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Wide area network of computers and resource sharing are in the future of higher education

by Linde Naata

In an exclusive interview for The Montclarion last week N.J. Chancellor of Higher Education Edward Goldberg said that by the 21st century, at least some portion of Montclair State College students could be studying at home via computer from faculty members around the globe. The chancellor explained why colleges need to consider the controversial "resource sharing" strategy, and said that hope for quality higher education system in the future depends on intense planning and an increase in public advocacy for funding.

"I see quite a different higher education system in the year 2000," said Goldberg, who feels that technology is forcing a change in the way that as many as 20 percent of students can learn by computer from home, they could access the resources of institutions worldwide; University of California at Berkeley, Oxford or even Cairo University, said the chancellor.

"Some place there is that professor who in past years may have come to Montclair State College as a visiting professor, but they had to come physically to MSC. Now they can come, even today, electronically," said Goldberg, pointing out that the college would only need to purchase one third of the faculty member's time.

"If that was done on a somewhat wide-spread basis at MSC, we would have a radical change at MSC. In fact, it may be one of the things that Montclair State University will be doing in the year 2000," said the chancellor.

To Goldberg, part of the key to enhancing the future lies in intense planning today — "with nothing ruled out to start." His ideas, along with strategies being developed in planning at both state and institutional levels, will shape the vision of higher education. Goldberg said that financial pressures in the 90's and beyond the year 2000, will force schools to continue to re-arrange their priorities, and called N.J. higher education an "under-funded, under-built system" made of institutions which "may no longer aspire to be all things to all people."

"We need to seriously explore alternatives to what we currently do. The reason we need to explore radical change is to make sure that, with whatever resources we get, we deliver the best and widest set of services to students," Goldberg said.

The chancellor believes that a quality system of higher education in the year 2000 is not possible without some facet of "resource sharing." Resource sharing is a controversial idea that calls for institutions to share administrative and student services, equipment and even faculty. People on campus have been concerned over how it would work, since jobs, student services, and campus life as a whole

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-anonymous SGA President

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ABC News political correspondent speaks at MSC
by Dan Hansen

Jeff Greenfield, political correspondent for ABC News shared his views on the relationship between the media and politics, as the second Nicholas Martini Center for Public Policy Lecture last Thursday night.

The speech was presented in the Student Center Ballrooms attended by an estimated 500 people including faculty members, students and others.

Greenfield was introduced by Dr. William Berlin, Director of the Nicholas Martini Center. He commented on the fact that there is a general belief that the way you understand politics is through the lenses of the media. There are no politics unless it happens on the mass media. After spending many years in politics and in covering them, he feels that the media is best understood as a packing who gets elected and why, than the media the politicians and the candidates based on issues of personal, local and national interest.

Greenfield’s next point was the premise that politics go where the voters go. In the old days, politicians went to the taverns, the church socials, picnics, etc. If the voters were home in front of their radios and TVs, that was where the candidates were.

The networks controlled what was on and when it was on. If you were not home you missed it. When satellites were placed in orbit, they broke the monopoly that the networks had on the media. Today, with cable, VCRs, satellite dishes, and other conveniences of television, people are discussing things on the air that they would not have dreamed of years earlier.

This has created a “new” media which does not confuse a candidate to just the three networks. In the 1998 campaign the average sound bite for a major party candidate was nine and a half seconds. Candidates in the 1992 campaign became this “new” media after learning people were home, but had different viewing habits from the previous elections.

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Campus Police Report

compiled by Kelly J. Schab

Unlicensed Driver
3/31 An employee was seen illegally operating a motor vehicle along Heating Plant Way, lot 30 and Webster Road. The investigation found that his license is revoked, he has fictitious plates and his car is unregistered. His car was towed and he was given numerous summons for motor vehicle violations.

Theft
4/1 A student reported the theft of her bag. She left it accidentally at the bus stop at the corner of College Ave. and Heating Plant Way.

4/1 Three residents of Clove Road reported that, coming back after three hours, they found their apartment ransacked and an old stereo cassette player stolen. They returned at 10:15 pm and reported it at 1:15 am. The last person to leave the apartment wasn’t sure if she locked the door and there was no sign of breaking or entering. None of their jewelry or cash was stolen and the incident was thought to be a prank.

Damage School Property
4/1 An officer observed a member of the faculty breaking a gate arm in order to park his car in a slot. The gate card reader had been broken and the member of the faculty broke the gate arm to get in.

Fire Alarm
4/2 The fire alarm in Webster Hall went off at 12 noon. There was no indication as to what the problem was.

4/5 A Bohn Hall fire alarm was set off at 1 pm.

Motor Vehicle Theft
4/4 A car was stolen between 5 pm and 9:30 pm out of lot 21.

