Dean Harris speaks on education standards

by Tom Bond

In light of what he termed the “significant amount” of MSU students requiring remedial education, Associate Dean of Students James Harris is calling for an overhaul of the New Jersey public school system.

Harris backed up his call for reform on the basis that many students enter MSU unprepared for college level work. “For example, the city of Newark alone gets $540 million a year in educational aid from the state, and yet the overwhelming majority of those students coming to Montclair require significant remediation,” Harris said.

However, Harris stressed that educational deficiency is far from just an inner-city problem. “The competitive high schools graduate students who have not been properly prepared. In fact, some students who do really well on SATs still wind up needing remediation,” he said.

Basic Skills Testing Office Director Sybil Smith said, “we are still completing the analysis for our testing process [students recommended for remedial courses] which won’t be done until early October.”

Smith attributed the need for basic skills remediation to high school students lacking preparation and universities’ increasing tendency to recruit students who have not had the traditional educational background.

“This is a symptom, college prep in one school is often different from what is considered college prep in another school,” Smith said.

Harris cited four symptoms as problems in public education. “Public school systems that don’t work have a low level of accountability for finances, a low level of parent-community participation, low standards of expectation, and are plagued with interference by elected officials.”

Harris also gave examples of how politics hamstrings the efficiency of public schools. “Prior to the state takeover of the Newark and Jersey City school systems, there was rampant patronage, nepotism, and favoritism. In Jersey City, every time a new mayor came into office, there would be a major change of principals throughout the system.”

Therefore, it is imperative that our schools be kept free of political interference,” he said.

Harris emphasized the need to crack down on unsatisfactory funding and accountability. “Primary funding for our public schools should not be based on property taxes because the large urban cities will never be able to raise the amount of money necessary to finance their needs,” said Harris.

Harris suggested that public school funding should come directly from the state treasury, as is the case with other state agencies.

Harris outlined some solutions to this state-wide problem. “There’s a need to recertify educators based on their knowledge and abilities to educate children, because some teachers don’t have mastery of what they are supposed to teach,” he said.

“We also have to find ways to have parents understand that improving our public schools is a political and local enterprise,”

Harris touched upon the importance of abolishing tenure. “While there are compelling reasons to hold on to tenure, teacher unions should not defend incompetence and wasteful practice,” he said. “If retraining doesn’t work, then obviously the next step would be to remove that person. The public won’t support paying somebody who is not doing what they are supposed to be doing.”

Harris said that tenure should be replaced by periodic contracts similar to his contract with the administration. “Every year, I will have to be conscious of the goals set by the president, vice-president, and the dean of students. If I can live with a periodic contract, so can all educators,” Harris said.

Harris said that only by re-implementing strict goals for student achievement will our public schools begin to improve. “We must be conscious of what kids should be expected to learn at each grade level and each subject area. We must regularly test them to ensure standards,” he said. “This way, you will find out who is really learning and who needs help before he reaches college.”
MSU students are reaching for the stars

by Tom Road

How would you like to expand your horizons . . . literally? All it takes is $10 and a little curiosity, thanks to the North Jersey Astronomical Group (NJAG).

Originally formed in 1981, the NJAG is now boldly pushing back the frontiers by seeking out MSU students.

“We’ve been on campus almost two years. People are finally getting to know us and we’re starting to get some student members,” said NJAG President Kevin Conod.

Conod said that the NJAG has a special deal available for MSU students. “We have a reduced membership fee for students. It’s just $10 for a whole year,” he said. “I think it’s a fantastic deal and a great resource for students here.”

Conod added that non-students can join for $15 and entire families can join for $20.

All members who attend the monthly meetings held every second Wednesday in Room 226 in Richardson Hall are entitled to receive NJAG benefits which include the group’s monthly newsletter, listening to lectures given by amateur or professional astronomers, borrowing materials from the group’s library and participating in group sponsored field trips.

Regarding upcoming events, Conod mentioned the second annual United Astronomy Clubs of New Jersey (UACNJ) symposium slated for 1:30 p.m. Sept. 23 at the UACNJ Observatory, Jenny Jump State Forest in Hope, NJ. It will feature activities ranging from general astronomy presentations to an evening star viewing party.

Conod also talked about tentative plans for a Saturn watch event on Oct. 28 in Riker Hill Park in Livingston, NJ. “We have to clear it with the parks department. We really want to have this event because it’s only once every 15 years that we get to see Saturn’s rings exactly edge on,” Conod said. “It’s a great time for professional astronomers to look for new moons around Saturn.”

Conod said that the group participates with Public Telescope Night every clear Thursday at 8 p.m. in front of Richardson Hall.

The telescope night gala is held in conjunction with Dr. Mary Lou West of the physics department, who brings out two MSU owned telescopes (an eight inch Celestron and a seven inch Questar) in addition to other telescopes brought by NJAG members.

The first public telescope night of the semester, “was a nice one,” West said. “It was warm and the best thing was seeing Schroter’s Valley. It’s a real nice curvy valley that’s right at the edge of the terminator (the dividing line between the illuminated and unilluminated part of the moon) and is only visible for a few days when the moon is full.”

According to West, the moon will be featured again at public telescope nights on Sept. 28, Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Nov. 30 and Dec. 7, weather permitting.

Anyone requesting more information about the NJAG or public telescope night can call the starline (24 hour hotline at 614-9220), Dr. West at x7266 or can write to the NJAG at the following address: P.O. Box 4021, Allwood Station, Clifton, NJ 07012.
The spacious firmament on high,
With all the blue ethereal sky,
And spangled heavens, a shining frame,
Their great Original proclaim.

- Joseph Addison

One of the many new directory signs scattered around MSU

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Two weeks of SGA news

by Victor Cirillo

At the first Student Government Association meeting held on Wednesday, Sept. 6, six new legislators were sworn in to cabinet positions.

Some members of the SGA felt that voting for cabinet positions should have been delayed a couple of weeks or until more legislators could have participated in the voting.

Second year legislator Jennifer Lynch, said, “appointments shouldn’t have been done. We should have waited until other petitions were done.”

Kevin Hancock, a freshman legislator whose petition wasn’t done by meeting time, but managed to attend as a spectator, wasn’t pleased by the decision. “They should have waited until more legislators were present, I felt like I had no say in the matter,” said Hancock.

Attorney General to the SGA, Mike Costa, said that the statues state that the executive board can call the elections anytime they want.

“I certainly think that a vote of any kind should have been held off until more people were called [sworn in], however it’s the president and vice-president’s call and there was nothing wrong with what they did”, said Costa.

Dan Marshall, director of academic affairs, felt insecure about the swearing in due to the proceedings. “I would feel better in my position if I felt I got in by a larger majority, however, that doesn’t mean I am not going to do a good job. I also understand it’s the executive board’s decision to hold the voting whenever they want.”

Student Government President, Francois Dauder, “Through the middle of the summer I chose the cabinet, after looking hard during the first half.

“We had a retreat detailing the incoming year and our goals; whether the legislature was packed or [had] the number that was there, I am positive of my appointments and of all the legislators that voted.”

He also said that the legislature should have expressed their unhappiness during the meeting. “It is there duty to speak before the voting.”

All new cabinet directors were voted in unanimously; The new appointees and positions are as follows: Barry Bernstein, director of welfare and internal affairs; Victor Cirillo, director of external affairs; Dan Marshall, director of academic affairs; Cindy Pozazycki, director of programming; Luis Roeder, director of services; Jenn Connell, director of public relations; Susy Carella, director of residence life and Lisa Toledo, director of greek affairs.

During the second SGA meeting on Sept. 13 eleven new legislators were sworn in and given their respective seats on the legislative floor.

Dean Helen Matsow-Ayres, advisor to the student government, addressed the legislature with her set goals for the SGA during the next academic year.

Some of the major goals she outlined were to be better organized on attending events, to improve services with the students with disabilities and to improve commuter services.

The SGA revised operations budget was brought to the floor for discussion. SGA President Francois Dauder explained to the legislature that last year the legislature over appropriated the budget and over the summer, Class One’s and the SGA Executive Board came to a compromise and approved the revision.

When the bill was brought up to a vote, legislator and Chair of the Appropriations Committee Brian Cosgrove asked, “Why are we doing new business?”, referring to the fact that the bill did not pass through committee.

