Union head: ‘No progress’ at talks

By Monica Glina
Staff Writer

The possibility of a faculty strike remains after contract negotiations yesterday between the N.J. State Federation of Teachers and the state did not produce an agreement, according to Marcoantonio Lacatena, president of the State College Council.

There was little progress, Lacatena said.

MSC's faculty is continuing its preparations for the strike by constructing picket signs and organizing members, according to Dr. Dick Franko, vice president of the AFT.

In the event of a strike, MSC faculty will not schedule extra classes to recoup lost time, said Catherine Becker, president of Montclair State Federation of College Teachers.

The percentage of the staff participating in the strike will be the overwhelming majority.

Nobles lectures on state of African males

By Dwayne Marshall
Staff Writer

African-American males are no better off today than they were in 1990, said Wade Nobles, a distinguished African-American scholar, in his lecture last Wednesday night in the packed Student Center Ballrooms.

According to Nobles, blacks are no better off because “the power structure in America is performing genocide against them.”

Power, he said, is the ability to define what reality is, and blacks don’t have that kind of power.

Dr. Nobles, who lectures at schools and universities throughout the world, holds a doctorate in psychology from Stanford University. His book, “African Psychology,” is a required text in a psychology class at MSC.

Students’ involvement in College Senate debated

By Dan Olawski
Staff Writer

The controversy of the Shared Governance proposal arises from the non-voting status of the students. Mary Jane Linnehan, Student Government President, says that the purpose of the College Senate is to “create a collegial democratic body...in which faculty, administrators, and students would be represented... with a meaningful voice in institutional governance.” If students are to have a meaningful voice, they need to be granted the right to vote on the College Senate, she said.

Linnehan said that students are in favor of having voting rights on the College Senate and mentioned the student referendum that was held last semester. “Ninety six percent of the students participating in the referendum voted for student voting rights,” she said. “The students are a large group and majority opinion should be taken seriously,” Linnehan said.

Linnehan will be discussing the topic of voting rights for students when she meets with the Faculty Senate before they vote. “Our hope is that the faculty, via the Faculty Senate, will vote.”

The MSC Faculty/Senate will vote on a model of the controversial Shared Governance Proposal on Feb. 21. The current model had led to questions concerning the student’s role in this “College Senate.”

According to Dr. Wayne Bond, President of the Faculty/Senate, the All College Senate was unanimously approved. The upcoming vote will deal with the model of the College Senate.

The current model would have 51 representatives from the ranks of faculty, librarians, non-teaching professionals, administrative professionals, and five students. Of these 51 representatives, 35 will be voting members. These members would be comprised of faculty, librarians, and non-teaching professionals.

The control center is a tool that was originated by the students at MSC when they shut down the campus on May 7, 1970 in protest of the Vietnam War. Moore said, “We learned a lot from what they did then.”

Moore emphasized the importance of maintaining continual and accurate contact with the student body throughout the ordeal. “What often happens is strange rumors circulate. Therefore, rumor control is important. Our intent is also to maintain telephone contact with the student body through SGA officers,” he said.

Moore added, “Our objective is to shut down the campus by picketing at the two main entrances on Clove Road and on...”
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Students' role in College Senate debated

given the right to vote on, for example curriculum issues." Guthrie added "If the students were given a right to vote, there would be issues that they should be prohibited from voting on."

Dr. Wayne Bond said he believes that even without a voting right the students will still have a strong role in the All College Senate. The Senate would have various advisory and standing committees that would report to the "Collee College" said Lorraine Mayfield Brown last Wednesday afternoon, to a standing-room-only Russ Hall Kops Lounge audience.

Brown, who has a doctorate in sociology, is a sociology professor at MSC. Her speech, the "Endangered Status of African-American Youth," was attended by 50 African-American students from Martin Luther King Junior High School in Newark.

Brown described lack of education has created low self-esteem for African-American youth. She mentioned three ways to solve these problems: change work and not have a vote on the College Senate.

According to Guthrie, the original draft of the All College Senate had students with a vote, but there wasn't big support among faculty and there was a lack of response from the students. Bond and Guthrie said that they are supportive of the proposal and believe that it will pass either as is or with some changes. If it is passed as it exists now, there may still be the possibility of changes in the future. "Organizations are always subject to change," Guthrie said.

If current model of the All College Senate is passed on Feb. 21, the final part of the proposal will be voted on in March. "Upon final approval of the Shared Governance proposal it would take about a year to revise the constitution of the Faculty/Senate and change it to the All College Senate," Bond said.

Brown lectures on image of blacks

By Dwayne Marshall Staff Writer

The "dangerous" image and stereotype of African-American youth "exist due to a lack of awareness and education in society about black people," said Lorraine Mayfield Brown last Wednesday afternoon, to a standing-room-only Russ Hall Kops Lounge audience.

