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Davis Resigns as Chaplain

By Irene McKnight
Rev. Thomas Davis, full-time Campus minister and chaplain of Newman House from 1950 to 1956, is moving to a position as pastor at St. Paul’s Church in the Greenville section of Jersey City. He will be succeeded by Father Kenneth Herbstner.

WHEN ASKED about his departure from MSC, Davis noted, "I am leaving the campus to make a decision as to where I can best serve the students and administration of Montclair State College and the Montclair community." Newman House has been supportive of his values and interests.

His extensive list of accomplishments include involvement in the purchase and renovation of Newman House, a facility on Valley Road which serves as a meeting place not only for Catholics but for all members of the campus community. Davis describes Newman House as "an important part of my life—a creation." Newman House has been used to hold various seminars and as a meeting place during the faculty strikes of 1968 and 1974.

SOME OF HIS OTHER accomplishments include the initiation and continuation of the COOP program, which is a seminar on realities of religions which gives seminars to its participants. Davis has also done extensive work on the Committee for Better Human Relations, the Montclair Fair Housing Committee, and other similar groups.

Davis also approximated that 15 to 20 hours per week were spent counseling students. In the late sixties, Davis was very involved in the peace movement, as well as the struggle for racial integration. In addition, a great part of his work involved waving the mass on campus and in Newman House.

Davis noted that the "role of the campus ministry has evolved." "I have tried to make myself available to the people of the campus: the staff, faculty, administration and the student body, as a minister and as a person," he said. "My people, not program centered ministry will continue."

HE ADDED that MSC was not "a ghetto operation", but rather he became involved in the life of the campus by identifying problems.

On the subject of students and religion, Davis contemplated that the interest and involvement in the structural Church is waning, but not so much in the positivist sense of the word, but in the best sense—that is, challenging the world on its values.

Possibility of EOF Cut Sparks Campuswide React

By Art Sharon
The probability of cutbacks in the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) has prompted reaction at MSC. The American Federation of Teachers (AFT) has begun to circulate a petition in protest of the alleged cutbacks.

According to the petition, the EOF directors will be told to limit all budget requests to a maximum 8% increase over last year. Given the rate of inflation, such a limit represents a substantial reduction of funds.

HE PETITION also alleges that the Board of Higher Education has recommended a $400,000 cut in EOF statewide. The EOF office in Trenton denies that such a cut will take place.

The state would not comment on the 8% maximum increase. The press office of NJ Governor Brendan T. Byrne, said that the state would not release actual figures on the cutbacks.

When questioned about the 8% increase, Vincent Calabrese, vice-president of administration and finances at MSC, stated that he didn't know what the exact budget figures would be.

CALABRESE ADDIED, "I would personally like to see a cutback in the EOF." He explained, "I think it is a fine program and it has afforded many people the opportunity to go to college."

One of the faculty members circulating the petition is Lucinda Long of the Committee Against Racism (CAR). Concerning the cutbacks, Long stated, "I think this cutback is just the first step." She added, "The state is trying to eventually make a college education an impossibility for low-income people."

The EOF program was created by the New Jersey legislature in 1968. It provides educational opportunities and financial assistance to disadvantaged state residents who had little or no chance of attending institutions of higher education.

THE PROGRAM currently has an enrollment of nearly 13,000 statewide. There are a 600 students enrolled in MSC. Reuben M. Johnson, director of MSC's EOF program.
TODAY, THURS., JAN. 30

ART EXHIBIT. Sculpture by Peter Agostini, through Tues., Feb. 11. Gallery One, Life Hall. On view Monday through Friday, 9 am-5 pm. Free.

USED BOOK SALE. Sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega, through Thurs., Feb. 6. APO Office, Memorial Auditorium lobby. Hours: Monday through Friday, 10 am-3 pm.


MEETING. General membership of the College Life Union Board (CLUB). All students are invited. Center fourth floor meeting rooms one and two, 4 pm.


WOMEN'S BASKETBALL. Southern Center, ballrooms, noon. Free.

ART EXHIBIT. Sculpture by Peter Agostini, through Feb. 11. Panzer Gym, 8:15 pm. Admission: SGA ID, free.

SCREENING. "Sexuality and Aging" featuring professor Ruth Blanche of the health professions department. Women's Center, Life Hall, noon. Free.


MEETING. Players general membership. Memorial Auditorium, 8 pm. Admission: SGA ID $1.50 and $2.50, others $3.50 and $4.50.

MEETING. CLUB publicity personnel. Office, Center fourth floor, 9 am-11 am.

WED., FEB. 5

DISCUSSION. "Sexuality and Aging" featuring professor Ruth Blanche of the health professions department. Women's Center, Life Hall, noon. Free.

CONCERT. Soprano Roberta Peters, sponsored by the Music and Arts Organizations Commission (MAOC). Memorial Auditorium, 8 pm. Admission: SGA ID, $1.50 and $2.50.