SGA Vice-President Julio Marenco said, “This [revision] was agreed by all the organizations during the summer; there is no reason why it should go through committee.”

After checking the bylaws, Attorney General Mike Costa found that according Article 6, Section 1, Letter L, #8 , it was unconstitutionally to bring a budget of this magnitude without going through the appropriations committee first.

“Budgets are to be strictly adhered to, unless difficulties arise which necessitate changes. Any request for alternation in the budget, via line transfer, must be submitted in writing to the SGA treasurer,” said Costa.

In other SGA news, nominations were taken for President Pro-Tempore [speaker of the legislature]. Michael Roessner, Brian Cosgrove and Greg MacSweeney were nominated and accepted.

Bills brought to the Appropriations Committee include those of Class One, Consultants, Players, OSAIJ, LASO, Conservation Club, Drop In Center and WMSC-FM.
Campus Police Report
compiled by Kristina Mathison

THEFT
Sept. 12 between 12 and 2 p.m. a female left a book at the Freeman Hall front desk which was missing when she returned. A male was reportedly seen taking the book.

Sept. 13 at 3 a.m. a jewelry vendor on the lower level of the Student Center reported her wallet missing when she left the building at the end of the day.

SUSPICIOUS PERSONS
Sept. 14 at 2:20 a.m. a security officer at the Webster Hall front desk reported four males jumping over the fence at the Child Center outside of Stone Hall. No damage was found and the suspects were not apprehended.

MEDICAL
Sept. 15 at 8:10 a.m. outside contractor working on the steam system of Bohn Hall suffered second degree burns on his left upper leg and lower arm.

MISCELLANEOUS
Sept. 4 - Sept. 14 a Blanton Hall female resident reported that she had received three suspicious phone calls between 3 and 4 a.m. for ten days.

Sept. 13 Tyra Jacobs appeared at Passaic County Court for Pre-Indictment proceedings for the theft of phone services. She was ordered to pay restitution, $125 in court costs and complete 50 hours of community service. The terms of her probation will be set on Sept. 25.

Sept. 18 at 10:25 p.m. the substation in Lot 30 was reported to have a suspicious gas odor. PSE&G later found an unbolted pipe had caused the problem.

Campus Police Safety Tip of the Week
courtesy of the Security and Safety Department

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**Campus Life**

**Flag Raising kicks off Hispanic Heritage Month**

by Jessica Nunez

On Thursday, September 14, the Latin American Student Organization (LASO) inaugurated the Hispanic American Heritage Month. The Hispanic community at MSU gathered outside the Student Center to participate in the flag raising. First district marines raised the American flag and the representative Hispanic flag while the students sang the “National Anthem.”

David Barriera, coordinator of the event, made the distinction that this land is not only American but also Hispanic. Barriera expressed the need for more funding, and more multi-cultural awareness. “In other words, we want it all,” Barriera said.

Father Arthur Humphrey gave the benediction at the end of the inaugural ceremony.

The ceremony was followed by a reception where the friendly environment and the riveting music distinguished the Hispanic crowd. Ann Marquez, coordinator of the event, extended her thanks to LASO, Sgt. Torres, and the people responsible for the outcome of this initiative to a very busy month. On October 15, the Latin Month will come to an end, but the enthusiastic Latin Organization will not cease to work towards a multi-culturally aware community.

**Drop-In Center: A service for all students**

by Jessica Nunez

In our daily routines, we all have different problems we need to overcome. For this reason, the Student Government Association (SGA) provides a service to all MSU students, a service in which confidentiality is a top priority.

Agnes Perez, Drop-In Center director, stated, “Even if you come to pick up a bus schedule, nobody has to know that you were here.”

Located between the Student Center and Richardson Hall, the center is filled with the answers to many of our everyday questions.

Every student pays $3.10 per credit in SGA fees, which go towards the services that this organization offers. The Drop-In Center was granted $9,112 for the current year. Most of the budget goes towards staff training and resource materials.

Before becoming staff members, applicants are trained by professionals to deal with many different problems we need to overcome. Applications are available at theDrop-In Center looking for support or advice. If at any time you need to talk there will be someone to listen.

The Drop-In Center is filled with a number of booklets on many diverse issues of interest to the university student. If you are having trouble with tests or you have no study strategy, look through the Study Skills section. Maybe your classes are harder than you had expected, and you have to cope with that on top of your day to day problems. For that, you may find the Stress Management section very helpful. Or, maybe you just have questions about alcohol and drug use (and abuse), sex issues (with more than one perspective), date rape, AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases, etc.

This center is also famous for its broad range of bus schedules. Even if you don’t know which bus you are looking for, they can help you find it. In addition, they keep brochures of amusement activities, nearby workshops, and on-campus events. They are trying to make a stress-management workshop available to the MSU community.

The Drop-In Center posts its hours of operation weekly. For more information, you can either call extension 5271 or just DROP-IN!

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**Stuck in traffic on the way to school**

by Joy Thompson

The way my life has been going lately, I’ve been having to fight the evil traffic monster everywhere I go. I wake up every morning two hours before class, so I have enough time to get ready, and to battle the parkway. That is not a fun chore, and most morning radio blows.

Today, I got stuck behind a Dodge with vanity plates and yesterday I got stuck behind a Suburban with vanity plates. The day before I got stuck behind a blue Porsche, which probably had vanity plates, too.

It gets rather boring looking at the back of the same car for minutes on end. I decided to give the person behind me something to do. I own a pretty boring car, a blue Volvo station wagon, but I spiced it up a bit, so now, the driver behind me has something to look at while he’s stuck in traffic.

The back of my car is plastered with bumper stickers. I have everything from “Free Leonard Peltier” to “Keep Your Laws Off My Body” to a picture of Calvin (from Calvin and Hobbes) picking his nose. See, it’s hard to find ways to entertain yourself when you’re stuck on the road, so I decided to make it my goal to entertain other people.

However, since no one is around to entertain me, I must tackle that job myself. It’s not easy to play Simon (you know, that memory game that lights up and makes noise) when you’re trying to juggle smoking cigarette, shifting gears, and searching for a radio station that isn’t telling me I’m stuck in traffic. So, I entertain myself on the road by playing those games on the radio... like WNEW’S “Rock Door” or “My Three Songs.” I have a cellular phone that I’m only supposed to use in emergencies, but I think brain rot, due to traffic, is an emergency. So, when I’m stopped, I like to call up and see if I can get through to the station, and win a family-foursome to tour Sleepy Hollow or an American Express gift check.

This new radio game playing thing should probably last me another week. Then I’ll have to find a new fun thing to do on the road. Hey, if you’re a commuter, and know how to do anything fun while you’re on the road, drop by the Montclarion office, and let me know. It gets lonely being a single car driver.

Well I’m off to battle traffic once more, but this time it’s in front of the “B” or Dickson Building on my way to class. Until next week, my fellow traffic warriors!
Dear Career Services

Q: I’ve heard that there are tests available to help me learn about possible career directions so that I can stop feeling like a “fish out of water.” Is this true?

A: Yes, testing can help you find a career direction although no test tells the whole story. You will need to look at all the elements that go into choosing an intelligent choice of occupation: interest, skills, needs, values, motivation, ambition, personal circumstances, personality preferences and more. Career decision making is a complex process that takes time, research and thought. So why take a test? Because anything that helps you understand yourself is important. The more you know about yourself and your needs, the more you increase your chances of making good decisions. Think of taking a test as an opportunity to add another piece to the puzzle of who you are.

Two of the most frequently used tests, the Self-Directed Search and the Strong Interest Inventory look for patterns of interest, and provide the test taker with a list of occupations which match those patterns. The occupational titles that result from these instruments are occupations enjoyed by people whose interest pattern is similar to yours—a good predictor of your future career satisfaction—and an excellent place to begin career research.

The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator, another instrument available in Career Services, looks at 16 preference patterns describing how people process information and make decisions. That information can be matched with occupations which can then be researched.

Test-taking is only a part of good career exploration, but it may be an excellent place to begin if you are feeling unsure about your career plans. Feel free to make an appointment to see a counselor in Career Services to discuss your individual situation and see if one of these instruments can be helpful.

Q: I plan to be an elementary school teacher, but with the teaching market so competitive, where else could I consider working with young children?