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CAuses of battering

By Maryanne Greise Staff Writer

Regina Braham, Director of the All-College Senate, spoke on "The Causes of Battering in Relationships" Tuesday, Feb. 13. The program was sponsored by Dr. Adele McMillon's Women's Studies Department.

Braham said in 95 percent of reported FBI cases of violence, the victim of battering is women, and 85 percent of those who seek restraining orders are women. Of known batters, 75 percent witnessed abuse in their own families. Since 1982, N.J. has had a restraining law, which means these cases can now go to civil rather than criminal court. Also N.J. is the tenth state to institute mandatory arrest, which means a police officer is required to make an arrest whether the victim wants it or not.

Campus Calendar

The Conservation Club is planning a trip to the Mystic Aquarium and Seaport on March 2-4. The trip costs $22, which covers lodging and transportation expenses. Limited space is available and a $10 deposit is required by Feb. 19. The club can be reached at 893-5102 or Student Center Rm. 120.

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship is sponsoring "Somebody Loves You Night!!" All are invited "to come find out who loves you" on Feb. 15 at 7:30 p.m.

The Maria T. Rambaldo Foundation for Poor Children of Patagonia is selling raffle tickets for two round-trip excursions to Buenos Aires. Tickets are 50 cents each and available in Partridge Hall Rm. 435, until the Feb. 24 drawing.

A roundtable discussion concerning the integration of the scholarship of women into the curriculum. On Feb. 22 the discussion will center on funding faculty development proposals on gender in room 413 of the Student Center from 3:30-5 p.m.

Rhoda Unger of the psychology dept. will discuss "Religion and Politics in Israel" Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 5 p.m. Tickets cost $5. For more info. call 893-7494.

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SGA News
Administration will try to avoid strike

By Tracy Williams
Staff Writer

As promised, the Feb. 14 SGA meeting was initiated by Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president of Academic Affairs. Waters relayed to SGA members that the position of the administration is one that will try to avert a strike at all costs. Waters' view is the opposing one. It was clear that the position of the administration is one that will try to avert a strike at all costs. Waters explained that the NJ Governor's office is in complete control of this situation. So far, they have been exhausted in the past. However, the governing level in the governor's office is one that will try to avert a strike at all costs. Waters relayed to SGA members that the position of the administration is one that will try to avert a strike at all costs. Waters explained that the NJ Governor's office is in complete control of this situation. So far, they have been exhausted in the past. However, the governor’s office and the department of higher education. Students should be aware that as Feb. 26 approaches, phone numbers will be available for the student body to receive additional information regarding the status of the strike.

Mary Jane Linnehan, president of the SGA, brought up the issue regarding the switch of styrofoam to paper products used in the cafeteria and the Rat. Styrofoam is not biodegradable, and never decomposes. This is a major concern for the future of our environment. Linnehan said. Students feel that banning the use of styrofoam at MSC would be a start in the right ecological direction. However, Linnehan said that switching from styrofoam to paper would increase the price of food five cents.

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Overnight parking crackdown in Lot 13

By Dan Grossman
Staff Writer

A number of residents have had their cars ticketed with campus summonses for parking overnight in Lot 13.

Lot 13 has never been designated as an overnight lot, but campus police have rarely given citations in the past. However, starting this semester, the police have begun to crack down on overnight parkers. Many students, especially Freeman Hall residents who park there frequently, are in an uproar over the situation.

Thomas Stepanowski, assistant vice president for Facilities, said the recent issuing of citations is a "direct response to student complaints last semester." Towards the end of the last semester, an increased number of students began filing complaints, claiming it was unfair that residents were allowed to park there overnight. Overnight parking in Lot 13 greatly diminishes the parking opportunities for commuters.

"All of the complaints were investigated and found to be true," Stepanowski said, adding that three additional part-time parking attendants have been hired recently to help confront the problem.

"This is not a new policy" and "if we had not responded, then you would have been in my office asking me how come we were not doing anything about it," Stepanowski said.

Philip R. Calitre, director of campus police and security, said that tickets had been given in the past, but the police "couldn't really be consistent with it" due to a lack of resources. Calitre said that the three new parking attendants have helped them crack down harder on overnight parkers, and that allowing overnight parking is unfair, both to commuters and to residents who work. He added that in the event of overnight snowstorms, it becomes extremely hard to plow Lot 13 when cars are already parked there.

Calitre said many members of the faculty have also filed complaints directed at students who park in Lot 4, which is the faculty-only lot at the corner of Russ Hall and Chapin Hall.

On the other side of the Lot 13 issue, temps are flaring. Many students are simply not content with the Administration's stance on the issue. Ten Freeman Hall residents who have been ticketed have filled out appeal forms and have handed them in, along with their citations, to the ticket appeals office of the SGA. Sophomore Cheryl Symington, a Freeman Hall resident, said, "I don't think it's fair that we should be punished for living in Freeman Hall. Everybody parked there last year and there were no problems...it's not right to start ticketing all of a sudden." Symington also said that there were no warnings given to students.

