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Plans for digital library continue to progress

by Michael Goof
Managing Editor

Marist may be only slightly more than a year away from constructing a "new state-of-the-art library," Tom Daly, director of plant, said planning for the library is well under way.

"Our goal is retain an architect by May 1 of this year and begin construction after graduation by next year and completion of it by May 1, 1998," he said. According to Roy Merolli, executive vice president, there are currently five different options on the table.

One option is to build a 60,000 sq. ft. library on the current site and relocate the humanities office to Donnelly. Another option is to build a 60,000 sq. ft. library and build a new office building. A third option is to build an 80,000 sq. ft. building with office space incorporated in it.

Other possible sites that have been discussed are the Lowell Thomas parking lot and near Sheahan.

Daly said he is 95 percent sure that an 80,000 sq. ft. library will be constructed with faculty offices.

"Almost all the architects agree the library should be at the center of campus," he said. "This site will have spectacular views, and just from a master planning point of view, it seems most appropriate at that site.

All of the options include demolishing Fontaine, which was originally built in 1955. According to Daly, the building is severely outdated, and renovating it would cost more than new construction.

According to Merolli, the Board of Trustees will make the final decision. However, whatever shape it takes, Merolli said the new library is going to have a heavy digital component.

"We obviously think digital technology is going to be used to enhance teaching and learning, so we want to create an environment in the new library where technology can develop," he said.

Merolli said Marist has already had some experience with planning for this digital library through its work with IBM and the electronic reserve room.

"We have been working with IBM in our joint study to identify and develop issues that need to be raised, as you move into a full scale digital library," he said. Merolli said the college is working out some of the problems in having so many materials available electronically.

"A lot has been accomplished in the way of basic issues in terms of organizing and indexing material to put in the electronic reserve room," he said.

Merolli also said the new library will be set aside for programming.

Activities fee increase approved to fund clubs and campus programs

by Patrick Mulligan
Editor-in-chief

Bringing high profile entertain- ment, such as the Dave Matthews Band or the Indigo Girls, to Marist may now be possible, due to an increase in the activities fee.

The new activities fee for became law on March 6, when the Board of Trustees unanimously ap- proved the proposal.

The new fee will be a $15 per semester increase for full-time undergraduate students and a $25 per semester increase for all part-time students. It is expected to generate approximately $96,000 in additional funds for clubs and programming.

Brent Knoop, sophomore class president, said he believes the additional money for program­ ming is especially important.

"I hope the students can be much more satisfied with the entertainment that comes to Marist," Knoop said.

"The activity fee was raised for the sake of the 1996 SGA Presidenti­ al Election, and Student Body President Patrick Mara said additional funding is necessary because the financial board has only been able to fund approxi­ mately half of the amount of club budget requests. The Student Programming Council (SPC) also desires additional funds to bring in more high profile entertain­ ment and lecturers.

"I wanted a modest increase of $20 at the most," Mara said. "I wouldn't want to go too high because just about everyone has a loan, and you feel every little bit.

According to the proposal that Mara and Knoop submitted, 60 percent ($57,600) of the addi­ tional funds will be used for clubs, and 40 percent ($38,400) will be used for programming. Knoop said he thinks students will not mind paying the extra money to enhance the program­ ming at Marist.

"I think that when students see the better the entertainment that will come out of the increase, they will be willing to pay for it," he said.

Junior Robert Hoey said he is willing to pay the extra money, as long as programming at Marist improves.

"I agree with the increase if they can show some results," he said.

Mara has asked several students about their opinions on the activities fee increase prior to drafting the proposal, and the response was generally positive. However, Mara said he has not got­ ten much response since the in­ crease was approved.

"I'm sure some people will complain and some people will be happy," he said.

Freshman Pete Pelczar said he

Kelly steps down from dean position

Kelly prepares to teach economics classes at Marist

by Megan St. John
Staff Writer

Dr. Jack Kelly has come full circle in his professional life. Kelly, dean of the School of Management, is stepping down from his position at the end of this year. He said he has been in administration since 1980, but he is planning a return to teaching. "I'm going to be my first love. I always loved the classroom," he said.

