Destruction of the African mind alleged

By Shawn Smith
Staff Writer

Dr. Molefi Asante presented his views on the miseducation of students and the destruction of the African mind because of Eurocentric thinking and teachings in a lecture which was part of Black History Month. The Black Student Cooperative Union (BSCU) sponsored Dr. Asante of Temple University as part of the February celebration.

Dr. Asante claims that Europeans were famous book-burners, destroying valuable information on the historical significance of great civilizations. He asserts that this served to eradicate any sense of African identity so that the Europeans could truly conquer their society.

Another reason for the development of myths about African civilization is the distortion of information. This was due to the Europeans' desire to change names and history to make it their own. He gives as an example many of the names of African towns and countries which Europeans changed to reflect their identity. Some names, he says, were changed simply because the Europeans were unable to pronounce the original.

Asante says that the most outrageous form of miseducation comes in the form of fabrication. Most of the old myths surrounding African culture, like cannibalism and savagery, have been propagated by those hostile toward the African people.

Asante believes that this hostility emerged because of the enslavement of Africa. He stated that it would seem a cruel paradox to give "credit for the most monopolistic civilization in the world" to Africa, when the outcome of this civilization was the enslavement of its peoples.

Asante has other reasons for claiming educational misinformation: chronological sabotage (crediting European inventors with previous African discoveries); atomism (isolating events); radical nomenclature (changing of names); invented illusions (myths); omission of significant data; distortion of existing data; creation of new reference bases ("Eurocentrism"); and the presentation of Africa as a stagnant civilization.

To combat the biases in American education, Asante encourages students to "read on your own," because, he claims, faculty members will not teach students about African achievements.

It is important to learn about such achievements and celebrate African history every day, he says, because "every day an African American has achieved something."

SGA News

Legislature opposes eviction

By Mike Helan
Staff Writer

A resolution was passed by the SGA legislature opposing any relocation of Players from room 126 in the Student Center to make space for the School of Fine and Performing Arts (SFPF).

Players is a class I organization of the SGA and is dedicated to the performing arts. Since their eviction from the Memorial Auditorium in the Spring '86, they have been wholly independent of the SFPF. Some legislators expressed their disapproval of the SFPF's possible plans based on their action against Players in 1986.

According to Associate Dean of Students, James Harris, there is a "slim" possibility that Players will be thrown out. Any relocation of Players would prohibit them from staging three performances per year as provided for in their constitution.

After a long heated debate, the SGA voted down emergency legislation allowing $766 to the ski team, a class II organization of the SGA. This money was to be used for the Rutgers Invitational at Hunter Mountain in New York.

Although a majority of the legislators voted in favor of the bill, it did not receive the two-thirds vote that was needed.

"The SGA would have probably passed the bill provided the ski club had prepared for the appropriations committee and SGA meetings," said SGA vice-president, Lisa Harris.

The ski team had not provided a bank statement as prescribed by SGA statutes.

An extension of two hours will go into effect for Sprague Library on Saturdays, beginning on March 5th.

"The college administration has listened very intently to the students concerning library hours. I think getting money into the budget for more library staff is a statement that means you have been heard. When students graduate, they wish for more opportunities to study and to learn, then all members of the college community should listen," said Dean of Students, Dr. Edward Martin.

The college administration has budgeted money allowing the library to remain open Mon. through Thrur. till 11 p.m. beginning next Fall. However, a final decision with regard to the permanent extension of library hours will be made in the near future.

A motion to decharter Alpha Iota Chi (AIX), a class III of the SGA was defeated by the legislature. According to SGA statutes, any infraction of a charter is grounds for dechartering by the legislative branch.

The violation in question was an overcharge by AIX to state that they are a class III organization of the SGA in a recent flyer.

A few legislators recommended setting up a system of fines for "minor" violations instead of dechartering.

The SGA approved the petition and election dates for the 1988-89 elections. These dates and times will be announced at a future date.

Retailing program’s success leads to recruiting by firms

Whether it is a job as a fashion consultant for Macy's, a buyer for Bloomingdales, or a store manager for the Limited, MSC's retail merchandising and management program prepares students for it.

The retail merchandising and management program is part of the School of Business Administration's business education and office systems administration (BEOSA) department.

This comprehensively new program, which was started in 1981, prepares undergraduates for successful careers in retailing. Its reputation in the short time it has been operating has attracted executive training managers of the best retailing stores to visit our campus.

Ernest Buffalino, the executive training manager from Saks's said, "I can always depend on the retail graduates of MSC, and thus I recruit them every time I need someone."

This opinion is shared by recruiters of many stores who meet with the graduating retail class annually. The high standard of the program is also evident from the success of MSC graduates in the field. Jeff Meher of the MSC graduating class of 1986, now the metropolitan representative for Izo Corporation, told the undergraduates retailing club (Delta Epsilon Chi) that his MSC education introduced him to many opportunities in retailing after graduation.

