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Telephones make
dormitory debut

by the Martin

While some Champagnat
residents received telephone service
to their rooms last week, 175 rooms
should be connected next week, ac-
cording to Carl Gerberich, vice
president for information services.

"The work has been advanced
schedule as fast as we can
splice the cable there will be dial
tones," Gerberich said. "It's very
labor intensive."

Work will be completed soon
as New York Telephone can splice
to carry the cables carrying the phone ser-
vice from the Donnelly Hall base-
ment to the dorm, Gerberich said.
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Disputed movie
opens locally

by Chris Landry

A picket line formed in front of
Rhinebeck’s Uptown Film to pro-
test the Hudson Valley premiere of
one of the most controversial films
of the year.

Protestors gathered to voice their
opinion about “The Last Tempta-
ton of Christ” when it opened its
two-week run at the Montgomery
Street theater.

The film portrays Jesus, played by
Willem Dafoe, as a confused man
wrongly accused of false miracles
who battles his human emotions
rather than the almighty
Son of God.

The crucifixion scene is the
film’s most intense and controver-
sial—and has sparked protests since
Aug. 12 limited release.

As Jesus hangs on the cross he
begins to doubt his divine destiny
in which he will save the human
race from eternal sin. Jesus fantas-
izes about making love to Mary
Magdalene, played by Barbara
Hershey. Thoughts of marriage to
her portrays a Jesus that is suscepti-
able to all human feeling.

Because the personal por-
trayal of Jesus strips him of the
traditional Catholic aura found in
the four Gospels of the Bible,
organizations such as The United
States Catholic Conference have
condemned the film, calling it morally
objectionable.

by Steve Murray

In an effort to promote political
awareness and participation at
Marist, the political science club
ran a mock election one week
before the actual presidential elec-
tion was held.

The mock election, held on
Tuesday, Nov. 1, was one part of
a four-portion program designed
to not only make students aware
of the election process, but also to
get students involved in the process,
according to Stacey Waite, presi-
dent of the political science club.

The election was held from 1 to
4 p.m., with voting locations in
Donnelly Hall and the Campus
Center.

The findings of the election,
although not a true representation
of the school’s voting population,
basically paralleled the national
results of the actual election held
on Nov. 8.

Of the 332 students that voted,
197 of them voted for Republican
candidate George Bush, while 122
students voted for Michael
Dukakis, the Democratic nominee.
Names of students and fictional
characters such as Mickey Mouse
and Snoopy accounted for the re-
maining 13 votes.

In the national picture, virtually
all returns showed Bush defeating
Dukakis 52 percent to 48 percent
of the popular vote—47.6 million
debates for Bush. 40.7 million
debates for Dukakis.

Bush won 40 states with 426 elec-
toral votes, while Dukakis won 10
states and the District of Colu-
mbia for 112 electoral votes.

Nationally, it was reported by
CBS news that only 49.1 percent
of the voting age population voted.

Since the mock election was not
published on campus, Waite said
it could not be held as a true indica-
tion of the voting turnout at
Marist.

Waite stressed that the mock
election was not a true representa-
tive sample of how the students
at Marist voted—it purpose was
only to raise political awareness.

"The goal of the club over the
past two months has been to foster
political awareness across the cam-
pus," Waite said. "The mockele-
cion was one part of this campaign.
The results do not indicate the true
feeling of the entire Marist popula-
tion. The intention was to draw at-

tention to the election."

A look at the people
who made the choice
—not to vote

by the Waite

and other groups of publici-
ty devoted to the mock election,
Waite was asked a question with
the number of students who voted.

The entire political awareness
campaign was generally successful,
said. "Because this is the political
science club's first year, we didn’t
know what to expect because we
didn’t have any past experience to
fall back on," Waite said. "We ex-
pected around 250 people to
vote because it wasn’t publicized."

The three other parts to the
awareness program also went well,
Waite said. Voter registration for
New York and New Jersey residents
was held from Sept. 26 to 30 in

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Political science club lifts
awareness with mock vote

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Marilyn set to launch second Aussie invasion

by Steve Connor

When most people talk about stockpiling food, they mean a supply of food for a couple of weeks. But not in Australia. There, the government is setting aside enough food to last for a whole year in case of a second invasion.

The "Marilyn Set" program, named after Marilyn Monroe, a former Australian prime minister, is the brainchild of the Australian Department of Food Security. The program involves the strategic storage of food in warehouses across the country. The government has invested millions of dollars in the project, and has set aside large quantities of food staples such as wheat, rice, and flour. The goal is to ensure that the country remains self-sufficient in the event of another invasion.

The program has already been tested in a small-scale operation, and the results have been encouraging. The government is now planning to expand the program to cover the entire country.

In addition to food, the program will also have a supply of water, fuel, and medical supplies. The government has been working closely with the military to ensure that the supplies are easily accessible in the event of an invasion.

The program is expected to cost around $5 billion over the next five years. However, the government estimates that it will be able to recoup its investment in the long run, as the country will be able to withstand any future invasions.

The Australian government is also looking into the possibility of creating a "Marilyn Set" program for other countries, as the benefits of such a program are widely recognized. The Australian government is confident that the program will be a success, and is already planning for its launch in other countries.

Though some may question the necessity of such a program, the Australian government is confident that it is a wise investment. In the words of Prime Minister Marilyn Monroe, "We will not be defeated by any invader, no matter how large or powerful they may be."

