist. But at least they should be more responsible for their actions. They should take pride in their school and community, and work to make it a better place.

It's not just Mary students who need to clean up their act. Everyone needs to do their part. We all have a responsibility to protect the environment and the places we live in.

So, let's all do our part and make our campus, and the world, a better place. It's up to us.
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**sports**

Foxes hit the road after clinching Metro

by Paul Kelly

Hoping to continue their recent run of success, the Marist women’s basketball team will travel to the Metro Conference this week. The Foxes have won two of their last three games and currently sit in third place in the Metro, a position they hope to continue with a three-game road trip to Ohio and New York.

Marist’s season is far from over, but the team is looking to build on its recent success. The Foxes have been putting in the work both on and off the court, and they are poised to make a run for the conference championship. With a road trip ahead, the team is looking to continue its winning ways and take advantage of the opportunity to prove themselves against tough competition.

Swimmers smash records

by Ann Marie Snyder

The Marist men’s and women’s swimming teams continued their impressive season with a doubleheader sweep of Seton Hall last weekend in the Metro Conference.

The men’s team defeated Seton Hall 143-72, while the women’s team topped the Pirates 144-70. The victories were part of a larger trend for the Foxes, who have won 12 of their last 14 Metro meets.

Marist’s success has been driven by solid performances from several swimmers, including senior Dan Murphy, who set a new school record in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:45.26. Freshman Andrew Shaw also set a new record in the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 1:48.62.

The team’s next meet is scheduled for Jan. 19 against Fordham in the Gerald D. Houghtaling Pool.

**Marist’s fans make it a Garden party**

by Michael J. Nolan

The Marist women’s basketball team hosted one of the most memorable games in team history last weekend at FDU. The Foxes edged out the Knights 70-69 in double overtimes to secure a conference championship.

The game was one to remember for fans and players alike. Marist fans had packed the arena, creating a loud and passionate atmosphere that helped push the team to victory.

“Without the support of our fans, this game would not have been possible,” said coach Matt Meo. “They were incredible and I can’t thank them enough.”

The game will go down in Marist history as a turning point for the team and a highlight of the season. With the championship secured, the Foxes are looking forward to the Final Four in Atlantic City later this month.

**Women’s hoop extends losing skid to six**

by Tom Albright

The Marist women’s basketball team has struggled throughout the season, but are looking to turn things around with a win over St. Francis. The Red Foxes have lost six straight games and are hoping to find some success against the Red Flash.

“We’re really looking forward to this game,” said junior forward Jessica Allen. “We’re confident in our abilities and we’re ready to go.”

Star center Kelsie Roby has been a consistent presence for the team, averaging 14.5 points and 8.7 rebounds per game. She will look to lead the charge against St. Francis.

**Talbot keeps hoop in hard with hard work**

by Jean Talbot

In the Marist College men’s basketball panda, there is a term that describes a particular type of student: “hard work.” This term is often used to describe students who are consistently putting in the effort to succeed both in and out of the classroom.

Talbot, a senior center, embodies this spirit. He is known for his dedication to his studies and his athletic endeavors. Talbot is a four-year starter on the basketball team and has been named to the Metro Conference All-Academic Team three times.

“Hard work is the key to success,” said Talbot. “You have to put in the effort on the court and in the classroom to achieve your goals.”

**A scrum with wire for Nino**

by Paul Kelly

When the Marist College rugby team faced St. Francis last weekend, the Foxes were looking to make up ground in the Metro Conference.

Despite a strong performance from the opposition, Marist was able to come out on top with a 38-24 victory. The win was a crucial one, as the Foxes are looking to make a run for the conference championship.

“Every game is important,” said coach Tom Albright. “But this one was especially important for us.”

**Kill the ref! How life looks through the eyes of a zebra**

by Colin Barry

There are no spectators in the arena and Marist is leading Fairfield 28-22 at the half. With a 10-point cushion, the Foxes are looking to build on their lead in the second half.

“They’re really struggling on the offensive side,” said coach Matt Meo. “We’re capitalizing on our opportunities and making them pay off.”

Marist will need to maintain their intensity in the second half if they hope to secure a victory. The game will be a true test of their ability to come together and execute their game plan.

“Every game is a new challenge,” said Talbot. “But we’re looking forward to the opportunity to prove ourselves.”

**FANtastic Support!**

Together We Make a Winning Team

by Brian Collery

Life became routine again. No more long road trips, no more enemy words through the speaker. No more trying to prove oneself.

"When they tell you that a game is over, it's over. No need to show up the next day." Even though this was a true statement, Talbot knew that the team would still come together.

"I was seriously pretty tired to travel. But we got a good game out of it and I'm glad I had control over it," he said.
Mall plan remains on track
by Linda Smith

The possible construction of the Marist Village shopping complex continues to be studied by Marist officials, according to President Dennis Murray. The board of trustees has approved the conceptual plan of the project, but a final determination has not been made, according to Murray. "If the project is going to go ahead we have to bring the specifics back to the board of trustees. The most important factors being the structure of the arrangement and how it will be financed," he said.

"No college money will be put into this project," Murray said. "The village will probably be a revenue producer for the college."

The developers are responsible for all funding for the project, according to Murray.

The college is working with Finnerman and Co., a Poughkeepsie development firm, in putting the specific points of the project together. Presently, the developers have been contacting potential clients who would rent space within the complex.

Murray said possible tenants could include "everything from bookstores to boutiques to beauty parlors to delis and even a fast-food restaurant."

Although the complex would be open to the public, the establishment would cater to the primary needs of Marist students.

The complex would be located adjacent to route 9, in between the Getty gas station and the Dutchess Bank. The site would not extend south of the Townhouses.

'5th of July' set to open this evening
by Jonna Spilbor

Lights, camera, action.
Well, maybe there won't be a camera, but there will be plenty of action when "The 5th of July," a play written by Lanford Wilson and directed by Marist student John Roche premieres tonight at 8 in the Campus Center Theater.

The play revolves around two former college roommates from the sixties who reunite 15 years later despite the totally different lifestyles and the Talley family.

Roche, a senior, said: "I think it's a play that fits into the student perspective because of the topic and subject matter; disintegration of youthful dreams and the final realization that you can't run from yourself."

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like a student in any other major," said Donoghue. "They say you have to leave and you have three colleges to choose from."

Donoghue said she believes the program has only a slim chance. She and the other nurses are willing to actively recruit potential nursing students from their old high schools, as well as those in the Poughkeepsie area, Donoghue said.

"We came here trusting Marist and we have turned their backs on us," said McHugh. "My uncle gives money to Marist, he used to be a Marist Brother."

"He's not going to be happy when he hears what happened to his niece."