Arrest in WMSC-FM case

- Six hundred fifty dollars worth of equipment recovered
- Campus Police nab D.J. during radio show

by Greg MacSweeney and Kevin Sean Colligan

The on-air arrest of Death Metal DJ Bill "T. until proven innocent" Turgencik has WMSC-FM looking forward to retrieving some stolen equipment and police looking for at least two more suspects in a crime that occurred almost two years ago.

Turgencik was arrested during his Feb. 6 Saturday afternoon radio show and charged with two counts of possession of stolen property relating to a theft that occurred in 1991, according to Sergeant Debra Newcombe of the Campus Police.

"To the best of my knowledge," said Dr. Edward Martin, Dean of Student Affairs, "the arrest was the result of cooperation of an unidentified informant."

Stu Weissman, the general manager of WMSC said he received an anonymous tip from a former associate of Turgencik on Jan. 31.

A subsequent search of Turgencik's home turned up a "significant amount of evidence," said Dr. Edward Martin, Dean of Student Affairs. Among that evidence, police said, was a tape deck and one of three CD players stolen from WMSC.

Turgencik was arraigned Feb. 2 on two counts of possessing stolen property and one count of conspiracy in Clifton Municipal Court, according to Newcombe.

"If he pleads guilty, we get the equipment back immediately," said Stu Weissman, General Manager of WMSC.

The original theft occurred sometime between March 1 and March 2 in 1991. At the time, the loss of the CD players forced the station to rely on two turntables and one cassette player - thus preventing them from playing 75 percent of new releases. "We have new stuff, but we could definitely use [the stolen equipment]," said Weissman, who is planning to install the returned CD player into the production studio.

Police also found $200 worth of CD's which are thought to have been stolen from Centenary College in Hackettstown, N.J. Eric Slater, the General Manager of Centenary College's 91.9 WNTI-FM, confirmed that Turgencik had been a D.J. at the station. "He worked from March until September in 1992; at which time I had to let him go because there were too many students to get on the air." Slater was not aware of Turgencik's arrest.

Police say the investigation is ongoing and expect more arrests.

New furniture in Bohn scheduled for Spring Break

by Michael P. Rubino

Residents of Bohn Hall can look forward to spring break as the approximate completion time for the arrival of their furniture according to Douglas W. Cooper, Assistant Director for Residence Hall Facilities.

Originally, the new furniture was scheduled to arrive by July 1 of last year. The furniture was supposed to be completely in place by Sept. 1, just in time for the Fall semester arrival of Bohn Hall residents.

"We were victims of circumstance. We had a choice to wait on the shipment or to cancel the order. We had to make the best of a bad situation," said Cooper.

The furniture did not arrive until Sept. 1, the original completion crew has been working 8 hours a day, 6 days a week.

Cooper states that the biggest problem causing the project's delay is the dismantling of the old furniture. Much of the old wardrobes need to be dismantled in order to remove them from the rooms. According to Cooper, most of the work is completed and only about one-third of the wardrobes remain.

This week is Condom Week! Don't be a drip! Wrap it!

C.H.E.E.R.S. auction sells Freeman valentines to residents
Mostly Sunny
Low: 7
High: 19

Partly Cloudy
Low: 2
High: 19

Snow
Low: 15
High: 30

Snow, rain
Low: 28
High: 32

The area around the former Soviet Union nuclear dump sites are causing cancer and birth defects. Some 20 million people are known to be affected. Nuclear waste dumped in barrels into the Arctic Ocean were shot, according to witnesses, to sink them. Scandinavian nations are demanding Russia become more forthcoming in the matter. Russia does not have trillions of dollars needed for clean up.

Wheat is in short supply in the nation of Armenia. Fuel and food shortages are being caused by an economic blockade stemming from its five year war with Azerbaijan. Famine is possible. Autopsy reports show fat layers have gone from 2.4 to 3.6 inches to .8 to 1.2 inches in the last year.

Bosnian Serbs turned back a UN convoy carrying food and medicine to a Muslim town just over the border. Up to 200,000 people are trapped in eastern portions of the area. Croatian armed forces also have started fighting to oust Serbs holding the southwest part of their nation.

Ayatollah Ali Khomeni reissued the execution edict of the Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeni on Salman Rushdie. It was the fourth anniversary of the order to kill Rushdie for his book, “Satanic Verses” said to be insulting to Islam. Rushdie has been in hiding.

Price fixing on school lunch programs has been reported around the country. Twenty-one states have ongoing investigations. Forty -one executives in about two dozen companies have already been prosecuted, more are expected. One hundred million dollars in fines have been levied for milk providers alone. The Justice Department is looking into further action. This has been going on since 1964.

The Federal Government is advised by 1,141 panels. Clinton hopes to cut at least one third of the 700 not required by law. One hundred and fifty million a year is spent on these panels. Some of the more absurd boards are The Board of Tea Experts and the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice.

A New Jersey woman was fired from JC Penney’s in Quakerbridge Mall because she wore pants. NOW, the National Organization for Women, threatened a boycott against a dress code that said women MUST wear skirts or dresses. JC Penney quickly recanted its policy and made a public apology for its sexually discriminatory practice.

The recycling industry in New Jersey said it is being stifled by red tape created by Department of Environmental Protection and Energy’s regulations. It takes as much as a year to get a permit and fees are much higher than in other states.

New Jersey’s state debt has more than doubled since 1984 from 2.92 billion to 6.01 billion last year. Our state ranks 11th in debt per person nation wide. Seven hundred and seventy five dollars has been tallied up for every person in the state. The federal government owes 16,500 dollars for each American.

Report any corrections to The Montclarion 893- 5169 or drop us a memo. We are located in the Student Center Annex, Rm. 113.
Harrassment

2/9/93 Police received a complaint from a faculty member who had received and offending message on her answering machine. It was traced to a Clove Road Apartment resident. The matter has been handled administratively.

2/10/93 A female was harrassed by two other females. This stemmed from an ongoing incident from 1991. The case is still pending in Little Falls Municipal Court.

Lost Property

2/10/93 A student reported that he forgot his pull-out car stereo in a classroom in College Hall.

Criminal Mischief

2/1/93 A residence life employee reported that a rock had been thrown through one of the windows.

2/11/93 An officer found a car window smashed in lot 20A.

Theft

2/11/93 A male student reported the theft of his wallet.

