Lights Out

Campus power outage leaves residents in dark for six hours
(Patnode, p.3)
No red carpet rolled out for Blanton Hall residents

by Sheila Patnode

Blanton Hall renovations left a trail of dirt and debris behind to greet returning residents.

A $500,000 grant was approved by Administration and Finance this summer for the re-carpeting and interior painting of Blanton Hall. A contract was awarded on Aug. 4 and by Aug. 8, carpets were being torn out, according to Director of Facilities Doug Cooper.

By the first day of check-in, 10 rooms, mostly on the second floor, still needed carpet. Residents of those rooms waited about an hour while the rooms were finished and the furniture was moved back in, according to Cooper.

Bohn Hall's hallways were also re-carpeted this summer, at a cost of $20,000. Carpet for Blanton Hall cost $225,000 and paint cost $60,000.

Letters explaining the renovations had been prepared ahead of time and were handed out to freshmen and their families during the move in order to “soften the blow”, said Director of Residence Life Margaree Coleman-Carter.

“We had been aware of the poor conditions in Blanton,” Coleman-Carter said. “The graffiti in Blanton was worse than usual this year but we didn’t have the money in our budget for the renovations.”

The dorms budgets had been drained by unexpected costs including the temporary air-conditioning unit affixed to Blanton last spring and residence hall pipes that froze last January.

The money for the renovations came from an emergency account reserved for Blanton Hall, Bohn Hall, Clove Road Apartments and the Student Center.

Blanton Hall has not had such major renovations since 1983, when it was built. Some re-carpeting and repainting has been done on an as needed basis. 13,000 square yards of carpet with a ten year warranty were especially made for this project, according to Cooper.

The carpet arrived on Aug. 17. Six inches of carpet currently extend from the resident’s rooms into the hallways. This is required for a transition with the carpeting that will be laid down in the hallways.

“It almost worked out better to wait for everyone to move in before re-carpeting the hallways,” Cooper said. “Paint and cans of soda were spilled and stuff gets dragged all over the floors.”

Re-carpeting for the rest of Blanton will begin Monday and should be a 15 day project, according to Cooper.

Cooper has submitted a proposal to buy new beds for Blanton Hall with the extra money from the grant.

Correction

Due to an unfortunate transposition with the lead sentence of another story, the article concerning former head track coach John Blanton, in the Sept. 1 issue of the MONTCLARION (p. 5), incorrectly and regretfully stated that Blanton was sentenced to four years in state prison.

As correctly stated in the second paragraph, Blanton was sentenced to five years probation and complete forfeiture of all public employment in state, county and local sectors. Blanton can not hold any education position, must undergo psychiatric counseling and submit payment for various minor fines.

As a newspaper acutely aware of the value of credibility, the MONTCLARION takes full responsibility for the misprint. The information was correctly reported. The error occurred at the editorial level.

New assistant Student Center director appointed

by Sheila Patnode

A new assistant Student Center director was hired at the end of July.

Manny Kohli’s responsibilities will include being the evening and weekend director of the building, hiring and firing the student center student staff and developing different manuals and policies for the student center. He will report to Connie Ford, acting Student Center director.

Kohli is currently proposing different maintenance related projects such as painting and fixing doors.

His goals for this school year are to make the Student Center administration more visible to campus organizations and to inform the organizations of the operating rules of the Student Center. He would like the information desk staff to have a complete knowledge of the campus and be number one in customer service.

The new assistant student center director is a 1991 graduate of MSU, with a Bachelor’s degree in accounting. He is currently working towards an M.B.A. in Management at MSU.
Residents left in dark during campus wide blackout

by Sheila Patnode

Resident Assistants gathered at 2 a.m. Friday to help dormitory residents back to their rooms during a campus wide power outage.

The entire campus is on the same power line and Director of Facilities Doug Cooper speculated that a hook-up to a new transformer being worked on caused the power outage.

Maintenance was not available for comment.

With the exception of Blanton Hall, emergency generators allowed the hallways, stairwells and main desk areas of the dorms to remain lit until 8 a.m. when full power was restored, said Cooper.

Blanton Hall's emergency generator was not working until 3:30 a.m.

“If there were any emergency lights, I didn’t see them. It was pitch black,” said Freeman Hall resident Kathy Boyle.

About half of the Blanton Hall Residence Life staff, between 10-12 people, were on hand during the blackout to assist residents to their rooms, according to Assistant Manager of Blanton Hall Matthew Kane.

“The majority of staff helped out throughout the night,” Kane said. “They were maintaining order for the safety and security of the building.”

Kane said the staff was kept busy helping residents to their rooms with flashlights and making rounds of the area.

Announcements had been made in Blanton around 9:30 p.m. Thursday regarding the power outage, said Blanton Hall resident Tara McQuaid.

“Residence Life came to my door two or three times and told me to stay in my room unless I absolutely have to leave it,” Freeman Hall resident Heather Tront said.

No incident reports were filed, Cooper said.

“Nobody was rotted. Nobody was hurt. There were just a few people yelling into the atrium in Blanton,” Cooper said. “Facilities thought that most students would be in bed but there was a surprising amount of activity on campus.”

Director of Residence Life Margaree Coleman-Carter said the only problem she knew of was that the elevators were not working at 7 a.m. because of the power outage.

Tuition hike ‘94: Lowest of the low

by Kathleen Brennan

Back to school means new classes, new professors and a new tuition hike. MSU can take pride in having the lowest tuition hike of surrounding New Jersey state schools.

Most schools have a tuition increase between five and seven percent, said Vice President of Administration and Finance Tom Auch. This year, MSU had a five percent increase in tuition.

Rutgers University had a six percent tuition increase and Kean College saw a 10 percent increase.

MSU students now pay $75 per credit, a $3.60 increase over last year’s cost of $71.40 per credit.

MSU’s tuition increase has been consistent the past four years. The previous three years contained a four percent tuition hike, similar to this year’s five percent.

Prior to that, the tuition increase was nine percent.

Who decides how much to raise tuition? Auch makes a recommendation to MSU President Irvin Reid. Reid makes a recommendation to the Board of Trustees and the Board of Trustees have the final decision.

The decision is based on the budget. A budget is developed and cut down as far as possible. Revenue sources, such as state and other income, are considered.

Montclair State’s new university status had no effect on the increase, Auch said.

While there is a controversy surrounding Governor Christine Todd Whitman and the tuition hikes, Auch explained that when Whitman said the tuition increase would not exceed 3.5 percent, she was referring to students receiving tuition aid grants. Auch said Whitman’s statement does not apply to other students.