According to Kelly, Marist has changed dramatically in the 35 years he has been here. In addi­ tion to his position as dean, Kelly is acting as the associate aca­ demic vice president temporarily until a replacement is found for the recently-vacated position.

Although Kelly is stepping down as Dean, he said he will remain an integral part of the Marist community. Kelly said he plans to teach economics classes part time next fall. In addition to

Do you approve of increasing the activities fee to get more money for clubs and programming?

YES -105
NO -42

The Circle conducted an unscientific poll on March 16-22. One hundred forty seven students were asked this week's question.

Please see FEE, page 4...
Israelis open fire on Palestinians in Hebron

Israelis fired stun grenades and rifle bullets at a crowd of Palestinian demonstrators in Hebron yesterday, killing one person and wounding at least 15 others.

The Israeli Olympic rowing team was attacked by a group of Palestinian protesters in Hebron last night.

According to witnesses, the Israeli team was returning from training when they were ambushed by Palestinians who threw stones and firebombs at their boat.

The attack resulted in several injuries among the Israeli athletes, including one person who was hospitalized with severe burns.

The Israeli military said they were still investigating the incident and would launch a full investigation into the matter.

In other news, the UN Security Council voted today to impose sanctions on Israel for its violation of Palestinian land rights.

The resolution was passed by 14 votes to none, with the US abstaining.

The move comes after weeks of diplomatic pressure from the international community, who have condemned Israel's continued settlement building.

The sanctions include a travel ban on Israeli officials and a freeze on Israeli financial transactions.

The Israeli government has so far refused to comply with the sanctions, stating that they violate Israeli sovereignty.

However, international opinion remains divided on the matter, with some countries expressing support for the sanctions, while others, such as the US, have chosen to keep a neutral position.

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bySpyridonMara

NewsEditor

Mara has announced to "hammer away" at some of his biggest concerns this year.

"As Frank Maduri, the new student body president, and "The Hammer," he is determined to make Marist a better place to be for all students.

But while Mara has a lot of things he wants to change, he is also aware of the challenges he faces.

"It's not going to be easy," Mara said. "But I believe in this campus, and I believe in Marist students."

Mara's main goal this year is to increase the activities fee, which he believes is too low.

"I want to make sure that students have access to all the resources they need," Mara said. "And that means having enough money to support our activities."
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Albania at the forefront of all thoughts

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Blair Bridge, Opinion Editor

If you loved the old sit-com Cheers as much as I did, you might remember the scene where friction took place in the high school equivalent of the Flannery O'Connor's "Fingal the Banana Dick"... the scene is of "When the Saints Go Marching In".

While the short-run through the northern European sphere today, as its financial securities took a crippling blow from a derelict government. The reason Sam Malone, and many others, refuse to higher the "newt" word. "newt" is associated with slimy orange creatures-'dwelling, slimy orange creatures-'dwelling, slimy orange creatures-'dwelling. Bill Mekrut is the political columnist for The Circle.

The essay should show how the student's reading has enlarged his/her understanding of the Holocaust. The essay should be based on the Wiesid's memoir—"This is about the time that all Americans were evacuated from the country. After all, if Americans want to be in a hazardous situation when it is not to open up to an American franchise of Barry's Gut Exchange."

So, as long as people are more open to the election season, a great deal of Americans were now busy. This was too much to motivate people to do something about the current situation, but any good people dissatisfied with the political climate, a group of rebels would build a new constitution of an abandoned military academy. Shortly thereafter, another group stood converted in a suburb of the capital, where they lived. Three more areas have been burnt in more recent days, so, while Morris's story is not so new to open up to Albanian franchise of Barry's Gut Exchange."