2/14/93 A student reported that someone made an unauthorized withdrawal of $45 from her account. This occurred at a bank off campus.

Medical

2/16/93 A professor in Russ Hall complained of fumes. He also reported a burning sensation around his mouth and throat after drinking some water.

CORRECTION:

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2/11/93 A student reported that he forgot his pull-out wallet in the Russ Hall lounge.

2/14/93 A Student Center manager reported that he saw several males running out of the building with a folding table and chairs. The investigation is leading to the arrests of three male students. The three, who are part of a fraternity, are charged with theft. March 3 has been set as the court date in Little Falls Municipal Court.

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During Wednesday's meeting, legislators took more than one hour to debate and eventually pass, an appropriations bill which will give the SGA an extra $1500 for a Spring Conference that takes place the weekend of Feb. 20th and 21st.

The conference is for legislators, both new and old, to learn about parliamentary procedure, to bond with their fellow legislators, and to learn what the SGA is all about.

$1500 was originally appropriated for the trip, but due to doubts about the weekend's weather, a bus will be hired to ensure safe traveling.

Approximately fifty people will be going including executive board and cabinet members.

Both positive and negative sides were brought up during the debate including the need to be stuck together for two days in the woods and, on the other hand, the cost of the trip. The possibility of holding the conference in the Student Center was also brought up.

Holly Stephens, Alumni Relations Director, explained about the purpose of the Phone-a-Thon which needs more volunteers for Feb. 24, March 2 and March 3. They will be calling alumni for donations at 34 Normal Ave., the alumni house.

So far, according to Stephens, the "turnout has been terrific." For more information or to set up volunteer hours, call extension 4141 and ask for Diane.

Steven Khalaf was appointed director of Welfare and Internal Affairs and promised to tackle such projects as problems with identification cards, handicap access throughout the campus and shuttle bus problems.

Vivian Rodriguez was appointed director of Academic Affairs and promised to work on academic advising and extending library hours for the benefit of commuters.
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**Scales of life**

**A call to action**

by Geoff Pfaltz

We have come to the spot in time where our immediate decisions can and will seal the fate of human kind and her surrounding world. No more can we be allowed to make poor choices. The balance of things have begun to swing irrevocably towards an unfixable situation where there are no second chances. We are at a place in history where the road signs are plain - they are the picture of a mother pleading for her child - of a planet dying!

Whether you are a big bang advocate or a believer in Divine Creation, one conclusion can be made about the place we live. It is the result of perfection. We are the sum of our incredibly intricate parts. Everything that we share our world with, living, non-living, depends on something else. We are inhabitants of the most finely tuned scale conceivable. A scale of life. Whatever or whoever is responsible for the design of this machine, must have had a master plan. For if it was uncontrolled, our world will perpetuate itself... and for a species that has a hard time even comprehending the word (infinity), we are designated to ensure that we never understand it.

There is a growing belief among scientists of the world, that we may, in fact, be the last bastion of the universe - that of all the galaxies and their star systems, we alone hold the fragile torch of life. Our tiny light is an emanation of hope and dreams, of troubles and despair, of love and carving - of a world alive!

It is my belief that this generation will step to the fore and accept mankind’s biggest responsibility, that of guarding and respecting the laws of nature and in so doing assure the true balance of life’s precious scale.

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**The Population Factor**

by David Sirkin

Does population growth have an effect on the environment? To some, the answer has been obvious for a long time. Lovers of nature have long been aware that when wild lands are developed for human use, wildlife is displaced and sometimes entire species become extinct.

By the middle of this century, if not before, it must become clear to most observers that human population growth is one of the main forces of destruction and the ever-increasing encroachment on wild lands. In recent years, as wilderness has been shrinking and species have been becoming extinct at an alarming rate, two of America’s oldest and largest environmental organizations, The Sierra Club and The National Audubon Society, officially have adopted positions favoring to limit population growth.

The environmental organizations have taken these positions despite the fact that limiting population growth is a thorny issue, with problematic social, ethical and religious aspects. Spokespersons for the organizations have said that deciding how many children to have is probably the most important environmental decision a couple makes.

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**EVE ON EARTH**

Dear Eve,

I am a freshman who is just beginning to experiment with sex. I feel very uncomfortable about introducing a condom to my partner during sex when these guys don’t introduce them themselves. I am on the pill so sometimes I don’t use one. I don’t sleep with just anyone. What can I say to my partner to make him use a condom?

Thanks,

Concerned Freshman

Dear Concerned Freshman,

Your reservations are probably felt by many other students, regardless of their experience with sex or their age. After all, AIDS and pregnancy couldn’t happen to me, right? Well, wrong. We should and must take every precaution against spreading this crippling disease even further than it has already progressed. Innocent babies are dying as well as responsible adults who were just too shy to insist on wearing a condom. In fact, condoms don’t have to be "not fun." Comments like “Fabe, come on its time to wrap that Willow" or "you know, sailor, no one comes around without a raincoat" can be used to make both laugh and relax any tension felt. Your partner is even more likely to respect the fact that you do take precautions because then he’ll feel safer with the facts that you don’t have AIDS.

The best protection to use against AIDS are latex condoms with Spermicide. If you are having oral sex, do not use the condom with spermicide, but use a dry non-lubricated condom. You are a very important person. Treat yourself with the respect you deserve and use a condom.

Send questions to Eve, care of The Montclarion 113 Student Center Annex

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**Remark:**

The Sierra Club and The National Audubon Society have come to the conclusion that the world is not yet ready for a world without population growth. The Sierra Club has been involved in the population issue for over 30 years, and has worked with many organizations and scientists to develop a comprehensive approach to the problem.

The National Audubon Society has been working on the issue of population growth for over 50 years, and has also worked with many organizations and scientists to develop a comprehensive approach to the problem.

The Environmental Protection Agency has been working on the issue of population growth for over 20 years, and has also worked with many organizations and scientists to develop a comprehensive approach to the problem.

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When you care enough to wear the very best

Safe sex, AIDS awareness and the issue of abortion have become topics of everyday conversation for our generation. We even discuss population control and the importance of condoms over pizza in the Rat. In recent years, the SGA has observed National Condom Week by handing out free condoms with information on how to use them, safe sex and AIDS awareness to students at MSC. Condom Week has become an annual tradition at MSC, somewhat like Homecoming and tuition increases. We are amused by annual Condom Week mascots like 1992's "Stan the Elephant Man" and this year's "Condom Man" that grace the front of free SGA t-shirts. Nevertheless, we must not forget the important messages that are voiced during this campaign to educate the American public, particularly our generation.

