Students pray for peace at a candle-light vigil Wednesday night in Freeman Hall.

Vigil held for soldiers

By R.A. Campos
News Editor

Witha candle, a yellow ribbon and prayers for peace up to 65 people have gathered every Monday through Thursday in residence halls since Jan. 21 at candlelight vigils to support the safe return of U.S. troops in the Middle East.

The vigil is held in a different residence hall every night and is organized by the Newman Center.

Father Arthur Humphrey of the Newman Center, who prefers to be known as Father Art, said attendance depends on peoples needs.

One night 65 people showed up, another night no one showed up.

"It came as a natural thought that people would need to get together and pray," Father Art said. He will continue the vigil as long as people need it.

"Bush calls this a just war. I believe that in every war, no one wins, everyone loses," Joyce said.

"My brother is in Turkey, in the Air Force," Jane Miller, an undeclared freshman who also attends the vigils said.

"While my brother was here, we never had a real relationship because we took advantage of being in a family. One day he wrote me a real touching letter that made me cry for hours," Miller said, "I realized that if I lost my brother, I would lose a brother I never had."

Eight more MSC students are activated in reserves

By R.A. Campos
News Editor

Eight more MSC students have been called into active reserve duty raising the total from six to 14 students who have been called in for only one month.

According to Dr. Edward Martin, Dean of Students, most of the students in active duty have been called in for only one month.

Staff Sergeant John Burd at the U.S. Army recruiting center in Montclair said activation of reserve troops will depend on their occupational skills.

"Those who have critical skills and those who are in an occupational field that the military has a shortage of will be activated first," said Burd.

Martin said because the situation of students in the reserves not yet activated is uncertain, the college has offered them either a full refund or an incomplete.

New phone system connects campus

By R.A. Campos
News Editor

An $891,000 state-of-the-art campus-wide phone system, the AT&T Definity II, set up for 3000 lines was installed over winter break.

An additional 1200 lines will be installed in residence halls over the summer. With the new systems, residents can make free on-campus calls and get an outside line through the phone company.

The new system will allow separate billing from one phone line using personal codes. The system will include the call identification feature which displays the extension number of incoming calls. The service is expected to be completed by the Fall semester.

"The system right now is capable of handling up to 3000 lines, but, if we wanted, we can expand the system to hold up to 32,000," said Lynn Truesdell of Computer Services who was in charge of the project. "We will be using about 2000 phone lines all together.

"The old phone system was at its maximum capacity of phone lines," Truesdell said. "The cost of replacing the system was almost cheaper than updating it. Dimension 2000, the old system, had a maximum capacity of 1200 lines.

"While we were putting in the new systems, residents could put in the dorms at a minimal cost compared to what the students would be paying," Truesdell said.

Truesdell also said the main reason the new system is an extreme improvement over the old one is that the new one is digital, the old phone system is analog.

If the paper seems a bit thin this week it is because The Montclarion has received new computers and is making the adjustment to a new system of production. This new system will allow us to produce a better newspaper for our campus.

The Montclarion invites anyone to join the staff in the areas of writing, layout, or photography. Our office is located in the Student Center Annex, room 113, and our phone number is 893-5169.
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NEWS

World News

Compiled by William C. Hendrixson

■ Twelve U.S. Marines were killed, two were wounded and two are missing during an Iraqi ground attack on the town of Khafji, Saudi Arabia.

■ U.S. forces along with Saudi Arabian and Qatari units appear to be mounting an offensive on Khafji.

■ U.S., British, and French teams specializing in oil spill clean-up began organizing a plan to clean up the massive spill in the Gulf.

■ U.S. tactical bombers were used in an apparently successful attempt to destroy the valves to a Kuwaiti offshore pipeline, which the Iraqis had opened, spilling more than 125 million gallons of crude oil into the Persian Gulf. The slick was more than 40 miles long and 8 miles wide, and posed a threat to Saudi Arabian desalinization plants along the coast which supply fresh water to most of their population.

■ The Iraqis set fire to two Kuwaiti oil refineries and to an oil field near the Saudi border. The act was one of vengeance, according to western military officials, to the relentless bombing Iraq has received in the first week of war.

■ There were over a dozen surface to surface missile (SSM) attacks on Israel this past week, and an additional six rockets were intercepted on Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. All but one missile was intercepted by American Patriot Anti-Missile Defense System over Tel Aviv, Israel, resulting in 3 deaths and over 70 wounded. Over 20 apartment buildings were damaged by the SCUD missile’s 2000 lb. warhead.

■ One person was killed and 42 wounded when a Patriot failed to destroy another SCUD missile’s warhead, raining shrapnel on a crowded Tel Aviv street. One person was killed and 30 wounded when another missile struck the center of Riyadh, capital of Saudi Arabia.

■ Japan pledged $9 billion to the coalition’s war effort, in addition to the $4 billion already pledged to the cause. Germany pledged $5.5 billion more than the $2.2 billion they have already contributed.

■ The Bush administration does not intend to raise taxes to compensate for the war, despite its heavy costs. Alan Greenspan, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board said that taxes should not be increased, nor government “pump priming” spending be used to offset our economic recession.

■ Public opinion in Egypt is slanting towards pro-Iraqi sentiment, forcing Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to suspend his active anti-Iraqi propaganda campaign. This sentiment presents itself throughout the Islamic world, especially in Tunisia, Algeria, Morocco, Mauritania, and Libya.

■ President Mubarak has affirmed Egypt’s desire to seek an end to the conflict only through Iraq’s withdrawal from Kuwait, and that it does not seek the destruction of Iraq. Does it find the removal of Iraqi strongman Saddam Hussein an urgent issue?

■ Four CBS news crew members were reported missing near the Saudi border with Kuwait. No sign of any struggle was found.

■ Iraq’s border with Jordan in an effort to contain the massive flood of refugees fleeing the country. They are being forced to return to Baghdad to obtain exit visas before they are permitted to leave.

■ Pan Am Airlines has, since the outbreak of war, refused to service passengers of Iraqi nationality, regardless of potentiality of threat.

■ Eighty to ninety Iraqi warplanes flooded into Iran this week. Iran has repeatedly assured the coalition of its neutral status, and that the Iraqi planes and pilots would be interned for the duration of the war.

■ The Soviet Union took severe steps toward their ailing economy by cancelling all 50 and 100 ruble notes this week, thereby reducing currency in circulation by 33%. This economic policy has made 46 billion dollars, mostly in private hands, virtually worthless. KGB was given expanded authority regarding investigating personal accounts and wealth to ensure that the new ruling goes by the winds.