Making MSU as affordable as possible is an appealing factor for high school students deciding where to attend college as well as students on a tight budget.

News Briefs

Yearbook cameras stolen

by Sheila Patnode

Between $750 and $800 worth of cameras and equipment was stolen from the offices of La Campana yearbook this summer.

The executive board of La Campana originally thought that a staff member had the equipment, according to the treasurer, George Oschewski.

On Aug. 9, a report for the stolen equipment was filed with campus police. A Sigma SA 300 camera, two lenses, 9 flashes, and a camera bag were reported stolen.

The equipment is insured and Oschewski believes La Campana will get some money back.

The yearbook will continue to be run by students, in spite of last year’s controversy over allowing an outside company to handle publication.

Game room break-in

by Sheila Patnode

How long does it take to roll $555.25 in quarters? The game room thief knows.

Five video machines were broken into on July 21 and the thief made off with 2,221 quarters ($555.25).

The quarters weigh about 19 or 20 pounds according to, Auxiliary Services cashier and clerk Stephanie Coleman.

The game room, where students go to shoot pool and play video games, gets broken into about once a semester, usually during extended vacations such as winter or spring break, said Coleman.

Extra locks and a flat bar that holds the door to the change box shut have been added to the video machines since the most recent break in.

The theft occurred in the morning and was noticed around 12 p.m.

There were about 20 video machines in the game room at the time of the thefts. The video machines are rented from Alpha Omega Amusement, Inc.

The Student Center Building Project Account receives a percent of the game room’s profit, according to Connie Ford, Acting Director of the Student Center.

Campus Police News

compiled by Sheila Patnode

SMOKE ALARM

Sept. 6- Candle and cigarette left burning in Bohn Hall room 1017 set off the smoke detector at 4:25 a.m.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Aug. 31- The rear passenger window of a motor vehicle parked in lot 23 was broken between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. A lamp and three sweaters were stolen.

Aug. 31- ’89 Ford was scratched and the front quarter panel was dented between 10-30 p.m. and 9:15 a.m.

Sept. 1- The rear passenger window of a Honda was broken and the drivers side lock was damaged while it was parked in lot 20.

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Well, there are several places on campus that are quiet and boring enough that you are going to want to crack open that economics book you've been dying to read.

First you could try the library, its quiet and there's plenty of room to spread out, but if you're a smoker or you like to eat while you study that's just not going to cut it. The boring factor is still high, of course, unless you're the type of person who wants to run around the library searching for answers to those questions that just randomly run through your head, such as how humans could cultivate Mars.

Okay, so maybe the library won't work for you, but if the weather's nice there are more places you can try. There is the quad in front of the Student Center, but that may have too many distractions. You'll probably see a friend or two and have to talk to them or someone may be playing music. The quad may be really interesting, but that's the problem. You need boring. So how about the sculpture garden? It's quiet and you'll rarely run into anyone. So, where is it you ask? It's behind Life Hall. Another outdoor spot that would be a good place to study is the amphitheater. You can study and watch everyone walk by.

If it's cold outside, all hope is not lost, unless you're a smoker. The lounge on the third floor of the Student Center is a good place to study. Find a corner, turn your back towards the entire room and you're set. Even surrounded by a large group of people you can achieve the boring setting you desire.

Of course, if you're the roommate with the blaring music, you don't have anything to worry about. There's something going on almost everywhere, so you can always be in the middle of the action, just make sure you don't forget to study.

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**Organizations on display**

by Melissa Gaskill

Well, we've survived the first week of the fall semester here at MSU and what a first week it was! We've gone to our classes with new notebooks and pens in hand. We've sat and listened to our new professors and experienced the joy of long lines and personal bankruptcy at the bookstore. Those of us who live on campus met our new roommates (or teamed up with old ones) as well as set up and organized our new habitats. We've listened to our new CD's, tried on our new clothes and caught up on the reruns we missed in the summer. We're getting in the swing of things and college life seems to have begun. The question is, what do we do now?

If you're like many freshman and transfer students (or even well established students) you may have asked yourself that question. If you have, then the SGA Fair, held Wednesday in front of the Student Center was the answer to all your problems.

The SGA Fair (or "Back to School Bash") is held every fall here at MSU. There were scores of tables set up and manned by various fraternities and sororities as well as other campus affiliated clubs and organizations. Off-campus vendors were there too, displaying their wares in the hopes of gaining a new group of customers for their audience. Among the many features were a magician and a cartoonist showing off their talents, plenty of interesting people to talk to (with plenty of free stuff) and even companies offering employment opportunities. In short, there was something for everyone.

SGA Secretary Michelle Crisfasi said, "The fair's purpose isn't necessarily to force people to sign up, but to make people aware of the array of activities and clubs that are offered to them as an alternative to classes and homework...there is an organization for just about every interest a student could have. The Back to School Bash gives these organizations, as well as off-campus vendors a chance to show off exactly what they are about and how they can service the student."

Well, there was certainly enough displayed to give any student a chance to get acquainted with their potential opportunities, but did we give them a chance to? Many of the tables reported a good amount of interest from the student body, while others were just plain bored. "I've been here four years, so I pretty much know everything," pronounced one observer, who admitted to not being affiliated with any organization. One student remarked, "I didn't really go up to any of the tables," while another said, "I kept my distance and didn't really check anything out. I didn't want to be pounced on with information."

From what I could see, this fear of talking to (or just general disinterest in) the representatives was not a widely spread pattern. There were many students who did stop and ask questions and the fair seemed to be a success overall. But if you were among those people who watched from afar or simply kept walking, never fear, there are still more opportunities to get involved. Just go to the bottom floor of the Student Center (past the bookstore) and stop at any of the organizations in those half-walls that interests you. All the doors have names with people behind them who are sure to peak the interest of any student.

Crisfasi said, "The underlying idea of the fair, of course, is to get both commuter and resident students involved in their school and ultimately get more out of their college experience." So go out there and get involved with something. Unwavering routine is great sometimes in all its comfortability, but who wants to spend their college days in the menial cycle of eating, sleeping, television and homework? Check things out, get involved and take some pride and memories home with you.
Are you being ripped off?
The infamous $50 late fee

by Heather Bushlry

After over six semesters of classes and at least four bills for late fees, I have begun to wonder about the necessity of the late fee. I mean, where the hell is all that money going anyway?

Many students find themselves in a similar position according to Vil Maristela, MSU’s Bursar. Nobody wants to pay late, but you were busy or you just didn’t bother to read the little paragraph on the bottom left hand corner of your bill. The only thing that matters is the total, which you’ve slaved all summer to be able to pay. Wrong! If you don’t get the money in on time, you’ll be slaving for another five to ten hours, just to pay the penalty.