Suspicious Activity
4/5 A patrolling officer found one male sitting in the passenger seat of a vehicle in lot 23. As the officer approached the car, another male came out of the bushes carrying an open beer can. The officer asked for identification from the second male who was operating the vehicle, but the driver tried to flee the scene. The officer pursued the vehicle and eventually stopped the vehicle and issued a summons to the non-student driver.

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fourth of his State of the Union Address.
Greenfield stated that generally third party candidates do not do well in elections, and he thought this would be especially true with Ross Perot. He felt that, “it was apparent that this is a man whose seat back and tray table were not in the full and upright position.” The press’ view of Perot did not matter, however, because of people who watched and voted for him. It seemed that voters were looking for different ways other than the standard three networks for finding the candidates said Greenfield.

After the speech, there was a question and answer period. Greenfield was asked whether or not, the media leaks too much information concerning national concerns. Greenfield said no, the press holds back more than you know.

Another question was: should the Supreme Court represent the country? He answered that they are there to guard the constitution. How would you represent the country with only nine people? It would be a fool’s errand, said Greenfield.

He asked about the standards used to cover candidates because not everyone gets equal coverage and explained that a candidate needs to show substantial support to receive coverage.
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Ticket sales begin Monday, April 5, 1993 in the Student Center Lobby
Welcome, loyal readers, to another captivating installment of PROPHET BIGG! Well, I have quite a treat for you this week. While the majority of you were enjoying a nice spring break, the Prophet was hard at work. During the break, I went to Manhattan to attend the screening of Benny & Joon, MGM's latest film which stars Johnny Depp, Mary Stuart Masterson and Aidan Quinn. The film was directed by Jeremiah Chechik who's other major film success was National Lampoons Christmas Vacation.

After watching the film, which, by the way, was both funny and entertaining, low and behold who should walk in but Johnny Depp, Mary Stuart Masterson, Aidan Quinn and Jeremiah Chechik! They took seats at a table in front of the screens room and took some questions...

1. What's it like to break out of the "Teen Idol" status?
   Johnny Depp - Well, it's important for me to break any labels, any names they give you to sell a product.

2. How did you prepare for the character of Joon?
   Mary Stuart Masterson - I had to base what I did on a fact finding mission about mental illness. I did the research one has to do, but it was interesting trying to fit that into the context of the story without getting into the downside. And also getting into this world of the way she sees things was really interesting to me. I discovered I'd rather see the world more like her.

3. You did a lot of painting in the role of Joon. Have you continued to paint, even as only a hobby?
   MM. It's definitely not something that would, uh, sell. (Laughter) I would not say any galleries are barking up my tree. I painted a little for the film, but I didn't learn how and study.

4. What do you look for in scripts?
   JD. Well, you read a lot of stuff. Formula scripts, ya know, the same old stuff over and over. Usually, it's something I respond to. Like Sam. (Depp's Character in Benny & Joon) It was a great opportunity to be totally irresponsible.

   Jeremiah Chechik - Type casting. (Laughter)

   JD. Just sort of a chance to bounce off the wall for a little while. Have fun.

   Q. Did you watch any Buster Keaton films to prepare for the role of Sam?
   JD. Yeah. I watched a whole lot of Buster Keaton’s movies to study him. (Pause) I don’t know what else to say. (Laughter)

5. What life experiences in your own life have brought you to play such strong, rebellious, not in the norm roles?
   MM. Private school. (Laughter) Johnny?

   JD. I'm damaged. (Laughter) I'm ill. I don't know.

   MM. I think when something is predictable, I don't get it. So when something comes along that's interesting and specific, got a lot of colors to it, that gets me all excited and I want to be involved. And in this case, just look at these people. (Motions to her fellow panel members). This is a good reason to spend a few months acting.
Save America's Forests
by Carol Palladino

"Save the Rainforests" is a phrase which we have all become familiar with over the past several years. Concern over the depletion of the rainforests has received much publicity. An all out campaign to save the forests against clearcutting has been launched because it is not only the trees that are disappearing, but an entire ecological system. This campaign is promising, but what about the forests in our own country? Surprisingly enough, our forests face a similar fate, and are being destroyed in just as rapid a time as the rainforests in Brazil. Our forests are disappearing, but an entire ecological system has been launched because it is being destroyed much more quickly than the rainforests in Brazil. These even-age farms consist of monocultures which do not encourage the growth of other plants, or allow the forests to regenerate. The forests, a vital part of our ecosystem, are being replaced by a process called clearcutting. A resolution to these problems has been proposed by Congressmen John Bryan (D-VA) in the form of The Forest Biodiversity and Clearcutting Prohibition Act. This bill would end clearcutting and replace it with a process called selection management, where the removal of trees would be periodic and occur only in small groups. No major openings in the forest would be cut and no more than 30% of the forest community would be destroyed over 30 years. This proposal is ideal. Not only is selection management more job intensive, native biodiversity can be maintained, soil erosion will cease and the overall integrity of National forests will be upheld. The time to act is now, before the small remnants of our forests are gone forever. If you care about the environment, endangered species, or the American work in- dustry, then you should write to your Representatives and ask them to support the Forest Biodiversity and Clearcutting Prohibition Act.

