Letter From the Editor

So, you’re a state college student...

Being new to college life is, no doubt, an experience in itself. But whether you will actually enjoy yourself here is still uncertain, especially because of the pain-staking decision of going to college in the first place. Or maybe you might not know much about Montclair State and its mentality.

It seems that it is already too much of a privilege to go to college. Some of our college-bound friends in high-school ended up in private schools, even out of state. Many of the students here cannot afford such a luxury. What does our school have to offer in comparison to other more renowned schools? Looking at your average brochure or catalog doesn’t really give you a straightforward answer, especially when it comes to experiencing social life, newly-found freedoms or odd study habits. I used to find this terribly annoying — I had no clue where to look or to whom to turn. Eventually I hung around my dorm, wasting time with people I would never have chosen to hang out with. (I finally ended up with depressing grades and took a year off.)

While many of us have the confidence to succeed without burning out, it is still true that the drop-out rate among freshmen is quite high. Be that as it may, taking a closer look at our college seems to be more than appropriate. Who exactly goes here, and what’s the real purpose of hitting the books? What is a “good” major to choose and why? What are some real interests worth pursuing? State college or “suitcase college”? Why is alcohol not allowed on campus?

It would be logical to provide some answers here, mention perhaps the facilities that this campus has to offer, etcetera. But you already know most of these answers: you just might not be aware of them. Having worked on The Montclarion for many years, I did come to the conclusion that finding the nerve to look at others, questioning their actions, is more revealing about yourself than anything else. By getting involved in something interesting, you automatically make friends who have similar interests and you have a much larger access to different people and cool things to do. The entire state college experience can become so much more mind-blowing if you allow yourself to be adventurous. If some oddball professor makes no sense to you, question him. If he then grades you unfairly, appeal the grade. If the administration drinks alcohol on campus, make sure the students find out about it.

If you’re here on a weekend and bored out of your skull, find out what’s missing and why. Patting! Just what the hell college experience can become so much more mind-blowing if you allow yourself to be adventurous. If some oddball professor makes no sense to you, question him. If he then grades you unfairly, appeal the grade. If the administration drinks alcohol on campus, make sure the students find out about it.

What else can an editor from a school newspaper say? Welcome, and you deserve the best. Have a great year, party and don’t take yourself too seriously!

John Tibbetts

The Year in Review

September 1990
- The state cut 8% of New Jersey state college 1991-92 budgets. Overall, MSC would receive $3 million less than expected.
- Twelve people were arrested at the Clowe Road apartments for drinking underage. A new policy for parties at Clowe Road was instituted within the same week.
- A hacker operating on an outside terminal sabotaged user accounts and displayed obscenities on Richardson Hall’s computer network screen. Ten staff members shut down the system to modify 3,000 accounts and conduct all log-on procedures.
- Security gates were installed on the Quarry Road to deter car theft and control traffic.

October
- A member of the physics department accused the track-and-field coach of falsifying records. Al Langer, director of sports information, said that he "might be guilty of being a bit overzealous...but he is not guilty of falsifying records."
- The same track coach pursued The Montclarion’s photo editor and demanded that she sign over her film while she was taking pictures of him for the newspaper at track practice.
- A Blanton Hall resident was sent to Mountainside Hospital after passing out from excessive drinking. Her blood alcohol level at the hospital was .15.
- A student charging a fraternity phoned several female students in Blanton and Freeman Halls and lured them into his car. He said he needed to show himself to part of his initiation, and masterbated in front of them. (Campus Police recommends calling 37 after hanging up.)
- Blanton Hall cafeteria remained closed after a scheduled opening date of October 24. The cafeteria was being remodeled, and residents were forced to eat at Blanton Hall. (finally ended up with depressing grades and took a year off.)

November
- Over 300 students from New Jersey state colleges protested rising tuition in Trenton.
- Flooding from a leak in the roof of Memorial Auditorium cancelled the opening of a campus production of Sweet Charity. Additional damage from the leak included the control board and program monitor in the television center, fallen and stained tiles and rug damage.

December
- Twenty-one burglaries in Bohn Hall were reported after Thanksgiving break.
- A burst main water pipe outside McEshern Hall left the campus without water for three and a half hours. Bathrooms campus-wide were closed, but classes were held as scheduled. When service resumed, the water was brown.