Randi Silverstein graduated in the same year and decided to open up her own business selling lingerie to retailers. She imports merchandise from Hong Kong and sells it to area department and specialty stores.

The retailing program prepares students for many types of careers. Rosann Pepe obtained her job as a fashion consultant for Macy's customers too busy to shop for themselves. She is now "Macy's by Appointment" manager for its Livingston store. Macy's has recognized the quality of the retail program by awarding it with a $500 annual scholarship. The department is negotiating for a similar award from Abraham & Strauss (A&S) and Stern's.

The retail program's students work in retail stores, participate in the fully paid internship program, and are involved in the Retailing Club. The club and its honor society provide students with leadership situations as well as in active social activities.

The courses in buying, salesmanship, and retailing are very popular with retail majors and both business majors. They are also open to all students as electives.

Students interested in the retail merchandising and management program should contact Dr. Joseph Hecht at 893-4271 or Dr. McGimnus at 893-4272.

Dr. Joseph Hecht is coordinator of the retail merchandising and management program.
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If our body suffers from a poor diet, it will affect every other aspect of our life whether clearly visible or not. We are much more conscious these days of the food we eat and the additives they contain. We take better care of our bodies. College is a good place to feed our minds. Ask yourself this question, "What am I doing to take care of the rest of me-spirit, emotions, and relationships?"

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Campus Police Report
Car thieves arrested
By Paul Mampilly
Assignment Editor

A campus police patrol found a car idling with nobody in it. Further surveillance of the area led to the arrest of two individuals who were observed breaking into another car.

The two suspects confessed to the two car break-ins on that night and at least two others. They were both arraigned in Little Falls municipal court on Feb. 16. The individuals are not MSC students.

The campus police requests that if anyone has lost items from their cars on either Feb. 11 or Feb. 13 to check with campus police.

Firecrackers were used to blow a mailbox off the wall at Clove Road on Feb. 15 at 11:30 p.m. That same night residents of certain apartments started throwing firecrackers out of the window.

Two bomb threats were received by Blanton Hall. The first was received at 2:43 a.m. and the second at 4 a.m on Feb. 12. In both cases the building was evacuated and nothing was found.

The administration is handling a complaint made by a female student of harassment by her ex-boyfriend on Feb. 10. He was apparently drunk at the time.

A student reported that she had been bitten by a dog in the Student Center mall area on Feb. 10. She fell as a result of the bite. The incident occurred at 9:30 p.m.

The graduate student office reported that a book was stolen. The theft occurred between 8 p.m. Feb. 8 and 9 a.m. Feb. 9.

The convertible roof of a 1985 Chrysler was cut between 9:45 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Feb. 8. The car was parked in Lot 4 at the time of the theft.

Seventy cassettes and a backpack with books was stolen from a 1980 Nissan between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Feb. 11.

A 1987 Mitsubishi was broken into on the same night between the same hours. The stereo was found partially removed. Suspects were seen fleeing in a vehicle. They were not apprehended.

A 1987 Ford Bronco was broken into and a compact disc player and amplifier was stolen from it. The theft occurred between 9 a.m. and 12 noon on Feb. 11 in lot 30.

In the Feb. 11, Campus Police Report, it was indicated that two people overdosed on undisclosed narcotics on Feb. 4. The Montclarion would like to clarify that the individuals were not MSC students.

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When Carla told me that my date
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my spiked heels, staring at the top of
my date's head.

All I could think was, how do I
get myself out of this? I could imagine
how my legs would ache if I had to walk
around with my knees bent all evening.
So to stall for time, while figuring
out how to fake malaria, I made us
some Double Dutch Chocolate.

When I brought it into the living
room, I discovered that Gary was
a chocolate lover too. Ahh, a man
after my own heart. Okay, I de-
cided to give him a chance. So we
sat down and saw each other face-
to-face for the first time. He had a
nice smile.

After some small talk—I mean
conversation—I discovered that we
both love Updike, hate the winter
weather, and both have mini-
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When's the party over?

The college student's passionate love affair with the bottle has once again been put on hold indefinitely, so millions of Americans can grieve yet another alcohol-related death of a college student.

This time it was an eighteen-year-old male student at Rutgers University who drank to the point of oblivion. According to one source, he was compelled to do so as part of the initiation into a campus fraternity.

So, are we asking ourselves how many people have to die before something is done? Or should we be asking who is going to stand up and make sure it doesn't happen again? Somehow America's youth is caught up in a vicious pattern with no end and no beginning.

May we take a good place to start is with the freshman student entering college. For the first time, he/she is introduced to freedom and independence at the same time overcome with feelings of alienation and isolation. This combination can backfire if not handled with the utmost care and sensibility.

That's when these young people are introduced to a fraternity. Membership in a fraternity guarantees acceptance and friendship on a campus where there are no childhood friends, no helpful adults, and sometimes little support from outside groups.

A young person in this situation will undergo any task to belong somewhere. He/she is ripe for hazing, a fact that fraternities can't help but notice.