Nobody in the Bursar’s office knows exactly where the late fee money is going. Maristela said, “It gets put in an account for miscellaneous revenue and I guess it’s used like any other miscellaneous revenue.”

Thomas Auch, Vice President of Administration and Finance, said that miscellaneous revenue accounts for one to two percent of MSU’s funding and is used to “help defray the state’s budget cuts.” The money is not “earmarked” for a specific use and is dispersed where it is needed, according to Auch.

The late fee policy may appear unfair to the student body, but Maristela said that it enables the Bursar’s office to provide the Registrar’s office and the faculty with information about who has registered and paid for each class. If everyone waited to the last minute to pay their bill, the employee in the Bursar’s office would not be able to complete their work in time for late registration and the first day of class.

By paying late, students are making the employees’ work more difficult. Ann Profita, Supervisor of Fiscal Accounts, said that if every student paid their bill by the deadline, the employees wouldn’t have to “sweat to get the information out on time.”

The employees in Bursar’s office appeared to have mixed views of the penalty fee. “I wouldn’t say I support it, I just have to implement it,” Profita said.

Maristela said that “the late fee is a hassle,” but she firmly supports the policy. “Many Seniors cannot afford to lose their classes due to not paying their bill. I think the students prefer to pay the $50 rather than have their classes cancelled.”

According to Maristela, the late fee policy was passed by the Board of Trustees approximately three years ago, and there is no indication that the policy will be changed in the near future.

The $50 late fee may be annoying, but if the only other choice is to have your classes canceled, it does not appear that students have much of an option. According to Maristela, “The best option for everyone is for students to pay their bill on time.”

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1 p.m. Football: MSU vs. Cortland State, Sprague Field

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6:30 p.m. Opening outdoor Mass in the amphitheater & an open house party at the Newman Catholic Center afterwards

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8 p.m. Monday Night Football in the Rat

### TUESDAY
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8 p.m. Class One Concerts' Band Showcase in the Rat

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Friday  
11 a.m. Information Session by The New Jersey State Police, Student Center Annex, room 106

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**To the Tick Tock & you don't stop**

_by David Nikitzker_

If you're at MSU and haven't been to the Tick Tock Diner yet, you don't know what you're missing. The Tick Tock has the traditional '50's diner atmosphere, lunch counter, coffee pot-toting waitresses, mirrored walls with the best prices of any diner around. The red and white, mirror laden decor really makes for a pleasant eating environment. In other words, this isn't Blanton Cafeteria.

And not only has the restaurant been remodeled, but so has the menu. They now have an even wider selection of appetizers and sandwiches, along with special salads and the desserts that have made the Tick Tock one of the most popular diners in the area. My favorite is the grilled cheese on rye and French fries with American cheese and brown gravy. Order a side of Tick Tock's famous potato salad and all your 3 a.m. after-party munchies will disappear.

I've been there by myself, with a two-table group and everything in between and service is fantastic. The management is very hospitable and the waitresses are not your run of the mill, burnt-out old hags that are only looking to do their shift and go home.

So if you're on scholarship and always drive daddy's BMW to class, go to the Golden Star Diner. But if you've got taste and looking for good food fast at a great price, check out the Tick Tock Diner.
The Theater of the Absurd!

by John J. O'Sullivan

This week: Hints and tips for the new student at beautiful MSU!

So you're new here. Howdy! Welcome to the good life at MSU! Just think of the Beach Boys: "...And we'll have exciting cafeterias! In the words (sorta) wondrous, strange and sometimes noxious food served up in one of MSU's exciting cafeterias!" In the words (sorta) of the Beach Boys: "...And we'll have fun fun fun 'til daddy has to pump the tuna surprise out of our stomachs..."

But enough about Montclair's excellent reputation; if you are a newbie here, chances are that you're going to be very confused trying to get used to all of the changes are that you're going to be very confused trying to get used to all of the residence Life officials and eat the wondrous, strange and sometimes noxious food served up in one of MSU's exciting cafeterias! In the words (sorta) of the Beach Boys: "...And we'll have fun fun fun 'til daddy has to pump the tuna surprise out of our stomachs..."

What is Rush here?

Rush is a time of recruitment, where the various Greek organizations hold parties and other activities to introduce others to their group. Save all of that vibrant energy for the "rush" parties, my friend.

Q: I'm a commuter and I can't find any parking spots near campus. Where are all the spots?

A: Five miles away. Now I know this may be a bit inconvenient, but just think of the cardiovascular gains you'll receive from having to hike five miles to class. Think optimistically; you'll get acquainted with the town of Montclair, see the sights and gain more exercise as you jog briskly to avoid getting hit by psychotic-maniac drivers when you cross one of Montclair's bustling streets.

Q: Is it true that Rush is going to be playing at Montclair? That would be awesome, man!!! PEACE RULES!!!

A: Ahem. Calm down; take some valium. Now...are you feeling a little more calm? Good. What you neglected to see on these signs all around campus is that under the word "Rush" are those Greek letters, that are the names of different fraternities and sororities around campus. Rush is a time of recruitment, where the various Greek organizations hold parties and other activities to introduce others to their group. Save all of that vibrant energy for the "rush" parties, my friend.

Q: I moved into Blanton Hall and my shower doesn't have any hot water. What do I do?

A: Very good question. Do you know the medicinal benefits of taking cold showers? Did you know that one becomes more alert after a nice cold shower? Did you know that it could actually enhance a person's sex drive? If not, read into it because your shower is going to be cold for quite a while. The staff at Blanton Hall sometimes takes quite a while to get things patched up, so you might as well make the best of it.

Q: Speaking of Blanton Hall, why the hell are there square containers of dirt in the Blanton lounge? A: Archaeologists believe that the containers are actually an offering to the vibrant Greek goddess Demeter, the goddess of fertility, agriculture and fruit rolls-Ups. Other experts have determined that they were originally going to be used as cat bathrooms. Once the designers heard that there were no cats allowed, it was too late; they were finished building them. Some wacky people think these things are planters.

Q: Where are all the clocks?

A: Guess what? THERE AREN'T ANY! Well, at least there aren't any that tell you the right time. If you follow the Student Center Cafe clock, your eight o'clock class would be at three o'clock. p.m...wait...hmm...well....um...that's not half bad! New piece of advice: Follow the Student Center Cafe clock and sleep as late as you want!

