Semi-formal a success despite minor setbacks

Melanie Rago, who also coordinated the dance, agreed that everyone was having a great time.

"I think the semiformal went really well," said Rago. "The DJ was really good, the food was excellent, and everyone was out on the dance floor for most of the night."

Though the turnout was not as big as the coordinators expected—only 100 people attended—the DJ said that they had a wonderful time.

Christina Muller, a junior who attended the dance, said she was delighted that she went to the semiformal.

"It was a great time, and a good opportunity to see people that I haven't seen in a while," said Muller. "The Class of 2001 did a very good job in putting the dance together."

In addition to the juniors' attendance and enthusiasm at the dance, the chaperones that were invited, including Class of 2001 advisor Greg Moses, also had a good time. Other chaperones included professors Daniel Cochete Davis and Thomas Bertolizzi.

"Overall, it was an excellent event," Amarone said. "Even though we only had two weeks to sell tickets, there was a good turnout, and everyone seemed to be having a good time."

Of the many events that the student government association holds, this dance is specifically geared at, and run by, the Class of 2001.

The dance was a non-profit event.

Leap year causes miscalculations

I don't think it's going to be a problem," McConaghy said.

The reason computers may not acknowledge 2000 as a leap year lies in the rules of leap year first established in ancient Rome under the rule of Julius Caesar. It was devised to compensate for the amount of time it takes for the earth to completely circle the sun.

In the current Gregorian calendar leap year is a year that contains 366 days with Feb. 29 as the additional day. Leap year occurs in years whose last two digits are evenly divisible by 4, except for century years not divisible by 400.

This year meets the criteria for a leap year but computers were not programmed accordingly. Computers may register Feb. 29 as March 1.

Housing has a new look

Justin Haight joined the housing staff as an RA last semester, replacing Jeanne Frawley, who left to pursue other career options. John Blazek, a 1991 graduate of Texas A&M University, has taken responsibility of Champlin Hall, replacing April Quickley, who also departed because of a career change.

As for the North End of campus, Stephanie Clary, a 1998 graduate of SUNY New Paltz, has become the first permanent resident director of Mariann Hall this academic year.
How do you plan on spending Valentine’s Day?

Students share their ideas.

Nathan Shook
sophomore

Brian Close
junior

Kelly Sullivan
sophomore

The Art of Kissing.

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Home Depot theft turns into security concern on campus

by DOUG GUARINO
Assoc. Managing Editor

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If you are a journalism major or just interested in writing for The Circle, please call x2429.
**THEF**: Gartland plays host to a thief and armed police officer, security officers say

**Marist celebrates Black History Month**

By CANEEL MCDONALD
Staff Writer

Although most people are aware of the origins of Black History Month, very few are aware of the birthday of recognition came about.

Dr. Carter G. Woodson, founder of the National Negro History Week, which was the precursor of Black History Month, in 1915. Woodson's goal was to raise awareness among African Americans of their heritage. The first National Negro History Week was held in February because it is the month in which Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln were born.

Although there are many celebrations of Black History Month, the Marist College community has its own way of celebrating the holiday. One of the ways Marist celebrates Black History Month is by hosting guest speakers and events throughout the month. These events include lectures, workshops, and seminars on various topics related to Black History.

In this year's Black History Month, Marist College has invited guest speakers to speak on topics such as the role of African Americans in World War II, the impact of African American literature on American society, and the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.

The events are open to the public and are free of charge. The schedule of events can be found on the Marist College website.

Marist College encourages all members of the Marist community to participate in these events and to learn more about Black History Month and its importance.

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Snapshots!

Here we two pinup girls from many old England! Above, Freshman Bethany Reeves is standing in a doorway at Framlingham Castle in Framlingham, England. Below is Reeves and Andrew Marshall taking in a beautiful countryside view. Above; Freshman Bethany Reeves is standing in a doorway at Framlingham Castle in Framlingham, England. Below is Reeves and Andrew Marshall taking in a beautiful countryside view. Here we have two pictures from merry old England! Here we have two pictures from merry old England! Above; Freshman Bethany Reeves is standing in a doorway at Framlingham Castle in Framlingham, England. Below is Reeves and Andrew Marshall taking in a beautiful countryside view. Above; Freshman Bethany Reeves is standing in a doorway at Framlingham Castle in Framlingham, England. Below is Reeves and Andrew Marshall taking in a beautiful countryside view. Here we have two pictures from merry old England!