A: As society has become more aware of children’s problems and needs, new career possibilities have developed. Job titles which come to mind are: child welfare care worker, child care worker, child life specialist, residential counselor and child health associate. Some of these titles are probably unfamiliar to you because they have only been in existence a short while. These careers involve work in hospital settings, group homes, institutions, and other places in the community.

The career library in Career Services is an excellent resource to help you explore careers other than teaching. Three books that might be especially helpful in learning about these jobs are: “Exploring Careers in Child Care Services” by Jean Ispa, “Careers for Kids at Heart and Others Who Adore Children” by Majorie Eberts and Margaret Gislen, and “Careers in Child Care” by Alma Learner Visser.

You might also be interested in pursuing further education in a more specialized field dealing with children, such as child psychology or a health related area. To explore these possibilities and to find out what might be appropriate for you, stop by the Career Services office, to use the career library or to make an appointment with one of the career counselors who can help you determine your best course of action.

Vote for the Best and the Least Recommended of MSU Faculty

Registration for the Spring of 1996 is from October 16-November 3. Wouldn’t it be nice to know which professors to take and which ones not to? We here at the Montclarion think that it is your right to know.

Please nominate the best and the least recommended of the faculty within your major. It is as easy as filling out this ballot and placing it in one of the drop-off boxes around campus.

Drop-off boxes are located in all of the Residence Halls, the Student Center, Dickson Hall (formerly the B building and the New Academic building) and College Hall.

Let your voice be heard. Vote for the professor within your major that makes you want to take him/her over and over again.

Please vote for only the professor within the department of your major.

Let your opinion be heard.

Name

Your name will be used for verification purposes only. It will not be printed and it will remain confidential.
Log-On @ MSU

by Rita Bronnenkant

The World Wide Web and Netscape 1.01. Despite all the hype, the World Wide Web is neither a place nor a thing. Rather, it is a service that computer users access with a software program known as a Web browser. Netscape is currently the hottest Web browser and deservedly so. I'm delighted to report that it's on some of the lab computers and hopefully will be added to more soon. It's so easy that you can learn to successfully use Netscape in five minutes. Really! Keep in mind that this statement comes from a person (me) who firmly believes that computer labs are windowless (the glass kind, not software) so that frustrated students can neither fling the computers out, nor jump themselves. Let's do it!

When you arrive at the lab, ask the assistant if Netscape is available. It is a Windows-based program that can generally be found by clicking on the icon for Applications or Communications. Despair not, Mac users, it's on some Macs, too. Double click on the Netscape icon and away we go! Netscape defaults to its own home page. Partridge Hall's pc's are visible and usable whether or not you are involved with the campus Life section, please come to Student Center Room 113 and ask for Erica or call x5169.

Campus Life needs writers, photographers and people eager to cover on-campus events. All those who are interested in becoming involved with the campus Life section, please come to Student Center Room 113 and ask for Erica or call x5169.

Netscape is a fancy graphical Web browser, perfect for the generation raised on Sesame Street, Electric Company and microwave food. MSU also now provides access to LYNX, a non-graphical web browser. You can access LYNX by logging on to the Alpha system (just like doing your email). At the $ prompt, type LYNX <enter> and you're in business. Or $ menu, choose Y for LYNX. There are no pretty pictures, but generally what we need from the Web is textual information. The on-screen instructions look simple enough. Like all programs, you have to play with it until you hit what I call the break even point. That's when you feel that you are running the software instead of the software running you.

As they like to say at Microsoft, where do you want to go today? How about Mirsky's Worst of the Web at http://www.turnpike.net/metro/mirsky/worst.html This includes Mirsky's Drunk Browsing Test created by an attorney whose email username is drunks. Need money for education? Check out http://yahoo.com/education/Financial_Aid/. Note the below line dash. Visit museums you might never see otherwise at the Le Web Museum, http://www.museum.css.com/fr or find it when you click the What's Cool button. College football and basketball fan can go to College Sports Network Web site http://www.xxcx.com/col_sport/. It shows all teams in NCAA Division 1 basketball, by state, by conference and alphabetically. Last, but not least, is the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame's site, http://www.rockhall.com. Try to come up for air, and don't forget to call home so family and friends know you are still alive. CYA.

In order to access a Web page, you need to enter a url (Uniform Resource Locator). The url is http://www.montclair.edu, Christopher Kline's Humor mailing list also has a home page. You can also download the Netscape Communicator itself. Type in your new url, click on the stop icon at the right end of the menu bar? The first button on the right is the stop button. If the process seems interminable, you can halt it by clicking on the STOP icon at the right corner of the keyboard. Use shift plus that key to get it. There is no period at the end of the url. That is, column punctuation. Observe and copy any capitalization. None here. Now, <enter>. The Netscape icon - an N with a dizzy sky background and the N seeming to walk over the planet - should now have shooting stars moving through it. This informs you that Netscape is actively seeking the URL requested. Don't make any additional requests until it comes to a halt. It can take a minute or two depending on the speed of the computer and current Internet traffic. Other times, it will flash right onto the screen. If the process seems interminable, you can halt it by clicking on the STOP icon at the right end of the menu bar. Look for the red STOP sign with the word STOP under it.

Now that you have clicked on every link several times and you want to back a few steps, it's a snap. See the toolbar below the menu bar? The first button on the left is a pointing arrow with the word BACK. Click on it and you will jump back one step. Click on it until you get back to where you want to be. Made too many jumps to go back through all of them? You don't have to return to your starting place. Choose File/Open Location and enter a new URL. Or, just place the cursor in the Netsite bar which displays the current URL you are in. Delete that URL, with the backspace delete, or highlight and delete. Type in your new URL, click on the stop icon at the right corner of the keyboard. Use shift plus that key to get it. If you feel that you are running the software instead of the software running you, you can also print from Netscape. Choose File/Print or click on the printer icon. Keep in mind that the graphics can take quite a while to print, backing up the printer queue. If you don't have it for a course, please don't clog up the printers with it.

Netscape's home page, in case you have not seen it, is http://home.netscape.com/. Choose the button for What's New, What's Cool, Handbooks, Net Search, and Net Directory. They are very good and available while or not you are on Netscape's home page. Now that you have clicked on every link from here to kingdom come and back, its time to quit. Just choose File/Exit and Netscape closes. I know you could learn it in five minutes. And you did! A word of caution, however — time flies when you surf the web. Look at your watch and you will be amazed at the hours you have spent.

As they like to say at Microsoft, where do you want to go today? How about Mirsky's Worst of the Web at http://www.turnpike.net/metro/mirsky/worst.html This includes Mirsky's Drunk Browsing Test created by an attorney whose email username is drunks. Need money for education? Check out http://yahoo.com/education/Financial_Aid./ Note the below line dash. Visit museums you might never see otherwise at the Le Web Museum, http://www.museum.css.com/fr or find it when you click the What's Cool button. College football and basketball fan can go to College Sports Network Web site http://www.xxcx.com/col_sport/. It shows all teams in NCAA Division 1 basketball, by state, by conference and alphabetically. Last, but not least, is the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame's site, http://www.rockhall.com. Try to come up for air, and don't forget to call home so family and friends know you are still alive. CYA.
UPCOMING CAMPUS CALENDAR

**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 21**
- Rush Alpha Kappa Psi from 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. in the Student Center Room 415.
- Ice cream Social for residents in Blanton Lounge 4AD from 8:00 until.
- Theta Kappa Chi and Zeta Beta Tau Rush Mixer. Rides are provided. Meet in front of Blanton Cafe at 9:30 p.m. Contact Stephanie at extension 5052 for more details.

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22**
- Drop-In Center Application Deadline.
- Men's Soccer play Jersey City State College at 8:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23**
- Women's Soccer play Rowan College at 4:00 p.m.
- Field Hockey plays Rowan College at 1:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24**
- Drop-In Center staff training.

**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25**
- Sigma Psi Phi interest meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center Room 411/412.

**TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26**
- SILC is having a game of One Pitch Softball today, the 27th and the 28th. Contact the SILC Office for more information.
- LASO meeting in the Student Center Annex Room 100 at 3:30 p.m.
- Conservation Club meeting at 3:30 in the Student Center Annex Room 120.

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 27**
- LASO presents Louis Perez with a lecture on "Racism within the Latino Community" at 7:00 p.m. in Dickson Room 178.

