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

Vigil held for soldiers

By R.A. Campos
News Editor

With a 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 people's 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.

"My fiance, Terry Mahoney, is on the front line at Saudi Arabia," Mary Joyce, a sophomore and psychology major who attends the vigils said.

"I lost my brother, I would need to get together and pray," Father Art said. He will continue the vigil as long as people need it.

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

"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. The new system is an extreme improvement over the old one that 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 photograpy. Our office is located in the Student Center Annex, room 113, and our phone number is 893-5169.
**World News**

Compiled by William C. Hendrixson

**News**

- 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 slick 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 or seven targeted 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 request taxes to compensate expenses 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 needed to affect our economic recession.
- Public opinion in Egypt is swaying towards pro-Iraqi sentiment, forcing Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to temporarily halt his active anti-Iraq 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 necessity?
- Four CBS news crew members were reported missing near the Saudi desert with their planes. No sign of any struggle was found.
- Iraq closed its borders with Jordan in an effort to contain the massive flow 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 fled to 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 towards their ailing economy by cancelling all 50 and 100 ruble notes this week, thereby reducing currency in circulation by 33%. This economic mismanagement 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 without public incident.
- Lithuania remains tense, as Latvian militia reactivated 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 had been scheduled for February 11-13 in Moscow. The scheduling 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 operated by 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 guerillas, known as UNITA. The plan, although not signed yet, is expected to be approved by both sides. The war, which raged since 1975, cost over 35,000 lives.
- The Yugoslavian Republic of Croatia steadfast against the Central Government’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 sentencings 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 $.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, heedng the threat of terrorism.

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**Weather**

By T.S. Lawton

**Thursday:**

- High 35 F. degrees.
- Low 10 F. degrees.
- Snow/Showers into the night clearing by morning.

**Friday:**

- High 27 F. degrees.
- Low 9 F. degrees.
- Partly cloudy. Slight chance of late snow.

**Saturday:**

- High 29 F. degrees.
- Low 16 F. degrees.

**Sunday:**

- High 41 F. degrees.
- Low 26 F. degrees.
- Partly cloudy.

**Monday:**

- High 47 F. degrees.
- Low 30 F. degrees.
- Sunny. Windy.

**Tuesday:**

- High 52 F. degrees.
- Low 32 F. degrees.
- Partly cloudy. Light breezes.

**Wednesday:**

- High 54 F. degrees.
- Low 34 F. degrees.
- Partly Cloudy.

**Thursday:**

- High 50 F. degrees.
- Low 31 F. degrees.
- Passing Clouds.

**Average temperatures:**

- Highs 28-33 F. degrees.
- Lows 13 F.-18 F. degrees.
Freeman caf. open

By R.A. Campos
News Editor

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 had not 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.

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."

Less than a week later, on Christmas Eve, he died of a heart attack at Mountainside Hospital in Glen Ridge.

Johnson, 67, was a 32-year faculty member at MSC. He was chairman of the Political Science Department for the last six years.

Dr. Philip Cohen, Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences, describes Johnson as a quiet, gentle man who loved teaching.

"Few faculty members established close relationships to their students as he did," Cohen said. "The student cafeteria was like his second office."

He was also a brave man. He received a Distinguished Flying Cross in World War II for extra, voluntary missions as an Army Air Force navigator, delivering cargo from India to China without fighter plane support.

Born in Lowell, Massachusetts, he moved to Upper Montclair in 1962.

His specialty was teaching international relations and the politics of India.

Johnson worked his way through Rutgers University, where he received his bachelor's degree, playing the piano in a jazz trio. He received his master's degree from The New School for Social Research and his doctorate from New York University. He was president of the Montclair Chapter of the United Nations Association (UNA) for two terms and was a member of the New Jersey State Board of Directors of the UNA. 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.

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 our weapons to get back at the Iraqi Army?" His elder 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 electromagnetic 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.

