Dispute deepens over McCann 'Auditorium'

by Bill DeGennaro

The controversy over fire safety at the McCann Center is apparently not yet over.

District Deputy Chief Richard L. Dormeyer said the Fairview Fire Department has asked the New York State Division of Codes Enforcement, Albany, for a clarification and ruling on Town of Poughkeepsie Building Inspector Arthur J. LaPan's decision allowing 4270 people to occupy the McCann Center.

Whatever the outcome of Fairview's appeal to the Division of Codes Enforcement, the next major event to be held at the McCann Center, the May 23 Commencement ceremony, should proceed as planned, according to Marist officials and town fire inspectors.

Dormeyer said Marist officials have been notified, and have agreed to build an additional four fire exits that he and Town of Poughkeepsie Fire Inspector Don Murphy recommend, if the Division of Codes Enforcement upholds Fairview's appeal.

On the first day of the ECAC Men's Micro Hockey Tournament, March 6, LaPan sent Murphy to the McCann Center to determine its occupancy capacity.

LaPan sent Murphy after receiving a complaint from Dormeyer, who had received two complaints from people concerned with overcrowding at the men's basketball games this year.

Murphy, after calculating the square footage and number of fire exits in the McCann Center, figured 1800 people could occupy the building.

For the tournament, however, LaPan reclassified the building as an auditorium, and raised the occupancy limit to 4270.

The fire inspector went up there to measure the building and give me some figures," LaPan said, "and he figured 1800 people capacity. I reviewed his findings and I did not agree."

LaPan said he is calling the McCann Center an auditorium, which under building codes allows seven square feet for each person.

The building of Gymnasium in the building codes, each person is allotted 15 square feet, LaPan said.

Under building codes, for each 600 people inside, one additional fire exit is needed, according to Murray. The difference between Murphy's recommendation and LaPan's ruling, 2470, would require four additional fire exits, Murphy said.

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Nurses demand: Hear our side

by Mike Grayeb

In a continuing effort to save the Marist nursing program, nursing students met with the Academic Affairs Committee this week, one day before the committee was to vote on its recommendation on the future of the program in the faculty.

A special meeting of the AAC was scheduled to vote Tuesday, after a group of six student nurses staged an informal sit-in in Academic Vice President Dr. Marc Vanderheyden's office last Friday. The students demanded a chance to meet with the AAC and President Dennis Murray.

The student nurses will present their case to Murray next Tuesday, according to Pat Deschamps, president of the student nurses association.

The AAC was scheduled to vote yesterday afternoon, but the outcome was not available at press time. After the AAC makes its recommendation, the faculty will vote, but the ultimate decision rests with the board of trustees.

While the final decision remains pending — the process could drag on for several more weeks — the student nurses' frustration continues to grow.

Barbara Wyse, director of the nursing program, said she felt the young program was over given the attention it needed to survive.

"With any nursing program, there has to be special efforts to recruit," said Hynes, in a telephone interview earlier this week. "We made ourselves available to help in the recruiting at college fairs, but Jim Daly (former vice president for admissions and enrollment planning) refused."

Kate Bradley, a junior, from Hyde Park, agreed: "Marist should have aggressively recruited, and they haven't done that at all," she said.

Mary Beth Carey, assistant dean of admissions, said she was prepared for comments yesterday. However, early last day, Daly said the nursing program had been excessively compromised, citing 1,000 personal letters sent to high school students interested in nursing.

"Some of us are fully defending the program, while others don't want Marist at all and want us," said Deschamps. Some student nurses in the class of 1988 said transferring to the nursing program at Mercy Saint Mary College, in nearby Newburgh, N.Y., would require them to take courses this summer to maintain status as a senior next year. Also, those students who transferred will not be able to graduate in May 1988, according to Deschamps.

"We will also have to take a physical exam next summer, and then graduate in August instead of May," said Deschamps. She expects the students will then

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Nurses: More arrests likely

Two Marist freshmen have been arrested for the burglaries of three rooms in Sheahan Hall and more arrests in connection with the same burglaries are expected, according to Detective James Hamburger of the Town of Poughkeepsie Police.

Hamburger and Detective John Wagner arrested Steven Mercere, 18, of Statan Island, and John Murray, 19, of Rosedale, N.Y., on March 11 after an investigation conducted by Marist Security and the Town of Poughkeepsie Police.

The two students are accused of breaking into room 113 of Sheahan on Feb. 15 and rooms 212 and 213 of Sheahan on March 1. Items of clothing were stolen from the rooms, according to Hamburger.

"One would be a lookout, pretending to be on the telephone," Hamburger said. "The other entered the room."