MEETING. Jewish Student Union (JSU) general membership. JSU, Center ballroom six, 7 pm. Free.

MEETING. Accounting club general membership. Center cafeteria, left mall side door, 1 pm.


TUES., FEB. 4

MEETING. Jewish Student Union (JSU) general membership. JSU, Life Hall, 7:30 pm. Free.

MEETING. Players general membership. Memorial Auditorium, underside, 6 pm.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING. Rutgers University and Queens College. Panzer Gym, 7 pm. Admission: SGA ID, free.

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Mockup Dramatizes Campus Space Crunch

By Ann McLean

Students from Chapin Hall dramatized their argument against classes being held in dorm when they created a mock classroom outside the door of MSC President David W.D. Dickson's office on Tuesday, complete with desks, chairs, blackboards and erasers, according to SGA vice president Manny Menendez.

The action was the result of a dorm meeting Tuesday night, explained Menendez, when dorm residents decided to demonstrate their extreme concern about dorm space being used as an instructional facility. Dean of Students lanett Blanton identified the group as "a very vocal group from Chapin who wanted to call attention to the issue."

EXPRESSING HIS regrets about the unfortunate lack of class space on campus, Blanton conceded that classes in the dorm may be done so "in an excessive fashion," but reminded the students of the compromise reached last year between the administration, permitting space in Chapin's residence halls.

Menendez explained that the original compromise agreement is almost two years old, but the increasing demand for dorm space as well as class space has turned the spotlight to the issue.

In recent months Vice President for Academic Affairs Irwin H. Gawley informed Menendez and Jerome R. Quinn, director of institutional planning and budget, that steps would be taken to eliminate classroom space in the dorm in the very early and late hours. He stated in a letter to Menendez and Quinn that he could not see the justification of giving up the dorm space for space in "sub-standard classrooms on campus...such as the old bookstore."

"I would like to remind the new Space Allocations Committee that during the past year it was the intent of the College to take over Chapin Hall completely as an academic facility," Gawley said.

GAWLEY CITED the compromise between the former Space Allocations Committee and the housing people as justification for the dorm classrooms. Blanton referred to an ultimatum-type agreement between Dickson and dorm residents that gave dorm students choices: either they accept the compromise and share their residence halls with academic operations, or they find housing off-campus.

At the time of demonstration, Dickson was in Little Falls, "vigorously persuading the town council to create a second off-campus apartments," said Blanton. The town of Little Falls has categorically denied the college permission to build a housing facility on the vacant lot on Clove Road, near the northwest exit of the college. Blanton explained that the apartments were to facilitate dorm students as well as others, so that Chapin Hall might be completely converted to a residence hall.

Gawley has declared that MSC's undergraduate enrollment will be reduced to this year's level of 1,050 students, and off-campus facilities will be closed in an effort to curb the space squeeze. He has formally expressed his recommendation that annex two be torn down "before we have a serious accident there." Opposition to this measure has arisen, however, in that annex two was to be used as the new location of the Crafts Shop, presently located in the Student Center next door to the Rathskeller.

THE SPACE Allocations Committee had agreed with the Student Center Policy Board to move to the annex, so that the room adjoining the Rathskeller might be used as a kind of waiting room for over-flow crowds from the Rathskeller. With the demolition of the annex, however, the Crafts Shop and its almost 900 subscribers will be ousted with no place to go. Gawley has shelved his recommendation to destroy the annex, then, pending an investigation of the alleged hazardous conditions that exist in that building.

Blanton expressed his hopes that the apartments on Clove Road will be constructed in the near future.

Loss of a Friend Spurs Family Fund

By Michelle Bell

Tragedy hit MSC when 21-year-old freshman Everett Dancy, a Stone Hall resident, set fire to himself with charcoal fluid early morning, Dec. 23.

The Stone Hall resident assistant (RA) contacted campus security and housing directors immediately after Dancy's screams were heard in the hall, following his attempt to drown the flames in the shower.

HE WAS rushed to Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, where he died two weeks later after fighting desperately for his life.

In memory of Dancy, his friends will be accepting donations beginning Monday to help Dancy's mother pay his hospital bills.

One of the first to reach Dancy was Jerry Cupples, Stone Hall RA who, along with a fellow resident, stripped Dancy, who was conscious enough to ask them for help, at 3:30 am.

LOOKING WISTFUL, Cupples said, "I never wanted Everett to have his own problems. He was a determined individual. Though other articles have cited reasons for the suicide, Everett never left a direct reason. Instead, it was gathered from the letters Dancy's sister read, that it was a conglomeration of personal problems.

Security responded promptly and found Dancy sitting at the lobby desk, conscious, though his body was stripped and charred, according to James Lockhardt, director of security. He said, "The police questioned Dancy as to the possibility of foul play. However, when they found the gasoline and lighter blocks in his room there were no doubts. A preliminary investigation was made by security who also photographed Dancy's room," continued Lockhardt.

