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Campus crime rate reaches highest point in MSC history

By Tom Boud

Last month's total of 63 Gass One Uniform Crime Reported Offenses is the highest amount of crime in the history of our force, according to campus police Lt. Michelle Postaski.

"In September, the crime rate reach­ed 58 Class One offenses (1 robbery, 3 assaults, 5 burglaries, 34 larcenies, and 16 motor vehicle thefts including 8 attempts); and $72,341 worth of property reported stolen," Postaski said. "In the month of October, the crime rate went up to 63 offenses (7 assaults, 7 burglaries, 38 larcenies, and 11 motor vehicle thefts including 3 attempts). This is very high despite the fact that the value of reported stolen property decreased to $44,530."

Postaski added that the reported stolen property valued dropped only because fewer automobile thefts occurred in October than in the previous month.

Postaski illustrated the increase in campus crime by comparing crime statistics of the past two years. "In September and October of 1983, the number of Class I offenses was 24 and 23 respectively; for the same two months in 1984, the figure increased to 28 and 45 respectively," he said. "Now that the crime rate for Sept­ember and October of 1985 is 58 and 63 offenses each, you can see that crime has increased almost threefold during the past two years."

Elaborating on the crime problem, campus police Chief Jayne Rich cited the lack of adequate manpower as a major concern. "When I first came on the force in 1978, there was a total of 34 police and security personnel," Rich said. "Now seven years later, we only have 24 such personnel so our man­power has been sharply reduced."

Rich further explained that the state of New Jersey places strict budgetary limits on personnel funds making it difficult for the college administration to assist in this area.

However, Rich said that some pro­gress is being made in obtaining in­creased security. "At present, we are in the process of filling three more positions which will soon bring us up to 27 personnel," Rich said.

Campus police Detective Debra Nwcome also underscored the need for more security. "As it is now, there isn't enough manpower to answer all calls promptly," she said. "In fact, there are even some days when there is only one officer patrolling the entire campus."

In terms of student assistance Rich stated that the parking lot attendants have played a major role in upgrading security. "Those extra eyes and ears out there provide a presence of secur­ity to all students who walk through the parking lots, especially during the night," Rich said.

Rich also stated that the private security guards stationed in the dorm­itories and at the Clove Road Apartment parking lot have an additional conducive effect.

As for the escort service, Postaski said that underutilization is still a problem. "Students still don't use the escort service solely because we don't have a vehicle," Postaski said. "If we had a vehicle, such as a van or a golf cart, the previous escort service had, more people would be interested in using it." Postaski said that so far, neither the SGA nor the administration has given the escort service a vehicle.

Postaski stated that the escort service has been reduced to three nights a week. "Our escort service has been reduced to this level because two of our escorts lost interest in the program apparently due to apathy concerning the service," he said.

In light of all the current problems, Rich said, "Our force is doing a 200 percent job considering the fact that our responsibilities have increased dramatically."

"During the past several years, there have been more people and students to watch over, more special events to cover, and more crime to investigate," in reference to the public, Rich addressed the problem of unreported crime. "Unreported crime is a problematic phenomenon on campus and in general. If the public doesn't come forward, there isn't anything we can do to help," Rich said.

Rich also addressed the public fear of criminal retaliation saying it "is legitimate for the victim but it isn't legitimate statistically. In my seven years with the department, there hasn't been one single incident of criminal retaliation that I could remember."

"As far as I can guess, probably anywhere between one half and three percent job considering the fact that we are in the process of filling three more positions which will soon bring us up to 27 personnel," Rich said.
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Crime prevention seminar sponsored by MSC campus police

By Warren Thomas

Campus Police Chief Jayne Rich presented measures to prevent crime on campus, including self-defense tips for women, at a lecture on Nov. 19.

While noting that the difference between reasonable and unjustified fears is sometimes hard to discern, Rich said that the overall perception of crime on campus far outweighs the actual incidence of crime.

Rich noted that rumors play a large part in causing that misconception. "One recent rumor about a girl being raped in front of Sprague Library was so widespread that we even had the President's office calling us up about it," she said.

According to Rich, theft in the dormitories will continue to be a major problem as long as students feel secure enough not to lock their doors while sleeping or while they're out of their rooms.

"Students are our first line of defense," Rich said. "If you live in the dorms, keep those doors locked. It's an inconvenience but it's a security measure.

Rich cited Thursday nights when the Rathskeller closes at 2 a.m. as being a major campus security problem.

The numbers for the campus police are 693-5222 for non-emergency and 693-4111 for emergency.

Tips to prevent auto thefts

The MSC Police and Security Department, despite its depleted numbers, is stepping up its attempts to prevent vehicle theft and vandalism. However, the campus community, can help too.

"Despite any hopes that something suspicious in the parking lots, they should call the MSC police dispatcher at 693-4111 or by emergency phone. Such calls have prevented some car thefts.

In addition, equip your cars with anti-theft devices. These devices come in many forms, including disabling mechanisms, and alarms.

Ignition replacement locks have been found to be burglar-proof than the original ignition lock.