But let's not overlook the pledge. Shouldn't an eighteen-year-old be able to listen to his/her own body? Is "belonging" such an integral part of college society that a student would rather die than not be a member of a frat? Have we forgotten that alcohol is a drug and not a party tool?

Playing political games

Politics were a regular feature of the Olympics in 1980, though. In response to Soviet activities, President Jimmy Carter declared that the United States Olympic teams would not attend the summer games in Moscow. Athletes who had trained and dreamed in hopes of being the best in the world were denied the chance to perform.

In 1984, the Soviets and their allies decided to boycott the Summer Olympics in Los Angeles. They cited the lack of adequate security as the reason, but the world knew better. Additionally, reports on preparations centered more on the anti-terrorist security measures more than on the athletes and games themselves. Concern focused on the safety of the nuclear reactor equipment on the University of California-Los Angeles campus where the athletes were housed.

Other countries have threatened to boycott the games for various reasons during the 1980s. Some nations were upset that South Africa was permitted to attend while the policy of apartheid was still in effect. Arab countries do not want to attend as long as Israel competes.

When the International Olympic Committee agreed to hold the 1988 Summer Games in Seoul, South Korea, the first question people asked was whether North Korea would attend. To their credit, the North Koreans decided to go.

Politics has spoiled the sportsmanship of the games. There is nothing wrong with rooting for the home team. Everyone was proud when the U.S. hockey team defeated the Soviets in the 1980 Winter Games. Boycotting over unrelated activities hurts the athletes who worked hard.

The Olympics should be returned to their original purpose of amateur athletic competition. When treated as such, they will probably aid efforts to increase international cooperation and trust. Until then, though, they will be just another pawn of geopolitical rivalries.

Oren L. Zeve is a freelance columnist and an MSC alumnus.
Cruelty to animals warrants boycott

To the Editor:

If you asked most MSC graduating seniors where they would most like to work next year, how many would name an industry based on animal cruelty and seductive advertising? Sound ludicrous? Fred the Furrier doesn't think so; because his representatives will be recruiting at career services this Friday. And while Career Services is a fine organization which offers many vital services, I would encourage students to boycott representatives from the fur trade.

The fur industry has experienced astounding growth in recent years, with retail sales reaching $2 billion in 1986. Fred the Furrier, also known as The Fur Vault, represents the fastest growing retailer, with 11 stores in addition to Bloomingdale's outlets. Fred has led in the mass merchandising of furs with lower-prices pelts aimed at today's career woman.

Contrary to Fred's advertising, not every woman dreams of owning a fur coat, nor does every man see a fur as the perfect gift for his sweetheart. Increasingly, more people recognize the brutality and senselessness of killing animals for the sake of human vanity. They recognize the wearing of fur as a moral outrage—a symbol of man's pointless destruction and exploitation of other animal species with whom we share this planet.

Fred's company literature states that approximately 30 percent of his fur products are obtained by the leg-hold steel jaw trap. This device is so abhorrent that 65 nations have outlawed it, but only three states—New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Florida—have banned it. Its banning in New Jersey, a state with a significant wildlife population, was an emphatic message that the people of this state believe that raccoons, beavers, otters, and other fur-bearing species belong more to the life-respecting public than to profit-seeking trappers and furriers.

From 15 to 20 million animals are captured annually in the US by the steel trap, a barbaric device that ensnares its victim by violent steel jaws that clamp shut on the animal's leg, causing a protracted and agonizing death as the limbs are crushed and mangled. Many animals gnaw off their own limbs in order to free themselves. This ordeal lasts from 15 hours to days, or until it is ended by the bludgeon of the trapper.

Traps are indiscriminate, too, capturing unwanted animals (known as "trash") including birds, pets, even endangered wildlife. So while it may take 50 mink or 30 raccoon to make a single coat, a number of trash animals are killed and discarded in the process. Can such a waste of life be justified by a frivolous and egocentric passion for glamour and ostentation?

Furriers would have the public believe that animals raised on fur ranches are humanely treated and killed. The truth is that minks, foxes, rabbits, and other animals are reared in dark, crowded wire mesh cages, without comfortable bedding, fresh air, or exercise. Confinement of these sensitive, active animals causes severe physical and psychological deprivation. No federal regulations govern the humane treatment or killing of ranch-raised fur-bearers. Methods of killing include poison, electrocution, carbon monoxide, and decompression.

Charles Darwin, who was the first to systematically document the physical, psychological, and emotional similarity of human and non-human animals, wrote about trapping, "Some who reflect upon this subject for the first time will wonder how such cruelty can have been permitted to continue in these days of civilization; and no doubt if men of education saw with their own eyes what takes place under their sanction, the system would have been put to an end long ago."

The fur business will survive and consumers will buy as long as it is seen as socially and morally acceptable. Let's say no to fur by boycotting Fred's Fur Vault and other purveyors of this most barbaric, reprehensible trade.