Calitre said "this has been an ongoing process since I've been here," and that the police have always "tried to warn students (about the risks)." Calitre added that the next two steps after the issuing of campus summonses are the issuing of municipal summonses and, as the last alternative, the towing of the vehicle.

In recent weeks the theft of cars in the parking lots on the MSC campus has reached outrageous proportions. In response to the thefts, campus police have rerouted traffic and have been monitoring the parking lots closely, in both plain clothes and uniforms in order to keep a closer watch in order to control the wave of thefts. Campus police have also been working in collaboration with the Essex County Auto Task Force in order to help identify the people involved.

Campus police have said that students can also help control these thefts by reporting any suspicious incidents or people that they might notice in the parking lots by using the call boxes that are found in the quarrries.

On Feb. 8, between 6:30 and 8 p.m., a 1990 Chevy Blazer was stolen from lot 30. The vehicle was recovered on Feb. 11.

On Feb. 8 between 5:30 and 8 p.m., in lot 2, the steering column of a 1989 Pontiac was damaged due to a theft attempt.

On February 8 sometime between 5:30 and 8:00 p.m., a 1987 Chevy Cavalier was stolen from lot 26. The vehicle was recovered in Newark on Feb. 12th.

On Feb. 8 between 6:00 and 9:15 p.m., in lot 2, the steering column of a 1989 Pontiac was damaged due to a theft attempt.

On February 8 between 5:30 and 8:30 p.m., in lot 25 the steering column and instrument board was damaged along with a chipped windshield on a 1989 Chevy Cavalier after an attempted theft.

On February 9 sometime between 11:00 p.m. and 1:00 a.m., in lot 13 a 1985 Chevy Camaro was stolen.

On Feb. 9 between 6:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., in lot 22 a 1988 Nissan Pickup was stolen. The truck was recovered in Passaic on Feb. 12.

On Feb. 10 between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. the steering and ignition column were damaged in an attempt to steal a 1986 Chevy Cavalier on West Quarry Way.

All Around The Campus

By Peter S. Rebovich Jr.

If the faculty does go on strike, how do you plan to spend your free time?

"Take a little vacation, play some football, hang out."  
Dean Rogers  
Junior/Accounting

"I plan on partying and bugging my roommate."  
Corinne Moller  
Junior/Accounting

"Trying to get to my dorm without looking like a strikebreaker! That should get me an A!"  
Eric Erb  
Senior/English

"I'm sick so I'm going to sleep and shop."  
Barbara Smith  
Senior/Management

"Add more hours to my work and keep up with my studies."  
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Nobles lecture on African males

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He said most drug traffickers are not black youth, but are white people with a lot of money. Drugs are here, he said, to destroy black males.

He blamed the government for spending more money keeping black males in jail than keeping them in the educational system.

According to him, the church is implicated in the destruction of black males. The church, he said, "has told black males that their problems are the will of God," which makes them feel that their plight is hopeless.

Nobles gave three ways in which black males can overcome this grave threat: returning to the principles that motivated their ancestors to prominence, establishing harmony in the African-American community, and returning to his African culture. He explained that the African-American male can achieve these things through knowledge of his history.

WANT TO WAIVE THAT SPEECH CLASS?

Register for the Speech Waiver/Placement Evaluation on Monday, March 5 or Thursday, March 8. This evaluation is a service offered to MSC students to determine if they can waive the Speech Communication Requirement. Times of registration are 10:00 to 5:00, and 6:00 to 8:00. The registration table will be outside the Speech and Theatre Office, Room A126, Life Hall. Registration fee is $15. For further information, contact Ruth Leopold, 893-4217.

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□On Feb. 12 between 4:45 and 8:20 p.m., in lot 8 a 1989 Chevy Cavalier was stolen. The car was recovered on Feb. 13.

□On Feb. 12 between 7:40 and 9:25 p.m., in lot 30 a 1987 Honda CRX was stolen.

□On Feb. 12 between 6:20 and 9:15 p.m., in lot 24 the steering side door were damaged due to an attempted theft.

□On Feb. 12 between 6:20 and 10:20 p.m., in lot 13 a 1990 Chevy Blazer was stolen.

□On Feb. 13 between 1:30 p.m. and 11:00 a.m., in lot 21 a 1987 Nissan two door was vandalized resulting in a punched out lock but no theft was reported.

□On Feb. 13 between 7:30 and 10:55 p.m., in lot 26 a Chrysler Conquest, 2 door was stolen.

New conductive plastic developed at MSC

By Belinda Diaz

Two chemistry instructors detailed a patented plastic developed at MSC that conducts electricity like metal at the Board of Trustees’ Feb. 1 meeting. Jack Isidor and Brian Humphrey, who have doctorates in chemistry, said research on the plastic began five years ago for the project’s success the board presented them with a printed commendation.

Humphrey said the invention combines a conductive polymer, normally a very brittle substance, with cellulose, a flexible polymer found in wood, to act as a reinforcing frame, this on a molecular scale.