A cuff lock is an item that surrounds the ignition lock and prevents it from being turned. It is designed to protect the lock from being overcom e by force.

Car thieves have used the door-lock buttons to re­place the original mushroom-top lock buttons, thus preventing the door from being unlocked with a coat hanger.

There are an increasing number of dormitories, due to the ruina tion and killing and exploitation of animals: poisons such as DDT and acid rain; and the complete loss of species for food and shelter.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 serves to preserve animals and plants of aesthetic, ecological, educational, historical, recreational and scientific value to the nation and its people.

Unless there is adequate and suitable food, water, shelter, and physical space in the proper combination, there will be an increase in the number of endangered species.

Rich said that a woman's physical manner can also help dissuade possible attackers. "Walk as if you're ready to take care of business," she said. "When attacked, first try to inflict pain, then try to get away.

Rich also stressed the fact that women have the right not to resist attack if they choose to. In regard to car thefts in the campus parking lots, Rich urged students to notify police whenever they see anyone suspicious.

If you see someone fumbling around a car, let that be your signal," Rich said. "Don't be afraid to call.

"As Tarlowe said, "Sometimes I wonder if humans are an endangered species."
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home economics department.

The emphasis of New Horizons is the gain access to vocational training Skills Center (LS C ), Joan Bernstein.

By Ade Idera

Discussing the vastness of space, Wilson said, “When we move out into the universe, we move into a realm where light years (1 light year equals 5.878 trillion miles) are used instead of miles as the stellar standard of measurement. This is because the universe is way too far-flung to be conveniently measured in miles.”

Wilson cited examples to demonstrate this point. “For example, the center of the Milky Way is 30,000 light years from our solar system,” he said. “So if the earth were to be represented as a piece of paper 1 inch thick, the distance to the center of our galaxy would be represented as a stack of papers 90 miles high.”

Wilson used a similar example to illustrate the distance between our solar system and the Andromeda Galaxy, one of our nearest galactic neighbors. “The Andromeda Galaxy is located 2.2 million light years away from us,” Wilson said. “Using the same scale representing the solar system as a 1 inch sheet of paper, the distance to the Andromeda Galaxy would be a stack of papers 6,000 miles high.”

Referring to the astronomical theory, Wilson mentioned that in the early 20th century, the advent of the spectroscope, a device which examines stellar light, led to the discovery that the universe was expanding.

“In 1927, a physicist by the name of Edwin Hubble found that the universe was moving out from its central point,” Wilson said.

Wilson said that this evidence was used to formulate theories concerning the origin of the universe. “Two theories were formed in an attempt to explain the origin of the universe,” he said. “One was the Steady State Theory, which held that new galaxies were being formed to replace the old galaxies as they moved out into the cosmos.”

The other theory, known as the Big Bang Theory, maintained that 10 to 15 billion years ago, all matter was closed together and expanded forth in a titanic explosion and has been expanding ever since.”

Wilson then explained that after joining Bell Laboratories in 1963, he and Penzias began to look for evidence of the Big Bang. “Using a small, but highly sensitive radio telescope attached to the first Telestar Communication Satellite in 1965, we set out to find evidence which would help scientists understand the origin of the universe,” he said.

“However, that search for evidence was frustratingly difficult. "We were picking up noise which was totally inexplicable,” Wilson said. “The buzzing noise was present no matter where we pointed the telescope in the sky.”

According to Wilson, “At first we thought there was something wrong with the instruments. But the research team in Princeton, who constructed the telescope, came to the conclusion that Penzias and I discovered the background microwave radiation thought to be the remnant of the Big Bang.”

Wilson said that this background radiation is presently between 10-15 billion light years from the earth and is still expanding at the speed of light (186,282 miles per second).

Lastly, Wilson mentioned that a “Big Crunch,” a reversal of the Big Bang theory, probably won’t happen. “So far, we haven’t seen any radiations or matter coming back at us,” he said.

The lecture, attended by almost 100 students and faculty, was well received. MSC president Donald Walters said, “Not only was the lecture stimulating, but it was easy for the non-astronomical community to understand.”

“New Horizons” will aid single parents and homemakers

By Ade Idera

A new program has been designed to assist single parents and homemakers, including adolescent mothers, gain access to vocational training programs. The program, entitled New Horizons, is the result of combined efforts by the Life Skills Center and home economics department.

According to the director of the Life Skills Center (LSC), Joan Bernstein, “The emphasis of New Horizons is the placement of women into non-traditional training programs and jobs.” She said that the goals of the program are to provide assessment, career exploration, planning, job placement assistance, referral to training programs, and referral to support services.

Bernstein said the program will guide women step-by-step in identifying their interests and needs, investigating job market potentials, and making career plans. Also, the program will assist women with finding training and educational programs, getting and keeping jobs, and obtaining support services such as child care or transportation.

“The program,” Bernstein said, “welcomes inquiries from prospective clients and employers.”

The program, which is already in operation, seeks to provide aid for Passaic and Essex County residents interested in gaining access to vocational training programs. The N.J. Division of Vocational Education has provided $50,000 for operation of the program.

For further information regarding New Horizons, contact Patricia Verden, project coordinator, or Marie Caruso, counselor, in Room 109, Finley Hall.