Well that's all the space I have this week. I certainly hope that these questions and answers helped you get acquainted with this wonderful place of learning. May your years of learning be fruitful and vibrant, may your new friends be numerous and may your cat never get stolen. (Always use the Club!)
RUSH

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for info.
You never forget the first time

They always say there is nothing like a first impression. . . . how would you rate Montclair State’s? A couple events in the last week may help shape your opinion.

For starters, we have Blanton Hall. Home for the next 10 months for several hundred people. The place was virtually in shambles when move-in time came. Papers, chairs, and various worker-guy paraphernalia were strewn about creating the impression that you weren’t exactly getting your money’s worth. Certainly the situation could have been avoided, the question is where was the organization necessary? Apparently this begun to be taken care of, however, you just can’t help but think of that first day for that freshman entering a new world.

This first crucial week was also replete with a campus wide blackout. All residents were inconvenienced during the busiest time of the year. Socialization is at all time high with students getting that first taste of college experience as well as preparing for classes. Blanton Hall was actually without emergency lighting for a bit. You could almost picture a cheesy long distance commercial about all this in your head. With enrollment leveling off, and Montclair’s new university status, now is not the time for these blunders to occur. Okay, tuition didn’t rise too much—students want their money’s worth regardless. We must appeal to all perspective students far away as well as nearby.
From the Left
by Frank Fleischman III

A specter is haunting Montclair State University: the specter of left-wing thought from yours truly. Yes, I'm back! Perhaps some would wish it to be the opposite (you know who you are) but I am back after a summer of boredom, with a more fertile mind. You can look forward to more columns.

Unfortunately, I missed the Fall 1994 debut issue of the MONTCLAIRON. I didn't know we were starting so early. Yet, I promise to be mindful of deadlines so you faithful readers will not miss a column.

I have to thank the MONTCLAIRON for something that happened this summer. Due to pulsation of my columns in the MONTCLAIRON, I now have a bi-weekly column in my local newspaper, THE GLEN RIDGE PAPER. I will continue to write columns for that paper as well.

But, I ramble on about myself. I'm just satisfying the small case of egomania that I have. You'll be glad to know that I'm still the same lovable and interesting guy that I've always been. I have already found an injustice that our wonderful capitalist system has visited on we students.

Have you noticed the prices of our books this semester? They're absolutely horrendous. My Modern Political Thought class originally had seven rather inexpensive books. The order was then to two totally different books. One of them, a soft-cover with 317 pages cost $33.40! It would have been cheaper if the original order had been kept.

If that wasn't enough, there we slim pickings as far as classes, at least in the Political Science department. It seems as if our conversion to a university came before class offerings.

I can't really complain, though. I've got good classes this semester. I am looking forward to one particular class. It's so good that I am surprised that our former editor-in-chief George Calle isn't taking it. It's the Vietnam War Experience in America with Dr. Grover Furr.

In addition to my columns, you can listen to my show, "Left-Talk", on Mondays from 2 p.m. to 4 on WMSC, 101.5 on the FM dial. Just think of it as a series of my columns on a different medium.

Well, that's all I have to report for this week. What did you expect for a first column, deep political insight? That's next time. Which, by the way reminds me. Almost all of last year, whatever I wrote wasn't really challenged. Do all of you just accept what I write? Please, write letters to the editor challenging me. If I really strike a nerve, go after me (in writing, no bomb threats, please!).

I hope you are getting the theme of this column. If you don't like the increase in prices for books, complain! If you didn't like the fact that the course offerings were put on the back burner due to the euphoria of being a "university", write a letter. That's what's great about the opinion page in any newspaper; it's the most democratic part of the newspaper. It's there waiting to be used.

Free speech seems to be very under-used at this university. It is the most precious right we have been given. Use it often, or lose it soon. Ponder that until my next column.

And now a word from the man himself

JULY 1959

Cuba under Fidel Castro, broke off relations with the United States and confiscated $300 million of American property and industry. In an official statement Castro declared, "We don't need American Imperialism, our comrades (in Russia) will help us."

Thirty-five years later, Castro's comrades have all fallen to American democracy and would leadership, yet, Cuba remains a living anachronism of Marx's failed utopia and tainting America's accomplishments around the world in her own backyard. Just 90 miles south of Key West, Florida, this cruel dictator's ship teeters on the brink of destruction thus ending the final threat to American hegemony over the Western Hemisphere and arguably around the world.

Yet some among us call for an end to the unjust U.S. economic embargo against thatformer Pearl of the Antilles. Conspicuously absent from their arguments is the fact that it was Castro's Cuba who not only brought the Soviet nuclear threat within striking distance of our very shores but also exported his Communist guerrillas across the whole of Central and South America costing Americans lives and money in Nicaragua.

The embargo, while painful to the citizens of Cuba, was, and remains, the only non-military pressure the U.S. can exert on the tiny island nation. To remove that pressure is to ensure Castro's political survival at a time when he is most vulnerable.

The regretful refugee situation which continues to develop in Guantanamo is simply a natural progression of events that signifies Cuba's inhabitants would rather risk death in shark infested waters than to live under Castro's tyranny thus pronouncing the beginning of Castro's end.

The U.S. cannot and should not waiver in the face of this new development. With Russia's tumult over internal disputes which continue to divide her, the time is ripe for the U.S. to take a final stand against communism and overthrow the tyrannical Castro's repressive regime and restore the island nation to its once proud position as cultural and financial leader of the Caribbean.

We cannot forget that Castro's Cuba has consistently and incessantly been the crown of thorns in U.S. history for the past 35 years.

If Castro's dictum in 1959 was "Yankee Go Home," then we can say that in 1994, he has added the door slamming, "Yankee Go Home, But Take Our People With You."

If the U.S. are the bad guys, then why do thousands of Cuban balseros attempt the dangerous exodus every week?
Great Job! But...

I just finished reading the first edition of the MONTCLARION for the 1994-95 school year. What a great surprise to students to have an edition on the first day of school! Here is a toast to a job well done! However, regarding Mr. Calle, he seems to have the idea that a newspaper reporter's soul purpose is to denounce and badger the current president and his administration. Mr. Calle should take note that many of America's national newspapers often favor and commend our nation's president and his cabinet on their governmental decisions. Not every national newspaper criticizes every aspect of a current administration; they realize some kind of unity must exist. Don't misunderstand me, the press needs to expose political and social injustices in order to provoke change by the masses. Nonetheless, there comes a time when the media needs to lay off a current administration so they can do just that-administrate.

Mr. Calle, lets not have a press feeding frenzy on Mr. Anderton and his cabinet like the national press has done to President Clinton and his staff. If the current student government makes a mistake, then call them on it. But until that time, stop digging where there is no buried treasure, it only makes you look unprofessional.