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■ Lithuania remains tense, as Latvian militia readied itself this week for the defense of the self proclaimed autonomous state’s parliament building in Riga. Mourning continued this week for those killed by Soviet backed Beret troops in recent violence there.

■ The Baltic crisis did not, according to U.S. and Soviet officials, cause the postponement of the arms summit which was scheduled for February 11 – 13 in Moscow. The shelving was a mutual decision between Washington and Moscow.

■ Pope John Paul II issued a new Encyclical calling Catholics to evangelize and seek converts, especially in Islamic lands where it is strictly forbidden to practice foreign religions. It is the first missionary Encyclical since 1959.

■ Waning efficiency and physical deterioration were cited reasons for International Marine officials expressed concern regarding the continued use of the Panama canal. Panama will fully take over the canal, which is currently a U.S. possession, on December 31, 1999, but experts fear it will by then be too large a burden for Panama to handle.

■ The Angola government decided to accept a peace plan to end the 15 year war with U.S. backed guerrillas, known as UNITA. The plan, although not signed yet, is expected to be approved by both sides. The war, which has raged since 1975, has cost over 35,000 lives.

■ The Yugoslavian Republic of the Republic’s demand to disarm the Republic’s paramilitary police force. The government came to terms with the Croats later in the week before any blood had been shed, and the Croatian parliament agreed not to activate any additional paramilitary units and added that it would not turn over the units’ weapons.

■ Chinese courts sentenced eight dissidents to prison terms ranging from two to seven years each. These sentences are considered lenient compared to relative charges carried out during the late 1970’s, which received prison terms of 10 – 15 years.

■ The U.S. Postal Service approved a $0.04 increase on first class mail and post cards as well as marginal increases in other postal services. The change is scheduled to become effective as of February 3, 1991.

■ A Florida Federal District Court ruled that posting pictures of nude and partly nude women is a form of sexual harassment, in a case where a female shipyard welder sued her employer on those grounds.

■ Stanford University said it would refund $500,000 intended for government research grants that was instead used for the upkeep of university owned homes for the university’s president.

■ Chicago, New Orleans, and Atlanta showed to be losers in the 1990 census, all showing a 7-12% decrease since the last census in 1980.

■ Utah Senate voted 23 to 5 in favor of a bill which would outlaw most abortions in that state. Abortion would only be allowed in cases of rape or incest and to prevent life threatening damage to a pregnant woman. If physical or mental defects were involved, the abortion would also be permitted.

■ A study in the American Journal of Epidemiology reported that children whose fathers smoked before birth were 20% more likely to develop leukemia, lymphoma, and brain cancer than children whose fathers did not smoke.

■ A 23 year old woman diagnosed with AIDS was awarded a $1 million settlement after it was proven that she had contracted the disease from her dentist during oral surgery.

■ The Federal Center for Disease Control reported that more than 100,000 deaths have occurred as a direct result of AIDS since June 1981, when the disease was first diagnosed in the U.S. More than one third of that figure died last year alone.

■ A crowd of 73,813 watched the New York Giants defeat the Buffalo Bills by a score of 20-19, during the 25th Superbowl held last Sunday in Tampa, Florida. It was the closest margin ever in Superbowl history, and security was also the tightest ever, heeding the threat of terrorism.

Weather

By T.S. Lawton

Thursday: High 35 F. degrees. Low 10 F. degrees. Snow/Shower into the night clearing by morning.


Wednesday: High 54 F. degrees. Low 34 F. degrees. Partly Cloudy.


**Freeman caf. open**

By R.A. Campos

Construction on Freeman Hall cafeteria costing $230,000 was completed on Jan. 18. The cafeteria started serving students on Jan. 22.

The construction started on May 28 and there is still some cosmetic work to be done, such as painting, spackling and checking some wiring, said Douglas Cooper, Assistant Director for Residence Hall Facilities.

"The rebuilding of the cafeteria was a nightmare," Cooper said, "but it was worth all the work. The students deserve more than what they had."

All the serving equipment has been replaced with the exception of the ice cream freezer, Cooper said.

Cooper said he wished the construction hadn't taken so long as the opening date for the cafeteria was moved back twice, but he was satisfied with the job.

Cooper also said the first night the cafeteria opened up there was a record 220 students served and there has been a "really good crowd" there every night so far.

"It looks very nice," said Belinda Bines, a freshman and resident of Freeman Hall. "The food hasn't improved but it looks like a diner. I'm glad we can finally see our money at work."

"I think it's a comfortable, relaxed atmosphere. Nice place to eat dinner," said Sharonda Thomas, a junior and resident at Freeman Hall.

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**Chairperson of Political Science Department dies**

By K. Mun

**Assistant News Editor**

Dr. Edward Johnson entertained his colleagues with some upbeat jazz piano at the annual Christmas party. He was smiling.

"Playing the piano was what he loved to do, almost as much as teaching," Dr. Edward Johnson said.

Dr. Edward Johnson was a member of the Political Science Department for the last six years. He was also a member of the American Political Science Association and the Association of Asian Studies.

He is survived by two daughters, Carol Ann and Deborah, a son, Edward W. III, and his brother, Harold W. His wife, Aurelia, is deceased.

He was buried on Dec. 28 at Mount Hebron Cemetery.

In Dr. Johnson's memory, the Edward J. Johnson Scholarship Fund has been established. The scholarship is for outstanding students in international relations studies. Contributions can be made to the Montclair State College Foundation.

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**Lecture opposing war**

By K. Mun

Assistant News Editor

A fourteen-year-old boy timidly stepped up to the mike and asked, "If Saddam Hussein uses chemical weapons in this war, will we use nuclear bombs?"

His elders did not have an encouraging answer. "Which is the only country to have used a nuclear weapon on another country?" Larry Hamm, president of the N.J. Rainbow Coalition responded, "America." Hamm said that in history there was no weapon or army created that was not used on someone.

Hamm referred to an article in Newsweek magazine. According to the article, Lynn Davis, a former nuclear-policy planner for the Defense Department, said "Circumstances could certainly arise in which President George Bush might view nuclear weapons as militarily useful in defeating Iraq or, more emotionally, as a way of saving American lives."

Newsweek wrote: "According to two well-informed sources, the U.S. commander in the Gulf, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, requested authorization to explode a nuclear device high over Iraq at the start of hostilities. Such a blast would generate a massive electromagnetically pulse, which would shut down every electronic device in Iraq."