**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28**
- OSAU hosts an Elektra Hip-Hop Music Give-Away from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Student Center Ballrooms A and B.
by Victoria Calebs

On Tuesday evening, September 19, at 5:30 p.m., Vinie Burrows, an award-winning Broadway actress, "The Queen of Black Theatre," presented her one-woman show, "Sister! Sister!" to a standing room only audience in Calcia. Burrows' performance was sponsored by the Women's Center and the Women's Studies Program with funding from the Global Education Center and the New Jersey Council for the Humanities.

Burrows' one-woman show, "Sister! Sister!" involved audience participation, and songs, and also declared that there are "two billion women in the world working in homes, fields, cities, shops, stores, schools, bars, banks, hotels, hospitals, social security buildings, and welfare offices."

Burrows' talent allowed her to change from one character to the next without hesitation. Her accents, facial expressions, movements, and emotions allowed her to transform into a British youth, an Irish folk band from Dublin, played a crowd at the Garden State Arts Center on July 17. Supporting her third album, "Ice" was written while Sarah was working abroad in a third world nation. She sang, "I believe/This is heaven to no/One else but me/And I'll defend it as/Long as I can be/Left here to linger in silence/If I choose to...""

"Mary" is the story of a woman who is learning to love again. Sweet and timid, Sarah McLachlan played for about an hour, covering most of the songs from "Fumbling Towards Ecstasy," and her new song featured in Ed Burns' breakout film, "The Brothers McMullen."

"I would not let myself believe that you might stay/And I would stand by you no matter what they'd say/I thought I'd be with you until my dying day..." chants the chorus of "Plenty," a painfully biting song about the breakup of a relationship.

"Good Enough" is another song about relationships, written from the view of the male. The woman he loves is in a relationship with a man who treats her second best: "So don't tell me why/He's never been good to you/Don't tell me why/He's never been there for you/And I'll tell you why/Is simple not good enough."

Sarah McLachlan's sold out summer concert

by Jodi Kastel

Amid the lightly falling summer rain, under the dusky purple twilight, an angel's voice broke through the roar of the crowd. "Listen as the wind blows/From across the great divide/Voices trapped in time./The night is my companion/And solitude my life. With tears in her eyes, she suffered in agony."

Overall, Burrows entertained, frightened, and shared her wisdom with the audience. Burrows' performance called on women to be renewed with a sense of women's liberation from oppression in all forms. She ended by saying, "Once the mind is free, the body is free."
Flat Ending To Unusual Usual Suspects

By John Springman

The Usual Suspects is a well-made para­
noir mystery/thriller with an ending that I
considered among the best of its kind this year.
This was similar to some blind dates—trickily going at first,
享受ing as you get more comfortable, but
enjoying with ambiguous "what-hap­
pened here/does-she-like-me" thoughts.
The title comes from the climactic scene in Casablanca. Police Captain
Renault (Claude Rains) witnesses the shooting of a Nazi officer by Rick
Bogart), hesitates, and then
orders his newly-arriving men to round up
"the usual suspects" rather than turn in
Bogie. This leads directly to the famous
closing line, "Louie, I think this is the
beginning of a beautiful friendship." (Aside from the derivation of the title.

The Usual Suspects have five career crim­i­nals, who are rounded up by New York
City police vainly attempting to solve a
truck-jacking (truck hijacking? truck rob­ery?). While grousing in their holding
Cell, the five men, reluctantly lead by
Keaton (Gabriel Byrne), decide to plan a
major heist. Through an involved chain of
events, they are ultimately coerced
montaging a dangerous raid for a
mysterious, all-knowing crime boss
named Keuper Soze.

Once it's unraveled, the plot of Sus­
pects is fairly simple, but the movie is
structured in such a way as to create a
great deal of mystery. The movie opens
with the doomed raid (on a freighter in an
identified California harbor), then
proceeds to flash back forth between the
events leading up to the raid, and the
present, where police are investigating it
and interrogating a survivor.

I enjoyed the mysterious, convoluted
storytelling of Suspects (it will be difficult
to follow on network TV with commerci­
ations). An air of suspense was maintained throughout most of the
film. A particularly chilling scene
involved the gang derivatively trying to
turn the tables on the crime boss by
attacking his representative— only to
find out that he's one step ahead of them.

I also enjoyed the interaction among
the criminal gang members, who test the
dictum "There is no honor among thieves.
I thought Kevin Spacey and Kevin Pollack
were particularly good as slimy under­
world characters, although Gabriel Byrne
as Keaton was the only one given any
background. Keaton wants to reform and
continually gives pensive looks between
criminals as he heads towards surprise end­
ings. Unfortunately, the conclusion of
Suspects is not nearly as satisfying as No Way Out's.

The highlight of the evening was
the San Gennaro Festival definitely the
most enjoyable as you get more comfortable,

Two blocks and finally reached
Mulberry Street where the festival was
very much alive and kickin'. There were
crowds of people everywhere dancing,
hearing music, singing...you name it.
My friends and I decided to join the
crowd and see where the crowd would take us.

As we walked, we stopped at almost
every booth along the way. The air was
filled with aromas of delicious Italian
pastries and cuisine, including baked
ravioli, pizza, hot and sweet sausages,
calmarini, zeppoli, and cannolis. It was
like walking into my mother's kitchen
on a holiday. My stomach started growl­
ing (as always), and I just had to stop at
one of the sausage stands and grab a
sandwich. It was so good that it put my
father's homemade sausage to shame!

As the night moved on, we found
other forms of entertainment that made
the San Gennaro Festival definitely the
place to be. For two dollars we saw an
amazing magic show, and witnessed
some crazy New Yorker swallow an arrow,
walk on glass, eat fire, and get electro­
cuted (ouch!). The next block over,
other boys were having a breakdancing
competition in the middle of the street.
Tons of people stood there watching and
stomping their feet to the music.

The highlight of the evening was
when we passed by a music booth that
had been following. Two old Italian
singers singing an old Italian song
with a lot of feeling. One of the singers
was an old Italian man who sang with
a lot of passion. We stopped to listen
and asked them to sing a few more songs.
They sang a few more songs and
we were enthralled. We checked out Little Italy's
San Genarro Festival, let me be the first to say that
I had a blast.

As for the other forms of
entertainment, I enjoyed the mystery, convoluted
storytelling of Suspects as well as the
San Gennaro Festival. I would
recommend both to anyone looking for
a good time.
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I hope everyone is having a better week than me. I am stressing too hard, considering September isn’t even over. The words Senior Audit keep clouding my vision, but if I don’t graduate in May, my parents won’t have to kill me because I’ll kill myself.

In case you don’t catch the ad on the next page, I need an articulate, serendipitous, half-sane, half-crazed individual to be my assistant. Professionalism, whether genuine or pretend, is not required. Just don’t be immature, uncommunicative, or selfish, and bail out on me.

I’m in a yucky mood, and I’m about ready to snap. Bob, the co-sports editor, and a fellow Scorpio probably knows best to stay on my good side. Scorpios have wicked bad tempers that can be set into a roaring blaze with just one spark. Strange since Scorpios are water signs, calm, cool, and collective.

I have a temporary tattoo on my right foot of a colorful fish. But so many people think it is real. IT IS FAKE! I feel better now. I also wear a toe ring on my second toe, which has received some strange inquiries: is it uncomfortable, does it hurt, why do you have a ring on your toe? I like my toe ring, and most of the time I forget it is there until someone notices it. Incidentally, my second toe is longer than my big toe, meaning royalty, sexiness, wealth?

Actually, the technical name is Morgan’s Toe. I played a game of Dirty Words™ with John J., the humor or tumor dude. I snapped out of my bad mood with hurricane speed. I laughed long and hard, but the words we came up with were too foul for the paper; however, I suggest you play a game soon!

Sometimes, I miss games, toys, dolls, and mud pies. When we’re little, we can get away with baking mud in the sun, and eating it when we decide it is ready. Then, a few years later, we advance to the Betty Crocker Mini-Bake Oven. I made a few lopsided chocolate concoctions, but I liked to use my oven to fry bugs.

If you think about it, eating at MSU is like returning to childhood. Lopsided dirt with a chance of some bugs. Although I have to admit, the food in the Student Center Cafe is 100% better this semester. I live on Clove Road now, so I don’t know what Blanton is like. I’ve heard lots of complaints about bag checks, but I think they’re a good idea. I hated eating with plastic utensils on plates that will never biodegrade. I bet everyone has something they stole from Blanton.