January 1991
- Eight MSC students were activated into active reserve duty, bringing the total number of students serving in the Persian Gulf War to 14.
- A $891,000 state-of-the-art phone system was installed in campus. One thousand, two hundred lines were pending installation in the residence halls over the summer.
- An $87,000 worth of music and computer equipment was stolen from McEshern Hall within a span of two weeks.
- College President Irvin Reid’s salary was increased $8,000, raising it to $93,000 and making him the highest-paid New Jersey state college president at the time.

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- A Student-organized recycling programs were implemented in campus housing. Recycling bins were promoted for later use.

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April
- It was announced that student parking would be shuffled over the summer as a result of upcoming construction. Dr. John Redd, acting chairman for the parking committee, said that student parking on campus was going to be "a real mess" next semester.
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- The campus masterbator (who appeared in October) remained to harass more female students.
- An administrator who felt that some articles in The Montclarion were “particularly upsetting” held id copies of the previous week’s newspaper in the Student Center from visiting alumni.
- The Alarm, Bigger Thomas, and the Leslie Split Tree-O played a free outdoor jam sponsored by Class One Concerts in the amphitheatre. Over 1,000 people attended.
President Reid's Welcome Address

Irvin Reid, College President

I am especially pleased to have this opportunity to welcome those of you who are new to our campus community as well as all who are returning to MSC. I hope you are revived and refreshed by a summer away from your studies and eager to face the challenges of a new semester.

I know it was obvious from the moment you drove onto campus that MSC has entered a period of growth and change. The re-routed traffic and the presence of heavy machinery on campus are the first signs of a major construction effort that will result in a much-needed addition to our library and a new classroom building. Our plans also include some long-overdue renovations of our older buildings and the reconversion of Russ Hall into a 100-bed residence hall.

This construction, like many of the goals we have here, involves long-term projects which will position MSC to meet the challenges of the Twenty-first Century. However, I know that, as president, I must not only plan for the future but find ways to provide a rewarding experience for our students, our faculty and our staff now.

We need new buildings in the future, but we need to do something about classroom and residence halls now. A few weeks ago, I took a walking tour of the campus to assess areas of most immediate need. As a result, I have allocated special funds to improve our classrooms this year—instead of four years from now. We have also planned a vigorous campaign to upgrade all the residence halls in the near future.

We need to think about how we are going to attract the kind of students and faculty we need for the year 2000, but we also need to think about ways to create a welcome and just environment for all members of our current campus community.

We need to consider the kinds of programs we must have to be a comprehensive teaching university, but we also must ensure that the programs we offer today will prepare our students to meet the demands of our rapidly changing global society.

One of my goals for this year is to work closely with students, faculty and staff to find new, positive ways to imbue MSC with a renewed sense of community. I have charged the Division of Student Affairs and Campus Life to explore ways to enhance the quality of life here. I have also suggested that they look to you for suggestions about how we can build community spirit.

We have already received a fine suggestion. Rob Tranter, your Student Government Association treasurer, has offered to spearhead a campus-wide clean-up project. We intend to work with him in an attempt to make this a real community effort. I hope we will receive other suggestions as the semester continues.

I would encourage all of you to get involved in the life of this campus. We have some of the finest and most active student organizations to be found in the nation. We have a culturally and ethnically diverse population which adds a special richness and flavor to campus life. We have winning athletic teams, classical music and rock concerts. We have clubs to meet your every interest and social organizations where you can meet lifetime friends.

As you think about community spirit, I urge all of you to look inward as well as outward. Learn to appreciate each other and respect the value and worth of every person. That which makes us different makes us unique. Greet all members of this community with civility so learning and justice can flourish here.

Let us work together to ensure that the MSC experience is a most rewarding one. Again, welcome back.

Irvin Reid, College President

Shaping The Future

It's pretty hard to keep people's attention these days. Even the fast draw of a TV zapper can muzzle the most recent changes in the New World Order.

Speeding past us at the same rate, the summer months and the old traffic patterns of MSC have come and gone. We have embarked on a renovation and construction program that will last to the mid-point of this decade. New buildings. New shuttle routes. Change—not a new concept that arrived with the 1990s or the fall of the Berlin Wall, but rather a constant condition that begins with each sound. It is only when change maneuvers itself around idleness and ignorance without sacrificing stability do we achieve her sacred reward—growth.

At our institution, you will be exposed to new ideas and relationships. I offer you no protection from them, only advice. Aquire a thirst to examine, interpret, and develop them and you will grow here. If you've made it this far, welcome.