The young man walked away visibly disturbed.

Hamm was one of five speakers opposing the war in the Middle East at a panel discussion held the day after Martin Luther King's observed birthday at Fairleigh Dickinson University-Teaneck. The forum, Martin Luther King's Dream vs. George Bush's Nightmare, was sponsored by the N.J. Coalition Against the War in the Middle East. Approximately fifty people attended. A hand-drawn multicolored poster stating "Peace is Patriotic" and an American Flag duct-taped to the wall served as the backdrop.

The discussion was short on Dr. King and long on opposition of the war and criticism of the U.S. administration.

Salas Alascari, a urological surgeon born in Iraq, opposed President George Bush's decision to give up on sanctions and attack Iraq. He pointed out how John F. Kennedy defused the Cuban Missile Crisis not with fighting but with diplomacy.

"Cooler heads prevailed," Alascari said. "Wars have never solved a problem." He cited Korea and Vietnam as examples.

David Cline, president of Vietnam Vets Against War, spoke of the thousands of U.S.
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Campus Police Report:

Vandalism on Campus

William C. Hendrixson
Assistant News Writer

**Break-ins:**
- Between January 18 and January 21, the student lounge in the basement of Life Hall was forcefully entered and had its window broken.
- Between January 24 at 11:45 p.m. and January 25 at 1 a.m. a 1979 Chevy 2 door had its window smashed. Nothing was stolen.
- Between January 27 between 12:15 a.m. and 2 a.m. a 1980 Volkswagen parked in lot 30 had its window smashed and its stereo was stolen.

**Burglaries:**
- Between January 1 at 6:15 p.m. an apartment in the 100 complex was broken into while the female occupant was home. She was not able to find her burglar alarm tools near where she had seen the man.
- Between January 11 at noon and 1:10 p.m. on January 14, rooms 127 and 129 in the student center annex were forcibly entered although nothing was stolen.
- Between January 27 between 12:15 a.m. and 2 a.m. three cars parked in lot 21 had their windows broken.
- Between January 11 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. a male student discharged a chemical fire extinguisher setting off the building's fire alarm.
- Between January 22 at 3:05 a.m. Blanton Hall received a bomb threat, upon which the building was evacuated and a routine check executed which found nothing.
- Between January 26 at 2:20 a.m. Stone Hall received a bomb threat upon which Campus Police evacuated and searched the building.
- Between January 26 at 10:30 p.m. Blanton Hall received a bomb threat for a specific room. The building was not evacuated, although the room was searched and nothing was found by Campus Police.

**Miscellaneous:**
- Between January 5 and 6 a 1984 Oldsmobile Cutlass was burglarized of $15, a cassette, and 2 credit cards.
- Between January 14 at 4 p.m. a male student was found in the student center annex in nothing but pantyhose and high heels carrying a white thermos.
- Between January 22 at 10 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. an unattended wallet and purse was stolen from the out office of WMSC. The purse contained $107, and the wallet contained personal valuables.
- Between January 22 at 11 a.m. a bookbag containing 4 books valued at $135 was stolen from in front of the book store.
- Between January 23 between 11:30 and 1 p.m. a Life Hall Dean had a wallet stolen from his office.
- Remains of the wallet were found on the bus stop on Valley Road.
- Between January 24 and January 29 there were 5 incidents of theft of unattended purses and wallets.
- Between January 28 between 1 a.m. and 1:20 a.m. a vending machine was damaged.

Vigil

"Political reasons aside, every soldier is looking at death," Joryn R. DeSantis, a senior and Fine Arts major said as she was leaving the vigil.

"One of my best friends are their and it frightens me to death that I may never see him again," she said.

"I think The fact that people are showing up to these vigils shows that prayer makes a difference," said Sister Roseanne McAdoo, also of the Newman house.

"The bottom line is that a lot of people believe in God. God makes a difference and we make a difference," she said.

Father Art said that the vigil will continue their rotation around the residence halls every Monday through Thursday night at 10 p.m. as long as it's needed.

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soldiers that will be killed in the ground offensive. He said that many people in the military have enlisted for economic reasons. He called it the "Economic Draft."

Cline said due to a lack of good work programs, poor people have to join the military for a chance to make something of themselves, to learn a marketable skill or earn money for school. "So because that was the choice they made, now they are damaged, and now they will be slaughtered," said Cline.

The best way for people to support the soldiers in the Middle East is to demand their immediate return, Cline said, "We have neither the right nor the ability to be the policeman of the world."

Jan Philip-Singer, a draft counselor and psychotherapist, said "War in this day and age is unacceptable. War displaces money from social programs."

"Economic analysts predict the war will cost three billion dollars a day once the ground fighting begins," Hamm said, "that is true the government will spend..."
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Tying one on: Fraternity supports troops with ribbons

Dave Cozzi, 19, pulled a long strip of yellow elevators in Blanton Hall. As students walked through the lobby on their way to dinner, he'd been making for the past week in the ribbon out of a white envelope. He folded the ribbon over in his hands, the same motion he'd been doing the past week now at 5:00 p.m., the brothers have set up their table in the Blanton lobby, hoping to catch the majority of students on their way to dinner in the cafeteria.

For Zeitz, 20, the ribbons stand for a reminder of the people involved in the conflict, as well as an acknowledgement of political awareness.

"We're not going to pick sides; the ribbon has no significance either pro-war or anti-war," he said. "I know a lot of people stress peace by wearing yellow ribbons, but there's more to it than just peace in general."

"We know they (the soldiers) are there. We're acknowledging them. The ribbon is a way of saying that I care that something is going on. It's to keep people aware—a reminder that there is a war, that American lives are at stake, and that we should support them."

Other fraternity members at the table agreed. "War is difficult enough," said Dennis Dudek, 19, Theta Xi's scholarship chairman and a sophomore business major. "Why make it any more difficult on the guys who are over there? I wish people would support the troops, whether or not they support the war."

"We're pro-American," added Steve Bowen, 19, a sophomore mathematics major, who asked one student who took a yellow ribbon to "wear it until they (the soldiers) come home."

Cozzi said that reactions from the students had been "surprisingly" positive, although explanations about the ribbons were usually friendly. "I think most people realize that we're supporting America, not supporting war," Dudek added.

For junior Tracey Scott, a yellow ribbon supporting the troops has added significance.

"My cousin is over there, and my best friend is leaving in March," said Scott, 21, whose ribbon is pinned to her jacket. Her thoughts, however, are with the other soldiers as well.

