Two Day Orientation
Activities Scheduled

By Carol Giordano
Staff Writer

"I hope that we can arouse everyone's interest so that they will participate in college activities, either within the academic departments or in extracurricular areas," commented Kathy Ragan, chairwoman of this fall's New Student Orientation program.

Highlights of today's orientation schedule include school and departmental meetings, assemblies and Players' production of "Come Blow Your Horn" at 8 pm in Memorial Auditorium. At 2 pm there will be an activities fair on the Life Hall mall during which new students can become acquainted with campus clubs and organizations.

Tomorrow's program will consist of Student Government Association assemblies at 9, 20 and 11 am; a State Symphony Orchestra concert at noon on the east patio of the Student Center; a picnic at 1:30 pm and the All College Unity Dance at 8 pm in the Student Center. Identification card photographs will be taken throughout the day.

MUSIC ON GRIDIRON

The orientation program will conclude on Saturday evening with a football scrimmage at 8 pm followed by a concert featuring folk singer Don Crawford in Panzer Gym at 9:30 pm, sponsored by the College Life Union Board (CLUB).

"We are trying to make the new students aware of what the college offers and to get them to respond to it," Ragan explained.

Sam Crane, Student Government Association president, will explain the workings of that organization during tomorrow's SGA assemblies. According to Ragan, he will discuss "what the SGA is, what it does and what it will try to do." Following these assemblies, there will be an open house on the fourth floor of the Student Center so that the new students can see the various campus organizations at work.

Ragan explained that the purposes of today's departmental "rap" sessions are to get the students to meet the deans and faculty members and to provide answers to academic questions the students may have.

Approximately 150 upperclassmen volunteered to work as student hosts during orientation. This is fewer than was hoped for, Ragan said.

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Editorial

An Old Challenge

Welcome to the campus community. A challenge awaits the freshmen—as it did their predecessors and no doubt those who follow. It is whether or not they are intent upon getting simply a diploma or a college education.

Over the next four years you will be exposed to new—and sometimes strange—situations. Concepts and ideas will be heard that may spark action or cause a new outlook on life. Friends will be made and lost. A partner for life could be found. But no matter, a new vista of associations awaits the freshmen who is bold enough to try.

College is the final stop for most of us, a last station before entering the real world. Spend as much time in the academic and extracurricular areas as possible. Experience the fullness of college life. Don't hide behind a steering wheel or sleep in the lounges. Don't let shyness deny the pleasure of involvement.

The way the Class of '76 responds to the challenge will determine whether the document you hold in four years will signify a true education or be a meaningless scrap of paper.

Dr. Thomas H. Richardson

Understand to Learn

Greetings to new students:

You are now a member of an institution with six distinct schools with a well prepared and highly talented faculty. Your fellow students are among the best prepared in the state of New Jersey.

It is important that you understand something of your college's history and a lot about its present structure if you are to take full advantage of the opportunities available to you. The schools of the college are each in their own way unique. The quality and the personality of the students and faculties vary from school to school in obvious and subtle ways. You must decide what you are looking for in your college education and then find the way that your goals can be reached most effectively through the school to which you belong and with the help of faculty of other schools who will also be contributing to your education.

Learn about the curriculum of your school, the policies of your school and the social life of your school. Make it your business to get to know as many faculty members as possible. Some of the teachers will be reaching out to you to try to help. Others will be waiting for you to contact them. If your education comes from books and lectures only, it will not be complete—you must also come to know teachers and fellow students.

BECOME INVOLVED

I hope that as freshmen or transfer students, you will throw yourselves fully into the academic and social life of the whole college. Our college, like an organism, changes and develops through growth and you represent that growth. It is very true sense you are now Montclair State College and the institution will become, to some extent, what you make it. That is why I again entreat you to get to appreciate Montclair's history and growth, then develop an understanding of its present state and finally, work to improve it.

On behalf of the whole college, faculty, students and administration, I extend a warm welcome.

datebook

Datebook is a summary of activities occurring on the Montclair State campus, published every issue. Submit Datebook items to the MONTCLARION, fourth floor, Student Center.

TODAY, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION. Meetings all day on campus as scheduled. FOREIGN STUDENT ORGANIZATION. Meeting at 9 am in Life Hall cafeteria.

"COME BLOW YOUR HORN." Players performs the comedy at 8:30 pm in Memorial Auditorium.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION. SGA assembly at 8 am, Memorial Auditorium.