SGA Legislators

Karim Mahmud
Status: Sophomore
Major: Broadcasting
Activities: SGA, BSCU, PR Committee (SGA) and T.V. Center staff
Goals: To contribute input to school’s administration and serve students by listening to their problems about the campus.

Patty Jones
Status: Junior
Major: English/Communication theorizing
Hobbies: Tennis, aerobics and jogging
Activities: SGA, BSCU, PR Committee (SGA) and T.V. Center staff
Goals: To make students aware of the services provided by the SGA and to assist in decision-making which will benefit commuters and residents.

Jack Lyons
Status: Senior
Major: Biology/chemistry minor
Hobbies: Skiing, windsurfing and golf
Activities: SGA, CLUB, Class 1 Concerts, Delta Sigma Chi, chairperson P.R. Committee (SGA), student aide at registration
Goals: To represent the student body and vote on matters that concern students. Also, to improve the SGA image and stand up for student rights.

Patty Healey
Status: Junior
Major: Political Science
Hobbies: Football games, talking and being with friends
Activities: Sigma Delta Phi, president of Greek council, Class I Concerts, CLUB
Goals: To get involved by being a representative of students and standing up for their rights.

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DRINKING AND DRIVING CAN KILL A FRIENDSHIP.
**Peace Corps volunteer speaks of her experience in Africa**

By Linda Longo

Speaking on the culture differences in Niger, Africa, Joan Parrott discussed her challenging experience there as a member of the Peace Corps in a Nov. 12 lecture sponsored by the Black Student Cooperative Union.

Getting accepted into the Peace Corps is a complicated process. There is a two-hour interview with tricky psychological questions and a lot of paperwork. An applicant needs letters of recommendation from college professors, employers and members of his community. Parrott was accepted into the Peace Corps program and was originally supposed to work in Chile, but political unrest made the Peace Corps switch Parrott's assignment to Niger.

Parrott said that she got a lot of discouragement from blacks when she announced her decision to join the Peace Corps. However, she found that white people encouraged her, because joining the Peace Corps is considered "a middle-class thing to do."

Out of the 70 new recruits, Parrott was the only black one. "Most people could not believe a black would go into the Peace Corps," Parrott said. She did not let herself become discouraged even when the "first thing I was told when I got off the train was 'we had 10 black volunteers last year, but they all left.' Just took it with a grain of salt," she recalled.

"American blacks don't realize how unique-looking they are. No one else looks like you in the world. You all have different nose, builds and shades of skin color." Parrott explained. In Niger, the people's appearance was much more standardized.

Parrott commented, "I was looked at strangely because I didn't look black by their standard, and yet I didn't look white in comparison to others. They insisted I was white even when I showed them a picture of my family. They couldn't understand that skin color can vary in shades within a race."

According to Parrott, the people of Niger are sheltered from the outside world. They haven't even seen their own capital and can only imagine what another country must be like. The villagers asked her if there were really black people in America. The only famous black American they knew of was Muhammad Ali.

Life in the African villages took a lot of getting used to--100° weather and the smell of open sewers; where sickness was rampant and no English was spoken. The average salary was $50 a year and houses, which looked like "run-down garages", were infested with rats and bats. Grains of sand were in everything, food and drink, since Niger is in the Sahara desert. Every meal consisted of one ingredient--millet, which is a course form of grain.

Parrott was surprised by the way people reacted to her in Niger. The natives could not believe that she was 28-years-old and still single. In Niger, the average girl marries by age 13.

One thing that was apparent during Parrott's stay in Niger was the reputation that Americans have. "Americans are the worst in languages," she said. "They are the only ones in the world like that. Europeans are more fluent in many languages and the natives can't figure out why we are only fluent in English."

One might ask what living on your own in a foreign land could do for you. Parrott also emphasized that the Peace Corps is an excellent way to get your life together.

"It was a 27-month growth process the whole time I was there."

"Getting accepted into the Peace Corps is a great vehicle if you want to know yourself. Don't be afraid to deal with yourself."

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Affirmative Action  
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In other commission affairs, a report concerning Governor Kean's Affirmative Action Awareness Program was disclosed. This program is intended to promote affirmative action by educating state employees of its true goal and purpose.

The report stated that 27 volunteer group leaders from M/C were trained during two sessions held in September and one held in October. These leaders are now beginning to meet with M/C employees in affirmative action workshops of 20-25 people each. This awareness program is scheduled to continue until next June.

The commission also revealed information in a letter from Jeffrey Shapiro, director of the Faculty Student Cooperative Association, concerning the nature of the Co-op's liquid assets in South Africa. As stated in the letter, the investments consist of bonds placed in the European Investment Bank and the International American Development Bank, and cash deposited in the Provident and Pilgrim Banks.

In relation to these investments, Shapiro said in the letter that the cash investments were "in banking interest only." As for the bond investments, Shapiro said that he had no knowledge of their exact condition.

In response to Shapiro's letter, the commission moved unanimously to send a memorandum to Walters requesting him to work with the Faculty Senate in investigating the affair.