"Colder 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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Vandalism on Campus

William C. Hendrixson
Assistant News Writer

- **Break-ins:**
  - Between January 18 and January 21, the student center annex was nothing but pantyhose.
  - January 14 at 4 p.m. a male was seen in the man.
  - Between January 11 at noon and 7:30 a.m. three cars parked in lot 21 had their windows broken.
  - Between January 11 at noon and 7:30 a.m. on January 14, rooms 127 and 129 in the student center annex were forcibly entered although nothing was stolen.
  - January 27 between 12:15 a.m. and 1:20 a.m. a 1980 Volkswagen parked in lot 30 had its window smashed. Nothing was stolen.

- **Burglaries:**
  - January 1 at 6:15 p.m. an apartment in the 100 complex was broken into while the female occupant was home. While she sought assistance the burglar stole her purse. The screen to the rear window was damaged in the break in.
  - January 22 at 6:30 a.m. a 6 foot 2 inch white male was seen around the Clove 300 building by a Statewide security guard. The male was not found, although the guard found a set of burglary tools near where he had seen the man.
  - Between January 5 and 6 a 1984 Oldsmobile Cutlass was burglarized of $15, a cassette, and wallets.
  - January 23 between 11:30 and 1 p.m. a Life Cutlass was burglarized. Nothing was stolen.
  - Between January 24 and January 29 there were 5 incidents of theft of unattended purses and wallets.
  - January 28 between 1 a.m. and 1:20 a.m. a 1982 Toyota Celica hand its window broken.
  - Between January 11 and January 15, a 1983 Ford 2 door parked in lot 22 had its window broken.
  - Between January 11 at noon and 7:30 a.m. on January 14, rooms 127 and 129 in the student center annex were forcibly entered although nothing was stolen.
  - January 27 between 12:15 a.m. and 2 a.m. three cars parked in lot 21 had their windows broken.

- **Fire Alarms/ Bomb Threats:**
  - January 11 at 8 p.m. a male student discharged a chemical fire extinguisher setting off the building’s fire alarm. The student was charged with disorderly conduct and awaits trial.
  - 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.
  - January 26 at 3:05 a.m. Blanton Hall received a bomb threat upon which Campus Police evacuated and searched the building.
  - 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:**
  - January 28 at 12:40 a.m. a student forced a chained exit in Blanton Hall open with a chair and left. He was identified and awaits charges.
  - Between January 11 at noon and 7:30 a.m. on January 14, rooms 127 and 129 were forcibly entered although nothing was stolen.
  - January 27 between 2 a.m. and 2:15 a.m. a Blanton Hall resident reported that his television was stolen from his room. Later it was found that it was his fraternity playing a prank on him.

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"Political reasons aside, every soldier is looking at death," Jolyn 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 Mc Ardle, 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 vigils 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 who 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 damned, 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 policemen 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, "if that is true the government will spend

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It's 1991. Do you know where your alumni are?

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On October 25, 1990, fifty-three Delta Alumni and thirteen brothers gathered to celebrate fifteen years of independence and unrivaled success. The Alumni in attendance represented MSC graduates from 1974-1990. All are highly accomplished businessmen.

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Tying one on: Fraternity supports troops with ribbons

By Valerie Kalfrin

It began at a small square table by the elevators in Blanton Hall. As students walked through the lobby on their way to dinner, Dave Cozzi, 19, pulled a long strip of yellow ribbons out of a white envelope. He folded the ribbon over in his hands, the same motion he'd been making for the past week in the same place.

"Make them about this long," he said, cutting off a piece about an inch long and reaching for a package of tiny gold pins.

"I know three guys over there right now—one friend from work and two that I met through MSC," he said last Friday. "Two of them are on the front line, and one's on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Eisenhower. I thought it would be a nice idea to see people supporting the troops instead of being against them and the whole war effort."

Cozzi approached Carl Zeitz, Theta Xi's president, with the idea, and for 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 acknowledged 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 in order.

"Even though people might be against the war, there have been a rare few who haven't wanted to wear it (the yellow ribbon)," he said.