FOOTBALL. Scrimmage between MSC and Nassau Community College at home at 8 pm.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
BASEBALL. MSC vs. Lafayette College at 1 pm in Pennsylvania.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
INTERNATIONAL FOLK DANCING. Beginner and Intermediate lessons at 7:30 pm in Life Hall cafeteria. Admission .50 for students, free refreshments.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
STUDENTS FOR McGOVERN. Organizational meeting in the fourth floor meeting room of President's Office at 4 pm.

BASEBALL. MSC vs. Manhattan College at 3:30 pm in Manhattan.

COFFEE HOUSE. Coffee House social at 8 pm in Life Hall.
Staff Writer
By Carla Capizzi

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dazed. According to rumor,
maps and schedules. They
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alarm among the campus
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bolster MSC's overall troop
force are on-duty full-time,
green recruits on their first

Ludwik Kowalski has been
Arts, Dr. Donald Mintz takes
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Figola, director and production
it is a light comedy," said John
Rosenblum, do not plan to take
the split lightly. The encounters
between the boys, their parents
and their girlfriends Peggy Evans
and Connie Dayton, portrayed
by Dorothy Hayden and
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Bakers' situation can be seen in
the audience's own lives—the
first break with home for many
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New Arrivals
MSC Adds Students--and Services

By Carla Capizzi

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open-just stop by the fourth floor of the
Student Center and see. We're looking for
writers, photographers and people with ideas.


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Indians Stitch Up Team

With graduation cutting large holes in both the offensive and defensive units, Montclair State's football team will have its work cut out to live up to its past reputation.

Head coach Clary Anderson, who has led the Indians to marks of 8-2, 9-1 and 7-2 over the past three seasons, has never had a losing season in 30 years. ANDERSON'S TALENTS, plus those of his four-man varsity staff, Don MacKay, Tom Testa, Tim Sullivan and the latest addition, McKinley Boston, a former N Y Giant, will be put to the test this coming year.

The Indians will face a tough 10-game schedule, adding C.W. Post and Cortland State since last season. Following Saturday's scrimmage with Nassau Community College, at Sprague field at 8:30 pm, the Indians first three games, Kutztown State, East Stroudsburg State and C.W. Post, will all be at home.

Eight key players will be sorely missed from the defensive unit that was nationally ranked over the last three seasons. The front five of Mike Van Zile, Bob Davis, Tom Rothacker, Tom D'Onofrio and Bob Rusignuolo along with linebackers Pete Contaldis, a second team Little All-American pick and Bob Jensen have graduated.

IN THE defensive backfield veteran safetyman Alex Kaplanovich, who intercepted 14 passes over his three-year varsity career, also has graduated. Returnees are cornerback Parker Snare and Bill Samartine and safetyman Bruce Cooper. While the losses on the offense are not as heavy, there is little doubt that they are major. Veteran quarterback Bob Brewster and halfback Glen Morschauser, holders of nine all-time Indian offensive records, have graduated.

ON THE offensive line, Anderson will have to find replacements for four positions including tackle Jim Magnatta, guards Jules Geftic and Jerry Caputo and standout center Ernie Jones. In most cases there will be a wide open battle for all positions, even those being manned by veterans.

The Indians will have a number of fine runners led by two-year veteran Al Thompson at fullback and junior sensation Franklin Walker at one halfback position.

BACKING UP this duo will be two real speed merchants, Bob Hermanni, a junior, and Paul Pignatello, a sophomore. Another sophomore, Fred Caruso, and transfer Gary Shenton are also top ball carriers.

Four players will be battling it out for the starting quarterback slot left open by the graduation of Brewster. In this group are Jim Wassel, who saw limited duty last year, plus three sophomores, Gary Acker, Craig Hugger and John Marotta.

THE INDIANS do appear to be well stocked at ends with Little All-American candidate Don Whiteman and Pete Martin back to handle the win posts. The other line veteran will be tackle Steve Burdulis.

HELP WANTED

BOOKEEPERS: Class one work. Must be good with figures. Make your own hours, free erasers.

BUSINESS PEOPLE: Must have management talents, clear head and flair for organization. Grey flannel suit not necessary.

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POLITICOS: Wanted to serve on committees and assist with legislative details. May travel. Must be willing to beat the hell out of the system.

PEOPLE WITH IDEAS: The crazier the better.

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RICHARDSON RESIGNS

By M.J. Smith
Staff Writer

In a general faculty meeting Friday, President Thomas H. Richardson announced his resignation, effective August 31, 1973.