"Safe sex saves" is a slogan that we can recite in our sleep, but it is during the waking hours that we spend in bed and other various places when this saying is most important. Sexually transmitted diseases have faced people of many generations in the past, but none has been as deadly, claimed as many lives or been more prominent in American society than AIDS. We are a generation who have come of age with the HIV virus and the AIDS epidemic. It is all around us. Television talk shows cover it almost daily. The nightly news discusses a new AIDS study all the time. However, just because we find ourselves becoming so familiar with this topic, we must not dismiss it as another media soundbyte. It is indeed an immediate health crisis for each and every one of us, especially the sexually active.

In the beginning of the AIDS crisis the disease was known as "gay man's cancer." Then the medical community discovered that it was also a problem among blood donor recipients and intravenous drug users who shared needles. Now we know that the HIV virus does not discriminate. AIDS is an equal opportunity disease. No matter what your age, gender, race, social class or sexual orientation is you may become a victim of AIDS. We should be the first to admit that we are a generation that has, for the most part, become sexually active at a very young age. Nor can we deny that college campuses afford the opportunity for sexual activity. Therefore, we may laugh when we wear our "Condom Man" t-shirts, but it presents us with a very real message.

Condoms are easy to obtain. Don’t be so shy, you can now waltz into the MSC convenience store and pick up a pack. They come with directions and friends can always give helpful advice on how to use them properly. Wearing a condom during intercourse is not a definite way to avoid contracting a sexually transmitted disease or preventing unwanted pregnancy, but aside from abstinence it is the safest measure we can take.

If you make the decision to have unprotected sex, you are gambling with your own life and the life of the person with whom you are sexually involved. At this time, there is no known cure for the AIDS virus, but if we assume the responsibility of having safe sex then we can help to stop the spread of AIDS. "When you care enough to wear the very best," you are taking control of your future and the future of our generation. Be safe. Stay alive.

"Safe sex saves"
Let it snow, let your grass grow and let your landscaper go

I wonder if I am the only person who is tired of hearing people complain about the weather? Something is dreadfully wrong when you live on the North Atlantic coast and everybody worries about how cold it is when it is 30 degrees and two inches of snow is called a significant snowstorm in the middle of winter.

The temperature is the normal temperature here this time of year. It really ticks me off when weathermen and the whole populace cheer on warm days in the winter when it has been warmer and less snowy than normal. It seems as if everyone has gotten so soft and sissy that they can't handle any conditions under 40 degrees.

If it freezes, the salt and sand trucks attack the roads with a determination and purpose unknown to real problems. Would the world stop if we didn't travel for a day or two? We spend ridiculous amounts of time and money spreading a substance that enemies used to put on the land to ruin the soil and water. Sand and gravel are sufficient to maintain traction. Furthermore, salt only lowers the melting point of ice, causing black ice to form if temperatures continue to fall.

Now for my next seasonal gripe: landscaping. Who decided that uniform green carpets of grass was appealing? This is taught to us by society. In school we frequently hear of society teaching biases against women, gays and minorities. Our misconstrued perception of the land and how it is to be used is far more discriminatory to plants and animals, and life as a whole, than other prejudices. It is far more devastating.

I teach people that it is better to let grass grow longer and not put chemicals, fertilizers and herbicides on their property. I encourage them to let their bushes grow and let plants trees. I let them see that leaves and cuttings shouldn't be bagged and carted off their property, but used for mulch. If these precious materials continue to be taken off our land, eventually, nothing will grow.

The quality of the soil is increasingly poor. Soot from cars, salt, plus our removal of humus (decaying material such as leaves and grass that provides nutrients to the soil) have made the soil a sandy, light brown color.

Grass should only be cut where we actually use the land for some activity. Grass flowers can add a plethora of color to our landscape. We also should let trees grow wherever possible. Many weeds people take out, especially during early summer, are actually baby trees. We should garden our land instead of making landscapers rich doing a job that doesn't have to be done because we were taught that nature looks messy.

In order to see the extent of pollution we put into the land, air and water, all one has to do is look at the trees. Have you noticed that virtually all trees are stricken with brown spots on their leaves? They are so weakened by disease that they continually grow leaves all summer only to have them turn brown and fall off. Many have died and others just form strange branch patterns and are mostly bare. Sensitive trees like the tulip tree also have disease problems. Did you know that oaks should grow to about 150 feet, maple about 100 feet, and some pine 125 feet? There aren't any trees around here that are that size. This is a sign that something isn't right. Let's start treating the land with respect or it won't provide us with our sustenance.

Help wanted: Attorney General, Only women need apply

There are good quotas and there are bad quotas. A good quota is when you are caught going five miles per hour over the speed limit at the end of any month. A good quota is used as a measure of equality when there is a lack of something or someone in a certain job or situation.

We are good quotas being filled in everyday life. It has to do with minorities getting jobs because they have been previously shut or discriminated against. It has to do with minority students getting into colleges based on their minority status. This is a great concept except for two things.

First, good minority categories must be established. Being denied entry into a college when one has clearly met the qualifications. It is also detrimental to the person as well as to the institution. If a person is not qualified, then it does that person no good whatsoever to be in that institution, workplace or school. They should at least have some qualifications.

This is exactly what our president does not see. He is so determined to pick a woman to fill the position of Attorney General that he is shipping the bottom of the barrel. He is on his third pick already. Of course these women are somewhat qualified, but come on! I'll give the president the first and maybe the second candidates, but how many qualified men has he passed over on this crusade? How many

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**LETTER**

**Racial harmony goal of new SGA committee**

"Free your mind. The rest will follow. Be colorblind. Don't be so shallow." These profound ideas expressed by En Vogue, demonstrate the growing need to surmount the limitations of our minds. In many incidents our minds allow us to generalize many preconceived, but unwarranted views of individuals based on their race. This in essence, is a form of racism. Racism is quite prevalent in our society. However, due to the sensitivity of the subject it regrettably becomes a taboo during forums.