"I'd rather they not be over there," she said. "I think they'd rather be home. But if they have to be over there, they deserve the support of the people here."

Cozzi himself sees the support effort as a way of uniting the campus, much like the nightly prayer vigils for peace sponsored by the Newman Center in each of the dorms.

"I participated in the candlelight vigil here," he said. "It was a good chance to see everybody get together, especially on campus."

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All Around the Campus: The Community Speaks

Do you support the war?

"Yes, but only in a way that we're there in a defensive measure. I don't think that this is a racist war or another Vietnam War. Hussein is not a Hitler; he's a sick man and will be stopped."

Doug Bly
Senior/Psychology

"I'm concerned about the Americans who might be killed or injured during the war. I protested against the war in Vietnam, but my protest was never against the American servicepersons. I dread to think that some of my current students might soon be drafted."

Dr. Terri Schon
Speech Department

"Yes, a 100 percent. Saddam needs to be stopped and we're the one country that can do it. I support our troops over there, and any protesters should be supportive as well."

Gina Suriano
Sophomore/Elementary Education

"I support our troops being over there, but I don't support the politics of the war, seeing as we only get 10 percent of our oil from them."

Darrin King
Sophomore/Psychology
From songs to support in silence:
A tangled history of the yellow ribbon

By Valerie Kalfrin
Outlook Editor

"Tie a yellow ribbon..."
With the recent appearance of yellow ribbons as a symbol for the troops in the Middle East (and a certain old song running through my head), I set out on a quest to find the origins of the "yellow ribbon tradition."

We've gotten this question a few times now," said the man at the information desk of the Brooklyn Public Library. "We don't have a real answer."

Actually, there is no single answer as to why yellow ribbons have popped up again, although there's lots of trivia about them. The U. S. Army calvary wore tassons with yellow braids around the rim during World War I. Maureen O'Hara wore one in the 1950's movie "She Wore a Yellow Ribbon." (She wore it for John Wayne, who starred as a cavalry officer fighting the Indians), Errol Flynn even sang them ("Around Her Neck She Wore a Yellow Ribbon") in the film "They Died with Their Boots On."

Most people, though, have heard of them in reference to Tony Orlando and Dawn. Yet the yellow ribbon tradition, however, dates back to the Iran hostage crisis of the late 1970's, something which led Fay to do some speculating on the ribbons' current prominence.

"I would guess that it's got a lot to do with that song," he said, referring to the Tony Orlando song written by New Jersey natives Russell Brown and Irvin Levin in 1973. "I remember that it was done a lot during the Iranian crisis to bring home the hostages."

Fay, 35, recalled how one of his neighbors drove stakes with yellow ribbons tied to the top of his lawn during the crisis. "It was a way of saying, 'We're waiting for you to come back,' " he said.

As far as the significance of yellow ribbons today, Fay, who has studied both American and European history, can offer only an educated guess.

"I haven't done any research on this, but it might have a lot to do with the Vietnam War and the MIA's. A lot of soldiers got booed when they came back. If you were a Vietnam veteran, people on the street would spit at you. One of my neighbors was so embarrassed when he came back that he hid his uniform. I think the yellow ribbons are a way of saying, 'We're not going to forget you. You're in our thoughts. We're not going to just leave you.'"

"Not only that, but I think the ribbons are saying, 'You'll be welcomed back,' that things will be different this time. The soldiers aren't going to be out of mind when they're out of mind, and when they come back, they'll be welcomed,' " he said.

So far, it seems to be as good a guess as any.

Actually, there is one piece of information that may help answer why yellow ribbons have come back. In the film "Lawrence of Arabia," winner of seven Academy Awards, this majestic visual ode to T.E. Lawrence, the complex and driven British officer who united Arab forces against the Turks during World War I, is an unforgettable epic adventure.

Looking Back
By Chris Panepinto

Ten years ago this week, a student's plight put a new task force into effect, while five years ago, students were opting for some old stand-bys....
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The T.V. War

When Americans remember where they were when the war with Iraq started, the answer will probably be in front of their television sets. The conflict of interests exists here. The U.S. government passes anti-union laws and breaks strikes. It raises workers' taxes while cutting back on education, housing, health care. It raises workers' taxes while fighting. There are just wars, surely means doing everything we can to end them. It’s all hands on deck. Surely it means educating the public about the war. There can be no question that the 90s of the people (we are forced to assuming that this was a representative group that was polled) in this country are in support of Mr. Bush, that this poll goes back to the first days of the war, that many of these people in this country ever agreed about anything. It’s been given peculiar TV coverage, too. The first day or two, not a single sit-com or cartoon showed through all the gobble-de-gook. After that, they realized that real people didn’t want to see all that depressing crap, and went back to their regular programming “OK, everyone! Let’s ignore the problems, and everyone be happy now!” They’ve lost their audience. There will be peace in the Middle East, because no matter how you feel about the conflict, it is still important to have the facts about the war.

Everybody claims to be “supporting the soldiers.” The real question is: ought our soldiers to be fighting at all? If the cause and the war are wrong, “supporting the soldiers” surely means doing everything we can to force the government to bring them home without fighting. There are just wars. We are bombing cities and shooting people. What Fun! Boy, I can’t wait to get in this as well. If I have to worry about anything, I’m in the forties) In any case, we get about 13% of our oil from the Middle East, because no matter how you feel about the conflict, it is still important to have the facts about the war. 

The Ultimate War Game

These war people have got a lot of nerve. Why get all worked up over something you can’t do a thing about? A recent poll said that 90% of the people were fighting on the front lines. This is the first time in the history of the world both sides of a war have access to a single news source. The governments of both the U.S. and Iraq use the around the clock news reports for everything from briefings on the progress of their air strikes, to parading P.O.W.’s in front of American families to foster anti-war sentiments.

The Montclarion would like to salute the efforts of the journalists who are trying to keep the people of the world as informed as possible to events that are taking place in the Middle East, because no matter how you feel about the conflict, it is still important to have the facts about the war. Every day, they write about the war as if they were the ones fighting.

We all know there is a basic conflict of interest between those who rule countries like the Soviet Union or South Africa, and the working people of those countries. But we do not recognize well enough that the same war that benefits the U.S. ruling elite, hurts us. The war with Iraq was only the latest in a long line of wars that benefits the U.S. ruling elite, hurts us. The war with Iraq was only the latest in a long line of wars.

