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**Class of '89 to have outdoor Commencement**
by Bse Martin

Commencement ceremonies this year will be held outdoors — rain or shine — for the first time in at least a decade, according to the Commencement committee.

The outdoor event will take place in the separate Commencement parking lot, which is estimated to accommodate 6,000 seats.

The President's Cabinet approved a proposal by the senior class last semester, on the condition that graduates attending the commencement would be rain or shine, said Jonathan Urban, president of the class.

Graves will be able to invite more guests than in the past, when the ceremony was held in the McCann Center and students were restricted to three or four guests.

The Commencement Committee estimates that the graduate will be given six priority-seating tickets, one per relative, to give to these guests, according to Deborah Bell, committee member and assistant dean of student affairs.

"This is not being done as a graduate program priority, but for priority seating," Bell said.

**Additional guestswill be seated in remaining seats or may be limited to standing room.**

The Commencement Committee also considered the McCann Center parking lot, but Jonoffield Field as possible sites for Commencement this year, according to Donan Berger, executive assistant to the academic vice president and Commencement Committee chairperson.

"We decided early on that a parking lot would be the best location in case of rain, because I'm told the ground sets very soft," Berger said.

The McCann Center and McCann lots were eliminated because they are sloped and have more objects on the top surface of the lot, and the backdrop of the building.

Disadvantages are the lot's proximity to Route 9, the rock pile, and the tempers of the pavement in case of extreme heat, according to Berger.

The committee is currently working on plans for crowd control, security, parking and seating for the graduates, Berger said.

Plans are reportedly being considered for temporary walk and perhaps seated with students in the library, Berger said.

"This was something that the students wanted," said Berger.

"The committee did not recommend to the students that they be more or less to accommodate the students and the priorities of what they want for their ceremony."
Fulani: Do more for poor, needy by William Wonder

People frustrated with the federal government's effort to help the nation's poor and needy are calling on Congress to pass President Barack Obama's signature anti-poverty legislation.

"I don't think that there is any way to be more outspoken about the need for the President's $3.5 trillion plan to cut poverty," Fulani said.

"Minority problems such as the causes of poverty are not enough to be ignored," she continued.

"For me, it's really, really weird because what I have is that all have to be certain about the situation," Fulani said.

"I wouldn't pay any attention to it. It's really my responsibility to help those who need it," she said.

"We'd like to see the government take more action to help the poor and needy," Fulani said.

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by Kelly Cola

On Fulton Street, family keeps strike spirit alive

by John R. Klock

For now, Moriarty's background to need you more than a few "I.D.'s." She said, "And just being open to the opportunities are..."
Voter turnout better, but still not enough

Voter turnout for last week's student elections was nearly three times better than last year's — a step forward, indeed.

Last year, 486 of the 2,105 eligible student voters participated.

In contrast, 1,479 students voted in this year's elections, making the average voter a better 70 percent.

According to the Student Electoral Commission, the increase in voter turnout is largely due to the eligible student voters. There were 1,464 students on the roll who were eligible to vote.

Several students attributed their increased participation to the more convenient polling locations.

"It was easier to vote this year," said Jessica Martin, a sophomore in business administration. "The polling locations were inside the dorms, which made it more convenient for students." 

Others noted that the increased turnout was due to the greater awareness of the importance of voting.

"I think people are realizing how important it is to have a voice in the election," said John Smith, a senior in psychology. "We have the power to make a difference, and I believe that more people are choosing to exercise that power." 

Although the turnout was impressive, some students expressed disappointment that more students didn't vote.

"I wish more students had come out," said Emily Johnson, a junior in English. "I think everyone should vote, especially in an election as important as this one." 

The Student Electoral Commission recommended that the university consider implementing additional voting incentives in the future.

"We need to do more to encourage students to vote," said Robert Brown, a senior in political science and a member of the Student Electoral Commission. "Perhaps we could offer extra credit or other incentives for students who participate in the election." 

The University of Illinois will host another student election in the fall, and the Student Electoral Commission encourages all eligible voters to participate.

"It's important for students to be involved in the decision-making process," said Brown. "Your vote can make a difference, so please make sure to cast it."
Forget Florida: Elvis and elsewhere beckon

by Chris Walsh

Rather than reckoning to what has been envisioned as a place to "feel like you're on top of it" in a Florida setting, Marist junior psychology major from Setauket, N.Y., "I'm still going to Florida, but to Siesta Beach," said Gardner. "I'm not going to be near beaches, but I'm going to be near that outdoor, fun, sand-loving, sun-loving kind of atmosphere."

McCutcheon, a junior psychology major from Setauket, N.Y., said she plans to visit Las Vegas after spending Spring Break in Daytona Beach. "I'm going to go to Las Vegas and hit the strip from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.," said Gardner. "I'll have my friend drive me there."

"I'm going to go to a casino, and I'll play, and I'll see what happens."

"I'm just going to get away from it all," said Gardner. "I'm just going to feel like I'm out of the college and out of my everyday life."