With the establishment of the Multicultural Advisory Committee of the Student Government Association this matter will be addressed. The focus of this committee will be to promote racial awareness, tolerance and ultimately racial harmony amongst all ethnic groups. In order to achieve the aforementioned goals, this organization will communicate the aid of the SGA, the Greeks, the Class I's, II's, III's and IV's and last but not least the administration. This committee is open to any individual. The members of this organization look forward to working with you.

Rita Club
SGA Legislator

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**LETTER**

**Croatian-American student disagrees with "Vinnie's Views"**

"Vinnie's Views", U.S.-European intervention needed for peace in Baltic States (2/11/93), makes some good points about the situation in Bosnia. However, there were a few errors in his analysis of the situation. Being a Croatian-American and having relatives residing in Croatia, I'm aware of the situation. Vinnie fails to distinguish the fact that the Serbs are the main aggressors in this civil war. He also fails to mention that it's the Serbs preaching ethnic cleansing.

According to Vinnie, all sides are practicing this inhumane act. Before the civil war, Yugoslavia was a country with seven republics. Different ethnic groups resided in each republic. The languages were different in each republic and in some republics even a different alphabet was used.

After Slovenia seceded from Yugoslavia, the Croatians were the next to secede. After the brutal war with the Serbs, who dominated the former Yugoslavia government, Croatia entered a truce with Serbia for peace. The Bosnian conflict resulted next with the Serbs being the aggressors. They wanted to exterminate the Muslims by taking their possessions and eventually their lives. Being heavily armed, the Serbs were successful. The Bosnian-Muslims are not prepared for this onslaught because they are militarily inferior to the Serbs.

A possible solution to the Bosnian situation is not U.S. intervention, but the supplying of Bosnia's Muslims and Croatians with arms. The need for heavy artillery for the Muslims and Croats is a priority if the Serb aggression is to be subdued. The diplomatic approach will not be effective in this situation because the Owen-Vance plan gives too much to the Serbs, with neither Croatia nor the Bosnian Muslims gaining to these terms.

Humanitarian relief is also ineffective because of the Serb aggression. United States intervention could take the lives of many soldiers and the idea of mountain warfare doesn't sit well in the minds of the military because of continual guerrilla warfare used in this region. Limited air strikes and the arming of the Bosnian Croats and Muslims seems like the only feasible approach in ending the brutal civil war in former Yugoslavia. If this war does not end it may escalate into Macedonia, Albania, Greece and Turkey.
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Welcome loyal readers, to a very special installment of PROPHET BIGG! There are new movies every week of every month of every year. And, occasionally, there are performers in those films who enjoy a moment of stardom and just as rapidly fade into obscurity. On other occasions, a performer will spend most of his or her life, from childhood to demise, in "The Business" one way or another. Ron Howard is a fine example. Last week, probably at the very same time as you were perusing through last week's PROPHET installment, I was attending a screening of Untamed Heart in Manhattan. And after that screening a small man wearing a presidential inaugural cap low over his eyes and two or three people around him walked into the room, which I shared with a myriad of college reporters from as far away as Boston and a high school journalism class consisting of some 25 giggling teenage girls. When the man sat down, a melodic sigh arose from behind my front row seat. I looked back there and saw their lost-looking glance fixed on the gentleman in front of me. I realized that I was now seated some five feet from a man who could entertain people till the day he died.
Father Art: more than a campus priest

by Kristy Capobianco

You may see him around campus and mistake him for just another college student. With his understanding, patience and ability to listen, you may consider him just another friend. But this man is both, and just a little bit more. He is Father Arthur Frank Humphrey, age 44, and is MSC’s Catholic Priest.

A prominent figure on campus, you may have seen him in his frequented places such as the Student Center Cafe, the Rat, (or the Student Center Pizzeria) and Blanton Hall. “A part of ministry is being visible, known and accessible,” says Father Art. He feels preaching is only a part of being a priest and being there for the students is a big part.

Originally from Berkeley Heights, Father Art was ordained in May of 1975 and has been a Catholic Priest for 18 years. He was a priest for seven years at St. Joseph’s High School in Roselle and for one year at St. Luke’s High School in Holbrook. In September of 1982, he came to MSC’s parish and is now in his eleventh year. “I watched so many high school students go off to college and I thought that’s where I’m going,” said Father Art.

Dealing with the college-age group is difficult, he admits. “Even though some situations are not comfortable and some have no solution, just having someone to listen to, and being a neutral third party helps,” he said. Just because he is a priest doesn’t mean that students don’t turn to him. Father Art spends most of his time counseling. “Some students call for counseling about family problems and relationships. Some are just lonely or in trouble,” others call for a confession. The campus is his “primary responsibility”, even though alumni call to marry them, or baptize their children.

Father Art feels he and other ministers on this campus look forward to interacting with the students, and make a good effort to do so. “If someone asked me how many students go to mass,” he said “when they heard the number who attend the services, they’d say, ‘why are you here’.” His main priority is to be there for the students as a friend, counselor, or whatever they may need.

He feels the best way to get to know people is by talking to them.

Father Art has many active roles on MSC’s Campus. He gives a lot to the students by being an advisor for The Newman Center (the Catholic Campus ministry) which is a student led group for spiritual activity, educational and social growth. He is also an advisor for many Greek organizations. In accordance with years of service, he is a brother and chairman of the Council of Alpha Phi Omega coed Fraternity, an advisor and sister of Sigma Delta Phi Sorority, an advisor of the Delta Chi Fraternity, honorary brother of Delta Kappa Psi Fraternity, and temporary advisor to Tau Phi Beta Fraternity and Alph Omega Sorority. “I love being the advisor for all of them, except when they get in trouble,” he laughed, and added “which is rare.”

Father Art has also worked on homecoming, spring-week, carnival, R.A. training programs and as a lip-sync competition judge. He is willing to help with almost anything that anyone asks of him, as long as it’s within reason.

Next on Father’s Art’s agenda will be conducting scripture services for Ash Wednesday at 12:15, 1:15, 3:30 and a mass at 7:30. Mass will also be held on April 8, at 4:45 on Holy Thursday and Sunday April 11, Easter morning at 11:00.

After Spring Break Father Art will be:

Organizing people for Fast Day, which will include giving up two meals in one day, and the dining services will refund that money for the poor.

Three times a month the Newman Center has Newman nights, where people get together to attend mass, have dinner, relax and have discussions, just like at home.