Green Appreciation
by Tim Lawton

I remember more by feeling than by actually going to the garden. My mom tended to the garden and played in my backyard. He and my mom tended to the garden and here and there I would pull a few weeds thinking I was helping. I realize now that the garden and every side of the house. Our yard was wild with flamboyant reds, pinks, gold, violet, and just about every other color in the spectrum around our suburban rose bushes. They were a specialty of my great-grandfather, who would prune and care for them so they burst with blooms every year. He liked to take me to his friends house up the street on our way to the cemetery for walks. Our street was a tunnel under the canopy of maples he planted some fifty years before. They stood tall, gently swaying in the warm breeze rustling their leaves. I remember the wooden gate we went through to get to the cemetery. We walked around talking and enjoying the scenery. Then we rested under a tree. He used to tell me that the trees are alive, that they know. Do not pick their bark or leaves and do not snap their branches. He would explain that they could feel pain and these parts of them were just like my arms and skin were part of me. Then some days in the cool shade we'd fall asleep.

At 9:21 I figure he must have known a lot about what really matters in life. But now the street is barren except for the occasional tree. The bums in the sidewalk where the kids jumped their bikes have been smoothed. They cut the parts of the trunks that oozed with grass between the sidewalk and curb. Circular scars show where the trees have lost branches to make way for the wires that cross-cut the road. The temperature sizzles in the hot summer sun beating off the sweltering pave. It's hard to look at the houses reflecting the sun rays. Deep burrows and rotted stumps mark where most of my grandpa's trees were. Yet some are still left. Many are sick and their branches, mainly at the top, are turning black and becoming sparse. The neighbors know well the remaining icons he planted nearly 65 years ago, but they are just getting used to the springly young saplings I put in these past two years.

Only by my part of the street does it ever seem to get any greener, yet still things aren't quite the same. The cacophony emanating from route 80 at the end of the block has kind of taken the soothing quality from the rustle of the leaves. I wish more people could know and feel the life that is dying within these trees.

A Plea for Sustainability
by Dawn Kelly

Science now can only be considered a fraction of science since the extinction of plants, bugs and animals. We will never know what we missed, what we altered or what we could have been if we only walked more cautiously and respected all the life that was around us. The forests, the wilderness are the well spring of life. The place where all life evolves. The more we proceeds to develop for profit sake instead of sustainability, the more we will limit our futures.

If we can't think in terms of saving the forests for the sake of the life that is in it, you will be forced to concede something must be done for humanities sake. Did you know they found a tree in Cambodia which showed promising pharmaceutical benefits for the HIV infection only to go back and discover it was no longer there? What about the Yew tree of the Pacific Northwest which for years was considered a trash tree by the timber industry but is now found to contain within its bark the most promising cure for ovarian cancer?

Please get involved. Let your representative know what you think. You put them in office, you pay their salary and they are there to serve you. Don't be intimidated, just write a letter. Our National forests, subsidized by taxpayers money are being clearcut at nonsus- tainable rates. It is estimated that if we continue at these rates, the mere 5% of wilderness areas now left will be gone within 10 years.

FOREST GLOSSARY
Clearcutting - the method of logging a forest so that all or most of the trees are cut down immediately or within a few years.
Even-age farming - plots of clearcut land are replanted with monocultures all the same age. There is no diversity of life.
Biodiversity - a variety of living organisms
Selection Management - the method of cutting only individual or small groups of trees in a healthy natural forest at periodic intervals.

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All around campus...

Do you think Automatic Teller Machines are safe?

Yeah, Of course they're safe. Who is gonna be stupid enough to mess with me.

Ken Turash
Physical Education, Senior

I think the door should lock after each person enters. There should be adequate lighting and an emergency phone in the enclosure.

Diane Lojek
Undeclared, Junior

Without disrespecting the integrity of the Mac, putting money in is no trouble. It's when I take all my money out that gives me problems. That's what is truly dangerous.

George Blue
Women Studies, Senior

In my opinion, Mac machines are safe. Being that the system is computerized, adequate measures are taken.

Anita Farro
Marketing, Senior

Delta Xi Delta coupon books are still on sale. Only $5. See any sister.

Alpha Omega will be raffleing off a jar of condoms after Easter Break. See any sister for details.

Tau Kappa Epsilon is sponsoring a pizza raffle for a dollar. You can win 10 pizzas with delivery. Stop by the table or see any brother for a ticket. The pizza is from Pizza 46.

Phi Sigma Sigma is selling Easter egg gifts for pick-up delivery. One dollar each at the table or see a sister.