"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 servicemen. 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 Kalfin
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 a lot of trivia about them. The U.S. Army calvary wore stetsons with yellow brims 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 calvary 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 long before the song "Tie a Yellow Ribbon "round the Old Oak Tree," yellow ribbons were used as symbols of loyalty and "keeping the faith."

It all began in Ireland, more than a century ago.

Tying yellow ribbons for someone did start with a song, but the song was an Irish folk ballad about a young woman waiting for her loved one. John Fay, a senior history major at MSC, was able to fill in the details, as well as add to the yellow ribbon lore supplied by the library.

One of Fay's professors in the history department told him about the ballad. "The Irish immigrants brought it to America," he said.

Fay speculated that the tradition itself, however, first appeared in this country during the Civil War. "A young woman with a boy-

friend or fiance in the army would wear a yellow ribbon in her hair," he said. "It was a way of saying that she would be faithful to him while he was away, and that she was waiting for him to come home."

The Brooklyn Library also had a Civil War reference to tell. "Many women tied yellow ribbons to trees until their loved one's safe return," said the man at the information desk.

The most recent incident of yellow ribbons, 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'd 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 into 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.

Looking Back

By Chris Panepinto

Jan. 29, 1981

"Rape suspect arrested"

On Dec. 22, a female student was raped in Life Hall. The suspect, Henokiah Mathews, an employee of the cafeteria services, allegedly attacked the victim while she was waiting for a friend in a dance studio. Mathews was held for trial at Passaic County Jail where his bail was set at $50,000. As a result of the attack, Dean of Student Affairs Jean Armstrong established a rape task force to assess campus security.

Feb. 6, 1986

"Students veto Blanton alternative; opt for paper plates"

A proposal to close Freeman Hall Cafeteria because of a broken dishwasher was rejected by Residence Life administrators. The decision came as a result of a survey given to Freeman residents that gave them the choice of eating at Blanton Hall or using paper products until the dishwasher could be replaced. Freeman Hall residents agreed that the inconvenience of walking all the way across campus would be intolerable for the rest of the semester, and voted for paper products. The estimated cost of supplies was estimated at $12,000.

The Greek Weekly: Spring Rush Dates

Phi Sigma Sigma: Feb. 4 (8:30 p.m.) in Kaps Lounge, Russ Hall
Phi Sigma Delta: Feb. 6 (8:30 p.m.) in Student Center Cafe
Theta Kappa Chi: Information tables: Feb. 1 (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) in the Rat
Sigma Delta Tau: Feb. 7 information tables at Blanton (4:30 to 7:30 p.m.)
Sigma Delta Phi: Open House Feb. 1 to Feb. 4 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.), S. C. Cafe Bid Acceptance: Feb. 15 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)
Tau Kappa Epsilon: Info, Feb. 1 rush party. Call Dent at 783-2119 for details
Iota Gamma Xi: Feb. 4 pizza rush in S. C. Cafe B (6:30 p.m.)
Feb. 6 athletic night, Sprague back gym (7:30 p.m.)
Feb. 8 S. C. Cafe C (7:30-8:30 p.m.)
Iota Phi Phi: Feb. 1 (7-9 p.m.), 208B Clove Road
Feb. 5 rush mixer (6 p.m.), formal dining room
Feb. 8 S. C. Cafe C (7:30-8:30 p.m.)
Jan. 31 rush party (6 p.m.), S. C. Cafe
Zeta Beta Tau: Feb. 4 S. C. Cafe B (7:30-8:30 p.m.)
Feb. 6 Clove Road Apto. 104A (8-9 p.m.)
Feb. 8 S. C. Cafe C (7:30-8:30 p.m.)
*2/10: 5 p.m. meeting for the girls being presented at Cotillion, S. C. rooms 411-412

Fraternity's ribbons show support with a "twist"

cont. from p. 7

As the brothers packed up the pins and envelope of ribbon in order to eat some dinner themselves, Cozzi expressed some personal views on the Gulf crisis.

"I think anyone opposed to the war doesn't understand the potential of Saddam Hussein," he said. "He's holding a people captive in their own country.