He also hopes to plan philanthropy events with IPC (Inter Fraternity Council). Father Art is always open for suggestions, and if it’s “reasonable, he’ll run with it.”

All Around Campus...

Should Mike Tyson be freed from jail?

Yes, because there were many issues and facts that were left out of the original trial. And when a crime of such nature is addressed it needs to be proven without a shadow of a doubt.

Edward White
Political Science, Senior

Yes, only for the sole reason that I’d really like to see him start fighting again.

Gene Chiaromonte
Accounting, Senior

No, because he did his dirt and he should do the time, even though they (the system) might have locked him up on the wrong account.

Kathy Hendley
Recreation, Senior

Mike Tyson should be free. The girl who got him in trouble is a phony like the rest of them and should seek mental help.

Renee Apuna
Fashion, Sophomore
Christian Slater seemed little nervous to be in a room full of teenage girls who had only just finished wiping the tears from their eyes after seeing his latest performance. I don’t think he expected them. I feared for myself that I might be in the way if this wave decided to crash. However, he rose to the occasion as the questions began...

**Question:** The romantic nature of the *Name of the Rose* is a real rarity in Hollywood. Is that one of the things that drew you to the script?

**Slater:** Yeah. This is certainly something I didn’t expect to be asked to do. When the script came around, Tony Bill (the director of *Untamed Heart*) had something in me that I didn’t necessarily see in myself. I’m grateful that he decided to stick with me and pursue me to do this role because I really wasn’t sure about it in the beginning. (Sigh) First one down.

**Laughter.**

**Question:** Would you consider yourself from the same mold as such actors as James Dean, Marlon Brando, Montgomery Clift or John Garfield?

**Slater:** Nah. I think when they made the molds for those particular actors they probably broke “um and threw them away. I don’t know what particular mold I’m a part of, but those guys were definitely individuals.

**Question:** What was your first great experience in film?

**Slater:** I think the first movie I did was the first real movie that I did that I really had an incredible experience on was *The Name of the Rose*. In that film I played a character who was very innocent and naive and possessed a lot of the similar qualities that Adam (Slater’s character in *Untamed Heart*) possesses. Working with Sean Connery I got to see how he dealt with situations and saw how mature he was and how charismatic I try to look for parts that are, at least, somewhat boisterous and a little more powerful, more in control of situations. So sort of moved myself away from playing these types of roles that had those types of characteristics. Vulnerability and innocence and that child-like quality I think Adam has. It was important to rework those roles.

**Question:** What has been your favorite film?

**Slater:** I think it’s *Pump Up the Volume*. There are a few films I’ve done that have that kind of back and really be proud of like *Name of the Rose*, *Heathers*, *Pump Up the Volume*, and now *Untamed Heart*. I did it, I’m proud of it and I can hold my head up. I’m happy I did it.

**Question:** You’ve worked with some great people in your career. Is there anyone you haven’t worked with still want to?

**Slater:** Yeah. I’d like to work with Harrison Ford. That would be cool. That’s one name off the top of my head that I can think of.

**Question:** Who are some of your role models?

**Slater:** As far as peoples work that I admire, well, I’m not gonna state the obvious, so I’ll say James Dean and those types of guys. Marlon Brando and William Hurt, I’ve always liked his work a lot. So yeah, those types of guys.

**Question:** What were the things you prepared for the role of Adam?

**Slater:** I did a lot of work because I didn’t have a key understanding of his character. About when I read the script I wanted to bring as much as I possibly could to it. So I did a lot of thinking about it and tried to figure out exactly how this character would be played. And I think that’s what gave me the ability to keep things as simple and let the playing be because, basically, this character is a very simple character who’s very well-loved and open and that’s what I tried to be. I had to believe the story that Adam believed.

**Question:** Will you take your hat off for me?

**Slater:** No, darling, I won’t.

**Laughter.**

**Question:** If you want, I’ll explain what happened. You see, the last movie I did I had black short hair. So, I had to go do the photo shoot for the film and there was this really nice lady there who was a hair stylist or hair cutter or something. She said “Oh, do you want me to take the black out? Are you sick of it? I can make it your natural color again.” So I said “Yeah. Of course. You’re a professional. Absolutely.” And the lighting was really interesting in the room we did it in and it looked really great. And went into another room and I passed a mirror and stopped and said “Wait a second. This is outrageous! What have you done to me?” I’ve been pretty freaked out about it and freaked myself. But dealing with it now, I’m gonna keep my hat on.

**Question:** How did you land the role in *Stevie 60*?

**Slater:** Well, that was like a dream come true for me. I’ve always been a little more powerful, more in control of situations. So I sort of moved a little more powerful, more in control of my life, so this was a real good title from *Untamed Heart*. I never wanted the audience to get the wrong idea. It’s not a movie about a heart transplant.

**PROPHET:** Did you have something to do with that change?

**Slater:** Well, no. I actually liked the title *Untamed Heart*. But they felt it was just something they needed to change so people didn’t get the wrong idea.

**Question:** Who have you learned the most from?

**Slater:** I’ve learned a lot from everybody. Even if something was a bad experience, I came away learning something from it. I think it’s a daily process of learning and trying to stay open minded and teachable. I’ve probably learned the most from my mother. She’s the real key person in all of this.

**Question:** What was the most embarrassing moment in your career?

**Slater:** I think it probably took place in a love scene, I’m sure. I won’t go into any further that that.

**Laughter.**

**Question:** Do you have any advice for aspiring young actors?

**Slater:** The role in *The Name of the Rose* was really difficult for me physically. It was grueling, but working with Sean Connery was really nerve-racking, a showroom. But dealing with it now, I’m gonna keep my hat on.

**Question:** Do you have a lot of input in your films?

**Slater:** Well, that depends on the movie. With *Pump Up the Volume* I had a lot of say. I had to put a lot of my feelings into it. With *Untamed Heart* I really wanted to stick as close to the script as I possibly could. It all depends.

**PROPHET:** Have you any questions for you. The first one is we’ve heard you talk about your favorite films and which ones you like doing.

**Slater:** The one I really really don’t like doing is *Stevie 60*. Well, let me put this it. I’ll never cuff my pants again.

**Laughter.**

**PROPHET:** That’s probably the one I had a hard time with. *Untamed Heart*. The other question is can you give us a little insight as to why they changed the title from *Baboon Heart* to *Untamed Heart*?