Sigma Tau Nu is sponsoring "Mascot of the Month". The organization who deposits the most money in support of its mascot will receive an airbrushed portrait of its mascot. Zeta Phi Beta will be selling M&M candy during April and May. Sigma Sigma Sigma is selling lollipops for its philanthropy. One for 75 cents or two for $1.

Going Greek is coming April 1 and is sponsored by Sigma Delta Phi.

Tau Phi Beta is selling coupon books in Blanton Hall. Theta Kappa Chi is selling Reese's Peanut Butter cups. Stop by the table or see any sister if interested.

Delta Kappa Psi is selling Spring Break T-shirts.

Sigma Alpha Iota is selling bagels and coffee every Monday from 9-12 in the music building. Alpha Iota Chi will be having a bagel sale in Partridge Hall on Tuesdays.

Sigma Sigma Sigma is holding a raffle for a free manicura. Each ticket is $50. See any sister or stop by our table in the Student Center.

Theta Kappa Chi is selling 30/50 raffle tickets. Stop by the table or see a sister if you are interested.

Sigma Tau Nu is holding a raffle for one month unlimited tanning. Each ticket is $1.

Zeta Phi Beta will be giving an Easter egg hunt for the children of the Isaiah House, East Orange, N.J., on April 9. Zeta Phi Beta will be giving and taking donations of clothing for Kettle Baguidy and family, the victims of a home fire.
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Keynote Luncheon Address:

Ruth Bamela Engo-Tjega
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United Nations, New York, New York

Monday, May 10, 1993
Student Center Ballrooms A, B, and C
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Conference and Luncheon Fee:
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Registration Deadline: April 25

This announcement has been sponsored by the Economics and Finance Society of Montclair State, a Class II Organization of the SGA.
In this corner, Prophet Bigg! In this corner, Johnny Depp! Gentlemen, I want a good, clean fight...

Date line: MSC, Thursday, April 1, 1993.

Awaiting the arrival of theモンタリオラ, I was in the game room playing the Fish Tales pinball game, when who should I run into but Prophet Bigg, playing the Addams Family pinball game next door. I think in my quarters and proceeded to play three consecutive shots straight across my flippers, I decided to give up and speak to my columnist colleague. He looked really hurt.

"What's the matter?" I asked.

"Brandon Lee died."

I didn't quite know what to make of that, and it wasn't exactly upsetting to me at the moment, but something was nagging at the back of my mind, something you'd think... "Oh, that's messed up," and that's the end of it. After we were done with our respective games, we talked a little about Brandon as we made our way back to the off-campus house if the papers showed up. "They weren't there, so I left to go work.

As I was walking past Blanton Hall, it really hit me. This was the guy who was supposed to succeed the legacy started by Bruce Lee, his father. Ask any martial artist today—Chuck Norris, Steve Segal, Jackie Chan, Sho Kosugi, all will say that they owe something to Bruce Lee. This was the guy who defined what martial arts were all about. Every karate chop-chop movie on Channel 9 or on King Fu Theatre on USA owed something to Bruce Lee. And tragically, Brandon, like his father, died young. Even worse, Bruce was at the height of his career, while Brandon's was just starting.

Is the Lee family cursed? One oriental mystic thinks so, and claims that death is inevitable for divine families. Supposedly, it's because Bruce Lee's father is buried in a Catholic cemetery next to a 1-year-old boy; a bad omen. So, the count is two and two-two deaths, and two divorces. Bruce's brother (Brandon's uncle) gave that information.

Honestly, what is it, really doesn't matter. Bruce and Brandon are both gone. You can say that UFO's are the Lee curse, and it still wouldn't do anything. However, it might be a good idea to sideline some of the Chinese mumbo jumbo and relocate Lee's dad to another resting place. Nim the problem in the bed before the next Lee gets his ticket punched.

The day after I heard about Brandon's death, I went to the video store and rented the movie Circle of Fire. It's not the best movie in the world, and it didn't win any Academy Awards, but the story was based on ideas by Bruce Lee, and Bruce was originally supposed to play the lead role. Basically, the plot is based on the classic Zen philosophy that Bruce followed, and there is a lot of Bruce in the movie. It's not so much a martial arts movie, but a thinking movie. The same day, I visited The Dragon, the movie (in my opinion) that Bruce starred in. With a Bravura of the Brains, I can hope that sometime in my life another Lee will rise and achieve the greatness of his predecessor. Bruce and Brandon, couldn't...
Congratulations, can you dig it?

The votes are in and MSC has a new SGA President, James “Appetite” Cotter. As we all hope, this upcoming year will be one full of profitable changes for MSC as well as the fun of seeing Appetite’s promise come full circle with our school, “spinning like a top.”