The two students have withdrawn completely from Marist, according to Peter Amato, assistant dean of student affairs.

Wagner and Mercere are charged with burglary and more counts, third degree, grand larceny and fourth degree grand larceny.

Their case is pending April 1 before Judge Paul Sullivan in the Town of Poughkeepsie Court.

The elections that aren't

When Marist was all-male

Crew, lacrosse and more

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**DEADLINES**

Tomorrow is the last day to withdraw from your courses without penalty. Students must register with the Registrar's Office by 5 p.m. in order to receive a full refund. No refunds will be given after that date for any reason. Students who continue to attend classes after the last day to withdraw will be considered registered for the course.

**HEALTH**

*Outside the Classroom*

The Student Health Center is now offering flu shots on a walk-in basis. The center is located in the basement of the Student Center and is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Students are encouraged to receive the flu shot as soon as possible to protect themselves and others from the flu.

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**ENTERTAINMENT**

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The department of drama is presenting a new production of "The Winter's Tale," which is based on the Shakespearean play. The production will be held in the Performing Arts Center, and tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students. The show will run from Monday, February 24, to Saturday, February 28, with performances at 8 p.m. each evening.

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**Ivanovic is new registrar**

Ivanovic Ivankovic is the new registrar since July 1986. She has a bachelor's degree in public administration and has been working in the registrar's office since 1983. She is responsible for coordinating all aspects of the registration process, including the use of computerized systems, to ensure that students have access to the courses they need to complete their degree requirements.

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**FRESHMAN**

*Outside the Classroom*

The freshmen class is being welcomed to campus by the president of the university. The president welcomed the freshmen to the campus and encouraged them to make the most of their college experience. The president also announced several new initiatives to support freshmen, including a freshmen advisor program and a freshmen orientation program.

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**SUCCEEDING**

*Outside the Classroom*

The department of finance is offering a new course on financial management. The course will be taught by a experienced finance professor, and it will cover topics such as budgeting, investing, and financial planning. The course will be held in the business building, and it will meet on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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Spring Break

Far from Florida’s beaches, Colorado lures a crowd

by Linda Smith

Spring Break. The nights are the same: games in bars, girls in bikinis, and hot weather. But there is another place to spend the week—Fort Lauderdale or the Bahamas.

In the past 10 years, Colorado has become a popular destination for Spring Break travelers. According to Colorado Tourism, more than 100,000 students from the West Thousands flock to the slopes of the Marist Area, making it one of the more popular stops for Colorado travelers.

For the price of a lift ticket, visitors can enjoy skiing and snowboarding on some of the best slopes in the country. The resort features a 700-foot wall and a 1,300-foot ski lift, making it easy to access the different runs.

A popular activity for skiers is “hanging out” in the bar called “Winter Park Live.” The bar offers a variety of drinks and a lively atmosphere, making it a popular spot for students.

But while you’re waiting, we can give you a head start by providing some of the most competitive programs in the country. These programs are designed to help you develop your skills and prepare for your more advanced courses.

The integrative major is a degree program that combines the use of technology, marketing or small-business management. It allows students to formulate their ideas in a way that integrates technology and management.

To see the best of spring skiing and partying. The slopes are covered with white snow, and the sun is shining bright. It’s a great time to hit the slopes and enjoy some winter fun.

For more information on Colorado’s ski resorts, visit the official website for Colorado Tourism. You can also check out the local chamber of commerce for more details on accommodations and activities.

Maybe there is a substitute for experience.

by Steve Bruneau

Mike Nolan, a student at Marist College, started his career as a digital storyteller. He is the first major in communication arts to graduate from the university, and he now works as a freelance journalist.

Despite a nationwide shortage of digital storytellers, Nolan has chosen to enter the field of communication arts. This major, he says, is perfect for students who want to create and tell stories in a digital format.

The evening courses at Marist College provide students with the opportunity to learn and apply new skills. The evening courses give students the chance to learn and apply new skills.

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opinion

Way back when

Perhaps it’s time to take a closer look at Marist History. In 1987, the nursing program was established.

Remember the mid-1980s?

What happened to the dedication and organizational skills of the current administrators? Some current administrators have shown in the past — a spirit that saw possibilities of the program probably seemed endless. And the college claims to emphasize. It would be an injustice to all the college, now have the obligation to follow.

Where the extra 10 cents came

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The Circle welcomes letters to the editors. All letters must be typed double-spaced and have full

viewpoint

Remembering Andrew Kayiira

Where do we go from here?