Cupples said he spoke to Dancy's sister who informed him that there was no insurance money to cover hospital bills. Therefore, in memory of Everett, Cupples and Dancy's roommate Rudy Valli, have decided to start a fund to help pay Dancy's phenomenal hospital bills. Their goal is to raise $1000 through donations and the raffling of an almost new black and white TV.

VALLI, who was not on campus that morning, said, "Everett was a studious person who had planned on being a business major this semester. Before coming here he was at Columbia University for a year, but he had to quit for three years due to finances."

"It's Everett's great love for his mother, who is now collecting disability for an illness, that prompted us to start the fund," said Cupples. They felt this was the one time they could help Dancy as he never asked for anything when he was alive.

John T. Sherman, off-campus housing coordinator, was also there that morning. He said, "I worked closely with Everett, who was the vice president of the Resident Hall Federation. Everett was very active in the federation. He had natural leadership abilities and was very likeable."

"THERE WAS no indication of what Everett was going to do," Cupples said. "Just three hours before it happened he was in my room talking jokes," he continued.

Valli, who also seemed still shaken by it, said, "After he burnt himself he realized he had made a mistake and then fought hard to save his life. However, it's not important how he died, but the way he lived. He had lots of friends and is greatly missed."
NJSA ‘Viable’ Despite Pullout Threat

By Donald Scarinci

The New Jersey Students Association (NJSA) is “beginning to be looked upon as a viable student voice,” said Angelo Genova in an interview yesterday.

Genova, president of the NJSA, made his remarks after confirming rumors that Kean College threatened to drop out of the association in November because of a disagreement with its handling of the strike.

Genova stated that the association is “beginning to with its handling of the strike. The decision of the NJSA to leave every college to themselves in their support or opposition of the strike. Genova said the Keane threat had a “decisive effect during the job action, but in due course every disagreement was worked out.”

EARL O. SUNZIA, NJSA representative from Gloucester State College, called the recent AFT strike “a deciding factor in the strike. The decision of the NJSA to take a unified position against the strike, according to Butler, was consistent with the “decisive effect during the job action,” Butler said.

The registrar’s “goal” is to bring full student scheduling up to about 70%. To do this, he said it would require “a bigger commitment on the part of the students and faculty.”

HE SAID that courses might have to be scheduled more over an 8 am to 5 pm time period than over the present 9 am to 3 pm period. This would mean that students would be on campus a little later, but the scheduling would be complete for more people, according to Butler.

About 55% of the students at MSC received a full schedule for the spring ’75 semester, according to Marshall Butler, registrar.

More students received the courses they originally requested for this semester than in the past, Butler said.

THE REGISTRAR also said that the add/drop process “went well.” “A lot of students were accommodated,” he continued.

Butler attributed the success of the in-person registration to the fact that since the same methods were used for several semesters, the students “know what to expect.”

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The passage of A-1055, a bill that would place two voting students on the College Board of Trustees, is a high priority item in a status report issued to NJSA members on Jan. 22.

The report implied that the Education Committee is “backialwilling in its handling of this legislation.” The bill has been in the legislature since late January.

PRESENTLY THERE is one non-voting student member on the Board of Trustees. A-1055 would place two students on the Board with the same voting power as other trustee members.

Genova announced that the NJSA is providing office facilities in Trenton practically across the street from the State House. It will be staffed with these undergraduate volunteers who will be doing research and answering telephones, Genova said.

Haller Appointed Library Director

Blanche Haller has been appointed as director of Sprague Library, replacing Dr. John R. Beard, by MSC President Dr. David W.D. Dickson.

Haller was recommended for the post by a search committee which screened over 80 candidates over a period of nearly one year.

SHE JOINED the library staff in September 1963, advancing through several positions, including Associate Director of the library and Interim Director since February, 1974. Haller has been active in statewide library organizations.

“We look forward to her creative, imaginative leadership,” Dr. Irwin H. Gawley, Jr., vice-president for academic affairs, commented in a statement. Haller was recommended for the post by a search committee which screened over 80 candidates over a period of nearly one year.

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Dungan Anticipates Overflow 'Squeeze'

By Ann Karen McLean

Chancellor of Higher Education Ralph A. Dungan anticipates a college entrance "squeeze" next year, according to an article in the Jan. 19 Newark Star-Ledger.

At a time when student overflow from costly private schools is, by the Chancellor's admission, almost guaranteed, the "squeeze" might just crack New Jersey's unemployment picture, which soared to a glaring 7.3% last November, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

Dungan explained to the Star-Ledger that demand for space in the state colleges is on the increase because of the threat of unemployment. The BLS figure is disputed by the State's Preferred Rate (P&R) which held the percentage of unemployed persons to 9.5%. Dungan told the Star-Ledger:

"We used to have a lot of leakage from one semester to the next, with students dropping out to find jobs, hoping to return later," he said. "But there's no sense dropping out now to find work, if there's no work to be had," he stated.

Decreased revenue has forced the Chancellor to decree that enrollments at the state colleges will not be permitted to grow, and that the state's 16 county colleges will probably also have to limit enrollments.