Carpe Diem.
Anthony Vito Susco

Open Letter to MSC students

In behalf of all the members of the Division of Student Affairs and Campus Life, we would like to extend our heartiest welcome to those of you who are returning and a special welcome to those who are new students, whether freshman or transfers.

We had the opportunity to meet many of you at the orientation programs during the summer, and we feel certain that you are already off and running to a successful year both socially and academically. We wish you a rewarding year, and if either of us can be of any assistance, please drop by Room 217, College Hall, or give us a call at 893-4118 or 893-4311. We look forward to seeing you on campus during what promises to be an exciting year.

Cordially,
Jean M. Armstrong Vice President for Student Affairs and Campus Life
Edward C. Martin Dean of Students

The Spirit of MSC Still Alive

T his past June, I was able to attend the second Young Alumni Reunion held at Bar Belmar. I was especially pleased to participate in Belmar. It was great to be surrounded by ten years worth of our alumni! We shared a lot of remembrances and recalled great times.

There was no shortage of "glory days" stories that afternoon and evening.

With every conversation I shared with our graduates, it was even better to be here and ready to begin a new year. If my calculations serve me right, you are among the fourth generation of students to turn onto Normal Avenue and into our beautiful campus.

Welcome to MSC!

Please, don't just drive to and from school--be a driving force at school.

As I watched cars try to follow the new traffic flow, search for a parking space or unload at the residence halls, all I could do was smile and say, "Thank God, they're back." I am also looking forward to again meeting the new and transfer students who were with us in July. Even though MSC has welcomed 82 classes before you, the words of greeting are always exciting!

This Guide will present to you the many possibilities of student life at MSC. Please, don't just drive to and from school--be a driving force at school. Don't just live here--help our campus come to life. Take nothing for granted, and take advantage of everything.

Our alumni asked if the spirit that was MSC during their years here was still alive. As I start my tenth year here, I could assure them it was.

There is a lot of pressure to succeed, and rightly so. However, the challenge to round out your personality, establish lifelong friendships, deepen your faith and start living your dreams are also of primary importance.

I am proud to state that, on our campus, you need never feel cut adrift. There are many of us who will get you through the tough times. We are ever ready with academic, social, psychological, religious or career support.

The Great Crest of MSC has tall evergreen trees and bronze bells on its shield. I would like its evergreens to represent those who have brought MSC to what it is today. The bronze bells, I feel, stand for the excitement, joy, creativity and, (of course), the noise that each new academic year brings!

For the heights we are able to reach, the joy we bring, the creativity we foster and even the very noise of it all, welcome to MSC!

Father Art Humphrey, Catholic Campus Minister
Organizations are divided into four categories. Class Ones serve the entire student population -- undergraduate, graduate, transfer -- and their budgets are determined by the Student Government Association. Their offices are located in the Student Center Annex.

Class two, three and four organizations range from language clubs to fraternities and sororities. Most organizations must raise their own funds, hence bagel and candy sales. Their offices are scattered about campus and information about them can be found in the SGA office, department offices, or on various billboards, walls and poles all over campus.

Here are all the SGA-chartered campus organizations, divided by class. All are run entirely by students:

CLASS I

College Life Union Board (CLUB) (Room 112) This multi-programming organization provides the college community with first-run movies, lip-sync contests, comedy shows, fall and spring festivals, senior bashes and much more. 893-5232.

Conservation Club (Room 103) This club's aim is to inform students about environmental and conservation issues. It offers many services including recycling, job referral and workshops. It also sponsors activities such as whale watches, Earth Day and fall and winter backpacking. 893-5102.

Human Relations Organization (HRO) (Room 413) HRO deals with interpersonal relations and communication. Workshops are sponsored throughout the semester, as well as "The Weekend," a retreat that helps students get in touch with themselves. Might come in handy around that "I'm-going-to-lose-my-mind" finals week. 893-7348.

La Campana (Room 111) La Campana, the college yearbook, gives students the opportunity to portray their impressions of college life. The publication covers a wide variety of campus events, and by joining, students can learn layout and production techniques. 893-4346.

Latin American Student Organization (LASO) (Room 100) LASO gives the students the chance to understand Latin-American culture through informative social and educational programs. LASO sponsors lectures, dances and Latin Month each spring.

All students are encouraged to join, regardless of ethnic background. 893-4440.