Finally, as far as lack of professionalism goes, the English departments' criticisms of your reporting seem to be right on target. Remember Mr. Calle they are the ones holding doctoral degrees, not you!

Kevin Flynn
Junior, English

The KISS
Army
wants you!!
Actually, the Editorial Department
does... Do you like to pontificate or proselytize?
655-5241

Low interest in credit

Lately, as I've been walking through the student center it has seemed at times to be an experience on par with strolling through the Port Authority or almost any New York street. You've seen them. Perhaps they got you, spewing forth their oft-repeated, rote lines, soliciting. Beggars! Peddlers! Here's a hint. They're often waving packages of "Fun Stuff" at you. Do you know now who they are? It's the credit card people, constantly occupying the halls, spreading out like soldiers to issue accounts, having a table for a home base. These promotions, while not entirely bad (example: their staffing techniques could teach the bookstore a thing or two) are becoming all too common.

You might think "what's inherently wrong with these set-ups? Why negate them?" Actually, about 40% of you did according to our eponymous "What Do You Think" column. I was taken aback somewhat. This is a school, not a bank. The credit people know they have a captive audience to an extent and exploit them as such, and more: they know most students are neophytes to the world of credit. In my opinion, this is the crux of the matter. Think about it. You're walking along, and someone asks you if you would like a card. You're approved almost no matter what. You're a student! Unlimited power! Charge clothes, dinners, and C.D.s! Don't worry about having any cash! A lot of people don't realize the potential woes a credit card contains. But I know the joy a nice balance at a high interest rate brings to these companies. Apparently television, radio, and all print media isn't enough. Credit used to be an extension of buying power, an addition to an income that allowed loans. Most students, buy the time of graduation will have amassed a large debt, why help contribute to this?

Don't get me wrong, I'm not proposing the abolition of all campus credit card getting opportunities. For instance, pamphlets have been long available in many buildings and serve their function well. In addition they are not filled out at a table decorated with possible gifts and posters while a representative whispers in your ear. Take home applications allow one the time to think and learn about the implications of credit, and fight off the "immediate gratification" whim factor. They also have toll-free numbers providing anyone interested with information.

In conclusion, I do not wish to disparage any of the personnel for these tables, for I know they're just doing their jobs. I do, however, levy some blame at the respective companies involved. AT&T in its seeming quest for world domination (faxing from a beach? You will?) should exercise some ethics and stop contributing to our culture of debt. Finally, further and greater blame is given to the SGA, who is responsible for these things, according to the Student Activities Office. We'll all get our credit cards in time, without being badgered.

Kevin Flynn
Junior, English

Your take on credit card tables

What Do You Think?

"I think they're bad because they really take advantage of students.
Ivana Rosenbluth
Senior Broadcasting"

"They're helpful if students know how to use them."
Efrain Rene'
Senior Education

"They work. They are the only reason I got my card."
Joe Laffrado
Senior English

"They're very annoying people."
Michele Corrado
Sophomore Home Economics

Free Thought

by Ron Albanese

Opinion/Thursday, September 8, 1994
SGA rebuttal: they like their slogan

This letter is written in response to the Montclarion's coverage of the Student Government Association's summer business. As the paper dedicated two articles, two editorials and a comic to these issues, it is now only proper that a voice be heard which expresses more than the one side delivered.

First off, the editorial comic was slanderous, unprofessional and distasteful. Great offense was taken to the innu­mation that our actions mimic that of Bob Gieza, a convicted em­bezzler. That any money was robbed from the class ones is ridiculous. Anyone even vaguely aware of the budget status for this upcoming year would realize that the money appropri­ated totaled more than the money expected to be incurred this year. Any cut made to the 1994-1995 budgets was simply an attempt to reconcile these numbers and allow a modest surplus from which the Class Twos, Class Threes and legislator can draw from so they may operate. Although it seems the opinion of some that class ones should not cooperate in finding a solution to a problem which effects all other organizations except them, that is not the opinion of the SGA E-board. After all as things stand, it is the class ones who have a monopoly of this money. In addition, while every decision, financial or otherwise, was made among the entire Executive Board and with input from the cabinet this was not reflected in the articles or editorials. There are four E-board members and it has been our policy not to act on any decision with out unanimous consent.

Our answer to the charge of unconstitutional actions is this: We were prepared to present to the Legislator the class ones who have a monopoly of this money. In our best estimation the bias coverage of the student money, or spend the reserves to practically nothing. We apologize for the definite tone the memo to the class ones took but it was completely necessary to come to some kind of resolution, however temporary, to begin operations in the first few weeks of the fall semester. We wholeheartedly believe in our duty to uphold the constitution and have done nothing to the contrary.

About our new slogan: The X-gener­ation simply put is a term used to loosely describe our genera­tion as lethargic, uninterested, sloppy, deadbeats who want nothing more than to sit around and watch The Simpsons. “The X-Gener­ation Takes Control” is our defiance to this stereotype and a promise to destroy any validity it may have.

We also encountered other small yet important discrepan­cies in these articles which prove the one-sidedness and unaccountable reporting going on at the MONT­CLARION. For example, the article regarding the new SGASF reports that “The corporation can be abolished immediately and at any time by the SGA Scholarship Fund President.” This is untrue and never uttered by Steinmetz or any other E-board officer. Also that the money was invested in Prudential Securities was never divulged but somehow it was in the article as being mentioned by Steinmetz. This type of irresponsible reporting, we believe, is done with malicious intent.

Finally, nothing in this letter has not been stated by the staff of the MONTCLARION periodically throughout the summer. In our best estimation the bias coverage of these issues were done as personal attacks directed to the Executive Board of the SGA.

Sal M. Anderton
April Steinmetz
Rick Leto
Michelle L. Crifasi

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Meeting on
Monday
September 12
at 2 pm in the
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Letter policy

The MONTCLARION supports a free and open exchange of opinions on any relevant issue via our letter page. Submissions should be delivered to the office of the MONTCLARION, room 113 Student Center Annex, care of Ron Albanese. Authors of works are responsible for contents therein. Letters may be edited for brevity or libel.
Welcome back to another thrill-packed year of The Prophet (formerly known as Prophet Bigg)! So I changed the name, Big deal. Right about now, some of you who are new to the Prophet experience are asking, "What is this Prophet stuff all about?" Well, I'll tell ya...
The Prophet column is dedicated to bringing you, the loyal reader, the best in the entertainment industry in this price range. The Prophet is always happy to receive and answer any and all questions regarding any aspect of the entertainment industry. Send your questions and comments about the column to: The Prophet c/o The Montclarion, Montclair State University, Student Center room 113. The Prophet's personal favorites, Kilmer has hardly accepted a multi-film contract, thus squashing any rumors that this was the final Batman film. Rene Russo (Lethal Weapon 3) is out as the criminal psychologist/love interest of Batman. Apparently, she looked too old next to Kilmer for it to work. So, we get Nicole Kidman (Far and Away). I can dig it. Just a few more big names: Jim Carrey (The Mask, Ace Ventura: Pet Detective) as the disturbed computer genius, the Riddler. Tommy Lee Jones (The Fugitive and just about every other movie that came out this year) as Harvey Dent, the D.A. who is disfigured and becomes the villain Two-Face. Finally, the speculation is over. Robin, the Boy Wonder, will be in this film and will be portrayed by Chris O'Donnell (The Three Musketeers, Son of a Woman).