My column is what the Montclarion calls fluff. I ramble on about everything, but this is the third piece I wrote. I’m burned out. Until next week, have fun.
**Review: Live and guests at Arts Center**

by Tom Trayn

Last Thursday evening, Live, along with opening acts Veruca Salt and PJ Harvey, played to a sellout crowd at the Garden State Arts Center.

Veruca Salt went first and had the unfortunate luck of playing when the audience's attention span was at its lowest. Their 15 minute set could be summed up as a series of guitar solos and feedback with one ballad inserted in the middle. The highlight occurred when the band played "Seether," apparently the only song that anyone in attendance had ever heard of.

PJ Harvey performed next. Now, I must admit that I had never really heard of her before, but I like to think that I can be open to new music. The type of music that she played (industrial-type rock) was very difficult to pull off live because of the acoustics of the building. Maybe if I heard her tape, I could better appreciate her style of music.

Finally, the beginning guitar part from "Dam at Otter Creek" could be heard through the speakers. The crowd started going wild as lead singer Ed Kowalczyk appeared shirtless, as is his trademark, which whipped a large portion of the audience into a frenzy.

The band concluded with chart topper "I Alone," and after a ten minute standing ovation, came out to play "All Over You," "Lightning Crashes," and "White Discussion." It was a fitting ending to a great concert.

It was an incredible four hour concert in which it appeared that everyone enjoyed themselves. Jean-Marie Navetta, a Senior at MSU, had this to say, "I thought that "Lightning Crashes" was the highlight of the show. I didn't want it to end." I was a little concerned that Live would not be as powerful now in a large venue as they were when I saw them two years ago in a small club. Lucky for me, Live was just as good, maybe even better. So good, in fact, that I went and saw them again on Saturday night in Allentown. After seeing two concerts, all I can say is that Live is awesome.
Some teachers at MSU have already told their students that they may be going on strike in the near future. They have been working without a contract since July 1, and had returned to MSU at the beginning of the semester hoping that an equitable settlement could be reached before long. It still hasn’t.

Governor Christine Whitman wants to deny the teachers a baseline cost-of-living increase, a fair healthcare program, and support for their pensions.

We feel that the teachers deserve more for their labors and their learning than the average $6.00 an hour. It is sad to reflect that in many cases a high school graduate at The Gap makes more than a professor with a doctorate. In addition to a real pay increase, they deserve a decent healthcare program and pension.

Of course the teachers aren’t the only victims in this conflict. As the sands in the hourglass fall, students can only look forward with dread to the possible consequences of a strike. Previous strikes affecting MSU have only lasted two and nine days, respectively. But we have no assurance that a strike this time around will have such a short duration.

This offers a dismal prospect to all of us, but especially to those of us who have already begun preparations for the next stage in our careers.
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OSAU and Delta Sigma Theta respond to Montclarion's criticism

I would like to say that it is my opinion that the coverage of the Back to School Jam, co-sponsored by OSAU and Delta Sigma Theta, is the most biased piece of journalism I have ever read. This becomes particularly evident when you look at the fact that the writers, Mr. Greg MacSweeney and Mr. Brian Cosgrove, took the time to interview everyone involved in the planning of the party except representatives of OSAU and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. I believe that this lack of representation was entirely intentional, and, as of the writing of this letter, a representative from the Montclarion has yet to contact either organization. I must further express my lack of surprise regarding this issue because the Montclarion has had a history of one-sided representation in issues regarding OSAU. If anyone had contacted the OSAU office, they would have learned that in addition to being OSAU President, I am also a member of Delta Sigma Theta. As such, it would clearly have been to my disadvantage to have any OSAU money "illegally" given to my sorority. Delta Sigma Theta is a Class Four organization under the SGA. It is entitled to co-sponsor an event with whomever they choose. The question of whether the party was publicized seems silly to me. It appeared on the Welcome Week calendar put out by MSU, where it was publicized as an OSAU/Delta Sigma Theta event. Flyers publicizing the event were distributed across campus, and it was printed in last week's edition of the Montclarion.

Additionally, a representative from the Montclarion also would have learned that the Delta Zeta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta present on this campus encompasses nine different colleges and universities. Consequently, representatives from each campus were present at the party. Whenever an event is publicized by MSU, it is open to whomever wants to attend, whether it be from the MSU community or from the community at large.

As for the issue of the co-sponsorship form, there wasn't one signed. That was an error made on the part of the SGA, OSAU and Delta Sigma Theta. The fact that the event was a co-sponsorship was known. In addition the proceeds that were given to Delta Sigma Theta, which amounted to $1,050 and not $1,150, have been given to SGA treasurer, Jane Loake. This money is not SGA money, but is money that will be split between both organizations equally in addition to any and all costs incurred by the party. OSAU Treasurer Niesha Curtis was operating in accordance with old financial procedures. Let me further express that there was never any intent to illegally funnel money to Delta Sigma Theta.

Both OSAU and SGA are under new administration, and as such are likely to make mistakes. The financial discrepancies have been rectified, and both OSAU and SGA Treasurer Jane Loake have cleared up all misunderstandings.

I am curious to see whether the staff of the Montclarion will scrutinize the events and financial procedures of other Class One organizations with as much intensity as was devoted to ours. The next time the Montclarion writes a letter about OSAU, I encourage it to get input from the members of OSAU.

Kaidah McMorin
OSAU president and member of Delta Sigma Theta

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Grateful Dead issue refuses to rest in peace

Throughout the Grateful Dead's history, the band has had to contend with society's misgivings concerning its less than mainstream approach. Now the criticisms reach another level by stating that Jerry Garcia, in the last days of his life, should have come forward to say, "Don't be like me," a la Mickey Mantle. If this is the case, then wouldn't it have been great if Americans had not been forced into servitude? If we had not bombed Hiroshima? And if the four officers involved in the Rodney King beating had told him that they were sorry? Mickey Mantle was given a terminal prognosis, and in the wake of death saw some light. Would he have come forward if his prognosis had not been finite? Jerry Garcia had just completed two tracks for a feature file, was working on a new Grateful Dead release, and was gearing up for a fall tour. Jerry had made a conscious decision to battle his demons. He was living proof that his lifestyle changes helped him to seem to be winning. Jerry was so full of life. It was his body that gave out; he was not preparing to die.

The notion that Deadheads feel cheated due to Jerry's premature death is unfounded. Deadheads are indeed sad, but only sad that Jerry will no longer be able to do what he loved most - make great music.

Shadnneh Varasteh
Anthropology major

Women's conference venue viewed with venom

The National Conference on Women was just held in September in Beijing, China. Millions of women from every culture, economic standpoint, color and creed came with their concerns about equality, respect, child care, family planning and female health care. This was a universal conference that will make history.

The only kicker is: when you think about it, why would a conference that is supposed to help women be held in a country that, for centuries, has had a reputation for treating its female members like small, barnyard animals? Please forgive me for any negative stereotype: I don't live in modern-day China, so I can't say exactly how the women are treated, but from its history, China has not always had such a pro-female past.

Foot-binding, rules of obedience and the infanticide of millions of baby girls hold deep in my mind. The more frightening aspect is that, even to this day, as in such far eastern countries as India, millions of female infants are killed each year. Why? Because, to have one daughter is a "burden" enough; she cannot work as hard as her brothers can and she must have a dowry price later on, or else no one will marry her. A second daughter is almost always the one to be killed. Most poor families cannot afford two dowries. Also, with ultrasound coming into even the smallest villages, families can now choose whether they want a female fetus aborted - not on the pretext of whether they can afford the child, or if they can care for it, but on the simple fact that it's a female.

So, perhaps next time, there should be a little more consideration on where the conference should be held. If we're not careful, the next Women's Conference may be held in dear old Newtie's room. I'm sure she'd get a kick out of that.

Teresa DeFabrizio

Everyone must learn to escape from the rigidity of the mental habits formed by contact with familiar experiences. Everyone must destroy even more carefully than his phobias, his "philias," his compliant acceptance of first intuitions.
Another chapter of the drug debate is unfolding and, as with most liberal-led policies, it is a poorly founded feel good answer that has not and will not work. What has been found is that if HIV-infected drug users share needles, they become infected with the virus. The liberal answer to this problem: change the New York state law that keeps addicts from buying new, clean needles.