“Once we first made one in 1986, we broadened our investigation to make it better,” he said. Some 40 MSC chemistry students were involved in the project. The project has produced improvements, but Humphrey says they aim to make it conduct electricity more readily.

Also commended for six years of service at the meeting was Philip Thayer, secretary of the Board of Trustees and representative to the New Jersey State College Governing Board Association. Robert Altman, MSC board chairperson, read a statement of thanks to Thayer, and presented him with an engaged and sealed version of the statement.

Also receiving recognition was the work of MSC’s Dr. Robert Taylor and five alumni from the Urban Studies Program, for their 1989 research on senior citizen housing in nearby Clifton. The research is said to have saved Clifton residents thousands of dollars.
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To the Editor:

Over the past forty years, the City of Daytona Beach has become the nation's most popular retreat for college students during their Spring vacations.

For the most part, the vast majority of Spring Break vacationers are disciplined, courteous and well-behaved visitors who make every effort to respect the rights of others. However, Spring Break 1989 manifested a different display of attitudes and behaviors among many of the visiting college population.

Enormous property damage, littering, alcohol violations, indifference to parking and traffic restrictions, sporadic acts of random violence and total disregard of private property rights characterized the overall period of Spring Break, 1989.

In an effort to curtail the behaviors exhibited last year by visiting students and to ensure that an environment exists for the enjoyment of all, public safety priorities will take the form of unbiased, strict enforcement of traffic and criminal laws, as well as City Ordinances.

Those laws regulating possession and purchase of alcoholic beverages will receive special attention.

We are asking for your support and assistance in informing your student population that public safety issues will receive the utmost attention during Spring Break 1990. Our sincerest concerns are for safety, relaxation and enjoyment for all visitors.

-Over the past years, injury and death has occurred to some visitors who climb balconies at the motels. The practice is illegal and is considered DISORDERLY CONDUCT, an arrestable offense. Florida State Statute 509.143.

- Camping or sleeping overnight on the Atlantic Ocean Beach is prohibited.

- The carrying or consuming of an open alcoholic beverage (including beer) is prohibited on the beach and City streets. This applies to pedestrians and occupants of motor vehicles.

- It is unlawful for any person under the age of 21 years to possess alcoholic beverages or to misrepresent or misstate his or her age to buy alcoholic beverages.

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-Paul B. Crow
Chief of Police
Daytona Beach, FL

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The Montclarion Letters Policy

The Montclarion offers the unique opportunity for all MSC students to have a voice on campus. We encourage all students to express their viewpoints in the Letters Page.

All letters must be:
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- addressed to the editor
- submitted by 4 p.m. on the Monday before the Thursday issue
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Letters must be signed, but names will be withheld upon request. These guidelines must be met or the letter will not be printed.

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**Student voices needed**

A powerful new force will surface on campus in the near future. The final proposal for a system of academic shared governance has reached the powers that be at MSC and the installation of a College Senate is drawing near.

The addition of a College Senate to MSC's existing hierarchy is clearly a boon to everyone involved. The concept of faculty powerlessness is widespread at MSC, for there is no unified body of representation on campus to serve as an outlet for their opinions. The senate is designed to provide an atmosphere where faculty, administration, students and other members of the college community can discuss policy issues and present a unified opinion to the Board of Trustees for final evaluation and passage.

The philosophy of shared governance calls for the dispelling of a "we/they" mentality and the provision of an atmosphere of collegiality and trust. The Faculty Senate has already accepted this philosophy and has to vote now on issues of representation and committee structure.

While the proposal for the College Senate calls for thirty-five voting members there is no provision for student voting members. Students have been reduced to occupying five of the sixteen non-voting positions on the Senate. Students serve as voting members on the various committees within the Senate, but are barred from making final policy determinations. Why is this?

There is only one reference to the participation of students in the report drafted by the Joint Committee on Academic Shared Governance, which hardly justifies their proposal regarding students: "it was the majority opinion that students should be a part of the deliberative process but should not serve with vote at this time. Not even a justification is provided."

It seems that this is just one more way for MSC's powerful elite to reduce student voices to mere symbols. Students' input should be recognized on all levels of government as equally legitimate and worthy of recognition. Having students work on committees is blatant tokenism and hypocritical to the philosophy of shared governance which has already been accepted!

Faculty Senate members should vote to include student voting rights in the plan for the College Senate, if for no other reason than to avoid being hypocritical.
Undisciplined rock star

To The Editor:

During a concert in Springfield, Mass. on December 27, Sebastian Bach, lead singer of the rock group Skid Row, was struck in the head with a bottle. The singer used many four and seventeen letter words to determine when to go, the student approached me. Her dilemma was to take the halved grade or retake the test, she claimed. Neither of these alternatives seemed viable. If found guilty, Bach could be forced into a situation that totally opposes what the student believes in. If the student were to quietly and submissively retake the test, in essence the student could be taken as admitting to cheating. If the student took the lower grade, she would be penalized for an action she strongly believed she was not guilty of. My advice was to appeal this decision to the chairman of the department and work up from there until this matter was democratically resolved. We live in a dangerous time, one where not in the stadium, one. Granted, the bottle should not have been in the stadium, but Bach should learn some self-discipline.