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Name: Olivia Fernandez
Year: Junior
Hometown: Avon, CT
Major: Biology
Favorite Band/Musician: Groove Connection
Favorite Movie: How to Make an American Quilt
Favorite Food: Chinese
Role Model: Mom and Dad

This past year was filled with positive changes and achievements, both academically and personally. As the head of the Student Academic Council (SAC), I have been able to work closely with academic affairs and student representatives to make significant improvements.

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Jedi caps off successful return of the Star Wars Trilogy

by Christian Bluett
Opinion Editor

Last (Marc Hamill) and late (Carrie Fisher) prepare to swing into top gunner (only possible with some assistance from the Ewoks), to destroy the second Death Star and launch the coup to get Senate and Emperor. As the Special Edition, the movie had to end on a sufficiently down note, but it had to end on a positive note, as well. The cliffhanger ending was so frustrating because we needed to see how everything would turn out. While we never would have been satisfied with this, I was promised that this film was a kind of stepping stone to show off the new technology, but the song does not have enough context in the end to make it all come together.

Ultimately, there are some significant changes in the ending of the film. The Ewok subculture has been edited together with some scenes of celebrities throughout the galaxy. We will see the all the dancing and warmth between the Rebels and the Ewoks, as well as the final Ewok Celebration song. I was glad that the song was made in the same way that the original song was back in the 40's (a simple upbeat rhythm on a drum set and guitar, with some vocals on them, kind of like a typical folk song), but with the use of a small band of a family with Ewok Collegetis on the side and a large band of snarls. The song is performed by a small band that the listeners were not the only ones to love the film. There is, of course, the Rebels' attempt to destroy the Death Star. When it happens, it is a huge screen. Please see these...
Brasco packs a punch and makes you feel it

Liar Liar is number one at box office

Tan Crane's new movie Liar Liar was No. 1 at the box office over the weekend, collecting an estimated $32 million. Liar Liar, in which Crane plays a lawyer who must tell the truth for a week, easily pulled ahead of the field for another week. The movie starring Tim Allen and Martin Short consistently kept the number one spot for the past week.

Donny and Out

Robert Downey Jr. dropped out of Baby Doll in a divorce over who would raise their child. Variety reports.

Downey had planned to co-star with Kevin Bacon in the film. Madison Entertainment reportedly wanted him to pay some figure insurance premium required because of his past drug problems. Downey wouldn't go along with that. The actor has made over $10 million in the past two years and is working on Robert Altman's The Gingerbread Man, due next spring through studio.

Flynt Not Invited

Another no-show at the Academy Awards will be brother-negotiator Larry Flynt, whose life was portrayed in the movie The People vs Larry Flynt. The parent company of Columbia Pictures, did not invite him. Flynt, who has been connected to a number ofoot groups, was at the Golden Globes award ceremony in January with Woody Allen, who also played his real-life role.

Editor Christian Science release excites the Ewok Crowd

Starring Johnny Depp and Al Pacino

Donnie Brasco

Starring Tim Allen and Martin Short

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Two film that will mark the return of Al Pacino. Russo, who usually play small roles, is a hitman, and the same could be said of the star Karen Barry and Robin, who usually play small roles in the movies.

Donnie Brasco in a hit comedy film in every sense of the word, all the cast members and producers are well known to the audience, but the outcome is a hit film. The real-time portrayal of the human struggle within Pinette makes this worth watching. A $12.59. Do not miss this opportunity to see this film.

As a final footnote, I have noticed that Pinette has been pop-upping recently on television shows, which is delightful. It is a good film and deserves another chance.

TWA missile theory revisited

If TWA Flight 800 was blown up by a heat-seeking missile, a theory still unproven, the aircraft would probably be destroyed, not the engine that is the object of the investigation. In fact, if the engine was destroyed, it is likely that it would have blown up the plane somewhere else. The engine is larger than the fuel tank and would have been destroyed in the accident. The missile would have been found in the fuel tank, not in the engine.

Take the June test and relax this summer!