The problem is twofold in that the state's private institutions are facing grave financial difficulties that can only be helped by raising the cost of services and thereby limiting accessibility. Princeton University, for example, has announced that it will raise tuition and fees to nearly $6000 annually.

Rising costs such as these have forced the private schools to request a state takeover of private school operations. According to the Star-Ledger article:

"Not only did Dungan say the state would not take over the expensive faculty, he also expressed belief it was a 'waste of time' even to talk about it."

The Chancellor, who was unavailable for comment at the time the Star-Ledger went to press, believes that since the state offers comparatively inexpensive public education, state take-over of private institutions is out of the question, though partial state subsidy might be considered.

The result of the state's refusal will be the swamping of the college market, as the Chancellor has put a ceiling on enrollment levels. He predicts a return to the competitive atmosphere of the 1960's.

A spokesman for Dungan, Director of Public Information Mary Fairbanks, asserts that this atmosphere will not unduly discriminate towards middle and lower income students, in that admissions standards will remain the same.

Fairbanks did concede, however, that since campus space will not increase with the increase in eligible applicants, more students will be forced to seek employment in the already swamped job market.

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SOS – Save Our Space

According to a recent brochure put out by the office of research of the NJ Department of Higher Education, space on a college campus in our state has become more precious than sugar or oil. The report cites a percentage growth of 8% in New Jersey college enrollments in fall 1974 over the previous year, more than 18,000 students.

Where MSC has expanded and expanded in the past decade and it still doesn’t seem to be enough. What with Chancellor of Higher Education Ralph A. Dungan proposing a lid to be placed on college enrollments in the future, there’s trouble in sight.

Mental frustrations at mind-boggling situations like this are easy and such a frustration over the “space crisis” exploded Tuesday night when residents created a mock classroom in front of MSC President Dr. David W. Dickson’s office.

A sneaky and diabolical plot, yes, but a plot with a purpose. Is it so inconceivable that there may be classrooms in the corridor in the near future?

It’s not altogether wise, now, to give up the idea of holding classes in dorms. Concessions often have to be made and while the inconvenience of encountering a class in progress while trying to sleep into the am or in the pm is quite obviously annoying, disruptive protest should be held in abeyance.

But it is wise, for now, to hold on to whatever facilities we presently have, such as the annexes, be they eyesores or not. As drafted as they are and desolate as they look, they can perform the vital function of housing classes.

If they must be redone to fit certain specifications, then they should be repaired. Whatever bit of relief these structures provided by detouring classes from dorms or other unlikely sites was and still should be, welcome.

If classroom space is ample, it should be noted that the annexes could still provide shelter for some activity such as the currently endangered Student Craft Shop. That concern in jeopardized because of the demands for space imposed by Rathskeller operations.

The goal that should be uppermost in everyone’s mind is the establishment of the most reasonable and comfortable social atmosphere in which to carry on the learning process.

And we all need breathing room....

Davis; A Kind Of Spirit

Everyone who simply boasts a smile or holds the door open for a friend spreads the good news of Christianity. A large contributor to the Christian spirit on campus for these past seven years has been MSC’s Catholic chaplain Rev. Thomas Davis.

Davis is regretfully leaving one ministry to undertake another so the work goes on. And “the work,” if that’s what you’d call the activity of the Newman House community during Davis’ outgoing spirit of talking freely to people and being around all over campus made his presence much closer than if he were living in some imposing inner-city rectory.

Davis has brought the Mass all over campus so that it need not merely be just a “Catholic” affair, but an easily accessible means of community worship. During his tenure here the various religious groups have worked closer together, perhaps not by any obvious effort, but just by that basic radiations of spirit.

With we him the best of luck in his new assignment, the parish of St. Paul’s Church in Jersey City and hope that MSC has made as much of an impression on Davis as he’s meant to us. A fond welcome is extended to Davis’ successor Rev. Kenneth Herbster, along with hopes that he and Newman House will see that “the work” goes on.

Jerry Kloby

Stop US Aid to Vietnam

The news media has recently been giving a lot of attention to the current state of affairs in Vietnam. But with this renewed coverage has come some of the same old lies and deceptions. For us to understand the truth about Vietnam we must look at the history of Vietnam’s struggle for independence.

For centuries Vietnam was under the political and cultural influence of China. In the 19th century, while China was crippled by western imperialism, the French began the takeover of Indochina. When the French seized the Saliem area, the Vietnamese asked China for military assistance but because of its weakened position China was able to do little.

After many years of French domination Vietnam was temporarily controlled by the Japanese during World War II. At the end of the war Japanese occupation of Vietnam ended and the Vietnamese declared their independence. But their independence did not last long.

FRENCH RULE ENDS

The British went to Vietnam and helped the French to restore their rule. The French troops were armed and supplied by the U.S. and France was able to regain much of its previous control over Indochina. The Vietnamese were determined to win independence and in 1954 the French were defeated in the famous battle of Dien Bien Phu.