Sure, Hussein is an aggressor. But what about Vietnam? Grenada? Nicaragua? Panama? The U.S. is the biggest aggressor in the world. The U.S. military tortured and murdered POW’s and civilians in Vietnam on a scale that dwarf Hussein’s. The CIA has taught Nazi torture techniques to dictators from Brazil to Iran. The U.S. is the mainstay of fascist, anti-worker regimes the world over.

The U.S. government passes anti-union laws and breaks strikes. It raises workers’ taxes while cutting back on education, housing, health care. It raises workers’ taxes while fighting. There are just wars, surely means doing everything we can to end them. It’s all hands on deck. Surely it means educating the public about the war. There can be no question that the 90s of the people (we are forced to assuming that this was a representative group that was polled) in this country are in support of Mr. Bush, that this poll goes back to the first days of the war, that many of these people in this country ever agreed about anything. It’s been given peculiar TV coverage, too. The first day or two, not a single sit-com or cartoon showed through all the gobble-de-gook. After that, they realized that real people didn’t want to see all that depressing crap, and went back to their regular programming “OK, everyone! Let’s ignore the problems, and everyone be happy now!” They’ve lost their audience. There will be peace in the Middle East, because no matter how you feel about the conflict, it is still important to have the facts about the war.

Words on war: Opinions on the gulf crisis

Grover Furr, English professor
Student responds to Reid's raise

As a student at MSC, I was dismayed by the December 13th article in The Montclarion which reported that President Reid will be receiving an $8,000-a-year raise in July. I was not so much upset by the fact that you are getting this raise as by the timing of the announcement, and the administration’s portrayal in the article. Why was this increase announced at the end of the semester when the students were either busy preparing for finals or on their way home for vacation? Did the administration and the Board of Trustees hope that we students would either not notice it or would forget about it by the time classes resume in January? It reminds me of the way in which Congress pushes its own pay raises through when it believes nobody is looking.

Before you decide that I am just another student activist, allow me to give you a brief autobiography. I am twenty-five years old and come from a middle-class family. For the last five years I have worked full-time for the New Jersey Army National Guard as both a Personnel Specialist and a Training NCO; my rank is presently Sergeant. I pay for most of my educational costs, while the Army pays for part of my tuition. On top of what can range from an eight to twelve hour work day, I attempt to take an average of three classes a semester and my G.P.A. is 3.552. So you can see that I, unlike many full-time students, have more on my mind than where the best party is going to be on Friday night, or how I am going to get to Florida for Spring Break.

As a part-time student, I, like so many other part-time students, am not very active in either school events or politics. The events happen either during the day while I am working or at night when I am in class. As for politics, all the elections and speeches are held during the day. We part-time students, who have both age and experience over most of the full-time students, rarely get to vote on campus issues. Many full-time students might even find it absurd of me for protesting this issue since I pay less tuition than they do. Yet, I have as much right as they do to have my hard earned money spent wisely. This brings me back to the issue at hand - the matter of your raise. I am sure that you work very hard to promote our school, but in this time of rising tuition, declining enrollment, lessening state-aid and overall economic recession can you truly justify this raise? The article in The Montclarion reported that you “smiled and declined to comment” when asked a similar question. President Reid, you must comment on this issue, not just to me but to the entire college community. By declining to comment you only reinforce the concept in the minds of many that all of our leaders are corrupt. If any other person was to ask their employer for a raise, they would be expected to cite reasons for their needing the raise. We students will be paying 30% of your raise, so we deserve to know why you need it.

Please think about why you need this raise. Could the money be better spent on some educational project at present? Perhaps it would be better to set aside somewhere so that it could earn interest in case the school finds itself in need of extra funds in the future. If you still believe that you truly do need the raise, write an article for The Montclarion explaining your reasons (at least three good, tangible reasons) for needing it. You owe the students that much if you are going to take 30% of our tuition monies for yourself.

Sir, perhaps The Montclarion is biased in its views of student/administration relations, but any person coming off the streets would be apt to base their views of this relationship on what they read in the school newspaper. Thus they would be led to believe that the administration treats the students more like children than as adults. If that is not true then you have another good reason to defend your views and open better student/administration dialogues. Remember that both paying students and/or their paying parents get a feel for what is happening on campus through The Montclarion. The school song states the hope that the school’s colors will “forever help us dare, To choose and do the right.” President Reid, I believe it is your turn, no it is your obligation to the community which is MSC, to choose and do what is right, not just for yourself, but for the school as a whole.

Petr P. Fridel
Junior/History

Women offended by gag reflex

We are responding to “Gag Reflex” by John Paul which appeared in the 12/10/90 issue of The Montclarion. The first reaction by most of the members of our class was that what you drew was offensive and showed poor taste and judgment on your part. You project an anti-choice point of view. You are entitled to your opinion; however, be- poor taste and judgment on your part. You believe that the administration treats the stu- dents more like children than as adults. If that is not true then you have another good relationship on what they read in the school consternation, emotional anguish, and sometimes guilt.

We sympathize with women who have had to make the choice that they are legally entitled to, have had an abortion, and then are confronted with your “humor!” Surely, all the feelings women have to be coun- celled through were rehashed an a project an anti-choice point of view. You are entitled to your opinion; however, be- poor taste and judgment on your part. You believe that the administration treats the stu- dents more like children than as adults. If that is not true then you have another good relationship on what they read in the school consternation, emotional anguish, and sometimes guilt.

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Dancing with Wolves

By Adriana Megaro
Correspondent

Normally, a three hour movie about the Indians and the frontier would not interest me. After all, I could probably see something similar in History class. But Dances with Wolves has something those documentaries lack, namely Kevin Costner and a touching script.

Dances with Wolves is a movie about one man’s quest to see the frontier, and the injustice and cruelty he encounters along the way. Costner plays an army sergeant stationed in a desolate outpost on the frontier. The frontier is as beautiful as he expected, but as he patiently readies himself for others to join him, he realizes that no others will come. His loneliness and curiosity lead him to befriend a Sioux Indian tribe. Through their mutual respect for each other they slowly learn to communicate and trust one another. And as this is a Hollywood movie, he finds love with one of the Sioux women, played convincingly and emotionally by Mary McDonnell.

In addition to the touching, intelligent script, there are many sweeping Dakota vistas and breathtaking scenes, especially the killing of the buffalo and the rescue of Costner from the U.S. Army by the Sioux. It is difficult to take sides in this movie. On the one hand you may feel inspired by the mutual respect for each other they slowly learn to communicate and trust one another. And as this is a Hollywood movie, he finds love with one of the Sioux women, played convincingly and emotionally by Mary McDonnell.