"Personally, though, I hope the war comes to a quick end. I'm not ready to go to any of my friend's funerals," he added.

He is ready, however, to expand the support operation beyond the lobby of Blanton Hall. "Maybe by the end of next week, we'll move onto Bohn, Stone, Webster, Freeman and the Student Center," Cozzi said.

"I'd like to keep doing this as long as the troops are in Saudi, until everyone on the campus has a ribbon," he said.

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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 sitting in front of their television sets.

But the crisis in the gulf has been developing for a very long time, and is in fact, unprecedented coverage of an armed conflict as it happens.

The Cable News Network (CNN) and others cut into prime time television with coverage of the first allied air strike, a new age in news reporting was born.

For 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 the air strikes, to parading P.O.W.'s in front of American families to foster anti-war sentiment.

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 what is going on.

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 (we are forced to assume that this was a representative group that was polled) in this country are in support of Mr. Bush's war. It has been the first 10 years to that many 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 gobbledygook.

After that, they realized that real people didn’t want to see all that depressing crap, and went back to “regular programming” (OK, everyone! let’s ignore the problems, and every­body be happy now) but they kept inter­rupting the war in Tampa, the one that had the Giants versus some team from Buffalo (where everyone is a crazy religious fanatic) with these trivial reports on the game in the gulf.

Where the different sides wear different hel­mets. The Superbowl is certainly more exciting than the Iran War. It was close. Good thing Channel Seven could tell them apart.

So some of us are upset about this war thing because we have loved ones over there who might die! (Oh my god what a traumatic experience!) But this stems from peoples generally silly fear of death. Almost everybody dies at the end of their life, what’s special about it? But I don’t want to be vacationing in the desert at the time! I’m going to die, and so are you. Like it or not, it’s going to happen, so you’d better be happy and deal with it.

So if I get called to Active Duty next week I could get hit by a bus tomorrow. Either way, I’ll probably have soiled underwear. Besides, if these loved ones had their values in the right place, they wouldn’t have signed up for this.

Some people wonder what we are doing over there. We are bombing cities and shooting people. What Fun! Boy, I can’t wait to go into a war. If the U.S. government isn’t foolish enough anymore, I must be in the forties! In any case, we get about 13% of our oil from the region where the fighting is going on. If someone had any sense, I’d spend millions on solar energy, but I forget among which I live.

How can you tax the sun? No one has a question worth the national attention. Solve that and everything will be wonderful. That’s another thing. These people think war will change something. Or that something will change if we abolish war. Grow up. You are only anti war because it’s fashionable. War will not go away. Ever since there has been more than one group of people, there has been war. Until there is only one people, one religion, one color, one nose size, one world where everyone is exactly the same, there will be war. To think otherwise is to deny reality. So if it is your opinion to deny reality, be my guest.

So if my president, Mr George (what can you expect from someone name George) Bush, for whom I did not vote, calls me up, and says “Your country needs you”, I suppose I’ll go. I’ll have to worry about any­thing, and if I don’t, I’ll live, and at least it’ll be a good book or something. But then again, I hear Brazil is nice this time of year...

Words on war: Opinions on the gulf crisis

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 back home without fighting. There are just wars, surely means doing everything we can to let big corporations off. The U.S. govern­ment sides with bosses against working people in the struggle for health care. It raises workers’ taxes while big business doesn’t have to pay.

We all know there is a basic conflict of interests 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 conflict of interests exists here.

The U.S. government passes anti-union laws and breaks strikes. It bails out the banks while cutting back on education, housing, health care, and causes workers’ taxes while letting big corporation at large. The government sides with bosses against working people every time. Yet we’re supposed to believe that, in its foreign policy, this anti-worker regime is OUR side! The truth is: anything the U.S. does is not a democracy, but a dictatorship of big business. We all know “money talks.” Our elected officials take orders from the rich and the big corpora­tions that pay them. Under those conditions, real democracy is impossible.