At the Geneva conference France recognized the independence of all of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos. The Geneva agreement called for national elections in Vietnam. However, the French did not implement this agreement and the US was opposed to it because of the certainty of Ho Chi Minh’s election. Even President Eisenhower admitted that anyone knowledgeable on Indo-Chinese affairs knew Ho would win with probably 90% of the vote.

MORE AID

The US put billions of dollars into the puppet regime which is established. National elections were never held and US aid continues to support an unpopular and illegal government. The US gives ten times as much aid to president Thieu’s government than to either China or Cuba which gives to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and now

President Ford wants us to give more. Our government is not acting in our interest by giving aid to the Saigon regime. The big corporations know that there are great profits to be made from the cheap labor and abundant resources available in Indochina and a favorable government in Vietnam could help them exploit these. Our government is acting in the interests of these corporations.

It is becoming more and more difficult to make a distinction between government and big business especially with our beloved new vice-president Nelson A. Rockefeller. We must understand the situation in Vietnam, in spite of the often unsatisfactory news media and we must do what we can to stop US aid to Vietnam.

Mike Messina

Disagreements Hinder Document’s Approval

Last spring the SGA spend many hours working on a document entitled “Student Rights, Freedoms, and Responsibilities.” This document goes into writing present student rights and privileges that should be adopted by the college and distributed throughout the entire community.

The document was voted upon and accepted in the spring of 1974 by the SGA Legislature. Once the work of compiling and coordinating the document was complete and accepted by the students, the next step was for the administration to adopt the document. During the summer months I presented the document to the administration and, in my opinion, I feel they were about ready to accept it.

FACULTY DISPLEASED

Unfortunately, the faculty leadership learned of the contents of this document, that it contains policy statements which affect faculty in certain areas. Because the process for grade appeal is altered within this document and this document is more democratic and reasonable for students for their basic rights, the faculty leadership blocked the adoption of this document.

I strongly believe that an academic institution exists for the transmission of knowledge, the pursuit of truth, the development of students, and the general well being of society. Free inquiry and free expression are indispensable to the attainment of these goals. The faculty leadership is blocking the adoption of this document.

MEETING INCONCEIVABLE

At this particular time, the document is being reviewed by the faculty leadership but they still refuse to meet with students and the administration. The union will not sit down with the other two parties and discuss this very important document.

The students who adopted this document are amenable to changes and revisions within the contents of student rights and responsibilities. What we are requesting is that the faculty meet with us and the administration to draft a document that is acceptable to all three parties.

We as students are simply asking for the right and the opportunity to present our proposal to the faculty and the administration in one joint meeting. I content that students as citizens and people have the right to be heard.
To the Editor:
November 21, 1974 marked an important day in the lives of many students and faculty members of Montclair State College. They briefly experienced for one day what millions of people all over the world experience every day in their life—the hunger. These students and faculty gave up eating for one day and contributed the money saved to the Oxfam-American Corporation in order to help restore damaged crops in the Third World.

The following is an excerpt from a letter sent to the College Community by Roger Flather, Executive Director, Oxfam-American Corporation:

On November 21, you thought about hunger. We think you did experienced for one day what is the “Fast for a World Harvest.” It has been a complete success. Whether measured by the number of people involved, the amount of money or “conscience” raised it is clear that the Fast moved people to begin dealing with the “Food Crisis.” We wish to thank you for sharing this day with us, for involving your friends and neighbors and most of all for contributing to the funds necessary to set up developmental, agricultural projects in the poorer nations.

We know that the “Food Crisis” is intricately tied to political and developmental issues. In order to act so that people in the Third World can become more agriculturally independent and self-sufficient, Oxfam-America believes it is essential to begin to understand how we in the richer countries are connected to the problems of the poorer countries. At Oxfam we believe that for many the Fast was such a beginning.

On behalf of the Oxfam-America Corporation I would like to thank all those who helped in anyway on the "fast for a world harvest" held Thurs., Nov. 21, 1974. The final amount of contributions totaled over $600 and despite the hindrance of the faculty strike the college community should be commended for their most successful efforts in contributing to the fast. Thank you.

Darryl A. Shelton
Vice-president, Newman Community

To the Editor:

As traffic director both I and the staff of WMSB have put alot of time and effort into putting the college radio station on the air. It has been brought to my attention by both the students and faculty members of WMSB and others of Montclair State College that the radio station has not been played through the public address system of the Student Center during the station's operating hours of 2 pm until 11:30 pm. We at WMSB are to become as letterman oriented as possible. But how are we to do this if the students who wish to listen to the station while on campus are not permitted to do so. I hope this problem will be alleviated.

Gerry Turro
Psychology/English '77
Tradition Earmarks Festival

By Mike Finnegan

Tradition was the keynote of the American College Theatre Association's Northeast Region XII Festival, held by MSC from Jan. 15-18.