But whatever the feelings, this movie will stir some emotion, one you probably won’t forget for sometime.

It comes as no surprise to me, that Dances with Wolves won the Golden Globe for Best Picture and in his directional debut, Costner took home the Best Director award.

This movie is beautiful and touching from beginning to end and you won’t want to miss seeing it on a 70 mm screen. Trust me, folks, it is like nothing you have seen in History class.

Anthrax and Iron Maiden heat up Byrne Arena

By George Olsheski
Staff Writer

When its 90 below with the wind chill, the next best thing to a good cup of hot chocolate is Iron Maiden and Anthrax at the Meadowlands. The inside of the Byrne Arena was warm, but the music was hot!

As I got my tickets, I saw the capitalist vultures hawking Maiden and Anthrax paraphernalia. T-shirts, pins, programs, and even novels. Yes, Metalheads, Bruce Dickinson wrote a novel. It’s titled “The Adventures of Lloyd Iffy Boatsrace.” “I couldn’t believe they had the balls to ask $15 for it, and $12 for a program! And I won’t even get into the shirts! The nerve! By the way, I bought the program and the novel. Viv A Iron Maiden, right?

Before the concert, I must admit I did have presuppositions about Maiden’s new guitarist, Janick Gers, who replaced Adrian Smith, who left the band to pursue a solo career. Smith’s energy was always a key in past concerts, and frankly, I didn’t believe that Gers could replace one of the original five. That is, of course, until I heard Janick play!

I won’t say that Gers is better than Smith. Since that isn’t possible, I will say that he put in a very adequate performance. Normally, a three hour movie about the Indians and the frontier would not interest me. After all, I could probably see something similar in History class. But Dances with Wolves has something those documentaries lack, namely Kevin Costner and a touching script.

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Amy's Movie Reviews

By Amy Caradine
Correspondent

Home Alone, starring (Kevin’s name), (Robber’s name), — is left home while the rest of his family jets to Paris. Two burglars decide on his home leaving young ------ to protect it. Surprisingly this movie deos have a believable reason for a young child to be forgotten. It is a very funny and fresh story with few silly-stupid moments. It keeps its laughs and burglar alarms to those that a child’s mind could invent (a clever child). $$$$$

Look Who’s Talking Too, Starring Kirstie Alley, John Travolta and (the voices of) Roseanne Barr and Bruce Willis. Little Mikey welcomes a new baby sister to his family. Alley and Travolta play the parents. In this sequel to Look Who’s Talking, the focus shifts from the kid, Mikey, to the parents’ relationship. The relationship between Mikey and his new sister is also explored. This movie is definitely not as good as its predecessor because it’s too much like real life (and because Roseanne Barr’s voice is so whiny and damn annoying). $$$

Awakenings, Starring Robert De Niro and Robin Williams. Williams is hired to watch mental patients in “The Garden”, as onw orderly calls it, a place where all attendants have to do is watch them. But Williams is a doctor with a strong background in research. He finds a connection between some of his patients and sees some sort of interaction. He discovers the patients respond to different times of music. He then uses medication on De Niro and finds it can awaken his patients. A deeply touching movie, based on a true story, that is sure to win some oscars. $$$$$

Lionheart, Starring Jean Claude Van Dame. Damme is called home by his sister-in-law for a family emergency. He escapes the French Legion in Africa to travel to California. He makes his money in underground “street” fights where gamblers root for fighters in fight with no rules. A horrible movie with bad acting, plot and hcaracters. The only thing to keep a moviegoer from walking out is Van Damme’s works and the fights. $
Couch Potato Update

By George Olshewski

It’s the end of break. I have absolutely NOTHING to do. No work, no pay to do much of anything, and my girlfriend’s working full time, so there goes my naughty daytime antics. So, what did I do? I hopped in my van and drove to my local video store. As I was scanning the titles, I spotted a vid that was hyped as the most offensive, gross, vulgar videotape of all time- “The Adventures of Ford Fairlane.” This videotape will cause the decline of Western civilization, bad breath, hairy palms, and blindness in our country’s youth, according to feminists, Jim-and-Tammy types, and Tipper Gore. As always, I wanted to find out what the hell the hubbub was. I slapped my Lincoln (that’s a $5 bill) on the counter and popped the vid in my VCR.

Now, in my career here at The Montclarion, I’ve written some funny articles and some off-color editorials. I’ve caught flak from a bunch of people on a number of issues, but I feel the shit’s really going to hit the fan this time. I liked it. I liked “Ford Fairlane.”

Really.

There, I’ve said it. Now, before any feminist neo-Nazi leather biker-chick from the Village chapter of Hell’s Angels paints a target on the side of my head like Sinéad O’Connor, let me explain.

First of all, this isn’t a Disney movie. Just from the billing, viewers should have realized that this wasn’t a mamby pamby flick. I mean, it’s Dice, snapperhead! Second, if you really thought this movie was serious, you’d best hop into a suped up DeLorean with Marty McFly and jump back into the Fifties, because you’re hopelessly naive.

Third, DO NOT TAKE THIS FILM SERIOUSLY! I mean, it was meant as a spoof! Sure, it’s degrading. Sure, it’s vulgar. But it’s funny! If you take this movie seriously, you spoil a night of fun. Take some time out from seriousness and sit back and watch. If you watch it and don’t like it for whatever reason, fine. But, as I’ve always said, watch the thing before you make a decision. How do you know you hate a food if you’ve never tasted it? Granted, Dice may go with certain viewers like Bosco goes with London Broil, but is he any different from Eddie Murphy (who, as I recall, was the same obnoxious twit vulgar PMRC-turning mother as Dice is) when “Delirious” or “Raw” was released? I mean, “Ford Fairlane” won’t win an Oscar, but it was a nice way to kill an otherwise uneventful afternoon. I liked it. Un-be-lievable.

Target practice, anyone?

SPUD’S NOTES

I happened to notice on the newsstands last week that Elvis was supposed to sing at the Super Bowl. I saw Whitney Houston. Man, has the King changed!

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Rocket Set to Launch NFL Career

Last week college football's brightest star Raghib "Rocket" Ismail announced at a press conference that he would forego his final year of eligibility to enter the 1991 NFL draft. Ismail, changed his tune after telling reporters time and time again that he would return for his senior year at South Bend. According to the Rocket, his decision to leave Notre Dame came after team Chris Zorich returned to his Chicago home after a 10-9 Orange Bowl loss to Colorado, to find his mother dead in her apartment. Ismail said the death of Zorich's mom had made him realize that he wanted to provide for his family before it was too late. There is no doubt that the Wilkes Barre native made the right decision to leave Notre Dame without getting his degree. The Rocket, who will be approximately 30 credits shy of completing his education after completing this semester has stated that he will return to finish what he started.