This is an imperialist war. Imperialism is the brutal process of conquering other people and their lands in order to exploit them for maximum profit. Vietnam was an imperialist war, part of the P.O.W. syndrome. In 1970, the U.S. took it over in the 50’s. By the 1980’s, the U.S. had replaced England as the dominant power in the Mideast. Now Iraqi rulers are trying their hand at imperialism, challenging U.S. imperialists for control of oil.

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’s 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:

Thailand, Indonesia, South Korea, Guate­mala, El Salvador, South Africa, Zaire, Egypt, Pakistan, Yemen, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, — the list goes on and on. Hussein, though evil, is a pipsqueak compared to this.

If I die, I won’t have to worry about any­thing but a lie! Want to support our soldiers? HERE is what you can do: Urge them to refuse to go. Dozens have already done so. If they have gone already, write them about the anti-war movement. Send tape recordings; the military is not censoring them — yet! Encourage them to question the war; to organize anti-war meetings and demonstrations in their units; to refuse to obey orders. During the Vietnam War tens of thousands of G.I.s did this.

Remind them: You have the guns. In Vietnam, many American soldiers “fragged” (killed) the officers and “lifers” who tried to get them killed by forcing them to fight.

We must organize until the protests be­come massive. This will inspire anti-war soldiers; they will know there is a power back home. It will help those who still believe the U.S. government’s lies begin to question this unjust war.

Want to work to end this immoral war? Contact S.T.A.N.D., a student group open to all who oppose the war for whatever reasons. Come to meetings Wednesdays at 3pm, or leave a message at 677-6221.

Grover Furr, English professor

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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 you 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 pussy 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 a say in 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, so 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.

Peter 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, before publicly displaying such a strong statement, perhaps you could have been more sensitive to how it would affect others.

The choice to have an abortion, for most women, is not one which is made without serious consideration, 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 counseled through were rehearsed an analysis of the picture you were trying to convey. Although you may have had good intentions, you must understand how this picture can be interpreted and the implications of such for your readership which includes many women.

Students of MSC
Women's Worlds Class

Lack of assistance from lab assistants

I would like to express my concern about the computer lab assistants in Richardson Hall. Most people today are computer literate. Since the students using the lab are not all Computer Science majors, naturally we don't know all the intricate workings of the machines. Just because we may not be familiar with this one system the assistants try to make us look stupid. I'm sure I speak for many students who frequent the lab when we say we don't like to be talked down to, especially by our peers. Not only do the assistants insult your intelligence, but they wind up not really helping you at all.

To ask an assistant for help is like pulling teeth. Even for a simple request, like getting a start-up disk, they make you feel like you are bothering them. I really don't know where they get off having this bad attitude, seeing as helping people is their job. That is their purpose for being there. After all, they do get paid for this. I do have a positive note on this subject: There are a couple of outstanding lab assistants who do go out of their way to help people. Unfortunately they have to because they pick up the other assistants' slack. These lab assistants' names are Pat Ma and Lyla John. Many is the time I've heard other students request these assistants. Everyone knows they're the only ones they can count on for help.

Pat Ma and Lyla John should be commended! To the other lab assistants I just say, "Thanks for nothing!" They really need a change of attitude or a change of job. This has been going on for too long, and I sincerely hope that this semester the situation will improve.

Margaret A. Milner
Senior/History

Future construction to create more parking problems for MSC

In the next several months the college will begin to start construction on some much needed additions to the campus grounds. Any improvements will be well received by most of the college community. There is a great need for new buildings for a variety of reasons. My understanding of the proposed master plan is to construct a new building in parking lot one. I don't think this is a major mistake. Probably the biggest problem on this campus, besides the growing budget problems, is parking. This new building will take parking away from the areas people want to park in. I think a much better thought would be to put any new buildings down in the area of the Quarry Fieldhouse. By doing this several things would be accomplished. First of all, the faculty and students using this building would want to park near it, so parking would be easier in the present lots. People would have a reason to be in the lower lots. It would preserve the existing lots near the library and classrooms. It would also probably help with the security on campus and in the parking lots at all hours of the day and night. Finally, it would also be a nice way to keep traffic down around campus, because of the anticipated construction of the new access road to the back end of campus.