No new original play nor any extraordinary staging techniques marked representative of our own state greeted the theatergoer who attended the five productions from various colleges in New York and in Pennsylvania in Memorial Auditorium.

WHAT DID greet the viewer were the works of established playwrights (from ancients Greece to turn-of-the-century Russia to contemporary America) and some artistic and inventive stagecraft in setting and costume design.

But most effective in the quintet of plays were instances of stirring representational acting which were highly praised in the various critique sessions in Studio Theater that followed each performance.

This was especially prevalent in the festival's most warmly received production, John Guare's "The House of Blue Leaves" from Kingsborough Community College, Brooklyn, NY.

THE SHOW was fiercely acted by Ben Lasman, not always successful but often harrowing as Stanley Kowalski, but the show was stolen by John Jordan as Mitch. His clumsy, hulking portrait earned great favor with the audience and the judges at the critique session afterwards, and was doubly distinguished for being his first acting role.

Arlene Malins as Stella Kowalski and Janice Resnick as Blanche Dubois each had moments of distinction, the set and costumes were appropriate and some great jazz music laced the scene changes.

Musical additions were not the highlight of Hunter College's rendering of Paul Zindel's "And Miss Reardon Drinks a Little" which featured some lispid songs about love and needing others- but a lacerating performance by Kathy Szednick as the title character a definite standout of the festival.

THE JUDGES and audience participants at the subsequent critique session considered the Hunter College entry a superior production of a flawed play.

Tender and mood (of provincial turn-of-the-century Russia) was the goal of the players in Lycoming College's (Williamsport, Pa.) production of Anton Chekhov's "The Three Sisters," presented at the Jan. 18 matinee.

The slowly-paced production had no standout actors what it did re-create was the restless boredom of Chekhov's lost individuals at the country house of the title sisters. If the cast was not always as interesting as Chekhov's dialogue, the judges apparently as indicated at the mostly affirmative critique session chalked it up to the establishment of this mood of restlessness in everyday life.

Gary Dartt's pattern-filled wooden set was interesting to look at, if perhaps it suggested more than it captured.

WHERE THE festival strayed from straight representational acting was in the most unfavorably received show, Aristophanes' "The Birds" (in a translation by Walter Kari), from Edinboro State College, Edinboro, Pa. The cast and the director Edward Williams stressed obvious comic buffoonery over the pristine of believable characters and this resulted in a negative reaction, although the school groups who attended the performance concurred more to the slapstick than they might have to flat-out Aristophanes.

The set by MSC graduate Robert W. Schneider, representing a huge, white rock formation, and the colorful bird costumes by Nancy Jo Owiasm sparked great interest but the show's slapstick mood and execution were strongly incompatible enough to prod guest judge David Davis of Fordham University, New York City to say that "this show doesn't belong in the festival!" Davis' fellow judges, Miriam Tulin of Hofstra University, NY and Jack Bettenbender of Rutgers/New Brunswick, also pronounced the cast "unseasoned" and the production "unprofessional."

From the audience at that critique a woman of obvious Greek ancestry spoke up, noting that the essential Greek spirit of calamity and catharsis was totally missing from the Kerr translation used by this company.

THE FESTIVAL'S other highlights outside of the five plays included the presentation of a gold medal for outstanding service to college theater to famed Broadway director Alan Schneider ("Who Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" "A Delicate Balance"), a performance of black ensemble theater, The Root Ensemble from Rutgers/New Brunswick and a panel discussion on touring for the festival.

In addition, the regional competition for the Irene Ryan Foundation Acting Scholarship awards opened the festival on Jan. 16 in Studio Theater. The top prize of $500 and a trip to the national finals at the Kennedy Center in April was captured by Bill Foeller of Villanova University, Villanova, Pa. from a field of eleven contestants.

Tradition was in evidence, then, in the selection of material, in the style of execution and in the low-keyed atmosphere that one can't disagree with respect to college theater. But, even though one may have had to look a bit for them, the rewards were there.

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world-renowned opera star Roberta Peters will be presented in recital on Tues., Feb. 4 at 8 pm in Memorial Auditorium. 

Featuring on the noted coloratura's program will be arias by Handel, Bach, Meyerbeer, and Rossini, a group of works by Debussy, several Viennese songs and a special section of international folk songs arranged for the singer by Samuel Perl, a resident of Montclair. Perl will also accompany Peters on the harp during this section. 

PETERS' METROPOLITAN Opera duties in "Don Giovanni" in 1950 and has since been widely acclaimed both for her live performances and her recordings of opera and art songs. She has made more tv appearances than any other opera star in history.

Peters has had many works dedicated to her by modern composers. In 1972 she sang the world premiere of a new work by Deriu Mihland. In 1972 the soprano became the first American-born artist to receive the Bolshoi Medal. She has been granted many other honors, including a number of honorary degrees and civic awards.

Peters' performance is the third in a series of performances by distinguished artists sponsored by the Music and Arts Organizations Commission (MAOC).
By Bob Scherer
EMMITSBURG, Md. — It took Montclair State's basketball team about four hours to journey here for its game with Mt. St. Mary's College, Saturday and about 10 minutes for the Indians to lose the contest.