Why did Rocket make the right decision? If you take a look at what the so-called experts have to say, Ismail is the top pick in the draft and it isn’t close for second. While the average college graduate would be lucky to get a job out of college commanding a yearly salary of $20,000-$25,000, Ismail's starting salary two full semesters short of graduation could easily average $3 million per year for five years with about three of the five years guaranteed. In a society where we all strive to achieve financial security it only makes sense to move on when his stock is at an all-time high.

If Ismail were to stay for his senior year, the people at New York's Downtown Athletic Club could start engraving his name on next year's Heisman Trophy capping off a splendid career at Notre Dame. However, what if the young man who runs a blazing 4.26 stepped onto the field and by some unfortunate circumstances suffered a career threatening injury during his hypothetical senior year. Under such unfortunate circumstances, would his degree be something he could truly "fall back on"? The difference between commanding $3 million annually without a college education and $30 thousand with a degree would have most people thinking about what could have been until they make it to the grave.

With the exception of capturing the Heisman Trophy which he should have one last year, Ismail has nothing left to accomplish on the college gridiron. It is time for the Rocket and his family to enjoy the financial security that he will provide by heading to the rigors of the National Football League.

Grapplers Continue to dominate opponents

On January 11th, a heavy snowstorm that covered the Metropolitan area forced the Red Hawk wrestling team to stay home and miss the Binghamton Tournament. That cost MSC, as it dropped from third to ninth in the Division III national ranking. The past two weeks Montclair has been busy trying to regain its national standing.

Montclair State hosted the Raiders of Rutgers-Newark on the 17th at Panzer Gymnasium and the match was pretty much decided before it even started. Rutgers-Newark forfeited five matches and four Red Hawks registered pinfalls as MSC defeated the Raiders 57-0.

After victories over Salisbury State and King's College, Montclair traveled down to Union where they defeated ranked Red Hawks on the 16th ranked Cougars. After falling behind 16-3, MSC came back strong behind the upper weight classes of BILL TEMPLETON - 167 lbs., JIM SLOAN - 177 lbs., SCOTT VEGA - 190 lbs. and JOHN STOBBE - HWt. Templeton registered a technical fall cutting the Kean lead to eight. The Sloan registered his 13th pinfall of the season as MSC moved to within two. Vega 9-5 decision win put MSC ahead 17-16 with the anticipated heavyweight match to decide the outcome. The match lived up to its expectations as sophomoreiarew with Kean's Ives Viola 3-2 to give MSC a 19-18 win leaving them undefeated in the conference at 4-0.

Men's Hoops Blasts Rutgers-Camden 65-51, But Program Can't Defeat Adversity

By Michael Frasco
Sports Editor

The MSC men's basketball team accomplished something Saturday, that it has been unable to do much of in the last four years: Win.

In beating Rutgers-Camden, 65-51, MSC snapped a five game losing streak, improving its record to 4-13 (2-10 NJAC).

After a lethargic first half which saw MSC fall behind 31-25, the Red Hawks applied a full court press to start the second half.

The pressure worked, as MSC turned a six-point deficit into a commanding 51-36 lead, midway through the second half. Freshman forward, Egon Lewis had MSC's first eight points in the team's 24-5 run.

But it was MSC's defense on the Pioneers which keyed the victory. The Red Hawk defense forced eleven steals and caused the Pioneers to commit 24 turnovers during the contest.

Lewis, an NJAC Rookie of the Year Candidate, had a solid all-around game, as he scored 18 points, grabbed six rebounds and had five assists.

Ernie Harris and Brian McNair had 15 and 10 points respectively for MSC. Camden was led by Don Polić (14), Jim Byrd (14), and Jay Schroeder (12).

Getting back to MSC's lack of winning in the previous four seasons, MSC head coach Ollie Gelston attributed the mystery, "We have had a great deal of difficulty hanging on to our freshman recruits."

Gelston says the main reason for this is due to academic and personal reasons. The program is combined 19-74 in the last four years. Why such a drastic downspin during those seasons? Gelston neglected to comment, but if this season is any indication of the previous few years, one can look to injuries as part of the blame.

Case in point, in the Rutgers - Camden game, MSC junior guard, Lamont Halsey did not play due to an injured wrist. Halsey is a key player for Gelston, as he is third on the team scoring (10.7) and tied for first in steals (2.4).

To add to the team's troubles, sophomore Raymond Goode and freshman Daryl Cray did not suit up for the game for personal reasons.

In fact, just eight players suited up for the Rutgers-Camden game, compared to the usual 11.

Yet, the biggest disadvantage of this young team is its inexperience in playing together. The starting five players, Mike Tinley, Malik Jones, Egon Lewis, Ernie Harris and Raymond Goode, have combined as few years of experience. Tinley, Harris and Goode are sophomores. Lewis and Jones are freshman.

That is what Gelston means by the program's inability to hold on to freshman recruits. He says, "the kids need to play together for one or two years." That has not been the case in recent years as the program continues to suffer through adverse times.

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tal, both of Ohio.

The game against Kean was rescheduled from January 11 due to snow. MSC opened the season 10-0, but have hit the skids going just 5-4 in their last nine contests. They have also lost three of their last seven NJAC contests, including two in a row.

Their four losses were to Rollins College, a Division II school from Florida, Rutgers-Newark, Rutgers-Camden and now Kean. The loss to Kean was their first in Panzer since Kean defeated them February 23, 1990, in the NJAC finals.

MSC lost two guards this week. Martinez is out for the season with the broken forearm, and senior co-captain Cathy Madalone left the team due to a severe back injury, coupled with personal problems, Lange said.

Kim Wilson is currently fourth on the all-time scoring list in MSC history. She has accumulated, thus far, 1596 points which is just 50 behind third place Pat Colasurdo's 1646. Tracey Brown is second with 1923 points while Caesha Blazejewski finished first with 3199 points, including 1235 her senior year.

It doesn't get any easier for MSC as it has come down to crunch time. Over the next two weeks they have five big conference games, including a home game against WPC on Saturday, and a rematch with Kean, in Union, on February 15th. This game might decide who hosts the NJAC Championships.