Currently, it is illegal to sell or to possess a hypodermic needle or syringe without a prescription, and according to the liberals, this is the sole reason that addicts share needles. According to certified liberal Richard Gottfried, Chairman of the Assembly Health Committee in New York, "Instead of buying clean needles for a dime or so, as a diabetic would, addicts pay several dollars to a pusher, or they rent a needle in a shooting gallery." The supporters of the "lift the ban" movement have stated that in 1992 Connecticut legalized the non-prescription sale and possession of needles, and cite this as a perfect case to support their view. A state and federal study has shown that the new law reduced needle sharing by 40 per cent in just a few months. However, even by their own admission "whether all of this has led to a decrease in AIDS itself has yet to be proved", as the New York Times recently admitted. But, if the law is repealed, "the AIDS epidemic in New York would be half of what it is," says Gottfried, who is sponsoring a bill to repeal, "the AIDS epidemic in New York would be half of what it is," says Gottfried, who is sponsoring a bill in Albany to allow pharmacies, hospitals, health centers, drug treatment programs, and state-approved needle exchange programs to distribute or sell hypodermics without prescription and allow non-prescription possession.

Is this all true? Is Connecticut the only case study? Would drug use increase with more state support for needle exchange or possession? Will the AIDS epidemic be cut in half?

Actually, there is another case study which has covered more time and is probably better than the Connecticut experiment. In 1992, the Swiss government was forced to terminate its needle exchange program. It found that making clean needles available caused overall drug use to skyrocket, thereby wiping out any benefit incurred by the reduced HIV infection rates. So the next effect could be an even larger HIV epidemic.

Also, looking deeper into the culture of drug use between the East and West coast cities finds some interesting disparities. Since the early days of the epidemic, the East Coast cities have had 50 to 60 percent infection rates among intravenous drug users, while the West Coast rates have been only as a tenth of that. Is this because of clean needles? On the East Coast, shooting galleries are common, while on the West Coast, sharing is rare. So the spread of HIV among drug users is a practice altered by behavior, not by over-the-counter access to clean needles.

The liberals will tell us that it is ridiculous to view lifting the ban as condoning drug use, but is it? These are the same people who want to legalize drugs. The current "just say nothing" attitude is helping to create an environment where more young people are experimenting with drugs at earlier ages. And isn't it a bit naive to think that drug users, aiming for a fix, will stop off at the local drugstore first? Or that it will have no effect on the overall drug use in the population? The evidence refutes these beliefs.

The most disturbing part of this debate is that it is a surrender to the drug users. There is no talk of getting these people to stop doing drugs, only of how we can better assist them in doing it. Also, the analogy to diabetics is faulty and reprehensible - diabetics is a disease and drug use is a choice. Is there not a better way to spend public money than by setting up needle exchange programs? Isn't Switzerland a prime and more reliable example of what will happen if greater access to needles is granted? The government and the American people should not support lifting a law that drug users, aiming for a fix, will stop off at the local drugstore first? Or that it will have no effect on the overall drug use in the population? The evidence refutes these beliefs.

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According to the Census Bureau, there was a $1.25 billion spent on welfare programs in 1960, with an illegitimacy rate of 5 percent. In 1990, over a $100 billion was spent on welfare programs. The illegitimacy rate is now an astounding 3 percent; it is near 70 percent in most inner cities. From 1982 through 1993, the Census Bureau reported a 60 percent increase in illegitimate births.

Welfare expenditures and out-of-wedlock births are compared in the brilliant book Fatherless America. Author David Blankenhorn points out that mothers receiving welfare are much less likely to be widows and are more likely to never have been married. He notes that the proportion of children in fatherless homes nearly doubled, from 17.5 percent to 32.2 percent, between 1960 and 1980. Simultaneously, he charts the direct parallel of the drastic rise of never-married mothers during this same time period.

There may be an advantage to the elimination of the family cap. Besides making it easier for the welfare reform bill's passage, states would have more flexibility with their own public assistance programs. State and local officials can use the block grants to determine the best ways to allocate their funds, without mandates from Washington.

However, it is awfully hard to criticize Senator Dole when he says, "If we don't deal with out-of-wedlock births, then we are really not dealing with welfare reform." Just roll your eyes up towards those statistics of the Census Bureau to help solidify his perception.

When a question of serious consequence arises on campus, the campus press is bound to pursue it. And once the question has been made public the concerned parties have a duty - to themselves and to the student body at large - to react.

As promised in the editorial salute to the students in the first issue of the semester, the Montclarion has begun its vigorous investigation into all matters which bear on how students' SGA fees are spent. In the second issue it commented on the budgetary haggling on the Class One level, and in the third it addressed what it saw as serious questions related to a co-sponsored event.

As demonstrated by Khalidah McMorrin's spirited response on the letters page, there was strong disagreement over our handling of the matter. We welcome Ms. McMorrin's comments and her participation in the debate. And I note that while warmly critical of our coverage, she does not dispute the facts. What Ms. McMorrin might have put even more forcefully in her piece was that, while acknowledging her organization's failure to follow procedure, the part of the transaction that looked to the Montclarion like a scam, was actually business as usual according to the SGA, and not a dishonest ploy on the part of OSAU.

Whether it should be business as usual is a question that requires a response from the SGA - as does the question of what should be done in the future to prevent The SGA's failure to ensure that a contract has been drafted for a well publicized co-sponsorship.

Since the story broke, President Francois Dauder and Treasurer Jane Louve have been generous with their time in confidential talks about the matter. This has been helpful to the staff of the Montclarion, but it sidesteps the need to address the student body directly.

I speculated in the first issue whether the SGA's "goodwill" approach to budgetary challenges was indicative of the executive board's willingness to avoid having to grapple with tough issues. The SGA's failure to respond promptly to the co-sponsorship questions only lends credibility to those speculations.

Anthony R. O'Donnell

Ethics of the "family cap" analyzed

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Stern Daughter of the Voice of God!

O Duty! if that name thou love
Who art a light to guide, a rod
To check the erring, and reprove

Wordsworth, Ode to Duty
The TKE Flyer Debacle: Is free expression absolute - or should there be limitations?

Frank Fieckheim III

A few years ago, four female students at Arizona State University were disgusted by the sight of a racist poster on one of the doors of a dorm room. The four women went to the resident advisor and stated that they were going to confront the perpetrator. They did not ask the university for help in disciplining the individual, which could have been done by invoking the university’s strict speech code. They instead waged a four-person publicity campaign which educated the rest of the student population about the stupidity and immoralty of racism and sexism.

This particular case came to mind when I read about the Women’s Student Organization (WSO) President Christine DeChristina asking the Greek Council about posters allegedly produced by members of Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) which featured a naked female with the fraternity’s letters written over her crotch:

Condemnations and apologies came after DeChristina’s request. WSO President Francois Duander stated that he believed that the flyer should never have been circulated. WSO Vice-President Jean-Marie Navetta stated that she personally would have liked to see TKE be disciplined in some way. Consequently, TKE representative Andy Fox apologized on behalf of the Fraternity for the posters.

It is a sad state of affairs when it is thought proper to bring official power to bear against a person because some party has felt offended by that person’s speech or expression. It doesn’t help matters that the accused persons seem all too willing to buckle under official pressure instead of taking a stand for their First Amendment rights.

It has become clear to me and others that since the “Confederate Flag Flap,” any person who expresses any kind of belief, idea, display or words can be punished at this university if an individual or group claims to be offended by it. Such an atmosphere makes the free exchange of ideas impossible.

As adults, we should not be using authority to protect us from unpopular or offensive expressions or ideas. We as university students have the intelligence to discern for ourselves what ideas or expressions we deem as worthy of our time and consideration. However, I believe that at least a few people in positions of leadership on this campus have forgotten what the First Amendment is all about. There are also regular students who use the sources of authority and order as ways to implement their own orthodoxies.

So, to TKE representative Andy Fox: you shouldn’t apologize just to make someone feel better. President Duander, as one who holds a position of leadership, your words are heard by many; speak in favor of free speech. To Ms. DeChristina and Ms. Navetta: the First Amendment is for all of us or for none of us.