Stacey Waite, a junior, had planned to leave for the Bahamas and had to spend a couple of extra days there after her flight was cancelled. "I'm still going to the Bahamas and I'm still going to spend a couple of extra days there," said Waite. "I'm not worried about it."}

While the normal fare of recreational activities, such as beaches and lounging, will be available for college-aged vacationers, there are many unique activities open to Spring Break during their semester break.

The adult student view:

As Spring Break approaches, Marist students are planning ways to spend their break from work and the costs and responsibilities of college life. Some students plan to visit beaches in warm climates, while others plan to make the effort to try something new. The goal for Spring Break is to "get away from it all," said Gardner. "I want to do something different."

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Dear Editor:

This letter is in regards to the editorial page, accompanied by a cartoon. As you know, this is a popular activity on our campus the housing crunch will be.

Specifically, the cartoon was in the newspaper that appeared on the editorial page of the local newspaper. I am writing to express my concern about the content of the cartoon.

The cartoon depicted a group of students in a hallway, with one student holding a sign that read, "I hate being referred to as a Jew." This is a serious issue, and I believe that the cartoonist should be aware of the impact of their work.

I am concerned that the cartoon could be seen as promoting anti-Semitic sentiments. As a campus community, we should be committed to creating an environment that is free from hate and intolerance.

I hope that you will consider the impact of the cartoon and that proper action will be taken.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

P.S. As an added point, I would like to suggest that the University consider creating a program to teach students about the history and impact of anti-Semitism.

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Debate wins trophies in weekend’s competition

by Ken Free

Performances at three recent tournaments have reinforced the Marist debate team at sixth place in the national ratings, according to James Spriginton, director of debate.

Marist was 17th overall as one of the U.S. News & World Report's Top 26. The team includes 13 sophomores and juniors, two seniors, and two freshmen.

In the junior varsity division, the team of Mark Cocks and Ten Kavan won two rounds, advancing to the quarter-finals. Cocks and Kavan teamed up to win six out of seven tournaments.

In the junior varsity division, the team of Mark Cocks and Ten Kavan was one of the two teams to win.

Marist had 13 trophies at the team standings for the tournaments, placing fourth overall in the two tournaments.

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**Tour guide group masters art of putting Marist on display**

by Dennis Yusko

The college's student tour guides are not getting paid this year, but they are helping make the college campus becomes familiar to new students who now live off the school to potential Marist students.

The Marist Administration Office and student volunteers have created a new, free, self-guided tour system in the Marist College guide of campus.

The club was initiated by president Karen O'Hara and sophomore George Sabo when they were asked by Harry Wood, vice president of admissions and enrollment, to plan and set up a tour system, to recruit volunteer guides.

According to Sabo, last year's campus had problems.

There was a lack of responsible people on the campus. "Many people were not participating," said Sabo, "So this year, we organized the semesters Office would have to cover the costs, even if it's a small amount of money."

Tours are given on several days a week, and many students have volunteered to be tour guides. The new system is designed to make the tour guides more prominent, and to help students volunteer more.

Marist rugby shirts are offered to students who now show off the safety and encouragement of the rugby team. The new system is designed to make the tour guides more prominent, and to help students volunteer more.

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Watching my life waste away
by Mary Bricebar

This is a long, long story about how I have managed to destroy my life. I am in a state of deep confusion.

There is nothing special about my life. It’s not great, but it’s not terrible either. I am just the way I am. I have no idea what I’m doing.

I have a job, I have a car, I have a house, I have a family. But I feel like I’m drowning in a sea of boredom. I don’t know what to do with my life.

I decided to write this book to try to make sense of my life. I hope it will help others who are in the same situation.

Telling my story will be a way for me to express my feelings and to share my experiences with others.

I hope you will find my story interesting and that it will give you something to think about.

Thank you for reading.
Knocks cagers from tournament

by David Blondin

Fairleigh Dickinson university disposed of the Lady Red Foxes with a 13-15 record, 11-5 in the conference. Marist finished tied for third in the conference after losing to Robert Morris last Saturday, forcing Fairleigh to play a first-round game against FDU, while Robert Morris finished first in the conference and received a first-round bye.

The loss to FDU marks the second year this Marist has lost to the Lady Knights at home. In 1987, FDU defeated Marist 62-60.

"It was a great game from the standpoint of the spectators, from the coaches," said Marist Coach Ken Babineau. "We battled the Lady Knights, are capable of walking away with the tournament if everyone had been hard fought."

Marist fell seven seconds short of an upset.

The Lady Red Foxes took the lead and the game away from Marist by shooting a free-throw to give them the lead, 71-70, with 12 seconds left. Marist up 62-61.

FDU had no more success for the next two minutes, and pulled ahead for good on a Delta Davis jump shot to give the Lady Knights a 64-62 lead. Kathy Henn had hit 1 of 2 free throws to pull FDU even at 62-62.

Marist's Jacayle O'Neill had a chance to tie the score with 56 seconds left, when she was fouled, and went to the line to shoot two, hitting the first and missing the second one, leaving Marist down by one.

The Lady Red Foxes rebounded the misstake, but were unable to score. Marist closed out the ball between the seven seconds left and called time to set their final play.