Mary Melville Ryan
graduate student/philosophy for children

Rob's remarks

Picture this: the brothers of a fraternity you are pledging invite you to a pledging ceremony, where you are to be officially inducted. Following your induction, the fraternity tells you to stay for a party in your honor. The brothers set up a table in the fraternity house lined with 200 drinks. One brother stands up and shouts, "Welcome! We look forward to having great times with you guys. Now, drink until you're sick!"

What is hazing? To begin with, it is illegal. Title 2C of the NJ state statutes prohibits hazing on or off college campuses. Even so, many individuals are unclear as to what hazing entails.

The Fraternity Executives Association identifies hazing and pre-initiation activities as, "paddling in any form; creation of excess fatigue; physical and psychological shocks; quests, travel hunts, scavenger hunts, and road trips; and other activities which are not consistent with fraternal law, ritual, or policy."

I challenge those members of fraternities and sororities to refrain from such activity. I encourage members and the campus community who witness it to report it to either the campus police, the Dean of Students, or myself.

Rob Acerra
president, SGA

Students Speak

"Who do you think is going to win this year's presidential race and why?"

Compiled and photographed by Wally Acuna

"I think Bush will win, but if I had my way, bring back Dicky (Nixon)!

Garry Soden
nutrition/senior

"I think the Democrats will win this time around simply because eight years of Republicans is enough. They have made the lower class suffer and mainly us students."

Nancy Garcia
spanish-paralegal/junior

"Since the New Hampshire primaries are usually the most important, I think that Democratic candidate Michael Dukakis from Massachusetts will win."

Mark LaSalle
junior/industrial studies

"Senator Robert Dole. Because he did well in the Iowa caucus and he seems to be a promising presidential candidate."

Grace Smith
community rec. and tourism/senior

"I'll give Bush the edge. With his past experience and strong, stable support behind him, he has got this one in his pocket."

Todd Goehring
undeclared/sophomore
Parking situation unfair

To the editor:

I would like to register an appeal and complaint of a situation.

On Dec. 14, I arrived on campus at about 6:45 p.m. I drove through the first two student lots for quite some time before leaving. After waiting for a space, I drove further to the small lot behind the Student Center. As I drove past, I noticed cars parked along the curb. I drove into the lot and waited again. When someone pulled out, I parked. There were cars on both sides of me. I parked at about 7:45 p.m.

I left the computer lab room at 12:00 midnight to find my car missing! I went back to the building, which was now locked, and tried to knock for someone. No one heard me. I walked around the building until I found an opened window and called in. After they let me back in, they told me that I probably had been towed. I didn’t know I was in an illegal space! They called Campus Security to find out if my car was indeed towed—and it was. I was then informed that my car was at the Campus Security parking lot.

Now, I was supposed to walk to the Security Office, after midnight, across the entire campus. What am I paying for? I paid for parking. People who did not were parked in my space. I parked in an area that appeared unquestionable—and my car was towed. Yet, when I went to my car—even though my car was missing—the cars parked along the yellow curb and in the spot where my car had been. The lot looked different.

To continue, I found someone who would give me a ride to the Security Office. I was told my car was there. When I arrived, I was informed it was towed off campus! The security officer couldn’t offer me directions or any idea of all at that time there was no space for me. I was also told that they towed 25 cars away that night. I can’t tell you how many more than that you see parked restricted areas every night you attend this college. How do they pick and choose? Or should they? Maybe they should have towed everyone to be fair?

Do not even suggest parking privileges that can’t pay for parking. It would be one thing with the campus for illegal driving record. I have no record at all. I am not even a student at your college. I am not paying your tuition. I am not paying for parking at your college, it doesn’t mean you actually get to park your car. I’m not walking out of sight of people that you have a driving record. I have no record with the campus for illegal parking. It would be one thing if I ignored the notices and did not pay for parking for this year.

When I was in the Security Office I noticed papers that informed people about being towed away. Good place for them. We wouldn’t want to be forwarned. Maybe along with the ticket, this paper should have been placed on my car. Then I would have been informed. But I guess you can’t make money off that way.

Unfortunately, I am not sure I will be attending your establishment in the future. I have come out of my next year’s allowance to attend classes. I know I won’t be attending the spring semester.

This may seem ridiculous to you, but when you have a family, your bills are high and necessities come first. I can’t take from that budget for myself.

Obviously, when you pay for parking at your college, it doesn’t mean you actually get to park your car. I’m not walking out of sight of people that you have a driving record. I have no record with the campus for illegal parking. It would be one thing if I ignored the notices and did not pay for parking for this year.

There’s more to fun in the sun

To the editor:

We’ve all had memorable summers, with vacations, time parties and lounges on the beach. Well, surprisingly enough, there is an experience that is better still. Last summer, we—T.J. Weir and I—spent our break from school in the vacation kingdom of the World. The World. Although much of our time was spent working, just as much time was filled with parties and sunning at the beautiful Florida beaches.