I really feel that this was a violent display of anger and I think the music that Skid Row and other bands of this type play incite this kind of violence in their audiences. I think that if Skid Row had a little more touring experience, Bach might not have done what he did. But it does not excuse his actions at all. Two people were seriously injured and since when does stalkom give you an excuse to assault others? Zsa Zsa Gabor may have only received a slap on the wrist but I feel that Sebastian Bach should be punished to the fullest extent of the law. I can only hope that the bootleg footage seen on MTV can be used in the trial.

Susan Keefe
Junior / English

Use condoms wisely

To the Editor:

Today is February 15, and National Condom Week is officially underway. Many students have seen the Condom Week flyers posted by the SGA, and have laughed. “What a stupid idea”, they say. Or is it? I think about it. We live in a dangerous time, one where sexually transmitted diseases, not notably AIDs, are killing people. Very few people are willing to practice abstinence, so the best method is protection - a condom.

Is saving lives such a joke? Is preventing unwanted births and abortions such a laughing matter? We, as young adults, think we are invulnerable. Those things don’t happen to us. Until we get our girlfriends pregnant or we catch the HIV virus. If the SGA, one of the sponsors of this event, thought it was such a joke, would they sponsor it? I think not. Attend the lectures. Read the literature. Use the condoms wisely. Is dying a laughing matter? It’s your life...your body...your choice.

George Olszewski
Sophomore / Journalism
SGA Legislator

Veterans support strike

To the Editor:

The Veterans Association, a class III of the S.G.A., hopes that we do not have to see a strike between the A.E.T. and the college. However we will support the teachers, honor their picket line, and would encourage our fellow students to do so also.

Michael B. Chiesa
Chairman / MSC Vets Assoc.

Mary Jane Says...

Accusations need more evidence

Over the past week, a student approached me with great concern over a problem she just encountered. I write of this particular problem because it is not uncommon to many students, and students should be informed of their options.

The student took a quiz in class and handed in the quiz plus calculations of her answers. Upon receiving the test after it had been graded-the student was accused of cheating because her answers were the same as the student next to her. The quiz consisted of four questions for which she had calculations to prove most of her answers. The professor said she would split the two students grades in half or make them both take the test over.

The accused student was a senior who had never been accused of cheating and was extremely upset to be accused. The professor had no actual grounds for the accusation of cheating, like answers. Not knowing where to go, the student approached me.

Her dilemma was to take the halved grade or retake the test, she claimed. Neither of these alternatives seemed viable. What is a student to do? What a student is not to do - is to be forced into a situation that totally opposes what the student believes in.

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While it is time that professors must uphold quality standards in the classroom, an accusation of cheating without adequate evidence can do more damage than good. I implore students to protect their rights. If any student feels unjustly acted upon in class or out of class, do not submit to an infraction of your rights. If a student truly believes in his self, then that students integrity should not be compromised without a fair deliberation.

If any student has been in a similar situation, please speak out and let us assist you.

Mary Jane Linnehan
SGA President

Reviewer feeds flames

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to George Thistle and Brian Prey’s letter to the editor in which they took offense to my review of Billy Joel’s song “We Didn’t Start the Fire”.

To begin, my article was in the arts section of the newspaper and not in the news section as the professor in their letter. Obviously, Thistle and Prey have not noticed that nearly all of the articles in the arts section are opinionated. Although their letter frivously states “we are opinionated.” I found this particularly offensive, as Ronald Reagan’s head”, “as Ronald Reagan’s skull”. However, that might be too exception to the phrase “hallow as Ronald Reagan’s head”.

Well, if my two critics took the time to thoroughly read my review, they would have realized that I used the phrase “hallow as Ronald Reagan’s skull”!

Yes, I did say that Ronald Reagan’s head was hollow. My point was to make a metaphorical point that the song was devoid of meaning and was hollow. Thistle and Prey also asked what made me an authority on this subject. Does this mean that only authorities are allowed opinions? Furthermore, what makes the two of them any more authoritarian to attempt to refute my charges, which as was just explained, they miserably failed to do?

Lastly, their letter takes exception to the phrase “hallow as Ronald Reagan’s head”.

To sum up, I found Mr. Thistle and Mr. Prey’s letter to the editor to be just like the song, efficiently futile.

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Artist with a deeper message

By Chris Roelf 
Correspondent

The universality and expression of man's political, social and spiritual struggles took center stage as The Organization of Students for African Unity welcomed renowned Afro-American artist Ben Jones, in the student center ballrooms on February 13th.