Wednesday, Sept. 14

• Speaking of Jim Carrey, check out his upcoming release, Dumb and Dumber, which co-stars Jeff Daniels (Gettysburg) and looks very funny in a stupid sort of way. Also keep your eyes on this column for more information on Ace Ventura 2.

• In our rumor department this week...mostly Star Wars rumors. Like, Mark Hamil is rumored to be playing Anakin Skywalker in a new Star Wars film. That would be the father of his original character, Luke Skywalker, from the first three films, who becomes Darth Vader somewhere along the line. Whew! Another rumor puts Kenneth Branagh (Henry V, Much Ado About Nothing, Mary Shelley's Frankenstein) in the role of a young "Obi-Wan" Kenobi. Finally, rumor has it that they will shoot all three films together, much like they did with Back to the Future 2 and 3.

• A couple of quick reviews and previews starting with Interview with the Vampire. So what's the big deal? Tom Cruise looks okay. The film over all looks like it might be good. He could pull it off. Don't agree? Write to the Prophet.

Dead in the Water, a new novel by Nancy Holder, is a frightening book that combines many of the suspense novel's successes into one book. Holder won the prestigious Bram Stoker award for Best Short Story from the Horror Writers of America for her work entitled Lady Madonna. Check it out.

Mary Shelley's Frankenstein, a new film by renowned director Branagh, stars Branagh and Robert DeNiro as the creature. I'm a little uneasy about this one. Branagh's past would seem to indicate a good film, but I don't know. What do you think from what you see? Write to the Prophet!

Attention Little Rascals fans! The amazing video production company, Cabin Fever, has acquired and released its first crop of Our Gang films on video. These are original prints, un-cut and uninterrupted. You get four films per tape and they're not too expensive. Or you can buy them all at once for around $120 or so. I saw them being sold on QVC and they had original Little Rascal Tommy "Butch" Bond on to promote them. Bond also appeared on Live at Five that same week. "Butch" is really one of the few recognizable Rascals left alive.

• Here's some information you might not know. Or care to know for that matter. You all know that the enormously popular Saturday-morning show, The Mighty Morphin' Power Rangers, was actually a late seventies bomb in Japan. Well, it appears that the company who brought the show to America re-shot the non-fighting footage from that original series. So, according to sources, they have acquired another show, extremely similar to Power Rangers, to get new footage. Not only that but in this new show and in the original the "Yellow Ranger" was actually a guy! But the current U.S. show made her a girl!

Eric Bogosian, writer and performer of Pounding Nails into the Floor with My Head.

**Coming up...**

The Montclarion will provide free listings of your A&E events if you drop a note off to Kelly Schaub, the A&E editor, by Friday at noon.

**EVERY THURSDAY**

MUSIC - Live, at the Rathskeller - watch local bands perform! Maybe you'll discover the next hot group to hit the airwaves.

**Monday, Sept. 12**

ART - “Japanese Expressions in Paper,” Curated by Sueleen Glashausser. Five Japanese artists (Shunnoke Asakura, Yuruka Hatta, Kiyonori Kado, Yoshiichi Murakami and Hiroko Yamamoto) from Fukui Province in Japan, New Jersey's sister state since 1990, will show work they prepared on campus during the summer. Art Forum Lecture: 3-5 p.m. Sept. 8, Calcia Auditorium. Artist's reception: 4-6 p.m. Sept. 13, Art Gallery. Life Hall's College Art Gallery hours are: Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday 1-5 p.m. For more information, call (201) 655-7640.

**Friday, Sept. 23**

THEATER - Pounding Nails into the Floor with My Head, written and performed by Obie Award winner Eric Bogosian and directed by Jo Bonney, will be performed in a one night show at the State Theatre in New Brunswick, NJ. Bogosian is best remembered for his performances in the movie Talk Radio and in his Obie-award winning solo performances in Drinking in America and Sex, Drugs and Rock & Roll. He is author of Suburbia which is currently enjoying a successful run at the Lincoln Center's Mitzi Newhouse Theatre.

**Thursday, Oct. 13**

MUSIC - Luis Miguel will be performing at Radio City Music Hall Oct. 13-15.
WRITERS NEEDED!
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Barney Goes Berserk: Dinosaur wounds 8 kids.

UPIXYZ—Tragedy befell the set of the popular "Barney" show yesterday when Barney, America's most loved, and once loveable dinosaur went crazy and shot at 8 children. Witnesses claim that he and the children were singing the "I love you..." song when all of the sudden he pulled out a concealed AK-47 machine gun and started shooting at the kids screaming "HAAHHAAAAH! Love this, you little rugs!!" Sources claim that Barney could have been pushed over the edge when his long time relationship with Brook Shields ended abruptly. His subsequent, and barely known, drinking problem could have also lead to this tragic end. None of the children were wounded seriously and all are in stable condition at Columbia Presbyterian. Barney was unavailable for comment, but his team of lawyers said that he was, "...Confident, calm, and still loves everyone, even after he went bananas..." (The following was a sick and twisted piece of fiction. Please don't send any letters; I already know that I am a seriously warped human being with practically no sense of decorum. -[JOS])

**Your Real Horoscope**

by Ruby Wyner-lo
A.A.B.P. certified Astrologer

Aries: (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) Your relationship is on rocky ground when your mother-in-law moves in. Cut her heart out with a broken whiskey bottle and eat it in front of your spouse.

Taurus: (Apr. 20-May 20) The spirit of Vincent Lombardi inspires you to turn a ragtag group of young misfit hockey players into a band of bloodthirsty serial rapists.

Gemini: (May 21-June 21) If you happen to know a guy with a first name that could be a girl's, like "Terry" or "Kim," call him a sissie.