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Extra! Extra!
Read all about it!

On second thought, wouldn't you rather write about what's going on? If so, contact The Circle, the student newspaper of Marist College by email at HZAL and show the campus what you've got.

Original ideas encouraged and welcomed. (Then I won't have to fill this space with lame propaganda.)

 horoscopes

ARIES
Be in a good mood. The more you smile and laugh, the more you feel like there's plenty of everything. A partner is already interested in you, and they're not likely to be a little snarky behind your back. If you attract attention, others will follow you. You're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends. You're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

TAURUS
You are in a different mood than before. You could have complications, one of which is that someone is causing you to forget your goals. This is a good time to plan ahead. You're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

LEO
You're feeling dynamic, self-confident and enthusiastic. You might be the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends. You're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

VIRGO
There may be a conflict between what you want to do and what others want you to do. If the other people are doing your paperwork, be sure they do what you want. The people you love will understand. You're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

LIBRA
If you and another person are going to work on something, you're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

SCORPIO
Even though you're facing some difficulty, you're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

SAGITTARIUS
There's plenty of love in your life, and the more you make up for whatever you lack. Keep your sense of humor, and even a whiny romantic won't mess up your good mood. Listen to the complainers, but don't feel like you have to fix it, especially if it's expensive.

PISCES
You're not sure of the outcome, but you're creative. Don't worry about it too much. On the contrary, be creative. You're the one who's more likely to enjoy the attention. You'll be big on the social scene, and you'll be popular among your friends.

Off Campus This Weekend

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Join Requiem, Inc. and Rob Coonley at the Coffeehouse for 44 Raymond Ave. Porcupine, 485-7954

American Symposium Chamber Orchestra at Bard Visiting Conductor, Friday, 11 am-1 pm

SATURDAY
ART
Armenian American Arts of the Hudson Valley, paintings, paintings, paintings, Friday 27
Howland Cultural Center. 473 Main Street, Beacon, 617-4988

MICHELANGELO
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Student Bar review of the Week

JOE CANNARELLI Special to the Circle

There's no entity? I now have three excuses to go out every weekend! If I just turned 21, I'll be in heaven! If I just turned 21, I'll be in heaven! I don't think I'll be able to make it to the weekend! If I just turned 21, I'll be in heaven! If I just turned 21, I'll be in heaven!

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Easy Recipes

Lemon Rosemary Chicken with Couscous

Take this convenient dinner and you can whip up this delicious, dinner that everyone will thank you spent hours on!

Ingredients

Lemon Rosemary Chicken with Couscous

- 4 chicken breasts
- 1 1/2 cups lemon zest (and juice, if you want)
- 1 1/2 cups chopped fresh rosemary leaves
- 1 1/2 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- 1/2 cup feta cheese
- 1/2 cup parsley
- Salt and pepper

Couscous

- 1 cup couscous
- 2 cups vegetable broth
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup parsley
- Salt and pepper

Instructions

Place the chicken breasts in a large pot and cover with water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer and let simmer for 30 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool. When cool, shred the chicken with two forks. Reserve.

In a separate pot, bring the vegetable broth to a boil. Add the couscous and let simmer for 10 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool. When cool, add the olive oil, lemon juice, parsley, and salt and pepper to taste. Reserve.

In a large skillet, combine garlic, lemon zest, and contents of spice pack (from couscous). Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer and let simmer for 30 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool. When cool, add the feta cheese and parsley to taste. Reserve.

To serve, place a spoonful of couscous in the center of each plate. Top with a spoonful of lemon-rosemary chicken. Serve immediately.
**All letters to the editor must be submitted by the Friday before publication date. Drop a letter in LT 211 or email us at HZAL.**

Anyone interested in joining the advertising department of The Circle should call x2429.