Ben Jones, presently a professor at Jersey City State College, has travelled extensively in Africa and Afro-American origin to people all over the world. His exhibits have been seen at The International Exhibit in France, the Los Angeles Museum, the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, and presently can be seen at the Montclair Museum and the Museum of Life and Culture in Montclair.

Throughout his lecture, Jones stressed the existence of man's struggle, and the need for mankind to educate awareness and discover the individual balance within this struggle, in order that unity may be achieved.

Jones immediately cited the recent release of Nelson Mandela as a sign that the world indeed was perhaps moving to a stage where "race becomes irrelevant and we can begin to relate to one another as human beings.

However, the triumph of Nelson Mandela, Jones stated, must also be coupled with the ugliness of drugs, AIDS, poverty, and their predecessor, greed. "In our world today, there is an abundance of material, yet we are depleted in spirituality."

This overwhelming degree of contradictory elements infiltrating our lives serves as the inspiration for some of Jones' paintings in the "Transformations" series. These paintings are just apositions of symbols, moods and painting styles. According to Jones, each is a separate entity. However, each is unified by its dichotomy. "One work makes me more conscious of the other."

The same may be said about the progression and change seen in the works throughout Ben Jones' extensive career.

In the late 60's and early 70's when Jones was just beginning, his works were quite bold and the African culture was the central theme linking his works together. "I am not a racist," commented Jones, "however, I constantly like to make a point that blacks, women, any minority, must first take reigns and define themselves before any balance can be achieved."

However, in the late 70's and early 80's, Jones began to incorporate his American upbringing with his African heritage to generate a more universal feeling.

This work began in a figurative form, but soon changed into the abstraction and symbolism that Jones creates today.

By this method, Jones feels he is most free to express what he calls the two major forms of his art: "Art for Art's sake, and art to communicate ideas."

Presently, Jones is working on a collection of drawings to communicate man's need for power.

Jones believes that power is a universal need. "Blacks need power, women need power, basically, man needs power.

Jones uses the symbol of the Shango, the Yoruba peoples' god of thunder and lightning to depict the concept of power. Once again, it is this internal balance of power, and the desire for the ultimate global balance of power, that Jones hopes to depict in his work.

Finally, when asked what underlying message he hopes to convey, Jones responded, "Follow truth not a trend, value the substance not the surface."

Professor Mohammed and artist Ben Jones.
**Mother Goose and Grimm**

By Mike Peters

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**Calvin and Hobbes**

By Bill Watterson

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**Outland**

By Berkeley Breathed
**Direct Effect—an alternative to P.S.A.'s**

By Robert Bilotti
Staff Writer

When I was first asked to attend a press conference given by Michael Stipe of R.E.M. and filmmaker Jim McKay detailing the start of their new non-profit organization Direct Effect, I was a bit hesitant.

While I enjoy R.E.M.'s music and am impressed by the list of people contributing to the organization, Direct Effect is an effort whose methods are to make "politically aware" Public Service Announcements (PSA's). Sure, I try to be up on current events, as much as I can, (PSA's). Sure, I try to be up on current events, as much as possible; however, I do not consider myself to be politically aware.

After consideration, however, I convinced myself to attend by the simple fact that I am the reason for an organization such as Direct Effect.

Of course, not me specifically, but people like me; the average person. The goal of Direct Effect is clear: to reach a broad audience and educate them on topics, such as abortion, racism and, chemical farming, which are grossly overlooked by the media because of their "controversial" label.

With this new enthusiasm, I set out for the press conference which was held at the Anthology Film Archives building in New York. Upstairs, the seven or so celebrities were seated in front of the press, with a tremendous American flag draped behind them, a powerful effect.

Michael Stipe, being the ringleader and the most prominent and familiar name, started with a few opening remarks about the purpose of Direct Effect.

If you can remember the PSA depicting a crying Indian remorseful over the garbage situation, then you have an idea of what Direct Effect is trying to accomplish. They will broadcast a series of PSAs that will air on MTV, VH-1, and the major networks (at the respective programmers discretion, as it is not mandatory any more for a network to air PSA's).

The spots channel the need for people to speak out and to seek involvement and action. Stipe went on to point out that these are not government issues. Direct Effect is trying to reach the people, who are the core of the problem as well as the core of the solution.

After Stipe's opening statements, the audience at hand got a peek at seven PSAs, part of the first series to be released. Each spot is short (only about 15 seconds), with each celebrity personally directing and choosing the topic and style.

The clips began with the issue of garbage. The message is "what does away mean?" symbolizing the fact that one-half of America's landfills will shut down this year due to over-capacity. Jane Pratt, editor in chief of Sassy magazine, displays her thoughts that "Pro choice IS pro life." Jim McKay's spot deals with historic preservation.

Later, Jim explained his choice of topic by the statement "it's time to go back a little in the 90's." An actor, Tom Gilroy, tackles the issue of racism in what is my opinion, the best PSA of the series. It simply portrays an interracial couple and child clearly enjoying the company of one another with a caption simply stating "Love knows no color."