Jean-Marie Navetta

In 1985, the philosopher Montague wrote that “Enlarged individual freedom has done for human greatness or human happiness only a very small part of what its noblest advocates expected.”

We might hear this dictum in mind as we see arguments for liberty used to justify behavior more likely to damage than to foster civilized community. Not that we should fail to resist efforts to undermine a liberty wedded to responsibility, but we should not fall into the error of conceiving of any particular liberty as absolute in its scope. First Amendment absolutists do exactly this, and in the process ignore the historical fact that this document was never meant to grant liberties absolutely.

Since the founding of the country, laws have always existed abridging some “freedoms.” For example, it is illegal to commit libel, perjury, or produce child pornography under the guise of “self-expression.” The case that it is not ethical to yell “fire!” in a crowded theater is often cited to support this point. These limitations do not harm the “marketplace of ideas,” rather, they protect individuals from unjust treatment.

The distribution of the flyer depicting a naked woman with the letters “TKE” emblazoned across her crotch and the slogan, “Men who know what they want and aren’t afraid to go after it” written below has been argued as a case of freedom of expression. However, this issue does not involve a party arbitrarily distributing the flyer on a city street corner. It involves the distribution of a flyer by an MSU organization, which has an SGA charter and was allegedly distributed without sanction from the organization, for campus community viewing.

MSU, like society in general, is subject to limitations on free expression. It is further subject to the reality that products of the university and its organizations are a reflection of the mores of students and members.

It would not, then, be appropriate to claim that TKE was justified. We only hope that the offensive flyer was not a reflection of the beliefs of the fraternity. It was an aggressive and repugnant expression which had nothing to do with the freedom of ideas.

TKE’s apology to Ms. DeChristina was voluntary. It seemed to reflect their admission of offense, and the understanding that the flyer was devoid of worthwhile content.

The First Amendment does guarantee the free expression of ideas. The individuals who opposed the distribution of the flyer were acting completely within its bounds of tolerance in waging their complaints. The affidavit to the First Amendment lies not in the protest against the flyer, but in the belief that it should not be opposed.

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by Ruby Wynner-lo
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Taurus: (Apr. 20-May 20) A brush with radiation transforms you into a superhero. Your new identity is Boomerang Boy.

Gemini: (May 21-June 21) Uranus will pass through the constellation of Dorado the Fish and, ironically, an undigested fish stick will pass through your anus.

Cancer: (June 22-July 22) You were wise to save your pennies because the downfall of Capitalism this weekend will result in a shortage of copper.

Leo: (July 23-Aug. 22) The love of your life has finally given you the tumble, but will be turned off by your chronically bleeding gums.

Virgo: (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) That new Sheryl Crow song will be in your head all week. Time to fall on your sword.

Libra: (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Budget cutbacks at work impinge on your free time now that all documents must be done in calligraphy.

Scorpio: (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) Popularity is this week’s buzzword. You’ll sprout an udder, and all your friends will demand free milk.

Sagittarius: (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Improve your feelings of self-worth. Belittle the poor and infirm.

Capricorn: (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) This week’s episode of Jake and the Fatman will contain a compelling message about new stock options. Don’t miss it.

Aquarius: (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your social standing is elevated when your threatening letters to the mayor are read on the TV news.


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How cancer is spread: The peer-pressure theory.

(an act of creative desperation by John J. O’Sullivan)

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John J. O’Sullivan is neither endorsing nor putting down cancers, tumors, or other carcinogenic materials in the previous sections in fact John J. O’Sullivan is usually indifferent to bodily cells going berserk. But this week John J. O’Sullivan has had virtually no ideas or inspirations, so the little voices in his head that force him to do evil made him do a section with a cancerous theme. Please don’t kill him; he normally is a really nice guy who loves to give coffee to people, loves to help little old ladies across the street on his lunch hour, a guy who you would love to introduce to your mother; a guy’s guy, and a woman’s dream wonder sex-god (John J. O’Sullivan can dream, can’t he?). He tries, but sometimes he can’t really help his hidden evil tendencies. Please forgive the little Camel™ smoking cells, the Carcinogenic Crossword, and all creatures great and small. Amen. And while everyone is in a forgiving mood, would the following people please forgive John J. O’Sullivan:

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Mel.

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-Mich

President Reid,
You know, I tried the double-super twist with my husky-sack, but I just couldn't do it as well as you did. You have to teach it to me soon!

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PS How much longer until I get my degree???
I can't husky-sack for much longer!

"They put ketchup...in my hair!"
---The Croatian Nightmare

Big Armenian Mike — Hope ya feel better after zuelling in the Clove Parking lot!!

Jay "Casper"

Oh, just throw rice.

GM 45

To Eric, Dan, Julie, Jay, Gary, Anthony: GRACIE JIU JITSU #1!!!

Jay

To TX brothers: Pink Belly anyone???

Mich

I've been waiting 2 years for you to be 21, next week it's all over!

Mel

Mich.

Were noodles and silk really flying that night?

Mel

Mel.

My favorite movie is the "Lion King"! What's yours?

Mich

One bet...Clockwork Orange? How about The Wall? Or could it be Scorpion Rising? Doctor Strange? Annie? WHAT IS IT?????

-Peddin' Head Jr.,
I'll be gone in December, will there really be anyone to miss?

-Peddin' Head Sr.

Montclarian staff: Why can't we do the editorial before DAM????

-Jay

The Mic and Mel Saga Continues....

-Mich

To know the truth is all that matters—Mel

Question: Why does it seem that everyone is jumping on the Cowboys bandwagon? They ain't sh*t!!

-Uh, yeah.

-LowRider,
Wanna car dance or play pool football?

-Lig

To Delta Omicron Alpha 1,
I love you! Stay strong, let's kill someone!

-DOAH2

Brando,
Hi Nick! Oh yeah...hi! Having another party soon? It is "lucky", I say so!

-Girl from da-Bronx

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Welcome back Sisters! Get ready for another great year!

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Thanks for the other night...I wish my finger would keep smelling. But with so many others the blend is mellowing.

-Lig

-UH...I see that your personal hygiene needs some work. Try new Zest™ to wash off those bodily odors today!

-"Guan" (TX OM 55)—AARUuuuuVUUuUSpghyghhaa Ciao! Casper GM11

Remember Laura in your hearts forever.

To a Charlie Brown kind of year! Snoopy Tent...wahahaha...almost time for Mr. Pumpkin to come! Lou ya Flaps and Chestnut; MOO!

-Zooski

-Zooski,
Wahahahaha bring wq people head and Tyler too boogie boogie boogie...

-JJORD!

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Women’s Tennis steamrolling competition

Enjoying best start since 1974; riding 7 match win streak

by Nick Gantaifis

Blowout is the only way to explain the way the MSU women’s tennis team has been playing in the past few weeks. After winning seven straight matches, the Lady Red Hawks find themselves with a very satisfying 7-0 record after having beat Drew University 6-3 late Wednesday afternoon. MSU’s victims in the last five matches have only managed to win four games while the Lady Red Hawks have won an unbelievable 40 games during their recent onslaught.

On Tuesday MSU destroyed FDU-Madison by a score of 9-0. Senior Paige Fuller of Washington Township continued her tremendous success with another victory at #1 singles by defeating Madison’s Carman Lopez 6-0,6-1. At #2 singles, Crystal Jakober shined once again as she easily won over Joanne Suk 6-0,6-0. Also standing out for the Lady Red Hawks were Aukje Mol and Wendy Saladino as they produced wins at the third and fourth singles.

Monday’s match-up was no different than any other for the Lady Red Hawks as they rolled over Hunter College 9-0. The doubles play swept all three of their opponents as Joanne Barcenilla and Jakober defeated Spieger and Reynolds 10-1. Also for MSU, Mol and Aguilera took care of Cruz and Koseleva 10-2, while Kelle Vort and Jessica Carotenuto finished off play by defeating Laviare and Rielyason 10-0.

Last Saturday, MSU defeated Western Connecticut 8-1 and on Friday SUNY New Paltz fell victim to the hot Lady Red Hawks.

Up to this point, Coach McLaughlin feels that his most important player is Paige Fuller because she plays at the #1 singles position. “By having Paige play at #1 singles, she allows others to play in more comfortable positions,” said McLaughlin, “She’s older, experienced, classy, mature and stable for our team, she’s just fantastic.”