This year a field of four candidates entered the race for SGA President. Any one of the candidates could have won the race in any given year. Each had a unique set of abilities, talent and experience to bring to the office. Richard Kunze is the reigning SGA Vice president with four years of SGA experience under his belt. Sam Rock is a three year veteran of the SGA and a member of a handful of Class One organizations. George Calle, an executive board member of The Montclarion and former SGA legislator, took a Ross Perot stance, promising the SGA presidency a badly needed breath of fresh air. And finally, there’s James “Appetite” Cotter - with his huge 529 vote mandate, he surely has the clout to fulfill “spinning top” mandate.

With the new liberal views descending upon our fair country with the four year reign of Clinton, Appetite seems to be a logical progression for our campus. He stated in his campaign of his “working man” ethics, of being their for the students and not planning on inhabiting the ‘office’ as much as former presidents. The Montclarion wishes him congratulations.

With Natalee Vaccaro as Vice President, James Henaghan as Treasurer, Liz Valandingham as Secretary and Michael Costa as Board of Trustees Student Alternate, change seems to be in the air for our campus.

Perhaps, now with alcohol inhabiting the Rat, we as a campus, with the help of our newly elected leaders, can move forward and bring more progressive changes to our campus. Changes with parking, the cafeterias, and one word - Bohn. The students of MSC need a better selection of activities for those of us stranded every weekend on campus; more movies in the ballrooms, speakers directed toward college students. In summary, we look towards our new leaders to lead MSC students in a direction we, as a campus, chose to go.

Congratulations to all the candidates and good luck in the coming year.
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letter...

Grab the bread, my ex-wife's got the mayo

So I'm sitting in my soon to be former apartment, with my soon to be X-wife, watching one of those eyewitness, candid camera, better than the real thing television shows, when it comes on about those 49 whales that have purposefully swum ashore and beached themselves. My soon to be X-wife goes, 'Boo-hoo, look at those poor things, this is so sad'.

A dramatic rescue operation begins to unfold as thousands of people race to the shore to help build shelters for the whales, sprinkle sea water on their backs, talk whale-talk with them and eventually coax them back into the ocean. The army even pitches in. The whole time people are crying and talking about how this experience has changed their lives. My wife just sits there going, 'Boo-hoo, isn't that the saddest thing you ever heard?'

I say, 'SAD, you and this whole @*^#$ing planets gone nuts. A bunch of big fat fish with tiny brains can't figure out the difference between sand and water, oh what poor creatures, let's save the big fat dumb fish, cry and run home and eat big fat dumb tunafish sandwiches. Remember tunafish? They're another big fat dumb fish, they just happen to taste great with tunafish sandwiches. Remember tunafish! They're another big fat dumb fish, let's save the big fat dumb animals, and you know what our precious killer whales are doing in that video, they're eating baby seals. Remember them? They

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by Lisa Cohn

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First, why do we call Passover? While Moses was trying to convince the Pharaoh of Egypt to let the Jews go (not an easy task, we were a source of free labor for all those pyramids and whatever), God helped by sending ten plagues on the Egyptian people. The last plague was the strangers of their firstborn sons (I believe this was in retaliation for something the Egyptians had done to the Jews). Jews smeared lamb's blood on the doors of their homes so that the Angel of Death would recognize these as Jewish homes and "pass over" them. Draw your own conclusions, I'm just explaining the traditions.

It is general knowledge that Jews are not allowed to eat bread during Passover. That's not entirely accurate; we can't eat anything that has grain in it. Instead we eat matzoh, or unleavened bread. It looks like a big cracker, and tastes like cardboard. There is a reason why we are supposed to eat matzoh. When the Jewish people finally had the permission of the Pharaoh to leave Egypt, they didn't wait for him to change his mind. The Jews grabbed whatever they needed and ran for it. They were in such a rush that the bread they baked for the trip didn't have enough time to rise. So they wound up eating matzoh for most of the trip.

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letter...

Another satisfied customer

I am very concerned about the way in which your paper is covering the SGA elections. A college newspaper should be objective and fair, but your paper is subjective and biased. Although you may give the candidates equal space, you have not given them an equal chance.

As a very close friend, I think that your editorials that there is hostility directed towards the current SGA president and executive board. This is evidence through constant coverage of the room 1121 issue. In addition, endorsement of your editor is an apparent nepotism. Your paper should be embarrassed by this obvious attempt to persuade the student body.

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I hope the members of your organization realize that the April 1 edition is general disgrace and disappointment to the hard working leaders that are running for the most powerful positions on this campus. The students who are voting should disregard the attempts of The Montclarion to influence their votes. I urge you to listen to debates and speak directly with the candidates on student concerns.

Robyn A. Merkel
Communications Sciences
April

Sociology

Don't pass up Passover

What makes whales so special that they reduce people to tears by doing something as stupid as trying to swim in sand? By the way, do you know what type of whales they were? Killer whales, Yip? Those are the same whales on that nature video that cost $49.95 and shows the last name highlights of animal eating animals, and you know what our precious killer whales are doing in that video, they're eating baby seals. Remember them? They

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Don't forget...