**Slater:** Because of all the transplants that go on I don’t think they wanted the audience to get the wrong idea.

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**PROPHET:** Kind of makes up for the morning all the more worth it, huh?

Mr. Slater raised his head and said to me “It’s more do the.”

**Laughter.**
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A rose by any other name is just a flower

by W. Scott Friedman

After you’ve walked down the student center stairs, (the ones by the MAC machine) slipped and fell on the ice, and consequently sued MSC for negligence, take your extra cash and go to the Student Center Pizzeria.

What?! Did I say that? You can’t do that! It’s wrong! It’s immoral! It’s not ethical! Don’t go to the Student Center Cafeteria until they call it THE RAT again!!

This is blasphemy! They make us wait for more than a whole semester for THE RAT, and all we get is Student Center D! The Rat (no more bold face, you get the point) had ambience. The “pizzeria” should have balloons and clowns. Let me tell you why I am so upset.

1. The first thing that you notice is that they ripped out that big, beautiful, wooden bar and replaced it with a card table full of napkins. The new bar, located opposite the old one, doesn’t even work. It is made of imitation cheez-wiz and promptly seats 2 1/2.

2. Ouch! My eyes!! They made the place so bright. Time was when a person could go to the Rat and watch General Hospital without the embarrassment of being seen. Speaking of watching:

3. Where the hell is the big screen TV?? (for complaint see #2)

4. $1.25 for a measly slice of pizza!! But then again, this is MSC.

OK, those are my main problems and I do have to give credit where credit is due. The food is not bad. But then again, sometimes it’s not heated. If you eat there at the wrong time and order pizza, it’ll be at least fifteen minutes out of the oven. Now it’s not cold, it’s room temperature. You know, when you order Domino’s and finish all but the last piece, which you think you’re going to save. But a half hour later you decide that you want it. And then because the slice has fused to the Domino’s box... well you get the idea.

Kids, The Rat is like Michael Jackson. It still delivers the same stuff, but it doesn’t look like it did a few years ago. So I find myself in a dilemma. To eat or not to eat.

My fellow Montclairians, it’s time this apathetic student body took a stand! We can’t just muddle in there like cattle, slobbering over our pizza. We have to stand up for our Rat Rights! And so I say to you: Ask not what your Rat can do for you, but rather ask what you can do for your Rat. Form rallies and protests! Boycott this horrible shell of what once was! Make them give us THE RAT!

What’s that? Where do we eat? Well, let’s see... there’s Blanton. NO, that won’t work. There’s the commuter caf. No, that won’t work either. Well then there’s, urn, er...

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Writing a cover letter

Cover letters are as important as resumes, but most job hunters do not take the time to create letters that work well for them. Perhaps after they have struggled with the resume, spending effort, time and money to create a "masterwork," the cover letter appears to be only a formality of little importance. After all, the resume says everything that matters, doesn't it? No, it does not, and that is why cover letters must be written. Here's what an effective letter should do:

- Your letter should tell your reader why he or she has received your resume in the mail. (When resumes are hand delivered, no cover letter is needed.) Is this resume being sent in response to an advertised position? At the suggestion of a friend who already works for the organization? As part of a request for an information interview? There are dozens of reasons why you might be prompted to send a resume to an organization and you need to tell the reader why you are writing.

- Your letter should be written to make the resume intriguing to the person who will be reading it. (Resumes and their cover letters are never sent to "Director of Marketing" or some other "title." You must always call the organization to find the name of the appropriate individual.) How do you make your resume catch the interest of a total stranger? Create several sentences in your letter that make your resume specific to the position you are after and show your knowledge of the organization you are contacting. For example, "You will note from my resume that I have been promoted several times in the last few years to my current position as Assistant Manager, supervising 20 part time employees in a high volume restaurant. In addition to the information provided on my resume, I inventoried daily sales of each food item on our menu using the register software your ad requests. I believe that these experiences have prepared me for the management position in your restaurant. Additionally, last Tuesday's article in the business section of the NY Times, describing your company's decision to offer a "health food menu," really piqued my interest and would make excellent use of my education in nutrition."

- Never forget to ask for an interview if that is the reason you are writing. Indicate that you will be calling during the week after this mailing to determine a convenient date. Do not assume that the employer will take the initiative to call you as he or she may have received 50 resumes on the same day as yours appears in the "in-box."

The style of your cover letter is as important as its content. Use the rules that apply to any business communication:

- Keep the letter short enough to be easy to read but long enough to say what needs to be said.

- Be certain that there are no errors in grammar, punctuation or spelling.

- Respect your reader and don't try to "impress" him by using fancy language you do not usually use. Leave your thesaurus unopened and write in simple, direct English. State your accomplishments plainly without exaggeration or bragging. Remember that you are writing to someone with as much or more education, and experience than you have. Also, it is someone who probably has seen thousands of cover letters and resumes over the years.

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IT WILL BE CALLED THE TRAPANGENIAL CRATER.

LOOK AT THIS. THEY TELL YOU TO PICK OUT WHAT'S IMPORTANT. I PICKED OUT CRYING. I'M NERVOUS.

WELCOME TO IDAHO. HILLARY, THINK OF HOW AWFUL IT'S GOING TO BE WHEN YOU'RE SIXTY, AND YOU THINK OF ...
To Lambda Phi Beta pledges.-Stay strong, we love you guys! Love Monica and Alicia

To the Beta Class of Tri Sigma: Good luck, girls! I know you can do it. You know I'm always here for you if you need anything.

Love, Michelle ZK19

Anne, Jen and Christine (Tri Sigma): Thanks for everything. You guys are the best! Cotillion is gonna be awesome.

Love and sisterhood, your other sweet pea.

Chris H.- thanks for hanging so late last night. You may have won the battle, but I'll win the war!

Jill H. (Tri Sigma): You are the best big sister in the whole world and I love you. Thanks for being there. Love your little, forever, Michelle

To my Beta Eta pledge sisters: Get psyched for Cotillion, we're gonna have an awesome time! You guys are the best! I love you!

Love your P.S. Michelle

To the wonderful sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma-Thank God she's gone. What does a beatnick know about sqwag! Love Willow

Good luck to the lambda pledge class-make us proud!

Love the sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma

Kappas are SMART. Need I say more?

Lois (Sigma Delta Phi), that girl with the straight teeth want your number. She says she wants to know how your teeth got so crooked!