I worked on the fast-paced, high-temperature Grand Prix Raceway. I found the training challenging and the job rigorous. Each working day, while wearing a typical raceway pit costume and steel-toed boots, I was responsible for carrying out many duties. My favorite part of the day was the time I spent actually working on the track. I learned to ‘hoon’—avoiding the traffic by using the ingenious outside breaking system. In retrospect, I realize that it was the most rewarding experience in my life.

While Paige was on the raceway, I spent my days in Frontier. That’s right, I worked on the world-famous Davy Crockett explorer canoes. With my coonskin cap, brown jeans, and moccasins, I guided guests down the rivers of America. This job was, for me, the perfect job. I joking with guests and the other “Davys” on the dock was an experience I’ll never forget. Meeting friends from all over the world—Minnesota, Chicago, West Virginia and Kentucky—broadened my views of people from different areas of our country.

We know now that the time spent away from home was well worth it. We met people from all over the country, as well as the world. This opportunity broadened our minds and our futures. The memories will live in our hearts forever and also in the hearts of the people we shared it with!

The Walt Disney College Program representatives are going to be interviewing here at MSC. So, if you are ready for the fun and friendship involved with the experience, please attend the interview and information session.

T.J. Weir

senior/broadcasting & communication studies

To the editor:

While Paige was on the raceway, I arrived on campus on February 14, 1988, issue, “Super Bowl I’s” featured black movement.

He really started off strong, quoting F. Scott Fitzgerald, and real enough. I understood his criticism of Shawn’s letter. Despite a few technical errors on Shawn’s part, remember, it was not her intention to give athletic stats or data on football players. It was her intention, at least to me, to show not only Doug Williams’ efforts went unidealized but that ‘African-Americans’ and other minorities’ achievements have been going unnoticed for much too long.

Darn, it doesn’t take much television watching or radio listening to realize that press coverage of African-American achievements in any field—not only pro sports—is meager.

When you compare literally hundreds of news/ reporting agencies, Doug Williams did not receive the fame and glammour that Phil Simms of the N.J. Giants equated just one year ago. If you continue to watch television and read the various media prints you will still hear about Simms’ Super Bowl XL1 glamour.

The volume of the announcers’ voices should have bothered you also because they were not banging out the robust when Doug set records, played an excellent game and defeated the odds of many, including hero Jimmy ‘The Greek’ Snyder, who said Doug couldn’t do it.

What Shawn Smith did was try to raise some consciousness and make at least some of the students at MSC realize that racism and hatred, although sometimes subtle, does exist, even in the press.

I and many others like Shawn Smith agree that racism is an ugly word. I would like to see more people become active members of the Black Student Congress (BSC) to help our community. Some solutions to defeat this vicious monster called racism. I do not want my friends, relatives or enemies—anyone—to hear words used by others. We wouldn’t want to be forwarned. Maybe along with the ticket, this paper should have been placed on my car. Then I would have been informed. But I guess you can’t make money off that way.

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Marcia M. DeCarlo

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Reply to rebuke:

Stats are not the issue

To the editor:

Somebody once said, “You can’t make all the people happy all the time...” (Forgive me if I misquoted and for not crediting the correct person) and sure enough Shawn M. Smith’s letter (Feb. 4, 1988) fulfilled this expression. He really started off strong, quoting F. Scott Fitzgerald, and real enough. I understood his criticism of Shawn’s letter. Despite a few technical errors on Shawn’s part, remember, it was not her intention to give athletic stats or data on football players. It was her intention, at least to me, to show not only Doug Williams’ efforts went unidealized but that ‘African-Americans’ and other minorities’ achievements have been going unnoticed for much too long.

Darn, it doesn’t take much television watching or radio listening to realize that press coverage of African-American achievements in any field—not only pro sports—is meager. When you compare literally hundreds of news/ reporting agencies, Doug Williams did not receive the fame and glammour that Phil Simms of the N.J. Giants equated just one year ago. If you continue to watch television and read the various media prints you will still hear about Simms’ Super Bowl XL1 glamour.

The volume of the announcers’ voices should have bothered you also because they were not banging out the robust when Doug set records, played an excellent game and defeated the odds of many, including hero Jimmy ‘The Greek’ Snyder, who said Doug couldn’t do it.

What Shawn Smith did was try to raise some consciousness and make at least some of the students at MSC realize that racism and hatred, although sometimes subtle, does exist, even in the press.

I and many others like Shawn Smith agree that racism is an ugly word. I would like to see more people become active members of the Black Student Congress (BSC) to help our community. Some solutions to defeat this vicious monster called racism. I do not want my friends, relatives or enemies—anyone—to hear words used by others. We wouldn’t want to be forwarned. Maybe along with the ticket, this paper should have been placed on my car. Then I would have been informed. But I guess you can’t make money off that way.

Unfortunately, I am not sure I will be attending your establishment in the future. I have come out of my next year’s allowance to attend classes. I know I won’t be attending the spring semester.

Marcia M. DeCarlo

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NEVER A FEE!
The following review is from a dress rehearsal of Under Milkwood.