The deadline for letters to the editor is Monday.
NOTICE TO ALL CURRENTLY ENROLLED STUDENTS WHO WILL BE RETURNING IN THE SUMMER SESSIONS 1993 AND/OR FALL SEMESTER 1993

Registration for the Summer Sessions 1993 and the Fall Semester 1993 will occur simultaneously between April 6-22, 1993.

All students who are enrolled for the Spring 1993 and who are eligible to return for the Summer or Fall 1993 had a Registration Appointment Card mailed to their home address during the week of March 15, 1993.

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Cards were not generated for students who are on the May 1993 Graduation list. Students who are graduating in May and who wish to register for Summer or Fall 1993 courses should contact the Office of the Registrar at 893-4376.

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The Montclarion

Hurricane - We're only roommates for seven more weeks, but we'll be friends for life. Love, Tornado

To Alicia and Chris - Congratulations on your engagement. I wish you the best. Your friend, Myrna

To Pledge Arsenio (AKPhi) You're doing a great job - keep it up! We're all behind you! Love Cindy, Angie, Wayne and Domenic

To Paul (AKPhi) You owe me one month of BM, so don't try to get out of it! Love Cindy

Darlene (AKPhi) Chicago Mafia man? Shhh! The blue dog is in the pocket! Love ya, Cindy

Vanessa (AKPhi) I only have one word for you - GUSTAVO! Love Cindy

To Louise Lover - Let me lick P & P g O t l A

Thursday, March 19, 1993

Cindy cannot cover me any longer.

Kathleen (Sigma) Are you trying to start a collection of letters?

Steve K (ZBT) We're so grateful that we all got laid by you Sat. night. You were great. Love AH81, 92, 93, and 96

Rule # "Paul, you beautiful thing from Astoria, drink a beer"

Mike - Thanks for giving me a place to sleep Fri. night. I hope you enjoyed the company

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Barry-ZBT, start lifting those weighed-PAGG

Becca, Hey baby, I love you! PAGG

Bahama Babes - I love you.

To Tomato - You're the best big! Thank you for all your help. I couldn't have done it without you! Love you little, Susan

To DPhi E - I ate you and loved you and boy were you good! Taste great and less filling! Love Cindy

Colleen (DPhi E) I saw you naked! I saw you naked! Love your big, Amy (AO)

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Omicron class (Theta Kappa Chi) Congratulations! We made it! Love your little, Ellen #94

Bahama, I5506KH, DD,KW, JM

Dawn, Jen and Kim - Thanks for a great Spring Break. I'll miss you guys! I love you! man! Kerry

Congratulations! Om'l! We did it! Love Susan #52 TKChi

Barry - Things have been great lately. Just wanted to tell you how much you mean to me and how much I love you. Love Amy

AXP - Nothing leaves the room, just pose for this picture! Thetas

Too Cheese - You had the appetizer...
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Lindo and Brame expect to pick up the pace in the outdoor season

by Mark Alan Belnay

For the majority of the season, your humble narrator set back and wove tales regarding the dominance of the men’s team, which was led by the outstanding performances of Neal Ruiz (55 meters and long jump), Dewaye Stevens (you name it and he runs it) and Wayne Dennis (800 meters). Well, with your humble narrator’s final few moments at the typewriter, I would like to introduce two members of the women’s team that made it known that they were still capable of the excellence attained in past seasons.

As I sat down with Shantay Brame and Sharon Lindo to discuss a few points about track and field, the world politics and life in general, one thing was evident — these two ladies were part of a team that, with a little dedication and self-discipline, could take a few steps of the path forged by the men’s team during the indoor season. Can you just see them running through the competition like George Foreman runs through White Castle hamburgers?

Your Humble Narrator: Would you consider the performance that allowed you to repeat as National Champion in the 400 meters your best of the season?

Shantay Brame: I think I was just content to be there and the team did a winning season just seemed to follow me.

Narrator: What do you think led to the inconsistency shown by the women’s team this season?

Lindo: No one’s head, including Shantay’s and my own, was in the mind set when it came to training.

Narrator: What do you look forward to in the outdoor season?

Brame: The attitude and the focus to be there in practice so we can build from there.

Narrator: If you could change one thing about this past season, what would it be?

Lindo: Everything, except winning the Nationals.

Brame: I would have liked to have had a better attitude and more dedication in terms of training.

Narrator: If you could say one thing to your teammates about the upcoming season, what would it be?

Lindo: Hopefully we, as a team, can develop an atmosphere of winning that will allow the team to carry over that same type of confidence needed to reach the Nationals as an entire team, instead of just a few members.