The home squad got off to a quick lead, never trailed after that and eventually came up with a convincing 91-71 decision. It dropped MSC's season mark to 8-7 and continued the wave of on again off again basketball that has marked the Tribe through January.

"They were a sharp-shooting team and they hurt us in the early going by within the first five minutes," he recalled. "But we also hurt ourselves a short period of time at that point.

Ollie Gelston, whose squad won its own Christmas tournament, noted. "The score did not reflect the type of game that was played. Actually it was a see-saw affair until about midway through the half."

That juncture was a three-minute span during the second stanza when Mt. St. Mary's ran off 10 straight points before MSC's Chuck Holland retaliated with two foul shots.

Bob Reese started the streak for the winners with an outside jump shot that gave the home side a 53-49 lead. Four of his mates followed with baskets of their own to advance the lead to 61-49, a deficit that proved to be insurmountable for MSC.

"We blew five layups within a short period of time at that point," Gelston explained.

Garvin, whose squad won its own Christmas tournament, noted. "The score did not reflect the type of game that was played. Actually it was a see-saw affair until about midway through the half."
Trocolor Resigns at WPC

WAYNE — William Paterson College will be missing its third head football coach in as many years. Bob Trocolor, Sr. has announced his resignation after his first year at the Pioneer helm. Trocolor, who guided WPC to a 3-7 mark, including three losses in his last four games, said he resigned for personal reasons and 'they're just two words — Art Eason,' Trocolor announced. Eason is the athletic director at WPC.

Trocolor had been hired in a wave of optimism that hoped to bring WPC out of its lonely football status. He took over for Phil Zofrea, whose resignation was accompanied with discontent over inadequate facilities and funds at William Paterson. Zofrea went on to launch an unsuccessful campaign for the Paterson mayoralty. The Pioneers finished next to last in the New Jersey State College Athletic Conference standings this past season. Included in their seven losses was a 43-0 debacle to Montclair State.

All Baseball candidates are required to report today to the main gym from 2 p.m. Coaches Clary Anderson and Alex Tornillo will be there to conduct workouts.

Embalanced Squaws Make a Steady Debut

By Rich Keller

If you were told that a certain women's gymnastic team was weak on the balance beam and lacked depth, but would improve its 6-2 record last year and beide that send a good many competitors to post-season Eastern Regional competition, you might think it contradictory. Montclair State is in this predicament.

However, the fact that MSC is strong in the other three events, has seven returnees from last year's squad and has scored more points in the first meet of this season than it did in any one meet last year, should make the above seem more feasible.

THE THREE other events (uneven parallel bars, floor exercise and vaulting), should be led by senior Jan King, who won three of the four events versus Queens College, the opening match of the season.

While King has proven herself the stalwart of the team, a freshman, Debbie Rapp, a graduate of Paramus High School, is just starting her four-year career at MSC and could conceivably blossom into something big in years to come. Both these girls will take on the all-around chore.

Having seven of approximately 13 or 14 competitors from this year's squad as veterans isn't going to hurt you and nine times out of ten, neither will scoring 89.35 points. The Queens meet ended in an 89.35-76.00 clubbing, MSC coping it by dominating all events.

"We had nationally rated judges for that meet," new coach Nannette Schnaible commented. She then added happily that "this should be a good indication of how we will do this season."

TO PROVE how significant that point is, it should be noted that last season's finals, held in a tempestuous East Stroudsburg State swirl, produced 80.37 points, the highest point production of the year.

Schnaible, MSC's second new coach in three years and a former member of the Southern Illinois University gymnastic team, has high hopes for the campaign at hand. "If the Queens meet is any indication of how we will do this year, it looks encouraging."

Schnaible, who takes over for Linda Monaco, now coaching in high school, added, "we hit quite well and should break the 90-point barrier very soon."

"It is nice to see that we are short in the depth department," analyzed Schnaible. "But as long as we can avoid injuries, we'll be in good shape."

SCHNAIBLE HERSELF competed in gymnastics at Mahwah High School (Ind.) and moved on to Southern Illinois, where gymnastics is tops. According to Schnaible, "most of the girls there compete on international levels...they were Olympic material," she explained.

Debbie Rapp

Surprised by the outstanding talent at SIU, but still undaunted, Schnaible joined the team until a foot injury sidelined her. "I wasn't really that good compared to them... Schnaible modestly stated.

An operation was needed and for the remainder of her stay at Southern Illinois she worked-out with the team, helped sort the apparatus and was occasionally called on by her coach to judge meets.

It wasn't until graduate school that Schnaible made up her mind to coach on the collegiate varsity level. After securing her masters from Brockport State College (NY), she proceeded to the University of West Virginia, where just last year, Schnaible taught Physical Education and coached the women's gymnastics squad to a 6-2 record in its first season.