"We want to ascertain the exact condition of the investments so that if they are invested in South African interests, we can move to get them out there," Magdalene said. Fortunately some light has been shed on the issue because we received a letter from the Pilgrim Bank assuring us that none of their stocks or bonds are invested in South Africa.

With the support of James Harris, assistant dean for student affairs, the commission approved a motion calling for a census in minority student enrollment by academic department. "These departments here that have low minority enrollment," Harris said. "These departments are aware of this but they are doing nothing about it.

"Using this information we can make suggestions to rectify this problem. Furthermore, we want to look into the case of minority students who have been refused enrollement at M/C and find out the reasons for this."

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Crime Rate  
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Quarters of all crime ranging from the pettiest to the most serious is not made known to us," Postaski said. "This is not representative of the true crime figure in this area."

Sgt. William Hotaling supported Rich's statement by saying, "The purpose of the police department is to assist the public when they need help. Therefore, if the public won't ask for our assistance, then they are essentially denying themselves the right to have justice done."

Rich exposed the false image that the public has of the campus police force. "Many people think our force is unprofessional solely because we don't carry guns," Rich said. "But in reality, our force is a very professional organization."

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News Notes
CINA sponsors program on JFK assassination

The Council on International and National Affairs (CINA) is sponsoring "Who Killed JFK?", a program of slides and a film from the controversial Dallas assassination, on Wed., Dec. 4 at 2 p.m. in Richardson Hall, Room 120.

The speaker will be Bob Katz of the Assassination Information Bureau, a public education organization which helped bring about and then monitored the 1979 Congress investigation into the murder. Admission is free and all are welcomed to attend.

Winter Session overseas

Ellen Mohammed, professor of the fine arts department, is sponsoring her tenth winter session trip overseas.

This year the group will visit China, Hong Kong, Seoul and Mongolia. Participants earn three graduate or undergraduate credits. The trip, which runs from Dec. 29 to Jan. 17, costs $2,340 and includes round trip airfare, hotel accommodations and three meals in China.

Mohammed has now received $3,000 from The Metropolitan Museum of Art for three students to use toward the cost of the trip. For more information, contact Prof. Mohammed at 893-7283. (212)521-2334.

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As you yell at your little brother or sister, try to visualize the Columbian volcano victims searching for their families. And the list goes on, full of the heartbreaking tragedies that we can only see through images on the TV.

Sometimes it seems like there really isn’t much to be thankful for in our personal lives. But before you bemoan your fate, take a good look at someone else’s. Then do what you can to help. Send a check for relief efforts. If you can’t afford to help those around the world, then maybe give some old clothes to the Salvation Army or even just visit a lonely friend.

There’s a lot more to be thankful for than we think.

We’re back on track

In case you missed last Thursday’s “mini” Montclarion (which wouldn’t be too difficult since it was only four pages), the reason for today’s issue is due to technical difficulties we encountered last Wednesday.

The processor for our typesetting equipment broke down and was not able to be repaired by press time. However, we felt obligated to publish something. So we put together a mini version Montclarion.

The processor enables us to print out, in different typefaces and sizes, material inputted on our typesetting machines. Without it, we were not able to output any stories, headlines, or editorials.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused to our advertisers or readers.

This will not mean a change in format. The Montclarion will continue to publish every Thursday. There will not be an issue this Thursday because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Drop-In Center

Dealing with the effects of stress

By Cindi Slavinsky

College students are not strangers to stress. Nearly every life event may incorporate stress in some shape or form, whether you are going on a date or getting an "F" on a paper. The stressor may be a positive situation or a negative one. In either case, the physical effects that result from both are the same. Your heart races, your palms sweat, your stomach is tied in knots, you are unable to sleep, and you have a lack of appetite.

Although stress is not something enjoyable, according to endocrinologist Dr. Hans Seyle (1907-1982), who formulated "Stress Theory," "freedom from stress is death." In that case, little stress might be a healthy thing. Since some stress is inevitable, the key is to control it. Recognizing stress as a continuous factor in your life may also be the first step in dealing with it. "Stress is like electricity: you can use it for good or bad, to light a lamp or ring a bell, to heat or cool. But it is all electricity." So if someone can control their anxious feelings they might work harder and get an "A" on their next paper, explains Dr. Seyle.

The physical sensations serve an important purpose. The body is prepared for any action. The pupils in your eyes dilate, muscles tense up, and your blood pressure rises. These are normal physical reactions to any possibly threatening situation. Dr. Seyle describes this as the first three stages of stress. He calls this the "alarm stage," preparing you for either "fight or flight".

This type of stress is good, in moderation. If you can’t afford to help those around the world, then maybe give some old clothes to the Salvation Army or even just visit a lonely friend.

The number is 893-5271.

Stress information was part of the Drop-In Center’s contribution to the Health Fair on Nov. 6. The center has available a good selection of information on stress and on how to deal with it, which is now available at the center. Feel free to drop in or call anytime. The Drop-In Center is open to all students and to the community 24 hours a day, and offers information and referrals on a variety of topics. The number is 893-5271.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed
To the editor:
In reply to the letter to the editor that appeared in the Nov. 14 edition of the Montclarion concerning the Winter Ball, the only thing I found unfair was the letter.