As faculty members filed into the multi-purpose room of the Student Center, the meeting appeared to be an ordinary one. However, as Richardson called the meeting to order, six members of the nine-member MSC Board of Trustees entered the room and took their places on the top tier of seats at the head of the room.

After Dr. Walter L. Heilbronner, vice-president for academic affairs, introduced the two new deans, Dr. Ercell I. Watson of the School of Educational and Community Services and Dr. Donald M. Mintz of the School of Fine and Performing Arts, Richardson took the podium.

Expressing his discomfort at reading previously prepared statements, he proceeded to inform the faculty that he would be resigning at the end of next summer. Shocked glances and quiet exclamations punctuated the first lines of his text.

STANDING OVATION

With his voice cracking at intervals, Richardson completed the statement and left the room, threading his way through faculty members who remained standing and applauding—even after he had disappeared.

Dr. W. Lincoln Hawkins, chairman of the MSC board, then introduced the members of the board that were present and then read a statement outlining the board's role in supporting the remainder of Richardson's term and the procedure for choosing a new president.

The meeting had been included on the general orientation agenda circulated by Heilbronner's office. Before addressing the faculty meeting, Richardson had held a 9:15 am meeting in his office to inform various campus administrators of his resignation.

Among those attending were the deans of the six schools; Lawton W. Blanton, dean of students; the two vice-presidents, Heilbronner and Vincent Calabrese, vice-president of business and finance; Barbara A. Wolf, president of the MSC Alumni Association and Sam Crane, president of the Student Government Association.

According to Crane, only the Board of Trustees, Richardson's family and his two administrative assistants knew of Richardson's decision.

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Richardson -- -- Damn Good

As the faculty filed out of the general meeting Friday, someone commented that Dr. Thomas H. Richardson was a good president.

He was—and still is—a damn good president, the best Montclair State has ever had. Richardson has represented MSC for over nine years. He has fought for this school, planned for its future and cared about its students.

During the May 1970 shutdown, one of the things that seemed to impress most students was the fact that Richardson was always available. All a student had to do was walk in and make an appointment. The president was there ear into the night listening to both sides of the issue.

For over nine years, Richardson has fought against Trenton for the good of Montclair. He has risked his own career to ensure our academic freedom and resist the damaging edicts of the NJ Board of Higher Education.

In his speech, Richardson made the comment that "some influential people are tired of hearing" his comments on higher education. If the politicians in Trenton are tired of hearing the comments of a learned educator who only has the good of Montclair in mind, then it is time to fight.

Richardson has said that his decision is unalterable and irreversible. So now it is up to the students and the faculty of Montclair.

Now we are the ones who are going to have to fight for our academic freedom—we are the ones who will now represent Montclair to the Trenton politicians.

And we must represent it in a way that will make Richardson proud of us—and ensure the future of our college.

Conference Crucial

Before he announced his resignation at Friday's faculty meeting, President Richardson also affirmed the rescheduling of the Montclair State all-college conference, originally slated to be held last spring.

During the 1968 Clifton Conference, the structure and organization of MSC was drastically changed. We left behind our past history of a simple teacher education institution and entered the class of the best multi-purpose liberal arts colleges.

The Stokes State Conference, scheduled for November, may spell the end of the six schools. They have been structurally difficult to administer—yet they have attempted to bring back the "small school" atmosphere that is so necessary to the development of a true campus community.

Whatever the result of the Stokes State Conference, the input and enthusiasm that the conference sparks may foreshadow the future of Montclair State.

School Conference Set

President Thomas H. Richardson announced a conference will be held Nov. 1 and 2 to discuss MSC's progress under school organization. It will be held at the New Jersey School of Conservations at Stokes State Forrest, Branchville. The announcement was made at the Friday meeting of the general faculty meeting in the multi-purpose room of the Student Center.

The November 1972 conference will be the third in a succession of such conferences which have included the Tuxedo Park Conference in May 1967 and the Clifton Conference in November 1968. These earlier conferences were planning sessions that proved invaluable in developing a consensus among the college community for the reorganization of the institution into its current structure. In contrast to these earlier conferences, the upcoming conference will have as its central purpose an evaluation of the effectiveness of the new school organization with special attention to the concept of "schoolness" and its psychological and social components.

The concept of the college of a college conference. Representatives of each group, together with representatives of each school senate, will be asked to serve on a committee during September and early October to develop an agenda and slate of representatives to the November conference.
The following is the complete text of President Thomas H. Richardson's resignation speech made at the faculty meeting Fri., Sept 8, 1972.