Schnaible is looking toward her first years as Squaw mentor with encouragement but is honest as she assesses the upcoming competition. "We may lose one or two," Schnaible said. She added with no reservations, that "Southern Connecticut will definitely be our roughest match."

MARTENS PUTS

MSC In Fourth

PRINCETON — Bill Martens’ heave of 50-foot-3 was good enough to earn him first place in the shot put at the New Jersey Intercollegiate Track and Field Championship and vault Montclair State into fourth place in the final team standings Saturday at Jackwin Gym.

Martens beat out Tony Ruggieri of Princeton University, who managed a 49-7 put. MSC’s Gene Russell took a third in the 440-yard run with a .50 time. John Pendlerbray cleared 13-6 for third in the pole vault and Jerry Comperato was fifth in the shot put. The Indians’ two-mile relay contingent finished fifth.

MSC gained 14 points, good enough for fourth, but well behind first-place Princeton (105), runnerup Seton Hall (81½) and third-place Rutgers (48).
It's a Western Inferno Minus Dante

By John Delery

Just Listen to Coach Paskert

By Steve Nuier

James Leads Ski Team

Montclair State and Lehman College battled for a 70-58 victory over Lehman College and helped the Squaws to remain undefeated in five outings this year.

"We switched to a straight player defense in the second half," said Paskert. "And the pressure forced turnovers on their part."

At the half MSC found themselves on the short end of a 29-25 score.

"I told the team to come back and play our game, which is a running game," continued the Squaw mentor. "They were just standing around."

Utilizing the pressure defense, the Squaws came out aggressive in the second half. They stole the ball three times in a row for three points and closed the gap to one. After five minutes the score was tied at 37 and MSC never again fell behind through-out the remainder of the game.

Combining good passing and shooting the Squaws reeled off 12 straight points to go ahead 48-37.

Randi Burdick topped the MSC scoring list with 21 tallies. Carol Blaszczowski connected for 18 points, also grabbing 12 rebounds. Superbly replacing starting center Roberta Vasko, who is out with an injury, Ellen Henry hit for 11 points on five field goals and a foul shot. Ann Fuller also hit double figures with 13 while Joann La Vorgna finished the Montclair scoring with eight.

"We always have a close game with Lehman," said Paskert. "They get up and they're out there to beat us. We're really got to work for it."

Besides Lehman, MSC has beaten CCNY, Brooklyn, Westchester State, and East Stroudsburg, a team ranked 177th nationally.

In the first half the Squaws fell behind 10-7, but surged to a 21-12 advantage. Suddenly Lehman came alive by fast breaking and getting the ball quickly down court for the easy layup. They tailed for 14 straight points before MSC could resurface.

Two POINTS — Montclair State's Ann Fuller (341) goes in for an uncontested layup during the Squaws' 70-58 victory over Lehman College at Panzer Gym Tuesday night. Lehman's Grace Johnson (38) and Pat Rodgers watch helplessly.

James personally undertook the task of getting together a competitive team and he acted as captain and its top-skiier when the Indians opened their season last night at Great Gorge. The 22-year-old James is ranked nationally and has competed for the Eastern States Skiing Association.

But James sits back and takes it in stride. "I know I'm not yet ranked, but I don't know where because I never bothered to check," admits James as he chomps on a BLT.

FILES — Left: the Indians started their 12 day excursion to the mid-west with a very serious 3-9-9 record. Right: Dante Caprio (167) was a gargantuan Robin Wisman, "small Iowa boy" who tops the scales at 390 and stands 6-foot-8.

The Indians took it on the chin, 20-18.

Regardless of the outcome, Slocichetanno is a happy man just the same. "We thought that it was really serious at first and that (Caprio) was through for the season," Slocichetanno offered during a telephone interview Tuesday night.

"But he was able to walk around on it a little later that night. So after undergoing a few check-ups we think he'll be ready for the Mets coming up soon," the relieved mentor added.

The INDIANS started their 12 day excursion to the mid-west with a very convincing 3-9-9 record. They could have conceivably happened. Either Gadson wins by a superior decision and MSC ties or Gadson wins by a regular decision and MSC wins.

If it wasn't for Bill James, there wouldn't be a Montclair State ski team and if not for the freshman slope enthusiast from Bloomfield, MSC wouldn't have had much of a chance of winning many meets in this, its initial year.

James leads back and takes it in stride. "I'm the only one on the squad with any racing experience," the bearded James revealed. "Everyone else is very proficient technically but never got into racing because no one brought it up."

The Tribe will compete in a non-NCAA sanctioned league every Wednesday night at Great Gorge. Included in the loop are such schools as William Paterson College, Columbia College of Morris, Fairleigh Dickinson University and Ramapo College.

Included on the MSC roster are Bill Yukubotsky, Walt Fritz, Barbara Bohrer, Nick Price, John Beirne, Karen Koenig, Larry Gash and Ken Genki, Alex Mariano Vega, Nancy Welsh, Mary Jane Zihaly, Bob Perryman.