There is room for 350 people at the Winter Ball. With 10 people per table, that means there are 35 tables available.

Five of these tables were reserved before the selling of the bids. One table is for MSC President Dr. Waiters and other college administration. They are invited as our guests. One table goes to the executive board of the SGA. They pay for their bids. Three tables were reserved for members of CLUB. They also pay full price. Members of CLUB were always given the privilege to purchase their bids a day before they go on sale. This is the way it always has been and always will be. Members of CLUB put a lot of unselfish time and effort into all the quality programming we provide for the whole campus.

The members get very little recognition except their own self-gratification and thanks from a few. After all the hours they put in, purchasing a bid a day in advance is the least that they can get. I will not take that away from them.

I hardly call 30 out of 35 tables “the leftovers.” Bids went on sale Tuesday, Nov. 12 with a number system that was very organized and efficient. It went over very well. There are still plenty of bids left for anyone interested in purchasing them.

Your statement about SGA bureaucracy and how CLUB is banking on student apathy couldn’t be further from the truth. If there is anything that CLUB is striving to overcome it is student apathy! Through our extensive programming this year we are trying to achieve that!

Students, like the author of that letter, should look at the wide selection of programming presented by CLUB. We are trying to reach students who have different interests. You should realize what a strong organization we are and how we try to cater to the whole MSC population.

It is the dedicated members of College Life Union Board, the ones who filled those 3 tables at the ball, who help make CLUB strong and successful and who try to reach all students in the events they program.

If you still are not satisfied, please stop in our office. I’d like to show you all the work and time that goes into one program, then you can multiply that by all the events we do, then you or anyone can tell me they don’t deserve to purchase their bids a day in advance. (Anyway, the right the bids go on sale, most of the CLUB members are busy, giving up their night selling bids to you and every other student!)

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It is my opinion that Harry DiCalias does not understand this topic extensively before making such derogatory comments. First of all, to my knowledge, he is not a member of CLUB and therefore does not understand how our system works or why it is the fairest one we came up with.

We do not bank on apathy. We are always interested in attracting new members and keeping our present members actively involved. We will always accept new ideas and consider them thoroughly before we put them into use or discard them. One thing that we will not tolerate is people who do not get actively involved in our organization but criticize us if they think we are not working in the student’s best interests. It is easy to sit back and criticize without getting involved and rendering positive input.

In that sense you are as apathetic as just about everyone else on this campus.

It is easy to let someone else do all the work and then just pay them money and attend the event. But what we would prefer is members getting so involved so that their wouldn’t be so much for each person to do and an event of this proportion.

The tables that we reserve in advance are for the deans as guests, the SGA executive board (all of whom pay full price), and the members of CLUB who work so hard to make each event a success (all of whom also pay full price). These gratuities are the least we could do to repay them for all of their own personal time they dedicate to their organization.

We bust our buns in order to provide a variety of campus programming which is something we don’t have to do. We take time away from our own private lives to do that, therefore, the money “Student Serving Students” is rightly earned. Personally, another motto that fits appropriately is “We Work Hard So You Don’t Have To”.

Christopher Natale
Sophomore/business administration

Right-wing groups’ threat to rights

To the editor:
This letter is regarding Ellen Goodman’s recent article on Title X and the continued funding of family planning programs (Nov. 7).

Ms. Goodman states that the radical right wing is trying to build a wall that would separate families from planning. The sad fact is that the right wing is not just content to outlaw abortion to conform to their convictions, but to dictate their beliefs regarding birth control on every American. Their position is that their view is the only “moral” one.

It is an unfortunate truth that these anti-choice groups have managed to get the majority behind them. Look at the referendum recently offered this past election day in Bristol, Connecticut. A blue-collar, heavily Roman Catholic town voted a resounding “No” to the question, “Should the 1973 United States Supreme Court’s decision legalization abortion in Roe vs. Wade be overturned?”

Marie V. Melnick
Sophomore/psychology

Student objects to vandalism

To the editor:
I am distressed that students have been ripping the Snoopy posters off the SGA office window in the Student Center.

They are up there to dress up the Student Center and at the same time inform the students of the services available to them.

Each Snoopy represents a different service they are ripped off, but are not going to serve the intended purpose. This shows disrespect for the school and the SGA.

I am sure there are many other things a person could do instead of ripping down time-consuming projects. If you don’t like Snoopy, then stop by the SGA office and offer another idea. Don’t rip them off. It doesn’t serve any purpose to do that.

Remember that every student pays SGA fees, so really they are ripping their own money off the wall. Don’t ruin this project for everyone else. There are some students what would like to take advantage of services that the SGA offers.

Perry Schwarz
Junior/speech and theatre

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The course that never ends
Campinile is first undergrad
to design set for Major Theatre

By Laura Wilcox

David K. Campinile, a senior at MSC, pursuing B.F.A. in Technical Design, will be the first undergraduate student at the college to design the set for a Major Theatre Series (MTS) production this fall.

