The bomb disposal truck from the Passaic County Sheriff’s Emergency Response Team (SERT) was parked outside Blanton Hall last night as SERT members removed a hand grenade found on the building’s fifth floor last night. Photo by Rob Thibault

“Live” grenade empties Blanton

by John Papastrat

Charges are pending today against a Blanton Hall resident after a hand grenade found in his room forced the evacuation of the dorm late last night. According to Campus Police, the hand grenade was detonated by the Passaic County Sheriff’s Emergency Response Team (SERT) after being removed from a room on the top floor of the five story dormitory.

Sergeant Charles Giblin of the Campus Police said the technicians who detonated the grenade with a small charge have not yet determined if the device was “live”. However, Giblin, who was present at the detonation, said the force of the explosion “shook the ground.”

The incident began at about 10:15 p.m. last night after a Blanton resident reported to Ron Campbell, Blanton Hall dorm director, that his roommate was keeping the grenade in their room. Campbell in turn notified Campus Police and ordered the evacuation of the building. Sergeant Giblin and Michael Pasiaski responded to the call finding the grenade and a note on the wall stating “live, don’t touch.” Giblin inspected the grenade and called the Passaic County Sheriff’s Office.

Members of SERT removed the device at about 11:20 p.m. as members of the Little Falls Fire and First Aid squads and the Montclair First Aid squad waited nearby. The device was loaded into a waiting bomb disposal truck and taken to a Passaic County Sheriff’s Range to be detonated.

The range technicians detonated the device by setting off a small charge placed next to the grenade. Although the results were inconclusive by the technicians, Giblin and others present said the explosion’s force was much greater than that of the placed charge.

Criminal charges against the owner of the grenade are pending while the prosecutor’s office awaits the final results of the sheriff department’s tests. Giblin said that internal disciplinary action by the college is also pending against the student.

Dorm residents, who were described as very cooperative by police, were allowed back into the building at 11:30 p.m.

MSC shutting off the taps

By Jamie McHugh

In response to a recommendation by the fire marshall concerning residents’ safety, a ban on all kegs larger than “pony” kegs in individual rooms has been imposed by MSC.

Dr. Raymond Stover, director of housing, has sent a letter to local liquor stores notifying them of MSC’s new policy on kegs. Included in the list of stores which received the letter are Thomsen’s, Angelbeck’s, and Cedar Grove Liquors, which are the main suppliers of liquor to MSC housing students.

In addition to the ban on larger kegs in residence hall rooms, pony kegs cannot be delivered or brought in at any time after 8 p.m. or at all on Thursdays. Upon entering the residence hall, the purchaser must register the keg at the desk by giving his name, proof of age, and the location of where the keg is to be used. In addition, the purchaser must pledge responsibility for the party.

The reason for the new policy is largely due to the fire safety code, which limits student room capacity to 12 persons. The limit was very often violated last semester with the use of quarter or half kegs. Presence of a large keg, according to Dr. Stover, “would be way out of proportion to the small number of people who should be allowed in the room.” He went on to explain that a large keg supplies much more alcohol than is safe or needed for consumption by 12 people and thus will promote alcohol abuse or attract an excessive number of people into residence hall rooms, some of whom might be under age.

Alcohol-related damage to housing was also cited as a problem which can be somewhat reduced by the 8 p.m. deadline rule and the outright ban of kegs on Thursdays. Dr. Stover stressed that the “majority of violence and vandalism in public areas at MSC housing is alcohol-related.”

Stover is aware that students can get around the keg restriction “problem” by bringing in virtually unlimited canned or bottled beer, but feels that “students will not feel obligated to finish all canned and bottled beer, while they would feel obligated to finish a keg – in order to not waste the beer. ‘Canned and bottled beer will go bad, but keg beer will,’ Stover said.

Dr. Jean Armstrong, dean of student affairs and a backer of Stover’s letter, said that the new policy will help keep minors from drinking and believes that the basic goal of the plan is to “keep students drinking responsibly and legally.” She added that the policy is not an attempt.

Don’t miss it!

Next week The Montclarion presents a freshman guide to survival that’s not only for freshmen

Catch it, you’ll need it

SGA president Mark Spinelli packs Laura Pedalino with balloons as part of the festivities at this year’s freshman orientation program.

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A Service of the S.G.A.
Fate of the escort Service is in doubt

By Peter Stankov
Since only four people made use of the student escort service during the entire month of March, the administration is considering canceling the now defunct service, according to Elliot Mininberg, vice president of administration and finance. Mininberg said that this was an indication that the escort service was cost ineffective.

If the escort service is cancelled, students will still be able to get a police escort, but must wait until a car is available. Currently, there are no plans to organize a substitute program.

Frosh orientation gets mixed reviews

By Patricia Winters
Each September new students attend freshman orientation in hopes of learning more about the college, its organizations, its procedures and where its vital buildings and services are located. This year, freshman orientation was held from August 30 thru September 1, and there were mixed reactions as to whether the event was successful or not.

"The program was very helpful and so were OWLS (Orientation Workshop Leaders)," said Noelle Fabian, "but at times it seemed that we would sit in an assigned room all morning long. They allotted too much time for questions and answers." OWL Tom Mongelli agreed Pedalino agreed and suggested to have been more organized.

In past years however, orientation only attracted approximately 300 students; this year well over 1,000 students attended. The increase in attendance was attributed to the fact that students did not have to stay overnight during orientation. Laura Pedalino, student representative to the board of trustees, added that this was the first time orientation was held in this manner. "We've received compliments from the administration and I'm very pleased with the program," she said.