Stipe's clip is a humorous one, bringing to the attention the amount of chemicals the US agriculture system uses. Lastly, KRS-One, the rapper from Boogie Down Productions, asks the question "if everybody wants world peace, how come it is so hard to achieve?"

When the lights went up, I was semi-impressed, not overwhelmed. I agree these are important issues and the only way to sort them out is for everyone to do his part.

However, these particular PSAs do not seem to achieve that goal. I hope I am wrong. The problem I have is that one of the minor characteristics of Direct Effect was to avoid being alternative and to concentrate on the mainstream. I cannot help but think that these clips are too avant-Garde, and that the only place they will be aired is on MTV's 120 minutes (an alternative rock show).

What would move me to action is, if a man respected by millions, like Michael Stipe, got up in front of the camera and spoke his mind. Celebrities have tremendous influence over the public. If people will cut their hair like R.E.M., or even if people will buy Nike because "Bo knows they're good," then people might not want to eat the same chemically treated food that R.E.M. will not eat, just like they buy Bo's sneakers.

To repeat myself, I hope I am wrong. These issues have a profound effect on ALL of our lives and they should be addressed. It is difficult, however, with technology the way it is today. Like Jim McKay pointed out, the procedures used to develop the film taken on that day also pollute the environment.

Hopefully, Direct Effect can start a trend. They have the star power now and the offers are pouring in. Natalie Merchant of 10,000 Maniacs has scheduled a clip dealing with neglected children for the next series release. If the effect is notable, maybe it will be like a "continuous Live-Aid", when people will stop and think about their neighbor and environment.

Whether such a utopia is achievable is unknown. What is known is that not trying to conquer these issues only hinders everyday life, giving more reason for awareness and the need for an organization such as Direct Effect.

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**Waive goodbye to a GER**

By Ruth Leopold
Correspondent

All students at MSC are currently required to take a speech course to fulfill their speech communication requirement. Students overwhelmed by GER's often wish for a way out of this class but have no idea that an escape hatch does indeed exist.

Every semester, the Speech and Theatre Department offers a test called the Speech Waiver Placement Evaluation. Those who pass it can forego the speech course. They do not earn any credit for the exam, but they are free to take an elective of their choosing in place of a GER.

The test itself takes about an hour. The student sits in a small room with about six other students and two examiners from the Speech Department.

The student is asked to read a short paragraph aloud for meaning. He or she is also asked to give a short impromptu speech from a list of topics given at the beginning of the test. The last part of the evaluation involves listening to a short tape and answering some questions about it.

The Speech Waiver Evaluation is no piece of cake, but it is not hideously complicated either. The examiners are trying to determine if the speaker can express his main point clearly and support it logically, and use non-verbal skills to re-enforce his views. As one examiner put it, "We are looking for effective speakers, not perfect ones."

Students who think they fall into this category may register for the evaluation on Monday, Mar. 5 and Thursday, Mar. 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Evening students may register at any of these times.)

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James "Buster" Douglas floored the boxing world and Mike Tyson's image on Saturday when he knocked out in the first round. Tyson's streak of 37 straight wins had been threatened in the past by James "Buster" Douglas, 29, (30-1-1) was virtually unknown, before rocking Tyson's undefeated world, while separating the name Tyson from the world invincible.

The Douglas victory is being deemed as the greatest upset in boxing history. "Iron" Mike was a 38-1 favorite at the Mirage in Las Vegas, as the bout was supposed to be a tune-up for Tyson, who was scheduled to fight #1 ranked Evander Holyfield June 18 in Atlantic City.

Unfortunately for Douglas and the integrity of boxing, the upset victory was protested by Tyson and the cancer of boxing, Don King. The protest stems from the controversial long count in the eighth round when a letterman Tyson caught Douglas with a right uppercut that sent the challenger to the canvas. Referee Ocatavio Meyran gave Douglas a count which lasted about 12 seconds. Douglas got to his feet by the count of nine, finished the round, and continued to dance on Tyson's face until he was dropped like a bag of nickels in round 10.

At a press conference the day after the fight, Meyran, with King close by his side, admitted he had made a mistake by giving Douglas a long count. The sad part about this whole episode is that both WBA president Gilberto Mendoza and WBC President Jose Sulaiman actually listened to Tyson and King's gripe and both said a decision would be made pending an investigation.

Only the IBF stood firm in awarding its title to Douglas. According to IBF President Bob Lee, Douglas won the fight in the ring and therefore is the champion.

Unfortunately for Douglas, both Sulaiman and Mendoza are puppets whose strings are pulled by master puppeteer Don Douglas. The WBA item is currently being proposed by Douglas to pull a rematch. Douglas is a disinterested heavyweight champion, King has the promotional rights to Douglas' next title fight.