My suggestion to the administration is to consider this in future construction plans. It is a no lose situation.

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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 a 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 plight of one man to see the frontier and of the determination of the Indians to survive. But on the other hand you may feel horrified at the treatment of the Indians, or even betrayed by some of Costner's actions.

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.

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**Anthrax and Iron Maiden heat up Byrne Arena**

By George Olshewski
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 Lord Iffy Boatscar." "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. Viva 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 then, I have not felt better about the original? Better he is not, but a he is definitely his equal. Upon listening to Maiden's new album, "No Prayer For The Dying," I thought Janick Gers was okay. No big deal. He's just another guitarist replacement. Live, I was impressed. The concert opened up with "Tailgunnner," which showed some of his talent. After the concert, I was confident that Janick Gers could take over in Adrian Smith's place. But, Bruce Dickinson's vocals along with the other four Maidenmen made the night memorable.

Maiden played a decent mix of older stuff and new cuts. A lot of bands on tour lately play the entire new album with a few songs from the older music. Not Maiden. Opening with "Tailgunner," playing a few older cuts such as "Iron Maiden" and "Sanctuary," the concert staple "Number of the Beast," these were all blended into a great sounding 90-minute set that had the Byrne Arena rocking.

Mr. Dickinson had the crowd cheering more thanonce, and not just because of the music. It seems that the band had seen the Giants-49ers game. Bruce liked it. I quote: "The only thing I can compare Joe Montana's face when he saw Matt Bahr's kick go through the goal posts would be Saddam Hussein taking a sh*t and looking straight at a Tomahawk cruise missile coming at him." Unquote.

Of course, then there's Anthrax. Normally I don't delve too much into the realm of speed/thrash metal, but these guys even had me thrashing to the music. The remake "Got the Time," "Indians," and, of course, "I'm the Man." It was in this rap-metal blend that the members of Anthrax presented a message to our lovely friend Saddam in the Gulf. If I remember correctly, it went something like this:

"Suck my mother (BEPPING)...." Well, you get the idea.

After the concert, the parking lot was still intact. There were no overturned cars, fights in the aisles, arrests, blood, gore, or anything else that happened the last time Iron Maiden came to the Meadowlands. Maybe the music soothed the savage beasts, the fans burned themselves out thrashing and dancing, or maybe it was just too damn cold to do anything except run to the cars and try to squeeze some heat out of the engines. But cold weather or no, the concert warmed me up. Maiden has travelled down the road for ten years. I'm looking forward to ten more.
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 does 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). $$

Lionheart, Starring Jean Claude Van Damme. 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 histrionics. The only thing to keep a moviegoer from walking out is Van Damme's woks and the fights. $

Awakenings. Starring Robert De Niro and Robin Williams. Williams is hired to watch mental patients in "The Garden", as one orderly calls it, a place where all attendants have to do is water and 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 sign 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. $$$$$

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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-chicks from the Village chapter of Hell's Angels paint a target on the side of my head like Sinead 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 mammby 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 "Delerious" 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.

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Rocket Set to Launch NFL Career

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Kean Cougars Claw Lady Hawks, 48-40

By Al Iannazzone
Staff Writer

The Montclair State Women’s basketball team fell two games behind Kean College in the New Jersey Athletic Conference Monday night as Kean walked out of Panzer Gym with a 48-40 victory over 14th ranked MSC. Kean (16-2, 11-1 in NJAC) ranked 16th in the division III polls, was led by 6-0 senior center Veronica Rico who, despite being plagued by foul trouble and playing only 28 minutes, scored a game high 16 points and pulled down a game high 12 rebounds. Rico made things look easy as she posted up defenders while shooting seven for ten from the floor. She also was impressive on the defensive end pulling down nine defensive rebounds, blocking three shots and altering numerous others.