Dave is a graduate of Parsippany High School where he was actively involved in the theatre program. He worked as a technician, lighting designer, and was a student technical coordinator at the school. He came to MSC specifically to pursue technical theatre design. At MSC, Dave has worked on many productions. He was lighting designer for the MTS production of "The Philadelphia Story". He was also called on to design a set for "Twelfth Night" and set and lighting designer for "The Girl on the VIA Viamina". Dave has also been called on to design a set and lighting design for "The Lark". He has also been called on to design a set for "The Lark".

Outside of the college, Dave worked as a lighting designer for the Actor's Repertory Theatre (ART) in Parsippany on their production of "The Elephant Man." During the summers Dave has pursued his craft as the Master Electrician for the New Jersey premiere of "Amadeus" with SummerFun and as an electrician this past summer for "Tecumseh!" the largest outdoor drama in Ohio.

In addition to his present job as set designer for "The Lark," Dave is also designing the lights for a production of "Twelfth Night" at Parsippany High School. Dave is a very busy and very dedicated designer.

In designing the set for "The Lark," Dave worked with director Jerry Rockwood to communicate certain concepts by his design. Dave sees this play "revolving around Joan, who is trapped by her love of country, her love of God, and her commitment to her convictions." Consequently, Dave's design for the play revolves around a cage which contributes to the feeling of Joan's entrapment.

Dave seems to have his future pretty well planned out. He will continue to design whenever he can. He has had job offers from theatres in Atlanta and Ohio and his interest in pursuing further degrees at some point.

You can see Dave's set and "The Lark," Dec. 4-7 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 6 at 2:15 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium. Call 746-9120 starting Nov. 25 for ticket information and reservations.

Laura Wilcox is a graduate assistant for MTS.

MTS presents "The Lark"

By S.L. Haines

When rock and roll awakens from its commercial hibernus and returns to its roots in radical philosophy, the Sutton Thomas Band will be a focus for musical innovation. The band now mainstreams for mass appeal, but also hints at the discriminating listener may hear.

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Her threat to the English and to the Church hierarchy led to her trial. Joan became the victim of their revenge, as she was tried for witchcraft by the Church and burned at the stake by a secular court. Jerry Rockwood directs "The Lark." Set design is by David K. Campinile; Robert Thorpe designed the lights. Bruce Goodrich is the costumer and Cathy Aurilia is the Stage Manager.

The cast includes: Jillian Arminante (Joan), Adele Cutrofello (Joan's mother/Yolanda), Christine Yacovelli (Agnes Sorel), Natasha Mattheis (Little Queen), Daniel Kahn (Warwick), Pat Gorman (Cauchon), Joe Caruso (Joan's father), Frank Galafire (Joan's brother/Dauphin), Dianne Eguad (Prompter), Sam Gerber (Tremouille), Brett Bortol (Archbishop), Tom Drummer (Inquisitor), Tim Herman (Ladvenu), Jay Brown (Baudricourt), Alex Swain (Lafile), Pat Neenan (Scribe), Keith Goerge and Hugh Lily (Soldiers).

The MTS production runs Wed, Thursday-Sat. Dec. 4-7 at 8 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium. There will be a matinee on Dec. 6 at 2:15 p.m. Ticket prices are: Standard $5, Senior Citizen and MSC Faculty, Staff and Alumni $4, and Students with I.D. $2.90. Call 746-9120 for ticket information and reservations.

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The Alarm plays at full Strength on newest album

By Mark Breitinger

When The Alarm's eponymous-titled debut EP was released in 1983, people rushed to compare this young Welsh quartet to guitar heroes like U2 and Big Country.

The Alarm had all the right stuff: galloping acoustic guitars, majestic political anthems and enough punk energy and anger to get their message across.

Sadly, their follow-up LP, Declaration, fell pathetically short of delivering on that promise. Marred by sketchy songwriting and lackluster performance, it only offered meaningless patriotic clichés and very little fire.

On their second LP, aptly-titled Strength (International Record Syndicate), The Alarm rediscovered their anger and gained, for the first time, a clear view of the world around them. The result is a cracking set of ten songs that play on all the band's strengths and avoid most of Declaration's failures.

Rather than shouting slogans (e.g. "going out in a blaze of glory"), these new songs effectively address poverty, unemployment and, above all, the numbing emptiness and isolation that plague modern society. Musically, this is the strongest showcase for the band's talents yet committed to vinyl, boasting stronger melodies and more assured playing.

The album's centerpiece is its title track, from which the other songs follow thematically. The words "Give me love, give me strength, give me hope" recur throughout, spoken by downtrodden people who can feel little beyond loss, loneliness and despair. Though the picture they draw is bleak, through their conviction, The Alarm turn it into a message of hope: the harder it gets to survive in the world, the harder we must fight to preserve meaning in our lives.

From the regretful lover in "Knifeedge" to the angry young man trying to escape the class system in "Father to Son," these characters never lose sight of their higher ideals, particularly the inherent love of humanity.

This statement is perfectly capped by the record's last two songs, "Absolute Reality," a celebratory acceptance of life's obstacles ("We are all the cause, the solution to reality") and "Walk Forever By My Side," where the goal of love, however tentative, is finally reached.