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by Marty Sicinola

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The Marist baseball team won two out of three game series against Fairfield Dickinson University this past weekend. On a cold Saturday afternoon at McCarron Field, the Red Foxes ended their double-header against FDU with a one and one record. The first game ended with a 9-1 FDU victory, then Marist slid by FDU in the second game with a score of 9-8. On Sunday, the Red Foxes narrowly defeated FDU by a score of 3-0.

"I was happy with our performance, we won two out of three and this series ended better than it started," Head Coach John Szefc said.

Despite the outcome of this series the Red Foxes do not consider FDU one of their toughest opponents.

"They are good at defense, but overall they are not one the toughest teams in the NEC," Head Coach John Szefc said.

Women's lacrosse wins first game in Division I

by RACHAEL VOLLARO

In their first year as a varsity sport, the Marist women's lacrosse team lost the 1997 season. Coached by Marie Piechocki, the Red Foxes look to make a name for themselves on the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.

This is Piechocki's second season as Head Coach of the women's lacrosse team. Although this is the first season at the varsity level, Piechocki is more than familiar with some of the returning and consists of the Marist women's soccer team.

Piechocki looks to senior co-captains Amy Hoey and Sue Frost to lead a heavily experienced team. According to the team prospectus, Hoey is described as a strong, powerful player who demonstrates leadership on both ends of the field, while Frost is dominant on defense and capable of scoring on the opposite end.

The Red Foxes will be a reputable team this season. Returners Katie Pataneado, Jenna DeMarco and Tracey Skulley will carry the charge.

"They have been playing together for a couple of seasons prior to becoming a varsity sport; they communicate very well on the field," Piechocki said.

The Marist midfield also consists of senior Jacque Simpson, junior Amy Glennon, sophomore Lindsay Bennett, Colleen McMahon, Kara Drown and freshmen Allison Occhicone. Occhicone will be a key role as an offensive catalyst, adding speed and agility to the offensive push.

Piechocki is very optimistic about the youth of the offense.

"We have a very talented young offense, who play well together," Piechocki said.

On the defensive for the Red Foxes are senior Suzanne O'Brien and juniors Kimberly Meara and Mary Marello. Off the bench, junior Jennifer Mancinelli will challenge the three starters for playing time.

Piechocki looks to her defense as the team's immune form. They play aggressively and with a great deal of intensity, they boost the level of play when we are down," Piechocki said.

Goal for the Red Foxes is sophomore Melanie Kopf. Please see W. Lacrosse on p.15.

Softball looks to finally open season vs. Yale

by THOMAS REYNOLDS

"I consider Barron the best hitter in the NEC," Head Coach Ed Speckhardt said.

Another pitcher that proved his skill by pitching a seven inning shutout with ten strike outs. Szefc considers Barron the best pitcher in the Northeast Conference. Barron was named NEC Player of the Year in the 1996-97 season.

"I consider Barron the best pitcher in the NEC because of his performance at this past game because we had three seasons at Marist," Szefc said.

Despite the loss to Pace the Red Foxes have an optimistic outlook on their upcoming season.

"I feel that his performance in Florida will be a good indication for our season up ahead, but we will win more games," said senior George Santiago.

Szefc feels that this year's team will do better than last season.

"We should do much better than last season because we have more experience," Szefc said.

One of the main obstacles that seemed to be a constant problem to Marist last season was injuries. Barron was out for all of last season due to a minor elbow injury. Szefc looks to improve upon this season because Barron is fully recuperated, who Szefc feels will be a key asset when it comes to must win situations.

"The Marist baseball program has been getting some attention from Major League Baseball teams. Apparently the Chicago White Sox, New York Mets, St. Louis Cardinals and Texas Rangers are interested in some of the Red Foxes. They're scouts are looking at Barron, McGowen, Speckhardt, and McGowen. Ever since this year, the Red Foxes do not let these scouts affect their level of performance," Szefc said.

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"We want to impress the scouts, but we are more interested in winning the game and doing our best," Barron said.