Dylan Thomas’ poetic masterpiece, Under Milkwood, commands the stage of the Studio Theatre.

A study (Director Jennifer Russell lifts the small, bleak theatre to new heights. Her application of mime and poetry render appealing performances by the different cast members.

The course of the play spans one full day in the lives of 63 characters. It examines the relationship between the townspeople and their love of lives, with their Welsh town and with each other and with themselves. Men lust as a tong tramp, husbands and wives squabble and the reverend philosophises about life.

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Enroll in School Daze
By Chriss Williams Correspondent

Depending upon whether or not you've seen the new ads or not, this time the maniacal spikes of the great tele­
com ed Spike Lee (Shelon J. Lee) was in the critically acclaimed film She's Gotta Have It. (If you haven't seen it yet.)

Well, Lee is back and his new movie School Daze is out. It's one of the most important movies to come along in a while.

Why? The answer is simple, Lee is committed to making movies with, by, and for black people. Don't think that if you're not black you won't like this film; that's nonsense. Lee makes movies for a lost audience: Intelligent black people. This audience has been waiting since A Soldier's Story to see their race portrayed in a decent manner. School Daze does this, and more.

School Daze is set in the S with at-blacks Mississippi College. It takes place entirely over Homecoming weekend. The movie focuses mostly on the tension among light-skinned blacks ("wannta be's"; as in wanna be white), and the dark-skinned blacks ("Jigaboos"). The "wannta be's" have straight or Jheri-curled hair, are Celtic fans, must have their eyes on the Color Purple and Soul Man ten times each, and sport blue/green contact lenses.

The dark-skinned blacks don't try to be something they're not. They're real.

The basic story is simple. Vaughn "Dap" Dunlap, a dark-skinned black radical, is trying to get Mission College to divest from South Africa. Dap is played beautifully by Larry Fishburne.

His girlfriend Rachelle (Kyme), also dark-skinned, loves him so she'll do anything to make the tension among light-skinned blacks ("wannta be's") bearable. True love makes anything possible.

Meanwhile, Gee Wee (played by Gee Wee) is on line for Gamma Phi Gamma. This frat, along with the rest of the Gamma Phi Gamma students, are the epitome of the "wannta be's" at Mission College.

The problem is, Gee Wee is Dap's cousin.

I admire Spike Lee as a filmmaker, not for film style or technique but for film content. His film portrays blacks in a positive light. There are no drug users or dealers, rapists, or basic "criminal types" in School Daze.

The characters are motivated people that have goals. This is something rarely seen in the media today. So, is this a good movie? You're damn right it is.

Tube Talk
By Raymond Leke Staff Writer

Greetings and salutations! I know you all are going to just want kick yourself in the head when you read this. Dan Aykroyd made a surprise appearance on Saturday night at 7pm. Satur­day Night Live. Aykroyd appeared as presidential hopeful Robert Dole in the show's opening sketch and got to utter those infamous words "Live from New York its Saturday Night."
The sketch, written by SNL veterans, was a huge hit. Saturday Night Live is developing a late-night talk show to go over the show's success. The show's host will be none other than Wheel of Fortune's Pat Sajak. Details are sketchy right now but there is talk about aivelowel movement.

It has been brought to my attention by our resident former editor-in-chief and fore-runner in the Bruce Willis look-a-like contest that I made an error in one of my stories. I had said that Maddie on Moonlighting was pregnant with David's baby. I am wrong. It is Sam's baby that Maddie is bearing. I humbly apologize and promise to view the shows to which I refer.

Watch for: Tonight at 8 p.m. on Fox Mad Max. This is the first in the three part series and is by far the best. Starring Mel Gibson.

Friday night at 12:30 on ABC Smokey and the Bandit. The original auto crash gagole classic starts Burt Reynolds and the late Jackie Gleason.

Lame Movie of the Week: School Daze. This is the first in the three part series and is by far the best. Starring Mel Gibson. The skimpy addulsion is supposed to be the most memorable. It's all about a group of hacked up gangsters that go over. In, what is my opinion, the funniest scene of the movie. Throughout this "plot" there is supposed to be the most memorable. It's all about a group of hacked up gangsters that go over. In, what is my opinion, the funniest scene of the movie.

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Art Lecture
Richard Serra will present a free, day long discussion on Wed. Feb. 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Caleia Auditorium. Until noon, Serra will discuss a "Critique of an Outdoor Sculpture Project" in the Sculpture Studio. Following lunch, he will talk about "Major Concerns of Sculpture Today."

This discussion will encourage open participation by students, faculty, sculptors and the audience. After a brief intermission, Serra will present a slide show of his work, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information call the School of Fine and Performing Arts at 893-7295.

Players Production
Players presents And Miss Reardon Drinks A Little at 8 p.m. Wed. to Sat. Feb. 24 to 27 and one matinee Feb. 26 at 2:15. Performances are in the Student Center, Room 126.