Brame: Sometimes you set goals that are based on raw potential and you forget about the dedication and discipline needed to mold that potential into victories on the track. Sometimes we just run to get by in practice. In order for us to reach our goals, it is important to do more than just get by.

Both the men’s and women’s teams did a winning season just get by at the Nationals with Ruiz, Stevens and the men’s 1600 meter relay team running superb races.

Ruiz took third in the 55 meters with a time of 6.44 and finished second in the long jump with a mark of 24 feet and 1 inch. Stevens took third in the 400 meters with a mark of 48.20 to round out another excellent season. And the 1600 meter relay team took second in their event. Overall, the men’s team took fourth place at the Nationals.

Narrator: After having to endure the intense workstation for the past 12 months, what do you think led to the inconsistency when you reached the Nationals?

Brame: Sometimes we ran just to get by in practice. In order for us to reach our goals, it is important to do more than just get by.

This season’s lineup is concerned with an overwhelming 65 points, as they defeated NY Maritime by 125 points to 100. The Red Hawks are 3-2 so far this season. Their latest victory came this past Monday night, as they defeated NY Maritime by 125 points to 100.

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Senior Captain Andrew Mitzak qualified as an alternate for the NCAA championships. His brother John Mitzak qualified for the 100 yard backstroke, in which he placed 12th. This 12th place finish qualified John as a repeat All American.

Freshman Mark Alan Belnay qualified for the 100 yard backstroke and ultimately finished 13th. Arnold’s performance was surprising because it was his second effort for a first place to do so well in the NCAA tournament. This team’s overall impressive show­ing, McLaughlin said, was a testament to the better Division III backstrokers in the country.

Senior Captain Andrew Mitzak was awarded the Joe Stetts award for excellence of a graduating senior. McLaughlin was obviously proud of his swimmer. “The award was presented to Andrew in front of 17 schools and hundreds of swimmers from the tri-state area,” said with a smile.

McLaughlin went on to further credit one of the top swimmers in MSC history. “Andrew has displayed tremendous dedication to the sport of swimming and diving. The Joe Stetts award was a great way to reward his career. Andrew has had the greatest impact on MSC swimming that any one swimmer has had since 1987. All of MSC’s success is connected in some way with Andrew Mitzak. He will be missed,” added McLaughlin.

Young lacrosse team seeks first-ever NCAA tourney appearance

by Nicole Festa

Spring is here, despite the weather, and so is another season of MSC men’s lacrosse. The team returns to this 1993 season with a young, but strong team, led by their head coach, Doug Alsofrom, who is in his sixth season at MSC.

The team is coming off an impressive 11-3 1992 record and a 4-2 Knickerbocker Division mark. These top-notch records earned them a third place overall finish in the postseason. In the post-season, the Red Hawks also won the ECAC Metro NY/NJ Championship.

This 1992 season is missing some key names like Pat Schuba and Dave Alter, who graduated last year. However, there are fifteen men returning to the squad, eight of them being starters. Three of those top starters are seniors. Goalie Ken Kane, who in the past has received the prestigious honors of All-Knickerbocker Conference, Knickerbocker Player of the Year, and ECAC Championship Most Valuable Player. Kane had an outstanding overall total of 220 saves (66.9%) last year, as well as 53 goals. Midfielder Keith Van Ness, who was also chosen as All-Knickerbocker, finished last season with an overwhelming 65 points. Finally, sophomore Neil Blasley, also a All-Knickerbocker performer last season, returns after finishing last season with a team high of 6 points.

The Red Hawks are 3-2 so far this season. Their latest victory came this past Monday night, as they defeated NY Maritime by the score of 19-5 as senior midfielder Mark Alter and Van Ness combined for five goals and three assists to lead the team.

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by Maureen K. McLeer

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The young head coach is very enthusiastic and energetic, in fact, she said, "I like to get out there and hit around with the guys."

The team has already had four matches under its new coach. The Red Hawks’ first match against Rhode Island was rained out before the men fell to their next two opponents, the Coast Guard and Rutgers Newark. According to Pollner, "We couldn’t have had two tougher matches to begin the season." MSC lost to the Coast Guard 9-0, and to Rutgers Newark 8-1. The sole winner in the Rutgers Newark match was Jeff Clemente, a tennis scholarship powerhouse at MSC and has earned praise from his coach. "He served well and played the right kind of tennis for some fast points," said Pollner.

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The thrill of victory and the agony of a timeout

A thrill is defined as something that causes a sudden sharp feeling of excitement.

Dean Smith and his North Carolina Tar Heels experienced this on Monday night when they won a National Championship by defeating the Michigan Wolverines, 77-71 at The Louisiana Superdome.

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Red Hawks grab pair behind big bats

by Brian Faizarano

The U.S. Postal Service delivers during snow, sleet, hail and rain. The MSC baseball team delivered after the rain.