I have decided to resign from the presidency of our college at the end of next summer and to return to full-time teaching. This was a difficult decision to make but it is firm and irrevocable. I have felt and I now feel successful, but in this current era, nine years is a long tenure for a college president and I am convinced that my decision is in the best interest of the college and myself.

In my comments to you now I would like to do three things:

- Give the reasons for this decision
- Describe this next year of the last one of my administration
- Make some personal requests

In explaining my resignation, let me first make clear what it is not. I did not resign because of a dissatisfaction with any locally created situation. I have immense respect for our community, faculty and students. Dr. Hawkins, the chairman of the board, and all of the Trustees have been supportive, generous with their time and completely dedicated to our college. Our students have been a pleasure to work with—indeed, intelligent and always reasonable (with the possible exception of May 1970 which was a nightmare).

Through the years I have felt a part of the faculty and believed that I had your support. For the encouragement you gave me at crucial times, I will be eternally grateful. Indeed, without a belief in you, I would not have remained in this job. But it is firm and irrevocable. I now feel that I had the backing of all you care as friends and because many of you see a direct relationship between the functioning of the president’s office and your work at the college. We also know that rumors will provide reasons if I do not. I cannot list the causes in priority, but I will describe four:

- A conflict between the forces of local versus central control and the need to have a reasonable control over one’s own development. I have always accepted that my role is to create a catalytic office—with a function to encourage us in this struggle. On many issues our college had defended itself against what it thought was excessive and illegal central control—such issues as (a) the imposition of detailed program approval procedures, (b) the elimination of all state college graduate programs and (c) the control of colleges through a budgetary performance agreement. The forces for centralization are strong and tenacious and through increased efficiency they will become even more difficult to resist. For example, we are now faced with a faculty work load study which will provide a tool so that the Department of Higher Education or the Budget Bureau could monitor or control every aspect of a faculty member’s assignment and, indeed, the entire academic program of the college.
- The idea of an academic community, like the idea of a democracy (to which it is related), is a beautiful ideal. Many of us have worked hard through the years to try to develop Montclair State College into a community of scholars including students to plan curriculum, structure, goals and standards. Every major change which has occurred resulted from extensive involvement. Our Board of Trustees, representing the people of New Jersey, has encouraged us in this development.
- The student forces impeding our progress toward academic community and I will describe two of these as further explanation of my decision to resign.

1. A conflict between the forces of local versus central control and a reasonable control over one’s own development. I have, I think, been a reasonable president. My motto was that I would always be here forever, until the day I resign.

2. This is a futile process. Conditions which are bigger than all of us, some of which I have mentioned, are forcing an end to this process. Such conditions any sign of central control of colleges through a budgetary performance agreement and a faculty load study as a tool of the Department of Higher Education to control the state, outside communities and to bargain with agencies of the state, outside communities and state colleges.

- Conditions which are bigger than all of us, some of which I have just mentioned, are forcing you and me into a labor-management relationship. However, I did not move from teaching because I wanted to “manage.” I have viewed the presidency as a catalytic office with a function of bringing the academic community’s great resources into defining itself and deciding its own fate. I was willing to be put into the role of protagonist and to bargain with agencies of the state, outside communities and various vested interest groups but not with the faculty, students, for that would be liked bargaining with myself. If my interests were different from those of students and faculty, then as I saw it I should not be president. In my leadership role I may have openly influenced faculty and student opinion, but I have never assumed a public official posture on an important issue in which I knew was contrary to the desires of this academic community.

This part of my statement is not a criticism of our faculty leaders, for I am sure that they are sincere dedicated people with high ideals. They, like myself, may be caught in a strong social movement. They have told me that even in the new climate they will try to retain the best aspects of the “academic community” ideal. But the fact remains that present conditions are forcing faculty and administration to opposite sides of the table—refuse to stay there.

So much for the reasons for my resignation—now let me talk about this college year.

THIS COLLEGE YEAR

Because of the Board of Trustees’ need for a comprehensive search with extensive involvement (faculty, students, alumni, etc.) it takes time to select a new college president; but there are also dangers for an institution with a lame duck president. You may know of a college where the president is not effective and is holding the chair of authority. The administrative vacuum can cause a great deal of struggle for power—jockeying for position—alliances and alignments. Under present conditions any sign of administrative weakness or equivocation at Montclair State College could also cause an increase in the attempts at interference from individuals and agencies outside of the college.