With support from the Pretenders' Rupert Black on keyboards, the band achieves a wide variety of musical textures here as well. They're still learning their best tricks elsewhere:

"Deeside" is pure Clash and the seven-minute epic "Spirit of '76" sounds like it's straight out of the John Cougar Mellencamp songbook.

But one can't complain about a band that controls their influences as well as The Alarm does on Strength. The U2 guitar atmospherics on "The Day the Ravens Left the Tower" don't come across as facile imitation (doesn't everybody sound like U2 lately?), but rather illuminate the song's vivid post-apocalyptic imagery. Similarly, drummer Twist's pounding entrance in "Knifeedge" sounds uncannily like Keith Moon, especially when joined by Dave Sharp's Pete Townshend guitar mannerisms, but that doesn't detract from the song's energy.

Don't get me wrong: The Alarm still have their faults. First of all, they're still disturbingly naive at times, and prefer to deal in generalities rather than specifics. Second, the songwriting—mostly credited to vocalist Mike Peters and bassist Eddie Macdonald—takes several wrong turns, especially in the lyric department ("Give me a future/need it so badly/from Father to Son").

Yet Strength comes out winning because it balances each bad moment with several good ones. Peters' vocals are more passionate than ever and would not be going your way, I would not be going mine," you have to sit up and take notice.

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Personals

- Managing Editor: I thought Opus got a nose job! What happened? I'm going to start looking for you.
- He did! He did! But meanwhile, back in the daily funnies, the new nose proved so unpopular that the old one was restored. Too bad. I thought it looked a lot like mine. M.E.
- Mindy: Please remember what you are responsible for now that you are a mature woman. Concentrate, and don't worry about the roaches. 
- You must be 12 or under to dance in Boston.
- Hey, check out Snoopy: Come down to the SGA office and check out what Snoopy has to say about the great activities for November.
- Suzanne: Thank you for getting me through one of the roughest days with pizza, beer and a car ride through Belknap/Bloomfield? Where were we? Sue.
- Don't forget to get your copy of the listings. SGA services. Come down to the SGA office today.
- Hey Drop in Center Staff: Nyal is coming!
- To the Drop in Center Staff: I'm on my way. Love. Nyal (and Rudolph).
- Laura: Blondes have more fun. Don't knock 'em 'til ya try 'em.. .Danny.
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— Kevin Walsh: Zevade! Guess who! — Carlo: It’s always better the second time around! ! !
— Kevin Walsh: Thanks buddy. I want you too! — Spot the pigeon! Be an ‘Art Rock Gallery’ groupie!
— Ryle: Love you! Love Bethie OXOX.
— Giggling Bondes: If you’re going to write personals to my boyfriend you could at least spell his name correctly — it’s Allen! His # is 141! — Tweety: Have always loved you, can’t wait for the big day. Forever. Love Sylvester.

— John who fills the Vending Machines: Only 3 in one night?????
— Patti & Barb: “Did you say anything?” In all seriousness, its good to know I have friends like the two of you. Love, Your buddy Jack.
— Paul A: “Crush Grooving, Body Moving.” Hey it’s either your turn or Mike’s to help push because I paid for this trip.
— I don’t care what anybody says. The “Dr. Snoopy” is most definitely the Best.
— Barbara: Be on the lookout— “One good beer deserves another.” Signed, Still wet and sticky.
— Robin: It’s a very thick wall and about 45 feet high ! M.H.
— Perry: You’re simply awesome — #15 on the baseball team: I think your style is unique and I wouldn’t mind a fast pitch by you. Love, your #1 fan.
— The sisters of Delta Theta Psi want to thank the brothers of TKE of NJIT for lovely candlelight dinner, the terrific music and the VIP lounge. We loved it! — Kathy: Remember Dirt is Dirt; even if it’s with your big brother; we all saw you in the stairwell but you probably didn’t see us: P.S. You are now worthy of Delta.
— HRO: Please don’t alienate your new members. Signed, a new member.
— Brenda: “Isn’t the view lovely? Don’t go in the bathroom!” We’re sorry but it was pretty funny! Love, Sue.
— Mr. Gossip: All future weekends are ringless. Sorry to disappoint you…. Sue.
— Hovie Mandel: Please come perform at MSC so we can all limp together. Two Apostles.
— Our Big brothers at TKE at NJIT: “We share our secrets and you share your wine.” “The friendships we’ll treasure we’re lucky to find.” Love, your littles.
— Jack: I still care about you a lot. It’s too bad— maybe again sometime.
— Cheryl: I’m confused, #1 or #2. Love ya; Sue.
— Coleen and Maria: Saw you Nov. 14th. Visit me at Freeman Cafeteria Thursdays at 7 if you can. Paul Weekend.
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In addition, there will be a sports stumper that will be announced in the following issue. If you think you have the correct answer, drop your response off at the Montclarion, Room 113 in the Student Center Annex. The names of those who submit the correct answer will be published in the next week's issue. Deadline for submissions is Monday at 3 p.m.