Marina Maloney for The Australian
by Paul O’Dell

Junior Paul O’Dell, a member of the baseball team, is finding life on campus frustrating. "The baseball season is coming up and we’ve already had our first two games, but we haven’t had any practice," he said. "We’re just waiting for the weather to improve so we can get out there and play."
Editorial

Computers and man: a future together

To many, computers are the greatest innovation of the 20th Century. But, for some, they are nothing but another machine that makes our lives harder.

Fortunately, these machines are not here to stay. According to recent research, a machine that requires more electricity than ever before, but which we must remember that these are not the only ones.

A future together

We also like to thank our faculty for their unlimited assistance. Tonya Sutherland and Trish Webster for their infinite input.

The virus was caused by a Cornell University graduate student who further simplified the National Computer Security Center in Bethesda, Md. Robert Morris, Jr., used what was referred to as "the nation's most powerful computer networks, and then placed his program into it. The program was a computer to stop primary functions and begin to replicate the "virus" and send it to other machines.

Even though these machines allow us to store enormous amounts of information, they are not perfect. Perhaps government officials should realize that these machines are just that—machines.

No, this is not a call for everyone to throw their personal computers out the window, but perhaps we should consider alternative plans to our computer networks—not as replacements, but as a sort of back-up system. In this way, we may be able to keep our information and personal data secure.

From football on the White House lawn to the often humorous student protests, the college campus is the place where people go unnoticed for too long and the time. It's not that I don't want to write about the two. Yes, there are a few things I could write about the two. But as I watch Dukakis' campaign, I realize that as much as I dislike George Bush and Quayle, there is a certain level of respect that I have for John F. Kennedy.

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While the model computers are excellent examples of this problem occurred on Oct. 30. At approximately 9:00 a.m., the Marist mainframe system went down because the "anti-freeze" malfunctioned, forcing the system to cease operations.

These people who wanted to use the service were forced to wait until approximately 12:30 p.m. the next afternoon.

Election reflections

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Siouxsie’s eerie ‘Peepshow’ is hypnotizing

by Mary Stelkek

Siouxsie and the Banshees—
they are a heady mix of
malevolent, medium and
paranormal psychology, and
perception. Their mixture
is one of the most
attractive and
phenomenal of its kind. The
band’s unique style is
characterized by Siouxsie’s
powerful vocals, the
banshee’s shrieks, and the
guitarist’s eerie sound. The
band’s performances are
often accompanied by
visual effects, creating a
hypnotic atmosphere.

The Quardian Angels do
not play heavy metal, They
have a new album called
“Peek-a-Boo,” which is of
course my first criterion
for judging a band. They
have decided it’s o.k. to
have some satanic vision
that continues to evolve as
they shape their careers as
independent rockers.

Humanities endowment seeks research applications

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The football team: The final grades

by Jay Reynolds

Now that the football season is finished, the coaches will look back and rate their team's performances.

The team's 3-6 record this season, although better than last year's 2-7, was not indicative of the team's overall performance. Sure, they lost some bad ones, but there were a couple of games that could have gone either way.

"In a sense you may consider this Thursday morning quarterbacking practice," Coach Mike Malet said. "It showed the integrity of our players after (the 3-0 loss to St. John's) and feels that both are all-state mid-fielders and forwards.

"This season's rushing, while not a one-on-one to put McGill up 6-0 with 7:35 left, was quick to swarm on the Lady Foxes. The one place that Marist

Goldman said that he was impressed with freshman Kyle Mussey, the starting goalies, and Phil O'Hare, starting defender, and feels that both are all-state players.

"With the bright spots there come the dark spots and one dark spot which was to big was the amount of injuries. Marist piled up over the season. On the other hand was the amount of goals they did last year — that they did. This year, 40.5 percent of the 217 passes attempted were completed for more than 400 yards more than last year, because the improvisation in the passing attack was overshadowed — by interceptions. This season the Red Foxes threw 18 interceptions, 12 more than last year, many of which were capitalized on, often putting the Red Foxes in a hole out of which they could not climb.

"The season's passing attack averaged almost 50 yards more than last year's, but the number of touchdowns remained at six. With Thomas graduating, Dan McElduff and Curtis Bailey were two of the key losses on defense.

"Coaching — D +

Golden said that the team was plagued by injuries, but there was still a lot of good talent left. There were some bad games and some good games, but overall we had a solid season. I'm pleased with our play," said Babineau. "We'll get it out of our system early," VanBenschoten, "We'll get it out of our system early," VanBenschoten.

"We have a good chance to win and do well, said Babineau. Marist was eight points behind last year as the second four minutes stretch, letting McGill pull back 11-7. Marist then proceeded to go on with the final nail in the coffin, and McGill went on 11-2 run in the final four minutes, putting them up by two with seconds left on the Ram's two, cooler heads prevailed.

Nancy Holbrook's 12-foot jump shot capped off the ball game. On Tuesday night the Lady Foxes played a long home stand Saturday when SUNY-Potsdam comes to town. The following weekend, its Hofstra. Both games start at 8 p.m.

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Quarterback Jason Thomas eludes a Jersey City State College defender during Saturday's 17-6 Red Fox victory. Other photo page 11. (Photo by Bob Davis)