The Montclarion (Room 118) "New Jersey's Leading Collegiate Weekly," this campus newspaper has won numerous awards from the Associated Collegiate Press and gives students hands-on experience in journalism. The Montclarion covers current campus news and events as well as sports and arts and entertainment, and provides the opportunity to learn news writing, feature writing, editing, photography, graphic design and layout on state-of-the-art Macintosh computers. Limited paid positions are also available. 893-5169.

Organization of Students for African Unity (OSAU) (Room 119) The OSAU is directed toward meeting the needs of minority students on campus and exposing non-minority students to the minority experience. They offer diversified events (including February's Black History Month) that are directed toward fulfilling students' cultural, social, and educational needs. 893-4198.

Players (Room 118) Players is the student theatrical organization of the SGA, and produces at least three shows per academic year: a drama, a musical and a comedy. Auditions are posted throughout the campus, and students can also take part in production behind-the-scenes. Check the Players bulletin board in the lower hallway of Memorial Auditorium. 893-5159.

Quarterly (Room 113A) The oldest student-run organization on campus, Quarterly publishes Four Walls, the literary magazine. Students can express themselves through prose, poetry, artwork and photography. Those interested in the production aspect can take part in reading and selecting student submissions, and learning layout on the Macintosh. 893-4410.

Student Intramural Leisure Council (SILC) (Room 121) SILC invites students to form their own teams (from dorms, classes, etc.) who compete in various tournaments. Basketball and baseball have a particularly large following, but flag football and co-ed softball are also popular. 893-5245.

WMSC-FM (Room 110) Located at 101.5 on your FM dial, this alternative music station broadcasts across the campus and around the local area, 18 hours a day. Students have the chance to become a DJ, newscaster or station engineer, playing "northern New Jersey's best new music first" or taking part in other programming such as news and talk shows. 893-4256.

CLASS II

Anthropology Club
Biology Club
Computer Science Club
Economics Club
English Club
Finance Club
Film Club
Health Professions Association
Hellenic Student Organization
History Club
International Student Organization
Italian Student Organization
Le Cercle Français
Marketing Club
Medieval Society
Montclair State Accounting Society
Muslim Student Organization
Pre-Med Professions Club
Student Paralegal Association
Student Technical Association
Students Toward A New Direction (STAND)
Union for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Concerns
Weekend College Student Association

CLASS III

Alpha Iota Chi
The Amethyst Unicom
Chemistry Club
Delta Kappa Psi
Honor Program Association
Lambda Tau Omega
Music Educators National Council
Omega Gamma
Phi Alpha Psi Senate
Phi Chi Beta
Sigma Delta Phi
Theta Kappa Chi
Veterans Association

CLASS IV

Administrative Management Society
Alpha Chi Rho
Alpha Kappa Psi
Alpha Phi Omega
Chi Alpha
Delta Chi
Delta Phi Epsilon
Habitat for Humanity
Interfraternity Christian Fellowship
Jewish Student Union
Kappa Alpha Psi
Lambda Alpha
Lambda Sigma Epsilon
Montclair State Art Educators
National Student Speech Language Hearing Association
Newman Community Catholic
Omega Lambda
Phi Alpha Delta
Phi Beta Lambda
Phi Beta Sigma
Phi Chi Beta
Phi Delta Psi
Phi Mu Alpha
Phi Sigma Pi
Phi Sigma Sigma
Sigma Alpha Iota
Sigma Phi Rho
Student Home Economics Association
Tau Kappa Epsilon
Theta Xi Fraternity
Zeta Beta Tau
Zeta Phi Beta
The Shops, Eats, Cinemas, and Parks Off Campus

Hopping to go shopping? Although bargain basements don’t abound, there are many quaint shops in and around Montclair to browse about on a study-free day. Plenty can be found on Valley Road, Bloomfield Ave., Church Street and Watchung Plaza. A few are listed below, but go explore for yourself.

**Valley Road**
Nantucket Lady is a fine women’s clothing store, featuring casual dresses and skirts with a preppy touch. Prices are moderate.
Orion Books Ltd. is a New England-style card and gift shop with a twist -- a rental library!
Men have the Geismar-Kaplan Clothiers, dominating the street with window displays of Izod Lacoste, B.D. Baggies and other apparel.
Chelsea Square Fragrances and Fripperies is jam-packed with primpy, powdery perfumes, shampoo, potpourri and even men’s toiletries.
Can’t forget the ol’ sweet tooth -- Louis Homemade Candy specializes in hand-dipped fruits (they will hand-dip anything if you give them a day’s notice). Gift baskets are also available, not to mention all the other chewy, gooey goodies.