Tickets are $4.50 standard, $3.50 alumni, faculty and staff, and $2.50 students. For more information call 893-5112.

Opera Workshop
Ed said, "...and Leon Hyman conducts a workshop production of The Magic Flute Fri. and Sat. Feb. 19 and Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Auditorium. Admission is free. For more information call 893-5112."
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Doc should strike out in arbitration hearing
By Kenny Peck

Doc should be docked  Dwight Gooden of the New York Mets went to salary arbitration last night to attempt to win a salary increase from his ballclub. Gooden's agent, Jim Neader, submitted a proposed salary of $1.65 million, while Mets' management was willing to give "Doctor K" $1.4 million for the upcoming season.

Gooden was 15-7 last year with a 3.21 earned run average and 148 strikeouts—on paper, an excellent season. But throw in the fact that Gooden missed approximately 11 starts because of a drug problem, and suddenly he isn’t so praiseworthy.

It would be an absolute shame if Gooden wins this hearing. O.K., drug addiction is a disease, and Gooden did the right thing by seeking help. But to reward a guy who may have cost the team the pennant with his absence is ridiculous, especially if that person already earns $1.5 million.

Gooden has been quoted as saying, "If you look at the season I had, just the on-the-field thing, then it was a good year for me."

Couldn’t you just see Gary Hart saying the same thing about the Donna Rice affair? "Geez, if you look at the past year for me, just the political thing, then it was a pretty good year for me."

The Mets are only asking Gooden to take a 6.7% pay cut, and he certainly wouldn't starve on a $1.4 million salary. Yes, he led the pitching staff in victories, but that was only because of the Mets' injury plague, which struck every starter except for Ron Darling, who is taking a pay cut. It's something to think about.

On the inside corner? Many people have inquired as to the meaning of "On the inside corner", so we decided to put the issue to rest. First off, you'll always find this column "on the inside corner" of the next to last page. Secondly, "on the inside corner" is a phrase in baseball for a strike on the inside part of the plate.

At the Meadowlands This weekend at the Big M, we'll be looking for three horses: Shop Till Ya Drop, who won't pay much but seems to be in top shape; Rookie of the Year, who flashed good speed at both ends of his mile last week; and Tufanuf Twostep, who closed well from last place to gain the show spot last Friday.

Last week’s selections: MacNamara Hanover won, paying $7.20; Millers Corner A won, paying $16.00; Tukey Rainbow finished third.

Gymnastics team readies for big meet
By Kenny Peck
Sports Editor

The MSC Athletic Department is making final adjustments for the 1988 New Jersey Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (NJIAW) State Gymnastics meet, to be held this Sunday, February 21 at 2:00 pm in Panzer Gym.

Trenton State College, last year's winner with 163.95 total points, will be looking to make it four in a row, as the Lions have won the event every year since 1985.

The Indians, who have never won the meet, are showing strong improvements under new head coach, Jena Agusta. They will bring high scoring competition into the meet, with their best events being the floor and the vault.

Individual honors will come in the form of three medals per event (gold, silver and bronze), as well as three places in the all-around. There will also be a final team trophy for the highest team score.

Trivia Time-Out
Each week, The Montclarion publishes a list of sports questions and answers to test your knowledge of sports trivia. In addition, there is a sports stumper which will be answered in the following issue.

If you think you have the correct answer to the stumper, drop it off at The Montclarion office in Room 113 of the Student Center Annex. The names of those submitting the correct answer will be published in the next week’s issue. Deadline for submissions is Monday at 3 p.m.

1. Who won four gold medals in swimming at the 1976 Olympics?
2. Who was the only man to win both the Olympic pentathlon and decathlon in the same year?
3. Name the Olympic shot put gold medalist in 1952 and 1956.
4. How old was the oldest Olympic gold medal winner?
5. What Olympic gymnast received the first perfect score?

Answer to last week's stumper:
Where is the annual world championship cow chip throwing contest held? Beaver, Oklahoma.

Answer to last week's stumper:
Rob Gabriel.

This week’s stumper:
What one man won the downhill, giant slalom and slalom Olympic events in 1968?
Plans boycott of season

Track team rallies behind coach

By Kenny Peck
Sports Editor

The Montclarion has learned that MSC track coach Vic Mizzone will not be rehired for the 1988-89 season.

Mizzone, an MSC alumus and Hall of Famer, has been the men's coach for the past three years, during which time he has developed 12 All-Americans.

A full-time position opened up when the Head Coach of the women's team, Miechelle Willis, resigned to take the job of assistant athletic director at Temple University.

Mizzone was then asked to take over both teams on a part-time basis while a search was conducted to find one full-time coach for both the men's and women's teams for the 1988-89 season.

Team members feel Mizzone should be hired as the full-time coach based on his past record, and are questioning whether the search done by the selection committee was a fair one. They also contend that the issue of equal opportunity employment has played a monumental role in the outcome.