I do not want to be the cause of our college suffering because of weak leadership—even for a year. So I hope, therefore, that you will understand what I am going to do and that you will act as though you recognize the spirit in which I say it.

I will be the President of Montclair State College until August 31, 1973 and I will vigorously fulfill all of the responsibilities of that office until that date. I will act with a great deal of laissez-faire, no drifting, no procrastination. I will act as though you and I were to be here forever, until the day I resign.

NOW A PERSONAL NOTE

Even though my decision to resign from the presidency is now firm and final, it was a difficult decision to make and I will not enjoy discussing it. I certainly do not want to spend the year talking about it. In case my previous comments seem depressingly so, let me say again as I have said many times—out is a splendid college and I am optimistic about its future. The obstacles facing us are not unique and I am completely confident of Montclair State College’s capacity to survive and prosper. Because these are my last words on this subject, let me conclude by again expressing my regard, gratitude and affection for the staff, students, faculty and governing board of Montclair State College.
Montclair State Shocked
By Sudden Resignation News

By James D. Hille
Staff Writer

"He is one helluva man," commented Sam Crane, Student Government Association president. It was typical of the reaction students expressed to the resignation last Friday of Dr. Thomas H. Richardson as president of Montclair State College.

Crane was not happy with Richardson's decision but did accept it. "No one, not even Bloustein (Rutgers University president) can hold a candle next to him," he said.

Richardson is the best in the state," Crane stated. Candy Joseph, editor of Quarterly, MSC's literary magazine, expressed concern for the future of MSC with Richardson gone. "I don't know what will happen—but I fear that Trenton might gain control," she said.

Richardson was also a philosophy and comparative education professor at Newark State College, where she has taught since 1960. The Richardsons have one son, Zachary.

currently the vice-president of the New Jersey Association of Colleges and Universities.

Prior to his selection as MSC president, Richardson served as dean of both Montclair and Jersey City State Colleges. He was also a philosophy and comparative education professor at the two schools.

The Richardsons left the board did so because of other compelling reasons and not because of a lack of interest in Montclair," the board continued.

Of the nine members of the board, Gerald A. LeBoff, Dean William C. Warren and Hector Rodriguez were not in attendance at the meeting.

NO LAME DUCK

In the conclusion of their statement, the board said that Richardson "has always had the full and unqualified support of this board and that will continue."

"He (Richardson) has made it clear that he will not be a lame duck president and we want to make it clear that this board will not take a lame duck attitude during this period," the statement concluded. "With Dr. Richardson's leadership and guidance, the college will move forward during the coming year."

The board members present at the meeting to "indicate their support for Richardson" were Hawkins, Dr. Edythe Jones Gaines, Dr. Henry S. Dyer, Bernard M. Hartnett Jr. and Gladys Hunter.

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The Board of Trustees, in a statement read by chairman Dr. W. Lincoln Hawkins to the faculty following Dr. Thomas H. Richardson's announcement of his resignation as president of Montclair State, supported the president's stand and accepted his decision out “of our profound respect” for Richardson.

According to the board's statement, Richardson "has made enormous contributions to Montclair, and it would be difficult to attempt to cite them all at this time."

However, the board did recall some of Richardson's achievements and innovations while serving as the leader of MSC. Among these were: a dynamic expansion of enrollment, facilities ... many new academic programs (including a full range of liberal arts programs), (reorganization) into six schools and further enhancing of the total college community."

FACULTY SUPPORT

The board asked for the faculty's support in finding a replacement for Richardson, saying "this college has had the very best president. Only prodigious efforts will make it possible to find a suitable replacement."

"The Board of Trustees has a legal responsibility for selecting the president of the college" continued the statement, "and we will not abdicate this duty."

The board concluded that they "will specify the search procedure" for choosing and appointing the next president "in the very near future."

"UNIQUE CONTRIBUTION"

The statement cited Richardson's "unique contribution to this board" when it stated: "Of the nine charter members who were appointed to this board five years ago, two-thirds of the charter members remain today."

"The three who reluctantly left the board did so because of other compelling reasons and not because of a lack of interest in Montclair," the board continued.

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MSC President's
Background Varied

By Carol Giordano
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Dr. Thomas H. Richardson became president of Montclair State College in 1964 after having received his BS degree from the State University of New York at Oswego and his MA and PhD from Columbia University. Richardson also holds an LLD from Bloomfield College and is