Cancer: (June 22-July 22) A wealthy oil magnate you knew from your escort service days leaves you a million dollars in his will, but guilt drives you to end up giving it all to Wil Shriner, host of Nickelodeon's "That's My Dog."

Leo: (July 23-Aug. 22) The stars say that you'll be turned into a pillar of salt, just in time for summer.

Virgo: (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A vasectomy will turn your life into a twenty-four hour sex party. Hell, get two!

Libra: (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) The stars say that you think you're some big mystery, but you're actually a stupid, smelly jerk.

Scorpio: (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Before marrying your beau, it would be smart to determine whether he's a wily snipe beetle.

Sagittarius: (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) The heavens have decreed that double-coupon day will change at the supermarket. Hide under a sofa until this event occurs.

Capricorn: (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your only brush with fame comes when Undersecretary of the Department of Weights and Measures Alphonse Darien needs you to help him wipe after his heart attack.

Aquarius: (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) This week, watch out for the fuzz.

Pisces: (Feb. 19-Mar. 20) A fatal myocardial infarction doesn't seem too bad when you find out (in hell) that it's only a fatal heart attack.

Ruby will be on vacation next week so that she might greater enjoy the natural majesty and splendor of the Wisconsin Dells.

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Red Hawks drubbed in season debut, 33-7

by Glenn Steinberg

We crushed them.
We kicked their butts.
We were awesome.

Unfortunately, these are probably some of the phrases that came from the mouths of Southern Connecticut

State players and/or fans after Saturdays romping of the MSU Red Hawks.

At games end, the scoreboard read 33-7, a disappointing start to the Red Hawks ’94 season.

According to head coach Rick Giancola, things just did not go well for the Red Hawks on Saturday.

"It was a tough day. We could not get on track offensively," said Giancola. Negative things such as penalties, a sack or a fumble would occur just when the offense got rolling and took them out of some scoring opportunities.

The MSU defense gave up a couple of big plays, falling behind 20-0 early and taking the Red Hawks out of their game plan.

Freshman quarterback Brian Cooney dropping back to pass in the Red Hawks season opener in New Haven. He was five-of-11 for 100 yards after replacing Darren Volker

"They have 15 players, one transfer from Fast Stroudsburg that McLaughlin has been raving about. McLaughlin, who has the netters to McLaughlin believes his Red Hawks have a reason to think it is a cut above the rest.

"We are probably more dedicated than most of the (women’s tennis) teams in the metropolitan area," said McLaughlin, who has the netters to two consecutive seasons. "Some of the teams didn’t practice on Aug. 23 and I think that will give us an edge."

MSU (9-4-1 in 1993) has reason for optimism. They have 15 players, one of the largest turnouts ever. Two players to watch are senior Lisa Hand and sophomore Wendy Saladino, a transfer from East Stroudsburg that McLaughlin has been raving about.

The duo will battle to see who will play first singles, while the other will play at the still noteworthy second singles spot. They will be playing together at first doubles as well.

Like at first singles, there are other spots up for grabs. Other than at first doubles, the only spot locked up is at third singles. That is where senior Leanna Guido will play.

Challenge matches throughout the preseason and a scrimmage against Drew on Friday will determine the remaining slots.

Then confusion reigns. Junior co-captain Jen Kolodziej, who McLaughlin described, along with Hand, as being “like my assistant coaches”, will battle with freshman Jessica Carotenuto for the fourth doubles spot. Meanwhile, sixth singles is a tossup amongst a few players.

Doubling teams will be made up of players who also play singles and also some newcomers. Freshmen such as Tracy Canino, Filomena Spina and Jamie Zamora will step in and should play some.

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Players to watch in the MSU sports fall season

by Brian Falzarano, Glenn Steinberg, and Nick Gantaifis

This fall, our staff writers talked to each of the head coaches of the fall sports and asked them who would be someone to look out for in the upcoming seasons. We will give you the rundown on each of these athletes, where they are from, size, etc. In turn, the coaches gave us their reasons behind that.

FOOTBALL

On the Record

From: Kearny, N.J. He transferred from Penn State, a Division I program that plays in one of the top football conferences, the Big Ten. He was widely recruited coming out of high school.
Height: 5-10 Weight: 210 lbs.
Year: Senior
Coach Rick Giancola says, in regards to his speed and talent: "You could see why he was a Division I player.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

On the Record

From: Mountainside, N.J. Transferred from East Stroudsburg.
Position: First or second singles, first doubles
Year: Sophomore
Highlights: She was 62-6 in high school at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School. Last year, she played at East Stroudsburg. She went 5-4 at first singles, including a win vs. MSU.
Coach Brian McLaughlin says: "I think she'll probably be one of the best players here at Montclair in recent history. She was recruited to play both tennis and softball, and will have a major impact on both programs.

WOMEN’S SOCCER

On the Record

From: Parsippany, N.J. Graduated from Morris Catholic H.S.
Height: 5-5
Year: Sophomore
Coach Chesney says: "She's hard working, smart. A good leader for the women.

MEN'S SOCCER

On the Record

From: Cranford, N.J. Graduated from Cranford H.S.
Height: 5-9
Position: Back
Year: Senior
Coach Barbara Brown says: "Katrina has developed her attack and defensive skills to become one of the teams top all-around players. Her tremendous vertical leap combined with the adjustments she has made with her timing have made her a team leader in blocks and kills.

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he was disappointed that Rubinetti did not have any opportunities at more extra points or field goals.
Defensively, the coach said he was pleased with the play of Jason Williams, defensive tackle, who had 11 tackles, Eric MacElroy, linebacker, who led the team with 14 tackles and defensive back, Don Gual, who recorded five tackles.
Giancola noted that it's always hard after a loss, but you always get another week to play. He said he has to point out the positive things in the films and show them that all of the mistakes they made on the field are both correctable and practiceable.
"We need to practice harder so we can play better," said Giancola. He said to prep them for Saturday's game against Cortland State, they have to see and understand the good and bad of what they saw and experienced.
A loss on the first game of the season is a setback because he and the team expect to win, but it's not that big of a deal because there's always the next game.
"At this point it only tells you that you can't go undefeated," said Giancola. "There is still a lot of football ahead of us."
He hopes the team will see the loss as a learning experience and that they will be able to correct the mistakes that were made.
Their next game takes place this Saturday against Cortland State at Sprague Field. It will be the Red Hawks first out of seven home games. Giancola is pleased about playing at home, believing that it is a great advantage to the players to be able to play on their own home turf. He said the players know the routine better when at home and are more relaxed.
RED HAWK NOTES: The 26 point loss was not the second worst opening defeat in Red Hawk history. It ranks second to a 39-0 loss to Upsala way back in 1929.
Pellegrino had eight punts for 322 yards, a 40.3 average.
Men’s soccer earns tourney split

Women’s soccer wins debut under Chesney

by Joe Amoroso

Both of MSU’s soccer programs began their seasons on an up note last weekend.