Michelle

To whomever wrote the personal last week to Dawn in Tri Sigma, I just have three words for you: Good work, man!

Rubble (TKE) and Jo K. (SDPhi): Do you think I had to dip into both my spare socks and spare underwear? Oh my God, how embarrassing?

Love Lois

To the Alpha Class of Delta Xi Delta: Congratulations! We love all of you! Do your ultimate best, give it your all, and make us proud of you! Picture love and sisterhood, The sisters of Delta Xi Delta

Christine (SDPhi), You're the best mama bird a baby bird could ask for!

Michelle

To the sisters of Delta Xi Delta: Let's continue our history with our incredible Alpha Class! It's going to be our best semester yet!

Love and sisterhood, FS#2

JOEY (Delta) TOLD ya if you shaved the beard...

Steve (Lambda Theta Phi pledgee) Stay strong! We love you! Mothe Ho Cows, Barb and Olga

Hey Nerd, Find a date yet? One more day! Love Dork

Beta Class of Tri Sigma you guys are awesome! Good luck and make us proud!

Joanna (Tri Sigma) You're going to be an awesome pledger! Good luck and I'm here if you need me! Love always Christine

Dear O-Tri Sigma-We love having you for a roommate even though you are a B.P.

Darlene (AKPhi) You're fat! 30 days to go, and we'll be mugger-

Love Cindy

Yam (my almost Bull)-Can't wait to bum those pants...camos just ain't you, babe...

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To all the Chances of AKPhi: When are we having our sleep-over?

Jim (AKPhi) No more brats, Please! Love Cindy

Belinda, Happy 30th Birthday!

Love Lambda Tau Omega, He! He! He!

Angelina (DPhi) Doll, Sister Annimenee, curry from Saint Bernardette's. She said da reunion is cancelled?? What eva. She just doesn't want us there. We'll crash it. Ya, na bella look goe-goes.

Love Maria

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'Toe Cheesy- Hey! I'm glad I'm taking TV to the Cotillion!! a certain tick girl!

Theta Russell.. Looks like a good time was had by all at Delta! You guys are great! Love Laura

you're being presented in style!

Cotillion '93 Love Laura

TO TOMATO, GO TOMATO, IT'S your birthday...

Theta Kappa Chi Cotillion 1993-gonna be great! Love you all! Laura

Natalie, SDPhi, I want that Sebastian lamp. And do you have jumper cables - I had a great time. Let's do it again. Love Scooter

To the Beta Pledge Class of Tri Sigma! Good luck girls! Make us proud! Love Geezkii

Letty (SDPhi) So when is the wedding? Am I gonna be in it? You're the best! I love you! Michelle (Little)

My Cotillion date- Dave (TKE)- I see fun! Love ya Lois

Beaver-Hey, did you get the valentine ad? Troubleome Thetas

To my family (TS) I love you guys lots and I can't wait until Friday night! We are going to have an awesome time! Love Gee you - Your Gr. Big

To Kelly: Hey, Baby. You are the cutest. That man of yours is a lucky one!

To Amy: You funny! Two men in one night! Wow! I'm impressed.

Kevin Stork, Here's looking at four times a week.

Ooh, Baby, you're the One.

Calle, You would be an intense lawyer! Your debating skills are primed and ready for action on the froze lines. I think you're great and I'm glad your thick skin will never change.

Pete: You are all patience.

Christina, I love you baby. Just do me a favor and wear pants outside though, I'll let them off inside.

Kevin

Woopaaa! I love you and I know things will work out! You deserve only the best! Love Pro

Mack (Sigma Phi E) I'll always be there to take care of your every need. I love you now and always. You may not be here physically, but you're always in my heart. I love you! Sig EP "Goldenheart" '94?

Nu and Xi class of Theta -

Hot Pick of the Week

Keith

Those green eyes just tickle my fire as you spin off such creative yet athletic prose which keep me awake, thinking of you nightly. Here's to seeing you tomorrow in that sexy formed green jacket that nestles your perky buttocks so well. The late nighters

Cheeziest Personal

To the 4th floor free-
mans cheesy chasers who like to pick on mice- be warned. Rats live on the 2nd and we eat nasty cheese like you for break-
fast!

with your in-
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To the sisters of Delta Xi Delta: Let's continue our history
MSC drops rematch with Stockton, 79-60
Chances of the program's first .500 season since '85-'86 slip away

by Michael Frasco

If only the MSC men's basketball team had shot better in the first half of their loss to Stockton State Monday night at Stockton Gym in Pomona.

If only the Red Hawks were not out-muscled on the boards by a 55-34 margin. If only Stockton's Chris Mitchell didn't rip MSC for a game-high 26 points. If only Stockton wasn't ranked No. 11 nationally in Division III.

Men's Basketball

There were certainly many "ifs" for the Red Hawks (9-13 overall, 5-10 NJAC) in their latest setback, a defeat which denied the program a shot reaching its first .500 season since the 85-86 team went 13-12.

However, MSC, which had pulled off a huge 53-38 upset over the Ospreys on Dec. 5, was unable to duplicate the feat.

MSC head coach Nick DeTufo said,"The guys were a little down after the Jersey City State loss because we were mathematically eliminated from the tournament. We were just not falling tonight," said the second-year coach.

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Although the Red Hawks did post a balanced scoring effort, the teams' inability to convert on its field goal attempts (21 of 61 for 34.4%) and its ineffectiveness on the boards, made the perfect formulas for defeat.

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No more iron bars for 'Iron Mike'

Mike Tyson, the former undisputed heavyweight champion of the world, has been sitting in an Indiana state penitentiary cell unjustly for a little more than a year now.

That's correct, unjustly. Ever since he bunt upon the boxing scene in mid-1980's, Tyson has been someone that either you really like or really hate. Generally, there is no in-between.

Everyone who feels about Iron Mike for a few minutes and take a look at the reasons why he shouldn't be in jail.

Rape is the most horrific crime, aside from murder, that can be committed and should never be taken lightly.

However, there are only two people in the entire world that know what happened in suite 606 of the Canterbury Hotel in Indianapolis, Indiana on July 19, 1991.

The speculation and accusations that have followed that night should not be in jail.

The person who is responsible for emotionally scar- ing the victim for life is not someone who is looked at by the victim in a sympathetic and friendly way.