"The whole situation is ridiculous. Coach Mizzone has the support of everyone in the program except those who run the program," said one team member. "I think there is a lot more to the story than what is being told."

MSC Athletic Director Greg Lockard wishes to withhold comment until an official announcement regarding the coaching position is made. He did say that the "searches done and they have been advertised in the same areas and publications to ensure the best possible candidate pools."

Four time All-American Amfid Brown, who has voiced his opinion as a student representative on the search committee, said the team is "questionable" to return to action if a new head coach is named.

"I'm willing to leave the program and run for a club because I'd be embarrassed to run for Montclair State under these circumstances, and a lot of these guys will follow me," Field said.

"It's a travesty and I'm willing to give up a shot at the Olympic Trials to fight it," said Field.

Senior Godfrey Brown, a two-time All-American, was "on the track team when Coach Mizzone took over the program, and he has built it into what it is today."

Mizzone has refused comment on the issue, but is reportedly prepared to contact alumni and seek legal counsel to boost his cause.

Women fall to Trenton

By Kenny Peck
Sports Editor

The MSC women's basketball team lost to Trenton State last night, 61-54, in a New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) matchup.

The Indians fell to 17-7 overall, and 7-4 in conference play, with the loss.

Senior co-captain Nancy Phillips led MSC with 18 points. "It was a very physical game," Head Coach Jill Jeffrey said afterward. "We made a lot of key steals, but we didn't capitalize on them, and that was a major problem."

Sue Ehrmann also payed well for MSC, as she made 7 of 11 shots from the field and pulled down eight rebounds.

The Indian conference playoff picture looks like this: if Stockton State beat William Paterson last night, Stockton State is in the playoffs; if William Paterson won last night, MSC could gain a playoff spot with a win at William Paterson Friday night.

What's What in MSC sports

Women's Swimming

Senior swimming standout, Gail Meneghin, took complete control of the Metropolitan Championships this past weekend as the women's swim team earned a fourth place finish. Meneghin won two gold on day one, three on day two, and two more on the final day for a total of seven. Three of the seven medals came in individual events, while the remaining four came as a result of relay wins. Meneghin, who had qualified for the NCAA Championships in the 100-yard breaststroke with a time of 1:08.65 on day one of the meet, later qualified for the 200-yard breaststroke by completing the event in 2:32.82. Kim Muller also swam well at the meet, as she placed second in the 200-yard backstroke and won the 100-yard backstroke in a time of 1:04.67. Muller was also part of the four winning relay teams, along with Tabitha Jacobus, who finished second in the 200-yard freestyle (2:04.42). Upcoming meets: Thurs.-Sat., March 10-12, NCAA Division III Championships.

Wrestling

At the Metropolitan Conference Wrestling Championships at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, MSC finished third out of 18 schools with a 96.75 cumulative score. Nationally ranked Karl Monaco captured his third Met Championship as he pinned Rich Venuto of Trenton State in 2:08, while Pete Georgoutsos (177) won his weight class by default. In the 126 pound division, Pete Gonzalez decisioned Trenton State's John Fagan, 7-3, take that class. Upcoming matches: Sat., February 27, NJAC Championships, TBA.

Men's Basketball

The Indians dropped their tenth game in a row Saturday, 70-53, to Rutgers-Camden. Vincent Gulbin led MSC with 14 points. The Indians fell to 2-19 with the loss. Upcoming games: Sat., vs. William Paterson (H), 8:00.

Runners impress at Vitalis meet

The MSC men's 1600 meter relay team captured first place in the Vitalis Olympic Invitational Meet Saturday at the Meadowlands Arena.

The relay team, consisting of Kyle Eady, Scott Langan, Godfrey Brown and Amfid Field, covered the distance in 3:28.13. Field later ran in the 500 meter IC4A Invitational against a formidable group of runners, finishing a fast closing second while setting a school record. He competed the race in 1:04.66, four tenths of a second behind the winner, Troy Simon of Manhattan.

Eady led off the relay race with a time of 53.5, and was followed by Langan (53.9), Brown (50.3), and Field (49.8), who snuck through on the inside to nail Columbia's Paul Mitchell.

Coach Vic Mizzone called the victory the "highlight of our season thus far. To win a race in a world-class meet such as this, in front of 11,000 people, it makes us feel great."

Langan's time was particularly surprising to Mizzone, as the junior had to fill in unexpectedly and hadn't been training for the quarter-mile distance.

"I was expecting Scott to run a 55 second quarter-mile," said the coach. "As it turned out, we wouldn't have won if he did."

Mizzone, in speaking of Field's record-setting performance, noted that he has a handicap when racing against world-class competition, because he's running against guys on full scholarships with the best of indoor and outdoor facilities to train on.

"It's really amazing to me that he can run that well against these runners," continued Mizzone, "but that's just a tribute to Amfid's dedication and hard work."

Finishing behind MSC in the relay was Columbia (3:29.29), Brooklyn College (3:30.20), Monmouth (3:31.30) and Stony Brook (3:31.84).