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### Letters to the Editor

**Student changes his mind**

Dear Editor,

Finally!!! I would just like to state that the February 3, 2000 issue of The Circle was very well done. I do hope that I have outlined the quality and importance of the writing in The Circle, but I was very pleased when I read this issue. (In case you don't remember, I have criticized The Circle in the past, but I was very pleased when I read this issue.)

The layout was very pleasing. I especially enjoyed Nik Bonapartis' coverage of an ongoing war-of-words between former editors and me.) The articles were nicely written, and I think you have used the technology that has been thrown into the student newspaper of Marist College very well.

Sincerely, Chris Covalt

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**New York state of mind**

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**Trains, tuna, and Tina Turner**

**By Patrick Whittle**

Interning in New York City this semester, it seems as if I spend the entire day on the train, my city of origin, and what a grand city it is.

"...cont'd from pg.'9

**Inclined to**

Patrick Whittle is officially "in Tow," to be called "Patty McWizzle," as he seems to flat-top periodically in the morning and at noon. I am not sure if this is intentional, but it is a habit I have been growing into.

Proper etiquette on the train, I would say, is to keep your hands and feet to yourself and the passenger behind you. I find that this is the most important rule to follow when riding the subway. I have noticed that people often look for a seat and then proceed to sit on it, completely ignoring the person behind them. This is unacceptable behavior and should be avoided at all costs.

I have also noticed that people often use their cell phones on the train, even when the train is moving slowly through a crowded station. This is not only distracting, but it is also a hazard to other passengers. I strongly suggest that people turn off their cell phones while on the train and enjoy the view of the city passing by.

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Evaluating the words from my television screen...

...that he wishes that his son's memory of the show would be..."For Marist students." I am not sure if this is the best plan...

**Good Views From The Bridge**

by DOUGLAS DEBBS

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\[\text{Quote of the Week} \]

"I'll be damned if I thought I was going to have sex that night."  
by Mike Maloney, soapnho

The world of professional wrestling has always been one of ups and downs and twists and turns, but the past couple of weeks may go down in his­ tory as one of the most hectic chapters in sports entertainment.

The World Wrestling Federation (WWF) and World Championship Wrestling (WCW) have been waging war with one another for over a year, but the war has been heating up immensely in the last few months. The biggest event was the "Superstars of Wrestling" match, which was scheduled for the "In Your House" PPV event on March 26.

In the main event began when nat­ural born drama and was forced to into the ring for a one on one match, which resulted in a draw. The show was also notable for the debut of the new character, "The Undertaker," who made a big impression with the crowd.

Overall, the event was a huge success and served as a great kickoff for the "In Your House" PPV series.
Basketball games generate parking headaches

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Sports

by EDWILLIAM W. S|G |WRITERS

It’s around seven o’clock on a Thursday night, and about six hours away from your car and you enter the MC2 parking lot. This is the moment you realize that you have just become part of that thing you try to avoid, and you’re just a hop, skip and a jump away from real life. The Red Foxes are losing.

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference basketball games were a case of the parking lot on one end and the team on the other. The team was the only thing that was going to win.

The Foxes were in sixth place in the MAAC and were in need of a win. They needed the win to stay in the hunt for the playoffs. The next week held no games.

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Sonie’s return spurs Marist against Rider

by PETER MOYLAN
Staff Writer

The key to any successful team is depth. To win on the collegial level, a coach must be able to turn to his bench and have players that are willing and able to perform in the clutch. If there was any doubt to the depth of this year’s Marist men’s basketball team, it was all put to rest Thursday. The demoted squad captured a convincing 67-51 victory over Rider to pull within half a game of the Broncos for sixth place in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC).

The story of this game was the return of Blake Sonne to the lineup for the first time this season. An already banged up team was playing good basketball, but fatigue in the late minutes of the past few games was starting to show up on the loss column.

The insertion of Sonne into the lineup not only gave coach Dave Magarity another body to put in, but also a terrific long range shooter who could hit the three and spend the floor for the post players.

Sonne said his injured knee felt good during the game. “Actually I didn’t even think about the knee,” Sonne told the Poughkeepsie Journal. “I was playing on emotion. It felt really great to be back in there when I hit my first three.”

Although Sonne had a great game, ending with 12 points on four-of-five shooting, his real value was seen in the numbers of the Marist big men. Tom Kenney finished with 23 points and his crucial shots in the fourth quarter to help keep Marist in control of the game.