**Church Street**
There is a Bennetton (perhaps the only chain store found on Church Street). No real bargains on the bright wool except for an occasional end-of-the-season sale.
Stuffed-animal fanatic? Dexterity has all kinds of creatures from goats to trolls, and they can be viewed through all different sized and priced kaleidoscopes. Beware: a bit pricey.
If you want something out of the ordinary, visit The Cat’s Pajamas. This store has some really cool stationary and greeting cards, as well as some gag gifts (like food to juggle, and flat fish and flowers) and T-shirts.

**Bloomfield Avenue**
Boomerang brings Greenwich Village to Montclair via vintage clothing and groovy jewelry. Rumor has it that the stock changes as fast as the fashion at Boomerang.
If you’re into the alternative scene, stop in Two Tone for combat boots, industrial T-shirts, and other cool items. (Try Cafe Soundz, too. It’s right next door.)
Crazy Rhythms still sells records! Yes, they also carry CD’s.

**Elsewhere...**
If quaint ain’t your dig, then the Willowbrook Mall is about a ten minute drive out Route 46 West, past the regular highway stores. There’s also Lackawana Plaza (at the corner of Grove Street and Bloomfield Avenue).

Not hopping to go shopping? Check out a movie theatre: there are three in the immediate area that are pretty reasonable. The Bellevue (744-2543) is located on Bellevue Avenue near Valley Road; the Clairidge (746-5564) is in the Clairidge Commons, 486 Bloomfield Avenue; and the Wellmont (783-9500) is right off Bloomfield Avenue at 5 Seymour. There’s also the multiplex Lowes Theatre (890-0505) by Willowbrook Mall.

If you’d like to toss a frisbee somewhere (or get back to nature with your homework), try Mountainside Park (Upper Mountain Avenue goes right through it), Edgemont Memorial Park (right off Valley Road), or Brookdale Park (off both Watchung Avenue and Grove Street).

If that’s not enough, you can grab some food at J. B. Winberie’s (corner of Church and South Park Streets), the Tower’s Diner (on Route 46), the Claremont Diner (on Route 3), Carvel (on Bellevue Avenue), or Applegate Farms Ice Cream (off Grove Street), or venture somewhere a little unusual, like Station West Antiques (off Bloomfield Avenue past Church Street), Middle Earth (a comic book store on Bloomfield Avenue) and The Inner Eye (a rock-and-roll shop for Deadheads and the like on Bloomfield Avenue)...
Where the hell can I party around here, anyway?

When in the course of student events it becomes necessary to party, and as the college no longer provides an on-campus pub, students must seek out cool bars themselves.

Wednesday night, the place to see and be seen is Patso Fogerty’s in North Arlington (991-9885). This place is a bit far, and there is usually a wait to get in. Once inside, it will take you at least 15 minutes to get across the five feet between the door and the bar. On the way to the bar, you will meet at least 30 MSC students. Once you have your pitcher in hand, begin heading to the bathroom. It isn’t far, but by the time you get there, your pitcher will be empty, you will have had several jello shots, and you will really have to pee. But they play some crazy tunes, people stand on the seats, tables, and even the bar, and Wednesday night MSC students get in free.

Thursday nights give you more of an option. The folksy people and pseudo hippies and pseudo intellectuals head to Charlie Brown’s in Upper Montclair (783-9560) for the McEarly Brothers live music and dollar drafts. Pretty much every one else goes to the Swamp Fox Inn in West Orange (325-3230). You will find that most bars in the area offer $1 drafts on Thursday night.

Another hot spot you might not want to miss is the Loop Lounge in Passaic (365-0807). Even if you yourself are not the alternative type, a surreal, mind-warping environment with alternative, progressive, industrial, punk tunes as well as a large dance floor and two bars will provide you with a more than cool time.

There is also Tierney’s on Valley Road (744-9785), which has outrageously good bands every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night and Clifton and Bloomfield are veritably littered with bars. Find yourself a phone book and look under taverns. And remember, it’s not where you go, but who you go with.

Rules, or no rules?