The Bottom Line

By Matt Wintner
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Rocket Set to Launch NFL Career

Last week college football's brightest star Raghib "Rocket" Ismail announced at a press conference that he would forego his final year of eligibility to enter the 1991 NFL draft. Ismail, changed his tune after telling reporters time and time again that he would return for his senior year at South Bend. According to the Rocket, his decision to leave Notre Dame came after team Chris Zorich returned to his Chicago home after a 10-9 Orange Bowl loss to Colorado, to find his mother dead in her apartment. Ismail said the death of Zorich's mom had made him realize that he wanted to provide for his family before it was too late. There is no doubt that the Wilkes Barre native made the right decision to leave Notre Dame without getting his degree. The Rocket, who will be approximately 30 credits shy of completing his education after completing this semester has stated that he will return to finish what he started.

Why did Rocket make the right decision? If you take a look at what the so-called experts have to say, Ismail is the top pick in the draft and it isn’t close for second. While the average college graduate would be lucky to get a job out of college commanding a yearly salary of $20,000-$25,000, Ismail's starting salary two full semesters short of graduation could easily average $3 million per year for five years with about three of the five years guaranteed. In a society where we all strive to achieve financial security it only makes sense to move on when his stock is at an all-time high.

If Ismail were to stay for his senior year, the people at New York's Downtown Athletic Club could start engraving his name on next year's Heisman Trophy capping off a splendid career at Notre Dame. However, what if the young man who runs a blazing 4.26 stepped onto the field and by some unfortunate circumstances suffered a career threatening injury during his hypothetical senior year. Under such unfortunate circumstances, would his degree be something he could truly "fall back on"? The difference between commanding $3 million annually without a college education and $30 thousand with a degree would have most people thinking about what could have been until they make it to the grave.

With the exception of capturing the Heisman Trophy which he should have one last year, Ismail has nothing left to accomplish on the college gridiron. It is time for the Rocket and his family to enjoy the financial security that he will provide by heading to the rigors of the National Football League.

Grapplers Continue to dominate opponents

On January 11th, a heavy snowstorm that covered the Metropolitan area forced the Red Hawk wrestling team to stay home and miss the Binghamton Tournament. That cost MSC, as it dropped from third to ninth in the Division III national ranking. The past two weeks Montclair has been busy trying to regain its national standing.

Montclair State hosted the Raiders of Rutgers-Newark on the 17th at Panzer Gymnasium and the match was pretty much decided before it even started. Rutgers-Newark forfeited five matches and four Red Hawks registered pinfalls as MSC defeated the Raiders 57-0.

After victories over Salisbury State and King's College, Montclair traveled down to Union where they defeated ranked Red Hawks on the 16th ranked Cougars. After falling behind 16-3, MSC came back strong behind the upper weight classes of BILL TEMPLETON - 167 lbs., JIM SLOAN - 177 lbs., SCOTT VEGA - 190 lbs. and JOHN STOBBE - HWt. Templeton registered a technical fall cutting the Kean lead to eight. The Sloan registered his 13th pinfall of the season as MSC moved to within two. Vega 9-5 decision win put MSC ahead 17-16 with the anticipated heavyweight match to decide the outcome. The match lived up to its expectations as sophomoreiarew with Kean's Ives Viola 3-2 to give MSC a 19-18 win leaving them undefeated in the conference at 4-0.
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SPORTSLINE

WRESTLING

Last Week: 7-0
NJAC: 2-0
Overall Record: 11-1
NJAC: 4-0

Last Week:
1-17 MSC 57, Rutgers-Nwkn 0
1-19 MSC 36, Salisbury 5
MSC 36, King's 9
1-24 MSC 19, Kean College 18
1-26 MSC 31, Plymouth State 10
MSC 32, Wagner College 7
MSC 24, Norwich 18

This Week:
1-29 vs. Seton Hall 7:00 pm
1-31 vs. Glassboro State 7:30 pm
2-03 vs. Oswego Tourn. 12:00pm

INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Last Week:
1-27 at Princeton Relays
-no team places recorded
This Week:
2-02 at Delaware Invitationals
2-03 at ECAC Championships

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING

(Men)
Last Week: 2-3 NJAC: 1-0
Overall Record: 3-7 NJAC: 1-2

(Women)
Last Week: 0-3 NJAC: 0-2
Overall Record: 3-7 NJAC: 1-3

Last Week: (Men)
1-16 MSC 90, Stony Brook 123
1-19 MSC 95, Glassboro St.125
1-24 MSC 121, Wm. Paterson120
1-26 MSC 65, NYU 48
MSC 53, Fairfield 60

(Women)
1-16 MSC 78, Stony Brook 126
1-19 MSC 87, Glassboro St. 140
1-24 MSC 49, Wm. Paterson 181

Blanton Sets Sights High

By Paul Donefsky
Staff Writer

As I waited 20 feet away from a meeting entering its twentieth minute, I couldn’t help thinking how thoroughly Coach Blanton delivered his message to his team. Ten more minutes passed; perhaps too thoroughly.

As his underclassmen broke ranks and he approached me, I was more than anxious to hear what the meeting was for. "Just some team business," he later said. We were already shortening down to the main gym before I could ask.

As a track star and coach at Clifford Scott High in East Orange to his current post as head coach of Montclair's Track and Field, coach Blanton has the program competing and "teaching Division I programs in just four short years.

Whereas in the past the schedule contained mediocre competition now his players go up against such stalwarts like Villanova, Ohio State, Stonet Hall, Howard, Temple to the world class competition. At the Terrier Classic his players watched a world record get broken.

Out of six meets this season the team failed to qualify only once. How good is this team? Good enough to survive top distance runner Kevin Miller's injury that has kept his future in doubt. Good enough to overcome sophomore Robert Piemanti's heel operation just one year removed from going to a national championship as a freshman. Left to carry on though are a very talented underclassmen such as Yvonne Bradford (6 school records), Sharon Lino (2 school records), and Denise Drakes (3 school records); all freshmen, Sophomore Derrick Williams, who broke a school record at the Terrier Classic, and Jamie Diaz who not only broke a school record in pole vaulting out also placed second in that meet pitted against the best Division I had to offer. John Wilkerson, the only senior, is steadying influence on the team and is praised by Coach Blanton for being a leader.

"There is no doubt in my mind that we have the potential to be the best Division III program in the country," Coach Blanton confidently said six days away from a huge meet at the University of Delaware and the U.S. Vitalis Games on the horizon as well. In the end, these talent-laden but inexperienced players might very well break a more important track record, that of opponents wondering where Montclair State College is.