...In search of a new honors program

by Robert G. Saunders

by Ben Joe Belinger

New Friday classes: punitive treatment?

by Ben Joe Belinger

in a recent issue of The Circle, the student services department proposed the idea of a new honors program. It was proposed to be titled "New Friday Classes," and it would involve adding new courses that are designed to be more challenging and demanding than existing courses. The idea behind this proposal is to provide students with a greater sense of academic rigor and to encourage them to engage in more intense and challenging coursework.

In a letter to the editor, a student wrote: "I believe that New Friday Classes is a great idea, and I support it wholeheartedly. Our college needs more challenging classes in order to foster a more competitive and academically stimulating environment." Another student commented: "I think that New Friday Classes is a fantastic idea. It will provide students with a greater sense of academic rigor and a greater sense of accountability. I am excited to see what these new classes will bring to our college community." Overall, there was a lot of support for this proposal, and many students expressed their desire for more challenging classes that could help them achieve their academic goals.

The proposal was presented to the faculty, and it received mixed reactions. Some faculty members were enthusiastic about the idea and felt that it could help to improve the overall quality of education at the college. Others were more skeptical and expressed concerns about the feasibility and practicality of implementing such a program. In the end, the proposal was approved, and the college began to develop new courses that would be offered on a Friday afternoon basis.

However, the implementation of the new courses was met with some challenges. There were concerns about the impact of adding these new classes on the existing course schedule and on the students' workload. Additionally, there were questions about the quality of the instructors who would be teaching these new courses and whether they would be able to provide the same level of teaching excellence as the existing faculty.

Despite these challenges, the college continued to develop new courses that would be offered on a Friday afternoon basis. The first set of courses was introduced in the fall semester, and they were well-received by students. Many students found the new courses to be more challenging and demanding than existing courses, and they felt that they provided a greater sense of academic rigor and a greater sense of accountability.

As the college continued to develop new courses, it also began to explore ways to improve the quality of instruction and to provide additional support to students. The college introduced a new program that provided students with additional resources and support, such as tutoring and study groups, to help them succeed in these new courses.

Overall, the implementation of New Friday Classes was met with positive feedback from students and faculty. Many students found that these new courses provided a greater sense of academic rigor and a greater sense of accountability, and they felt that these courses helped them to achieve their academic goals. The college continued to develop new courses on a Friday afternoon basis, and it continued to explore ways to improve the quality of instruction and to support students in these challenging courses.
Travel light — Part One

by Kieran Alex Murphy

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No foolin': Here's how it started
by Kell A. Dougdashty

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Nurse Appreciation Day
by Gino Dianas

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enjoying your time with friends
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Come by the
Campus Center for your
Free Bandages

by Donna Splitt

It's a perfect spring day, weather is
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Tethering, a descending elevator

Femininity is the key word
by Stephanie Reiner and
Donalda Mican

In the past several years, there's
been much discussion about the
feminine world — there's been
a new wave of interest in
women, their experiences,
interests, and their activities.
The new wave is an awareness
of women's issues, a realiza­tion
that women have a role to
play in society, and a desire
for women to be acknowledged
and respected.

The MCCTA's production of
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Cycling and Fun all in one

Real fun: The alternative top 10
by Jeff Nattini

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Broadway Bound and other theater ideas

By Gina Disanza

Theater is a popular form of
entertainment, and there are
many ways to enjoy it. One way
is to see a play at a theater.
Another is to attend a musical
performance. And there are
many other ways to see theater,
such as attending a play at a
community theater or a local
theater. The key is to find
what you enjoy and what you
are interested in.

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Letters
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For that matter, any library or its learned set 59. A place to enhance your knowledge, as well as year studies, and to use additional exam materials to help you
So, if you're ready to offload all of the academic stress or you just want to be a fellow, consider dropping in.
Go to the library for its intended use or at least for a student who takes their studying and school seriously.
A fellow student,
Class changes
To the Editor:
As a result of your preparations for the fall, 1987 registration, the Department of Accounting Studies wishes to announce changes to its course offerings.
The Principles of Accounting I and II (E1010 and E1020) will continue to be offered.
Business administrative and managerial courses will continue to take Financial Accounting (E2220) and Managerial Accounting (E2230) in the Principles of Accounting I and II (E1010 and E1020) course.
Those who wait? I'm not that patient!
-Mrs. Smith

A night of Drunken insanity - you be the judge
Hop a van, see the band, be a part of a happening clan

Are you denying yourself a better shot at school? of Marist

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Professor enjoys teaching art as much as creating it

by Todd Johns

Richard Lewis has devoted his life to art. Teaching, painting, and sculpting classes in Marist have been part of his life for many years.

"I like to put in my work a little something for all people." He says, "I try to get as much feedback from people as I can. If I see people working on their work, I don't go out of my way to help them, but I do help them if they ask for help."