Perhaps you may have noticed the grotesque proliferation of Rules and Regulations here at MSC. Most of these rules are only there to make the lives of the people in charge easier, which is almost always at the expense of the students. As a student, you should come to expect this. You also should expect to have your hard-earned tuition money wasted on all the glamorous construction instead of serious education. But hey, this kind of thing happens all the time at almost every college. But about these rules. It is an essential part of college to see how much you can get away with. A key element in pushing your imposed limits is not getting caught. This will not be a complete instructional, for at least half the fun is coming up with your own successful scams.

The first thing you’ll need is attitude. Perhaps living under the college rules is less restrictive than your parents’ rules, but you are in college now. You are on your own. Any rules that are not your own are unjust. It is important that you believe this. Something that comes in handy if you live in the dorms is rope. For what? For the window. Another extremely useful thing, which Residence Life provides you with is those large laundry carts. One of those and a large blanket, and you could soon find yourself sitting pretty in your dorm room with wine, an extra large refrigerator, a microwave, real food, and several very attractive members of the opposite sex. Please, guys and girls, you should stock condoms, even if you never have sex yourself. Your roommate probably will, or you can always trade them for a slice of pizza from that homy dude down the hall.

Remember that other students are your comrades in the fight to break down the rules. Even if you hate the jerk, he is still a fellow student. Play as many pranks as you want, but remember to not betray him. There are a couple of secluded places on campus for hanging out, or smoking oregano, or having sex, or reading poetry while being fed peeled grapes by a very attractive member of the opposite sex.

So exercise your ingenuity, stretch your boundaries, realize and enforce your rights, party hard, but DON’T GET CAUGHT!
Welcome to MSC. We hope you enjoy all of the exciting sports action, and that this year will be another banner one for Red Hawk sports -- the best way to enjoy it is by being there.

The 1990-91 season proved to be another exciting year. The MSC sports program has a rich winning tradition and last year was no different:

♦ In football, MSC finished 7-3, 4-2 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference. They failed to make the playoffs, but behind Coach Rick Giancola, this year will be different. One big bright spot was defensive end Paul Cioffi’s invitation to the East-West Shrine Game. It is for top seniors from Division I schools, enough for second place. Our women’s soccer team did not succeed as much as their male counterparts, but the team did win its first NCAA game in school history with a 3-0 victory over Mount St. Vincent.

♦ The men’s and women’s basketball teams also fared completely different. The women’s team, led by All-American Kim Wilson, finished 21-6. The team won its sixth straight Dial Soap Classic and the ECACTournament on Jeffrey’s and Wilson’s final day at MSC. The men’s team finished 4-17, but played a competitive game each time out.

♦ The basketball program experienced two big losses in MSC sports. After 24 seasons at MSC, Ollie Gelston retired as the men’s basketball coach. He compiled a 304-285 record in his tenure and will continue to be the Assistant Athletic Director. The women’s team said goodbye to Jill Jeffrey, who left her reign as women’s basketball coach to become a sports agent. Jeffrey accumulated a 131-58 record in her seven years at MSC. This year will definitely be one of change for both programs.

♦ Baseball was once again one of MSC’s strongest sports last year. Coach Norm Schoenig led the Red Hawks to another outstanding year. The team compiled a 27-14 record and advanced to the NCAA South Regionals before losing in the second round. In its first game of the tourney, MSC won behind Dave Kennedy’s four batters. The softball team, coached by newcomer Anita Kubicka, finished the season at 500. Kubicka took over for Wilma Rucker and did an outstanding job with a relatively young team.

♦ In track and field, despite being accused of falsifying track records, Coach John Blanton had his runners ready for every race. His 1600 relay team, consisting of Carla Roberts, Denise Drakes, Yvonne Bradford and Sharon Lindo, won the Penn Relays with a time of 3:53.37. That time was the best in school history and all of Division III last year.

♦ The women’s tennis team captured its first winning season (6-4) in six years. The team’s first singles player, Barri Polliner, achieved All-Conference status.

♦ The lacrosse team made it to the ECAC championship game but lost. However, the field hockey team was the ECAC Mid-Atlantic Region Champions. MSC’s wrestling, swimming, and cross-country teams also had fine seasons.

...If you cannot attend the games, why not join The Montclarion’s sports section and cover the action from the press box. The office is located in the Student Center Annex (Room 113). The door is always open, so come on in and join our own team of writers and reporters.

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The Year in Sports through the eyes of the Hawks