However, all the credit cannot go to Rico. Kean coach, Rice Wilson said everyone else picked it up a notch. Rice received help from Alice Regan who scored ten points, including four in the final 1:45, and pulled down four boards. Wilson also had high praise for two of his reserves. “When Veronica got into foul trouble, Lynn Odell and Rebecca Greer did an excellent job of the bench. The minutes they played were especially pleasing,” he said. Greer scored six points, including two back-breaking 19 foot jumpers, and Odell pulled down five rebounds in just seven minutes of action.

Odell, Greer, and Rico did especially well on defense as they held MSC’s leading scorer, Kim Wilson, to 11 points, ten below her average, on four of 14 from the field and three of eight from the foul line. “Our defensive strategy was to concentrate on Kim Wilson and it worked extremely well,” Wilson said. MSC (15-4, 9-3 in NJAC) struggled the first 1:13 minutes of the game as Kean went on a 9-0 spurt opening a 13-2 lead. The lead was up to 14, 20-6, with 7:40 left when Wilson gave Rice a breather. MSC then went on an 8-0 run, but Rice came back in and ended the half strong with Tracy Bails wheeling and dealing and scoring four points, which were sandwiched around two free throws by Wilson, in the last 1:07. The score at the half was had Kean with a 24-20 lead.

Kean opened up the second half with Rice scoring their first six points, but she picked up her third foul with 15:04 and had to sit, leading 30-24. Over the next eight minutes Kean’s lead grew to 39-29 with 7:54 to play. Unfortunately for MSC, twelve seconds later, junior guard Maritza Martinez drove to the hoop, was fouled, and crashed hard to the floor. She was taken off the court on a stretcher and taken to St. Joseph’s Hospital, in Paterson. She suffered a broken forearm and will be lost for the remainder of the season, Al Langer, Sports Information Director for MSC, said.

With the score 41-29 with six minutes left, MSC showed signs of life going on a 9-1 burst, led by Kim Barnes’ six points and one assist, and had the score down to 42-38 with 2:14 to go. MSC could get no closer as Regan buried a 12 foot jumper, after Rice missed the assist, and had the score down to 42-38 with 2:14 to go. MSC could get no closer as Regan buried the jumper which put the nails in the Lady Hawks’ coffin. Kelly Whelan added two foul shots and Regan ended the scoring by hitting both ends of a one and one with :01 left. The final score was Kean 48-MSC 40.

“I was very disappointed at the end of the game,” MSC coach Jill Jeffrey said. “We were playing great defense and had the shot clock down to :02 but we put them at the foul line with a mental error. We had it down to four points, but we made four mental errors by four different players. We played with our hearts for 40 minutes, but not with our heads for the last two minutes.”

Despite Wilson’s subpar performance she still led the Red Hawks with 11 points and pulled down nine rebounds, while physical Shannon Shaffer muscled her way to ten boards. MSC’s biggest spark was provided by Barnes who scored ten points off the bench and played harassing, hustling defense in her 15 minutes of action.

It was a very sloppy game as both teams combined for 49 turnovers. There were nine turnovers in the first 2:15 of the game. The shooting was poor also as Kean shot 38% and MSC shot a dismal 29% and 40% from the line. But Wilson put the whole game into perspective. “I think it’s called winning ugly,” he said. “It was very sloppy buy the girls apparently put a lot of effort into the game. It was an important game but no more important than any other conference game.”

RED HAWK NOTES...Even with the loss, MSC still leads the overall series against Kean which began in 1969, 16-14. However MSC is just 3-13 during Jeffrey’s reign.

Prior to the game the Atlantic Region Rankings were announced and MSC was fourth behind Kean, Muskingham and Capi.

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 understudies 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 shutting 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 “beating Division III 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, Seton Hall, Howard, Temple and 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 Fienanté’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 Lindo (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 he had to offer. John Wilkerson, the only senior, is steadily influencing 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, they talent-laden but inexperienced players might very well break a more important track record, that of opponents wondering where Montclair State College is.

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MSC’s Jim Brower competes in a swim meet Saturday. MSC beat NYU, 65-48.