Many of the OWLS, however, didn't share the same feeling. All of the OWLS are required to attend a brief training session prior to orientation, and the general feeling of the workshop leaders was that they weren't trained well enough.

One OWL said, "the workshop leaders should have been screened like the resident assistants for the dorms because many of the leaders were unaware of school policies and couldn't answer simple questions." Workshop leader Peter Feinstein added that another fault in the program was that it was being held simultaneously with in-person registration.

On an optimistic note, Mark Spinelli, SGA president, said, "they had succeeded in extending a warm welcome to all freshmen and transfer students entering the MSC community."

Restrictions on kegs

The new policy, while endorsed by members of the administration, has not been received favorably by students.

Gary Flynn, a senior marketing major and Clove Road resident, said the policy is "a violation of the students' freedom." He acknowledged that the policy was a success in reducing the number of bottles being thrown down from the balconies inside the building.

Sue Brennan, a junior recreation major and Blanton Hall resident, called the policy "ridiculous." She said "larger kegs are much nearer than bottles and cause more problems than pony kegs." Brennan also said that the 8 p.m. deadline would encourage residents to have parties during the day.

The Montclarion/Thurs., Sept. 9, 1982
Credit given

Much as we hate to admit it, most of us look forward to fall and the start of the school year. It’s not that we want the summer to end, but with at least 12 years of experience at starting school each fall, we anticipate the meeting of friends, old and new, and the experience of new classes and new professors.

However, those of us who are upper-classmen also anticipate the problems that seem inherent at the start of each semester; the lines of traffic, the parking spots in the Quarry, the lines for registration, and the lines in the bookstore. Those of us who anticipated the problems this semester were pleasantly surprised to find that most of them failed to materialize.

Traffic flowed freely on Valley Road, Normal Avenue and on the campus roads, and amazingly, there seemed to be enough parking spots in the Quarry lots, leaving the Clove Road lot almost devoid of cars. Perhaps most surprising, after last semester’s debacle, was the efficient operation of the bookstore.

Anyone who passed through the Student Center Annex saw that there were indeed lines of people waiting to enter the bookstore, but the lines moved quickly and once inside, the students found the books they needed in place of the empty shelves and empty excuses that were found last semester.

The effect of this lack of problems, at least in The Montclarion office, presented a host of other problems. What were we to complain about, if not parking and the bookstore? We could not find the answer, and we must resign ourselves to do what is almost a cardinal sin for students; congratulate the administration on a job well done.

First on the list to receive congratulations must be Paul McCormick, manager of the college bookstore. At the start of last semester Mr. McCormick was the most cursed and despised man on campus. The host of problems which plagued the bookstore were blamed entirely on him. To his credit, Mr. McCormick assumed full responsibility for the problems, putting his job in danger in the process. Therefore, it is only fair that he take responsibility for the smooth operation this semester. We hope that the students, faculty, and administration, who, like us, were so quick to call for his resignation last semester, are as quick to commend him for his fine job this semester.

We must also commend the Campus Police for the smooth flow of traffic that is so uncharacteristic of the opening week of the semester. Despite a reduction in their numbers, the campus police and security officers kept traffic flowing freely and without incident throughout this first week.
Welcome Freshmen

To the editor:

Now that the Fall Semester is upon us, I, as a former SGA freshman legislator, would like to welcome the freshman students at Montclair State College.

As a freshman, I had many thoughts going through my mind about the last days of junior high when I was filled with contrasting emotions: the excitement of going on my own and managing my high school, and the fear and uncertainty about the future.

Now, three years later, these same emotions were with me again, but this time about going to college.

College brings with it a feeling of independence; of living on your own and managing your own affairs. But these same feelings also bring about a sense of anxiety. Can I do it on my own? Can I really make it in college? There are no guarantees, just as there weren't any when you entered high school. But you must try, and give it all you've got!

I encourage you to become involved with one of the various SGA Class Organizations, and that you run for freshman legislator this month. If you live on campus, become involved with your dorm council or the Residence Hall Federation. I have found this to have been a rewarding experience in meeting people and becoming involved as to what is going on around campus.

Once again, welcome to MSC and I hope that your freshman year will be as educational, informative, and enjoyable as it was for me.

Angel Ramos
Former SGA Freshman Legislator

Survivor T-shirts

To the editor:

"Survived in-person registration at MSC, Fall 1982." I feel that the administration should print T-shirts bearing this message and award them to every man and woman who had to work under these horrendous conditions from August 30 to September 1.

Last week, as I was registering in the gym, the temperature must have climbed over 100 degrees and the air was muggy with the sweat that was condensing on hundreds of bodies. Many of the workers I spoke to were pulling 10 to 12 hour shifts. One woman said that she was so sick that she felt nauseous but when she ran to the ladies' room she was "too weak to heave up!"

I was asked by a worker to address the letter to Dr. Mininberg (vice president for administration and finance), the man responsible for the working conditions and long hours. I asked, Dr. Mininberg...are we homo sapiens or are we archis mascula (orchids)?

Must an unpleasant activity such as registration be made that much more unbearable for the workers, and especially for the workers?

I suggest that the administration communicate with each and every registration worker in order to ascertain the steps which need to be taken to make in-person a less unpleasant experience. I heard many such opinions while waiting in line.

In addition, I heard several workers agree that "they can fire me if they want but they can't force me to work like this again."

I ask all the readers who share my concern to send their advice and opinions to Dr. Mininberg, College Hall. My advice includes: an air-conditioning system in the windows, more fans, shorter working hours, and liquid refreshments for the workers.

Julia Mallanieu
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