Drew Samuels also had a good game, registering 10 points, while Rick Smith continued to play terrific basketball with 15 points and five assists.

Smith said in the Poughkeepsie Journal that Sonne’s return was a huge lift. “I’m just happy he’s back and gives us another body,” Smith said. “He did a good job. The three to hit opened up our offense and made it easier for everybody else because they were putting a lot of pressure on us.

The big story in this game however was the Marist defense. With the ability to substitute more, coach Magarity was able to give his players the rest they needed so they could compete at their peak.

Sean Kenney was the best example of this, registering five steals, four rebounds and seven assists. The Red Foxes have shown all year that they pose a quality offense, but their defense had been lacking at times, especially down the stretch. Smith was quick to note the importance of the defensive effort forth the Foxes.

“We’re winning games with defense,” he told the Poughkeepsie Journal.

Tom Kenney said beating Rider meant a lot to the team. “It was important to come out of here with the win, especially on the home court,” Kenney said. “We’re doing a lot more things a whole lot better than we did at the beginning of the season, so we’re progressing.

If they can continue the intensity, it felt really great to be back in there when I hit my first three.”

Blake Sonne’s basketball

Marist women creep by Rider to go 10-10

by PETER PALMER
Staff Writer

Splitting two games in the past week, the Marist women’s basketball team remained at 500 with a record of 10-10. The women traveled to Manhattan last Friday to take on the Lady Jaspers. Sonne scored all scores with 34 points, while Elisha DeJesus added 14 and Maris Fusc contributed with 11.

However, an 18-point effort by Manhattan’s Beita Holton helped the Jaspers take the win in two overtimes, 74-70. Marist shot 41 percent from the field, a statistic much improved from previous games. Marist was also playing without starting point guard Cortnie Ciaccio.

“Our bench is not deep due to the injuries but we’re wearing down in the games,” said Lamb in reference to the lack of available players on the bench. Lamb mentioned that Fusc and Sonne are two players that are taking a leadership role and stepping up their play to try and make up for the key losses to the team.

Despite the injuries, Marist managed to pull off an overtime victory over conference rival Rider on Monday. The win, which gave-Marist a 3-8 record in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC), was just the second win in the team’s last nine games. Rider, coming off a victory over first place Fairfield, fell to 8-4 in the MAAC.

Playing without a true point guard, the women managed to put together a solid offensive performance and defeated the Broncos 68-67 in overtime, the second overtime game in the last two outings.

At 3-8 in the MAAC, the Red Foxes need to pull together and prepare for the final stretch of the season, which includes a game against first-place Fairfield University, as well as a rematch against Manhattan. The Red Foxes will face Siena at home tomorrow and then travel to Fairfield on Sunday.

Seidel steps it up for Red Foxes

by MIKE FERRARO
Staff Writer

The numbers over a two game stretch in late December were quite impressive. They included 38 points, 36 rebounds, 70-percent field goal percentage, 100-percent on the free throw line and a career-high seven blocks in one game.

So who put up these numbers? Shari? Mournin? Matsonb? No, the correct answer is none of the above.

Meet Diesa Seidel, Marist sophomore center and rising star in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC).

Seidel’s play in games versus Army on Dec. 28 and Navy on Dec. 30 earned her MAAC Player of the Week honors. It was the first time a Marist women’s basketball player had won the honor since joining the conference two seasons ago.

Last year, Seidel averaged 8.4 points per game while missing 11 games due to a fractured bone in her foot. This year, the averages are up to 14.3 points and 8.5 rebounds.

On a predetermined young team, Seidel has taken on more of a leadership role this season. As a result, she has made both mental and physical changes to become more of a presence on the court.

“Expected to be more of an asset this year,” Seidel said. “I’ve become more versatile, and I’m playing more confidently.”

Junior guard Taira Knight sees Seidel as the center of the team with both figuratively and literally.

“Right now, she’s the core of the team,” Knight said. “The rest of us feed off of her.”

Part of the reason behind Seidel’s improvement this season is simply because she works at it. In the off-season, she spent a significant amount of time working on her game. "People think it is natural, but it is not."" 

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