But as much as painting, Lewis loves to teach. He feels that teaching is an important part of his life. He says, "I like to give the students a chance to feel like they're doing something for all people." He adds, "I try to open up the door to art for people who may not be interested in it."
Students to present own work in theater workshop this month

by Todd Justin

The Marist College Council on "Theater and Values" announced the dates of two workshop sessions to be held on campus this spring. The announcement was made by Council President Linda Larkin, who said that the sessions will be held on April 23 and May 21.

The first session is scheduled for April 23 and will be held in the Experimental Theater, and the second for May 21 in the same location.

The purpose of the workshops is to provide a forum for students to present their own work and to discuss the relationship between theater and values.

The workshops will be open to all students, and there is no charge for attendance.

The council hopes that the workshops will help students to develop their skills as actors, directors, and playwrights, and to think more deeply about the role of theater in society.

The council has also announced that it will be holding a series of panel discussions on theater and values in the coming months.

The first panel discussion will be held on April 23, and will be followed by a second panel discussion on May 21.

The council is also planning to hold a workshop on theater and social justice, and is hoping to develop a theater program that is specifically focused on issues of social justice.

The council is currently looking for volunteers to help with the planning and execution of the workshops.

The council can be reached at 791-6123. Students interested in volunteering should contact the council directly.

The council is committed to making theater accessible to all students, regardless of their background or experience.

The council is also committed to promoting diversity and inclusiveness in all aspects of the theater program.

The council is looking for new ways to involve students and the community in its work, and is always open to new ideas and suggestions.

The council is looking forward to seeing everyone at the workshops and to hearing about the work that students are doing.

The council would like to thank the students who have already contributed to its work, and to encourage others to get involved.

The council is committed to making theater a vibrant and dynamic part of the Marist College community.
Sports
Youthful laxmen stumble in early season

by Paul Kelly

The Marist women's water polo team's season started with a loss in the second round of the NCAA tournament on March 6. The loss was to Cal Poly Pomona, a team that Marist had beaten earlier in the year.

The Marist men's water polo team also started their season with a loss in the first round of the NCAA tournament on March 7. The loss was to Cal Poly Pomona, a team that Marist had beaten earlier in the year.

The Marist men's and women's water polo teams both struggled throughout the season, winning only a few games and losing most of their matches.

The Marist women's water polo team finished the season with a record of 3-9, while the Marist men's water polo team finished the season with a record of 2-10.

The Marist swimming and diving teams also struggled throughout the season. The men's team finished with a record of 2-10, while the women's team finished with a record of 2-9.

The Marist basketball teams also had a tough season. The men's team finished with a record of 5-10, while the women's team finished with a record of 6-9.

In conclusion, the Marist teams did not have a successful season. They lost more games than they won and were unable to build momentum throughout the season.
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I don't think an early Friday class prevents a three-day weekend; I hear their free time is quite valuable too.

Friday——

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Murphy and Dormeyer agree that LaPan's ruling fails to notice that bleachers in the McCann Center, which are considered fixed seating, would necessitate the 15 square feet for each person, and not the seven square feet of the auditorium.

"They have fixed seats there," Murphy said. "They have bleachers which are attached to the wall. Even if he is right, they still have insufficient exists."

"The principal use is a gym," Dormeyer said. "It doesn't make a lot of sense. I don't follow him at all."

Dormeyer and Murphy said an official public assembly certificate, which indicates the maximum number of people allowed to occupy the building, had not been posted at the McCann Center prior to the ECAC tournament since its opening April 3, 1977. Building codes of 1977 required such posting, they said.

Dormeyer said LaPan was responsible for posting the public assembly certificate. "After I made a complaint to LaPan after receiving two complaints of overcrowding from people at the basketball games, he couldn't come up with a figure for the assembly certificate," he said. "We requested it, and it has not been produced."

That (public assembly certificate) should have been posted that day," Murphy said.

"Somebody didn't do their job."

Murphy said he checked with George Chelune, McCann maintenance supervisor, and Joe Waters, director of safety and security, who said they had never seen a public assembly certificate posted at the McCann Center.

"Right now, the occupancy permit is posted that day," Murphy said, "and is signed by LaPan and that's official. My question is has he done it properly? He has committed the offense, if he is right, of overcrowding the building."

According to Edward Waters, vice president for administration and finance, Marist has hired Architect Stewart Cohen to investigate the controversy.

"It's a very technical thing," Waters said, "and he has to decide the requirements before we can make any plans.

Waters said if construction of new fire exits at the McCann Center is necessary, it could easily be completed before Commencement ceremonies.

"As far as the doors go, it's not a big job," he said. "It's really simple."