The men’s team opened its schedule with a game against the Messiah College Tournament. After advancing to the winners bracket, the Red Hawks faced nationally ranked Bethany College, which defeated them 5-3.

MSU (1-1) appeared to be on the upside of a shutout as they jumped out to an early 2-0 lead. Bethany, however, refused to give in and regrouped, scoring twice to tie the match. But MSU rallied its offense to score again and make the score 3-2 at halftime.

Bethany then tied the game again, and scored two more unanswered goals to take the lead and the win. Despite the loss, head coach Rob Chesney was not upset. Injuries played a part in the Red Hawks downfall in the second half.

“We were playing against a very good, very tough, very experienced team. We knew they were ranked high,” said the fourth-year coach. “The opportunity was there for us in the second half.”

“It was a learning process. We’ll be better for it,” Chesney added.

They fared better in the opener in the tournament, though. The Red Hawks blitzed their opening round opponent, Eastern College, by a score of 5-0. Their offense was led by the scoring of senior co-captain Erik Neubart, who tallied four goals in both his and his teammates debut in 1994.

“He did a real good job,” noted Chesney of his co-captain, who will be counted on for both his leadership and his ability.

Freshman forward Ian Myles capped the scoring with the first goal of his collegiate career on an assist from Neubart.

“We were excited about playing,” said Chesney. “We played well, but there is always room for improvement. Athletically, we were more dominant. We didn’t give them a chance to get involved.”

On the other side, the women’s team opened their campaign by defeating Swarthmore College, 2-1, at the Messiah Field last Saturday.

The game was highlighted by junior midfielder Renee Haraka. She scored her 35th career goal to break the career scoring record set by Linda Hadshinow, who had 34 goals in her four years at MSU (1990-1993). Haraka’s goal came early in the first half off of a pass from sophomore sweeper Holly Young, giving the Red Hawks (1-0) a 1-0 lead they never relinquished.

Later in the first period, they pushed their lead up to 2-0. That was when freshman midfielder Dana Rumpelton scored her first collegiate goal in her first collegiate game. Senior Keri O’Meara was credited with the assist.

Swarthmore avoided being shut-out with a score late in the first half, but their offensive effort fell short.

Father Time is sitting on Chesney’s shoulders

by Brian Balzarono

Picture yourself in Rob Chesney’s shoes and you learn to appreciate the term time management.

If one is among the average who work, they work a full-time job. However, if one is like him, you work a full-time job and coach the MSU men’s soccer team and the Red Hawk women’s team.

Now questioning him would certainly be trendy. But seriously, what would make him want to coach two teams. Many MSU coaches are part-time coaches that work part-time jobs, too. Still, they do not coach two programs as Chesney does.

Chesney explains his reasoning.

“The opportunity was there and I decided to take it,” he said. “There was the opportunity and the challenge, and that made it attractive.”

All right, but doesn’t this cut into any private time that you would have otherwise?

“Basically, I don’t know it yet,” said the fourth-year coach who has just moved into a new apartment in Montclair. “I’m sure it’s going to cut down on the personal time, no doubt about it. I’m young and have plenty of time down there.”

However, when there is a conflict in schedules with both of his teams, his assistants will handle the coaching duties. But he still has a lot to work to do, though, as the women’s soccer team is in both the building and transition stages.

In its fifth year of existence, the program was guided to a 9-8-1 record in 1993 by previous coach Peter Latarata. While it is still considered a program in its growing stages, he has some talent in forward Renee Haraka (who set the MSU career goal scoring record), sophomore back Holly Young and versatile senior Keri O’Meara, who was All-NJAC in softball last season.

“Our goal is to improve every day,” said Chesney, who noted that he is trying to build a “foundation” for the women’s team. “This year is a developmental process for building some pride in the program.”

Meanwhile, there is a foundation in place for the men’s team. Chesney, a 1990 MSU graduate and former player, has coached them for the past three years. After taking over for Dave Masur, he has guided them to a 42-16-1 record in his tour of duty. Also, he has led them to two NCAA tournament appearances and last year guided ECAC NY/NJ Metro championship.

The men are a more established team, with players such as the high-scoring Erik Neubart (21 goals in 1993, an MSU leading 52 points), University of Maine transfer Telmo Nunes and Mario Batelli. This does not mean all is rosy for the Red Hawks.

Chesney’s squad lost eight starters from last year and has several newcomers. The key is for these players to jell quickly. Therefore, they may have a bit of a rough going initially.

“But we set our goals high,” Chesney notes. “We’ll just take a bit longer to accomplish our goals.”

Time probably won’t run out on Chesney anytime soon. He has proven that where there is a will, he will find a way.
A tale of Monday Night Football’s nightmares

It was awful and you knew it as soon as it happened. Monday Night Football has provided memorable moments over the years. Earl Campbell’s 200-yard game in 1977 that beat the Miami Dolphins. Jerry Rice breaking the NFL all-time touchdown record. And Joe Theismain’s leg being broken.

When you saw Napoleon McCallum, the Raider running back, head into the line and get tackled on Monday night, you knew it was horrible. One look at the way his knee bent and dislocated could make even the most indifferent squeamish. Seeing it could only evoke one memory; that of Theismain’s leg being mangled. We saw Lawrence Taylor as we had never seen him before, memory; that of Theismain’s leg being broken.

It made you sick to watch. And the more you watched, the worse it got. When the bone was shown sticking out of Theismain’s leg, you could only feel one thing for the guy. Sympathy. Just like back then, Monday night’s game became a footnote to those watching. It was no longer about a rivalry or of the possible Super Bowl preview between the San Francisco 49ers and the Los Angeles Raiders.

At that moment, the well-being of Napoleon McCallum took precedence over any occurrence in the game. You didn’t want to watch it, afraid to let it become entrenched in your head so that it would become a memory. However, it was unavoidable.

It was a moment we will all remember whenever we see a serious injury. Like when Tim Krumrie got hurt in Super Bowl XXIII, when his leg was dangling. He came back, but was not the player he was. We can only hope the same for the former Midshipmen.

Monday Night Football has become a merica for sports fans, an institution for football junkies. Rice’s accomplishment should have been enough to make this game unforgettable. But it was not. Unfortunately, all of its memories have not been ones we would like to remember. Fortunately, they are not all so tragic.
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