1. Who was named basketball's "Man of the Half Century"?
2. The only Rose Bowl game not played in California was played in what city?
3. What was the greatest number of home runs hit in one ball park by a player in one season?
4. What substance do umpires use on baseballs before a game?
5. Before 1850, what modern sports ball was made of a leather shell stuffed with feathers?

The USFL's future may appear to be up in the air right now, but it has been a leader in sports innovation and excitement during the last three seasons. In addition to having the last two Heisman Trophy winners in the league, they have devised a system called the instant replay. The replay created excitement for the fans and helped officials decide close calls at the request of the coaches.

Although the NFL created the replay in 1978, the league felt the system was too expensive and would lengthen games by an average of 11 minutes. They wanted to use 10 different angles to help decide a play when the USFL revived the system, they did it right.

The USFL used the system during 1985 season and it was a success. The replay in baseball will eliminate many coaches and players from getting thrown out of the game for arguing with the coach. Even if teams decide not to use the replay in the regular season, it should be used in championship games.

The USFL did a wise thing in using the replay and they deserve full credit for it. Too many negative comments have been said about the league and it's time to print something positive about the USFL.

Ed Dolan tries to drive past Wilson Rodriguez in one of MSC's last pre-season practices.

Trivial Answers:
1. Jerry West
2. Indianapolis
3. 29 home runs
4. Sunflower Seed Oil
5. A leather shell stuffed with feathers.

By Jim Nicosia

Although the Men's basketball team lost almost 50% of their scoring offense with the graduation of Bryan Gabriel and Bob Schramm, Head Coach Ollie Gelston feels this year's team still has conference championship potential.

"It's difficult to say where we stand when we don't know anything about the rest of the conference," said Gelston. "Our goals are to field the best team we can, and, of course, to make the conference playoffs."

Gelston will be looking to center Robert Smith to help pick up the slack left in the scoring department. Smith was an All-Conference player two years ago but before sitting out last season, he picked up where he left off. He will give us the inside scoring we didn't have last year."

"Last year we had to rely a lot on jump shots," Gelston continued. "And we're still looking for a consistent scorer from the outside. We have to find someone who can get hot from the outside to get the zone defenses to come out. Otherwise, they'll be collapsing on Robert."

The Indians starting team consists of guards Darvi Marshall and Ed Dolan, forwards Marcus Williams and Tom Jaspen, and Smith.

"If we fail to execute, we'll have a great deal of difficulty, but if we have good shot selection and play great defense," Gelston assured. "We have the potential to be a contender."

"All the good teams I've coached have had three things in common. They all shared the basketball, played great defense, and like one another were friends on and off the court. "Those are the things we strive for."

"If we execute intelligently, we'll have a very successful season. We're not going to overpower anybody. Our strength is in our collective ability."

Gelston noted guards John Vogel and Steve Swinton, Alex Dunn ("the very steady performer") and sophomore center Mike Farrell as important contributors to the team as well as his starters.

Said Gelston of Farrell, "He should be a quality center who can fill in for Smith if he needs a break or in foul trouble."

Of his starting five, Gelston singled out Dolan as a potential All-Conference player. Though he's been hampered by a bad back so far this year, Dolan could prove to be pivotal player for the Indians. "He just hasn't gotten the work," said Gelston.

The league can't be ignored after this addition. They have brought back the tradition of what football really is. And that is fun, excitement and suspense.

Forward Marcus Williams is expected to have a big part in MSC's potential to be a contender.
**MSC breaks wishbone and pounds W. Conn, 28-0**

By John Connolly

Walter Briggs tossed three touchdown passes to lead MSC past Western Connecticut, 28-0, Saturday. The win moved the Indians into the final round of the NCAA Division III Eastern Regional playoffs.

Briggs’ passing and the MSC defense, which held Western Connecticut to only 183 yards in total offense, enabled the third-seeded Indians to advance into the finals against second-seeded Ithaca College (9-1) next weekend. Ithaca made it to the regional final by upsetting top-seeded Union College, 13-12.

At presstime, the site of the game was not determined. The game will not be at Sprague Field, however, because NCAA rules prohibit a team from playing at home two weeks in a row.

Neither team put any points on the board in the first quarter, but MSC was able to shut down two Western Connecticut drives. This was a big boost for the Indians because they had never faced a wishbone offense before.

MSC (10-1) jumped out to a 7-0 lead with 10:21 left in the second quarter when Briggs connected with junior tight end Tony Sweet on a 23-yard touchdown pass. Tony Colasurdo kicked the first of his four extra points.

On their next possession, sophomore fullback Eddie Hernandez scored on a five-yard run. Colasurdo’s kick made it 14-0 and the Indians were on their way to an easy victory.

In the second half, MSC’s defense continued to shut down the wishbone and also forced two turnovers.

Junior defensive back Tony DeFede knocked the ball loose from a WC back and four plays later, Briggs found Sweet again for a 36-yard touchdown.

Both junior wide receiver Ed Chavis and senior linebacker Keith Tierney went down with injuries. Chavis suffered a possible separation in his left shoulder and Tierney may have damaged ligaments in his left knee.

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By Anna Schiavo

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