Despite being inactive for 12 days since their California trip, the Red Hawks came out white-hot. In opening their NJAC schedule, MSC defeated two of their main rivals, Trenton State and Rutgers Newark, running their current winning streak to three games.

MSC (9-2, 2-0 NJAC) won a squeaker over Rutgers Newark Monday at Pittser Field. Rob DiLaurenzo started things off in the eighth, Monday at Pittser Field. Rob DiLaurenzo started things off in the eighth, Monday at Pittser Field. Rob DiLaurenzo started things off in the eighth, Monday at Pittser Field. 

Things started off fairly well, with MSC taking a 3-0 lead after three innings. The Bulldogs then proceeded to score two in the fourth, one in the sixth, and two in the seventh, capped off by Frank LaCapra's two-run homer.

MSC then came to the plate and could have folded quicker than the World League of American Football. That would have been the easy thing to do. However, quitting was not on the Red Hawks' agenda.

MSC took the game back, knocking on the door with two in the seventh, then kicking it down with the two in the eighth. Frank Dippold (3-0, 3.07 ERA) got the victory, pitching 2 1/3 innings in the process. Catcher Mike Micucci and designated hitter Ralph Yezza also added two hits apiece.

Sunday's game with Trenton State was nearly as easy as breathing, as the Red Hawks' bunged out 17 hits in their NJAC opener, massacring the Lions, 18-6 in Swinging Township.

MSC was never challenged, as after the fourth inning, the Red Hawks garnered a 9-3 lead.

Left hander Drew Yocum pitched six innings, giving up four hits, walking three and fanning five, improving to 2-0 after two consecutive no-decisions. But the way the Red Hawks hit, Drew Barrymore could have won.

Micucci and sophomore first baseman Jason Scavalla each had four hits, Scavalla had two doubles, while Micucci drove home two runs with two singles and a double.

Yezza also had an impressive game. Yezza, yet another sophomore, had two hits, including a solo homer, and three RBI. Junior transfer Gerrard Tenebruso also added a solo blast.

These wins would impress any coach. Schoenig is no different. "We were ready to play, as we should have been," observed Schoenig of his team. "We practiced well all week, so I knew we would play well," added the sixth-year coach.

That is not all that he is pleased with. Depth, as expected, is proving fruitful. "We have used 14 to 16 guys, each of which gives us a chance to win any ballgame," Schoenig said proudly. Our players know that they could be starting at any time," he added.

The way MSC has been playing, opponents can expect similar showers in the future.

MSC responded to the loss of its offensive ace, Kuchinski ripped her third home run of the season and senior catcher Kristi Kuchinski had an RBI single to lead the Red Hawks.

Senior rightfielder Joe Critelli had the gamewinning hit in Red Hawks' 7-5 win over Rutgers Newark on Monday afternoon at Pittser Field.

MSC split doubleheader with Georgian Court

Winners of 11 of last 13 playing well as conference season draws near

by Keith A. Idee

The question was rather obvious. Would a 10-day layoff between games help knock the MSC softball team out of a groove that had allowed the Red Hawks to win eight of their first nine games?

The answer was even more obvious. An emphatic no!

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Despite having their eight-game winning streak ended by Georgian Court in the first game of a doubleheader on Tuesday, the Red Hawks are currently 10-1 and eager to start up conference play.

Georgian Court, ranked No. 20 nationally in NAIA, took advantage of MSC's uncharacteristically bad fielding. The Red Hawks had eight errors in the first game. The Red Hawks committed a season-high six errors as they dropped a 6-1 decision. Georgian Court received a superb effort from pitcher Stacey Matcuk (6-0), who allowed just seven hits and issued only one walk.

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MSC responded to the loss in solid fashion by defeating Georgian Court, 4-1, in the second game. The Red Hawks' victory handed their non-conference for its first loss of the season. Junior catcher Kristi Kuchinski ripped her third home run of the season and senior centerfielder Kristi Kuchinski had an RBI single to lead the Red Hawks.

Kuchinski was pleased with her team's ability to bounce back. "They're a quality team, so this was a good test for us. We picked it up in the second game," she said.

Prior to this doubleheader, the Red Hawks returned to action on Sunday after a 10-day layoff to play the MSC Classic at Sprague Field. That's right, Sprague Field. Due to the poor conditions at the Quarry Fields, MSC was forced to use the football field in order to get the four-team tournament played.

MSC won the tournament for the first time since its inception four years ago. The Red Hawks pounded out 28 hits as they defeated Bridgewater State, 9-1 and beat Cortland State, 8-7 in the final of the Classic.

The tournament marked the first time that softball games were played on the turf of Sprague Field. While the experience was understandably different, the games were not heavily affected by the turf. Other than just a couple of odd bounces, "the tournament on the turf" went rather smoothly.

MSC returned to The Quarry Fields for the Georgian Court games.