Before Tyson was convicted, Washington said that if he had apologized and admitted that he needed help, that she would forgive him and drop the charges.

What a person who is raped thinks this way?

If someone repays you, they should be punished for it. No ifs, ands or buts about it.

How could you just take an "I'm sorry, I didn't mean it" and leave it at that? Human beings just don't function that way.

Like him or not, the odds were stacked against Tyson long before he was accused of raping an 18-year-old Miss Black America pageant contestant from Rhode Island.

The word was that sooner or later he would end up doing something that would land him in jail. Some people were actually hoping that he would end up there.

The preconceived notions of the public entered the courtroom when Mike Tyson went to trial. As a matter of fact, those preconceived notions have made Tyson nothing more than an inguineer in an Indiana jail.

Oh, one more question for you to ponder: It's still innocent until proven guilty, isn't it?

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Red Hawk grapplers upended by Kean, but Sloan keeps unbeaten streak alive

by Nicole Festa

The latest chapter in the wrestling rivalry between MSC and Kean College was written last Thursday in Union.

The injury-plagued Red Hawks were unable to pull out a victory as they were defeated by the Cougars, 34-12.

Wrestling

Problems arose early for the Red Hawks when they were forced to forfeit their first two matches in the 118 and 126 pound weight classes due to illnesses and injuries.

These early setbacks allowed Kean to build a 13-0 lead and MSC could never catch up.

However, there were several intriguing matches that lived up to their expectations.

The 134-pound match pitting MSC's Scott Castiglia against Kean's Chris Steinbacher went right down to the wire. After trailing Steinbacher 6-2, Castiglia came back and tied the match at 6-6, which was the score when time ran out. The tie-breaking point and advantage in riding time.

After Joe Mancuso dropped his 152-pound match, the Red Hawks found themselves down, 24-0. This put MSC in too big of a hole to dig out of, especially with all of its injuries and illnesses.

MSC did manage to win three matches in its last regular season meet of 1992-93. All three victories came by way of technical default.

Jim Sloan, a 1991 All-American in Division III, continued to shine as he won his 177-pound encounter. The win moved Sloan to a remarkable 28-0.

Phil Josa (158 lbs.) and Bill Templeton (167 lbs.) were the other winners for the Red Hawks.

This loss ended MSC's regular season on a sour note, but there are still reasons to be optimistic.

This weekend (Feb. 20-21), the Red Hawks will travel to Trenton State in Ewing Township to participate in the Metropolitan Tournament.

MSC hopes to go into the tournament healthy enough to come up with a few individual victories.

Sloan is one of the favorites in the 177-pound weight class and could very well come back to Upper Montclair as a tournament winner.

RED HAWK NOTES...

MSC finished up the season with a record of 12-11 overall and 5-2 in the NJAC. Coming into the season, more was expected of this strong and powerful lineup, but injuries and illnesses were its major stumbling blocks. Considering all that the Red Hawks had to overcome, a 500-plus record was more than acceptable.

In the bleachers...

"That Jordan kid gives me the creeps."
Track stars headed to Disneyland?  

by Mark Alan Belnay

If any of you have seen the movie Alive about the soccer team that must resort to cannibalism to survive in the Andes mountains after their plane crashes, you have some idea of the situation the MSC track and field team had to deal with in order to compete at the Cornell Invitational this past weekend.

Once they arrived, they decided to feast on their opponents instead of one another. The men's team led the way with its version of the term. "They came, they saw, they conquered."

The men's 1600-meter relay team of Wayne Dennis, Jacinto Alayon, Dewayne Stevens and Ernest Johnson took first place with a time of 3:19.30 and secured a position at the National Championships later this season.

As your humble narrator suggested last week regarding Reebok commercials, I think the team just graduated to Elevation commercials. Could you picture yourself watching television one evening and seeing Wayne Dennis' face flash across the screen telling the viewing public he is going to Disneyland? Don't laugh, stranger things have happened.

In addition to the 1600-meter relay team's performance, Neal Ruiz once again looked like the second coming of well...himself.

He carried over the momentum from his sparking exhibition at the Alden Invitational at Brown University, where he was awarded the Alden Cup for his performance. Ruiz was again the pacemaker in the 55-meter dash with a time of 6.38. He also finished second in the long jump with a mark of 23.475 to round out his excellent overall performance.

Stevens, Dennis and Alayon all turned in strong performances in their individual events as well. Stevens, who rumor has it is seeking to strike a deal with Nike for a group of commercials in which he raises Godzilla, ran a blistering 200 meter with a time of 22.20 to take first in the event. He also finished second in the 400-meters, with a time of 49.40. Oh, just a slight suggestion to that big green, basketball-playing, goggles-wearing reptile...Stick to basketball, you have a better chance against Sir Charles Barkley.

Dennis joined in on the fun with a stellar performance in the 800-meters with a time of 1:56.30 and a first place finish. Hey Wayne, get used to being around Mickey and Goofy because the camera crews are coming to find you. Alayon, in addition to his strong leg in the 1600-meter, ran a solid 22.40 to take fourth in the 200-meters, which was also run by Stevens.

The women's team was led by the quality running of Rhonda Westbrook and Sharon Lindo. Westbrook took fifth in the 800-meters with a time of 2:26.70 and Lindo, attempting to regain her magic of last season, took fourth in the 400-meters with a time of 59.70.

The women's team is looking for big showings from both Lindo and Westbrook in addition to Shantay Brame, who could give the Hawks a big lift in the team's long run to the NJAC title. In all 21 games this season, Shaffer has led MSC with 14 points, provided 12 points for the winless Judy Stair led MSC with 14 points, while Jeanine Mullaly added 10 points.

In previous action, MSC had a loss to control of its own playoff destiny. They're still in second place in the NJAC, but wins or losses by Rowan College, Gloucester County, and William Paterson College will determine whether MSC gets the second seed in the NJAC tournament. The second seed would give MSC the home-court advantage in at least the tournament's first game. The seedings will not be announced until Monday morning.

The win completed MSC's season sweep over TSC, coming after a 64-53 triumph on Dec. 9. Also, her 15 points put her at 960 for her career. After last night's game, she'll have one regular season game and the playoffs to try to become only the third player in MSC history to record 1,000 points and 1,000 rebounds over a career. Prior to the Stockton victory, MSC was upset by Jersey City State College, 69-42 at Fries Gym in Jersey City on Saturday night.

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