According to Douglas' manager John Johnson, the new champion wants to fulfill his obligations be fighting the top-ranked Holyfield, which makes King uneasy. Holyfield is under contract with promoter Don Duva and a blowout in a Douglas-Holyfield match would mean that King's strange hold of the heavyweight division would be no more.

This is why King will do everything in his power to make sure that Douglas-Tyson in takes place before a Douglas-Holyfield title match becomes reality. This is also why Tyson and King sang the praises of Douglas on Tuesday's press conference taking the "you can get more with honey than with vinegar" attitude in hopes of pulling off a rematch.

Don King's bankroll and meat ticket rests squarely on the shoulders of Mike Tyson, and both fighter and promoter are looking to show Douglas and the boxing world that what happened on February 10 in Japan was a fluke.

A rematch between Tyson and Douglas is inevitable. The rematch can and will be the biggest money making fight of all time. Even if Tyson should win the rematch, nothing can mask what happened five days ago. History doesn't lie. No matter what course the careers of Mike Tyson and James "Buster" Douglas shall follow, no one can discredit what Douglas did to Tyson. Buster will always be remembered as the man to stop Tyson's undefeated streak at 37 fights and was the first man to drop Tyson.

For 10 brilliant rounds on February 10, 1990 James "Buster" Douglas fought the fight of his life and made Tyson realize his claims. If he had not been able to beat Mike Tyson is false. That is something that no one can ever take away from James "Buster" Douglas.

The second period belonged to the Washington Capitals as they totally outplayed the Devils. Douglas did to Tyson and played with the intensity that it's going to take down the stretch and hopefully into the playoffs if they want to be successful.

Patrick Sundstrom added an empty net goal to cap off the victory, and the Devils flew to St. Louis following the game with a much earned win.

If the Devils could play with the same intensity that they displayed in Win over William, they would be tough to beat, but it's never that simple in the land of the swamps.
Women unbeatable

By Michael Frasco  Sports Editor

The MSC women’s basketball team will be hosting either Trenton State or William Paterson in the Conference playoffs Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

Fun and Bowling

There will be Candlelight Bowling at Verona Lanes on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 9:30 p.m. The cost is $16.00 per couple. Includes: 3 games Scotch Doubles  Shoe Rentals  Fun Frames and prizes  Cold buffet and beverages

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Indoor Track leaps to success

By Michael Frasco  Sports Editor

The MSC men’s and women’s indoor track team are alive and doing well this season. All kinds of records are being broken and invitations to various country-wide tournaments and invitations are being received, much to the liking of head coach John Blanton.

The first competition for the men and women was the Seton Hall Invitational. The women’s team was led by Regina Latson and Aisha Agee run in the 55 meter dash. Latson ran a 7.22 second race and Agee a 7.30. Both qualified first for the NCAA championships at Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts March 9-10.

At the same competition the men’s team was led by John Wilkerson and Derrick Williams in the shot. Wilkerson placed first with a 45’6” toss and Williams second, throwing 45’4”.

The Lehigh Invitational was next for the men and women and some fine performances were turned out.

Wrestling grasps competition

By Anthony DiPasquale  Staff Writer

MSC’s Red Hawk wrestling team finished it’s season off strong this weekend, taking fourth place in the Metropolitan championships out of 18 teams, and have set their sights on the Nationals qualifying meet this weekend.

MSC has had at least one All-American wrestler for the past 12 years and has had a National Champion for the past six. As head coach Steve Strellner said, “I’m confident that the streak will continue this year.”

The strength of the team lies in wrestlers like Scott Vega who won the 190 weight class championship at the Metropolitan, and Armando Nardone who won the 126 lb. championship. Other All-American hopefuls are Senior Alex Almada at 118 and Kennedy Hoff at 134.

“It’s a young team this year with only one senior, and after having a wrestler like Karl Monaco, who won three Division 3 national championships and was second in the Division 1 nationals, its time to rebuild.” But we have some wrestlers with strong chances of going to the Nationals this year as well.”

Karl Monaco recently left the United States to begin a wrestling tour of Turkey and Russia which will help him gain experience for the Olympics. However, Monaco found the time to help train the team this season as assistant coach as well.

“Karl helped turn the team around,” said Almada. “Wrestling in college is geared to more individual training, but Karl pushed an intense high school type practice which helped out a lot.”

The season boils down to this weekend, as only the top two finishers in each weight class will be eligible to go to the Nationals at Ithaca.

“This weekend is what makes or breaks a season,” said Strellner. “It’s now that the fun begins, because a good showing at the qualifiers can turn a decent season into a champion–ship season.”

“We are excited about the Nationals,” said Scott Vega. “But first we must concentrate on the qualifiers, because only the top two finishers go.”

“Wrestling is an individual sport,” said Kenny Hoff. “You have to worry about yourself because there’s no one their to help you when your out on the mat.”

Six of the conference teams are scheduled to meet Saturday at Kean College. This will determine who the top two wrestlers in each weight class will be.