After the timeout, Marist in-bounded the ball to Nancy Holbrook, who drove to the basket, but saw the ball roll off the rim. Holbrook and teammate Danielle Galantini tried to get the ball back up again, but time expired.

"We had another opportunity to win," said Babineau. "The game was tied at 98 seconds left, had a driving lay that was missed, and we missed it."

"They are a tough team, but we were not able to break them down," said Holbrook.

Marist only shot 14 of 56 (25 percent) in the second half and 11 of 33 in the final stretch.

"We played good defensively, but just didn't put the ball in the hole enough to win," said Babineau.

Marist had 14 steals in the 17th game, led by Monica O'Halloran's six. Holbrook and O'Leary led Marist in scoring with 12 points each, while FDU's Dela Davis had a game-high 15 points.

Though Marist ended its season with back-to-back losses and under .500 for the third straight year, the team showed a tremendous improvement in the conference with the 11-5 mark after finishing 6-10 conference last year.

The ultimate weekend warrior

by Gifford Kivvak

How many New York Yankees fans think owner George Steinbrenner belongs in the same category as Babe Ruth, Joe DiMaggio and Mickey Mantle? How many fans think The Boss belongs in the same category as Larry, Curly, and Mo — not to insult the Three Stooges, at least they people to laugh at them.

For those who think of Steinbrenner in the latter category, a new organization, called No Yankees With Steinbrenner Inc., has been formed and is looking for members.

"It's almost shameful at times to be a Yankees fan," said the organization's president, Ed Healy, a math teacher at Ellenville High School. "They were once the benchmark of baseball."

The organization has been registered with New York's secretary of state, with Healy in its president, and Ellenville post office employee Lloyd Manapel as its vice president.

"We want to make a statement, more than just writing editorials," said Healy, who was born in Fort Edward, N.Y., what he labeled "the Yankees' country.

"Our membership is growing rapidly, but we have a great collection of people from some very articulate children to lawyers and doctors," said Healy. "The club's current membership in the hundreds and its goal is to have 5,000 members by the end of the season, said Healy.

"We started out with just Yankees fans, but now we've got some Mets, Dodgers and Red Sox fans," said Healy, "I think those people want to see the dignity restored to the Yankees and their baseball."

"I would like to see Steinbrenner get out of baseball, I don't think he belongs there," Healy said.

Although they are a profit oriented club, they said this not to make money on the deal. "We want to keep our non-profit, but it would have to be six to eight months, and we wanted start before the season," he said.

Healy said that he would like to see Steinbrenner sell the team. "Then we wouldn't have to file Chapter 11 bankruptcy, but that would be fine with me," he said.

To join, send $5 to No Yankees With Steinbrenner Inc., P.O. Box 133, Ellenville, N.Y., 12428.

Skaters knocked out

by Kevin St.Onge

The Marist hockey club lost in the first round of the Hudson division playoffs, 6-4 last Wednesday, to New York University, a team they had tied and beat during the regular season. The Red Foxes finished the season with a 12-5-1 record.

"We would have preferred to start the playoffs sometime during the weekend," said Marist coach John Lentz. "Nobody should have to play a playoff game on only two days rest." The Red Foxes had skated to a 7-2 win over Manhattan College last Monday.

Lentz said the lack of rest was only a partial excuse for losing to NYU. Marist, the most penalized team in the division, was plagued once again by the penalty box — called for 12 of the game's 19 penalties.

Shabby passing and the inability to clear the puck from the zone also contributed to the loss, according to Lentz.

Keith Young and brother Brian teamed up to put Marist on the board at 18:40 of the first with Brian setting up Keith who took two shots at the NYU net before scoring.

Mike Lucido scored unassisted at 15:40 of the second period with a shot from the left side, beating Victor's left hand off the face of the left upper corner of the net.

"Once we got the second goal, we went into a defensive shell," said Lentz.

"We can't win hockey games sitting on a lead," NYU answered with three second-period goals as Scott Ford scored the game winner and Tim Newman got a pair of his own.

Captain Rob Goyda finished his career at Marist with a 4-4-1 record of the second period to tie the game at three. He was the only Red Fox to stay out of the penalty box the entire season.

Maso Merlato's goal at 17:54 of the third, the made the score 4-3 and Marist was forced to play catch-up hockey the rest of the way.

Freshman goalie Mike Rodia handled 48 NYU shots, but couldn't handle Stepon's third goal — a breakaway. Rodia came out of the net but Stepon changed his shot and beat the diving freshman to the left — putting NYU on top to stay.

Tim Newman added an insurance goal at 6:37 before the young brothers teamed up again for Marist at 6:52 — Keith setting up older brother Brian, accounting for the final.

Three of the four Marist goals were scored by the second line as the first line of Steve Murray, Scott Kendall and Brendan McDonald scored the third goal — a breakaway. Murray was set up for the goal by Kendall in the left faceoff circle.

"One of the best teams we've had," Lentz said after the game. "Hockey is still growing and we're only losing three seniors so next season should be even better."