McLaughlin is well aware that up next for his Lady Red Hawk team is the former National Champion Trenton State Lions. Trenton State is traditionally a perennial power and as always they are on everyone’s list as the team to beat for the season. Regardless of how good or bad a team record stands, beating Trenton can make your season. McLaughlin admits that his team needs to improve on certain aspects of their game in order to have a chance against Trenton. “We have to reduce our unforced errors then we have a chance of upsetting them,” said McLaughlin. “If everyone plays hard and we do what we’re supposed to, we’ll play well.”

Trenton State rarely makes mistakes and that’s why they are ranked #1. Even though their season is just underway they never should be underestimated. During their Spring season they are in full swing and come Fall they play a lighter schedule. This might be their so called relaxed time of the season, but Coach McLaughlin knows that’s never the case with Trenton.

Missed opportunities hurt Men’s soccer

by Bob Czechowicz

Last Friday, the MSU men’s soccer team squared off against conference rival Kean College. Both teams played well, not giving each other much to work with, thus resulting in a 1-1 tie.

In the first half, MSU’s leading scorer Sebastian DiBello of Dover scored the only Red Hawk goal from 18 yards out, giving MSU a 1-0 lead. Kean tied the score in the second half on header, before having their second player of the game ejected. This resulted in a two-man advantage for the Red Hawks for the final 28 minutes of regulation, and 30 minutes of overtime.

Montclair had every opportunity to score, but Kean, knowing that it would be difficult to win, decided to play for the tie. By stacking the goal, Kean successfully turned away every MSU opportunity. During the two-man advantage, Montclair hit the crossbar three times and watched as the Kean goalie made seven saves, to keep the game even. The Red Hawks will be seeking their second win in the NJAC on Friday, September 22 when they’ll go head to head with Jersey City State.

RED HAWK NOTES: The MSU men’s soccer team is 3-2-1 overall, and 1-0-1 in the NJAC. Freshman Marlon Pollard is second on the team in goals with 3. He has a total of 6 points second to Sebastian DiBello who has 9 total points on the season. Senior Goalkeeper Mike Rodgers has 24 saves on the season bringing his goals against average to 1.15. Rodgers has the most minutes played among goaltenders with a total of 390.

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Volleyball loses despite individual record-setting performances

by Nick Gontaifis & Bob Czechowicz

Despite a disappointing season, the women’s volleyball team has shown some great effort with a record setting night on Tuesday against Rutgers-Newark. For the Red Hawks, sophomore Edith Lubion of Irvington, had 27 assists and set a single match record. The volleyball team dropped a 3-2 decision to Rutgers-Newark for their ninth loss of the season.

After being down 1-0, MSU regrouped and won the second game 16-14. Both teams split the next two games leaving the match to come down to the final game. Rutgers-Newark overpowered the Red Hawks 15-6 to pull out the victory.

Despite the tough loss the Red Hawks displayed poise and talent setting two school records as a team. A total of 110 digs and 38 kills were compiled to set new school records.

Last Saturday, the volleyball team took on Hunter University to win their first match of the Scranton Invitational. MSU edged Hunter 2-0 to finish out the tournament with a victory. The Red Hawks dropped two matches at the tournament losing their first match to Allentown 2-0 and then losing to Elizabethtown 2-0. They ended the week with a 2-5 record.

Last Thursday, MSU faced off with Western Connecticut only to lose 3-1. For the Red Hawks, Nikki Kyle of Rochelle Park had six kills, five service aces and nine digs.

RED HAWK NOTES: The volleyball team drops their conference record to 0-2 on the season.

Women’s soccer ends week on high note

by Bob Czechowicz

Last night, MSU faced Centenary College of Hackettstown, and came away with a 3-1 victory. MSU outshot their opponents 26-9, while goalkeeper Keri O’Meara had 8 saves. Scoring goals for Montclair were Dana Rumpleton (Lyndhurst), Jen Polifrone (Lyndhurst), and Gabby Luque (Teaneck).

Before this victory, MSU experienced a tough loss to Mt. Saint Mary’s. MSU was blanked 1-0, while getting off only four shots on goal. However, there was a bright spot to this game. Senior goalkeeper Keri O’Meara was spectacular in front of the net, with 15 saves on the game.

Following the loss to Mt. St. Mary’s, the MSU women’s soccer team destroyed SUNY Old Westbury last Tuesday, September 13, shutting them out by a score of 10-0. The Hawks set the pace of the game in the first half by scoring four goals. They turned it up a notch in the second half, adding six more goals to bring their grand total to 10.

The scoring for Montclair was well distributed throughout the roster with four players, Jen Polifrone (Lyndhurst), Renee Harraka (Wayne), Kristin Mazurkiewicz (North Arlington), and Vicky Zolotaryov (Edison), racking up two goals each. Adding one goal each were Gabby Luque (Teaneck), and Jamie Simeonidis (Verona).

RED HAWK NOTES: Montclair is 5-2 on the season. MSU will face Rowan College at Sprague Field on Saturday, September 23, in their first NJAC game of the season.

NAME: EDITH LUBION
YEAR: SOPHOMORE
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During loss to Rutgers-Newark, Lubion set a new MSU school record for volleyball, tallying up 27 assists in a single match. Congratulations!
Third place finishes for Cross Country teams

by Nick Gantaifis

A strong performance by both the men and women’s cross country team helped the Red Hawks finish third at last week’s Drew University Invitational.

Junior Catherine Grosvenor of Kearny finished the women’s 3.1 mile race in a course record time of 19:32 to finish in first place, while freshman Diana Lana also placed in the top 10 as she finished in seventh with a time of 21:09.

For the men, sophomore Scott Patterson of Rumson, notched his second consecutive title by winning the five mile race in a course record time of 27:09. Evening out the top 10, sophomore Rafael Monteiro of Newark finished eighth, Al Perez of Bayonne captured ninth and Arun Luke of West Orange took 10th.

Third place for the women was a score of 37 total points, and for the men’s third place finish was 56 points.

This year’s cross country team is lead by Head Coach Gerald “Bennie” Benson. Benson, a 1990 graduate of Robert Morris, feels that his men and women’s cross country team will compete in the NJAC and have an excellent chance of finishing in the top three of the conference.

For the women, Benson feels that his top runner will be Catherine Grosvenor, an experienced runner who will bring leadership to the team.

Benson’s success on the men’s side will depend upon sophomore Scott Patterson who has the strength to be a powerful performer.

The future of the MSU cross country team looks promising, especially on the women’s side. Six freshmen have joined the women’s team and in time Coach Benson will have a group of experienced runners making successful strides for the Red Hawks.

Red Hawk Scoreboard

FOOTBALL: Did not play

WOMEN’S TENNIS: Win over SUNY New Paltz 9-0
Win over W. Connecticut 8-1
Win over Hunter 9-0
Win over FDU Madison 9-0
Win over Drew 9-0

MEN’S SOCCER: Tie against Kean 1-1

WOMEN’S SOCCER: Win over SUNY Old Westbury 10-0
Loss to Mt. St. Mary’s 1-0
Win over Centenary 3-1

WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL: Win over W. Connecticut 3-1
Loss to Elizabethtown 2-0
Win over Hunter 2-0
Loss to Rutgers-Newark 2-0

CROSS COUNTRY: Drew Invitational
Men’s third place 56 pt
Women’s third place 57 pt

Sports Question of the Week.

Q. Who is only player in college basketball history to lead the nation in scoring and rebounding in the same season?

A. Hank Gathers, Loyola Marymount University

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THANK YOU
Clearing the Bench
by Nick Gantaifis and Bob Czechowicz

Now that basketball season is around the corner and training camp opens in a few weeks, contract talk is heating up. The latest talk is that Anthony Mason of the New York Knicks is seeking a major salary raise now that he is a free-agent. Mason was awarded last season with the Sixth-Man of the Year Award and everyone would mind signing him to a long term deal. Former Knick coach Pat Riley is said to be interested in Mason even though Riley suspended him three times as Knick coach. Mason loves New York and he grew up there. He'd be crazy to play for Riley and leave his home of the Big Apple. Losing Mason would be a major loss, if not the biggest times as Knick coach. Mason loves New York and he grew up there. He'd be crazy to play for Riley and leave his home of the Big Apple. Losing Mason would be a major loss, if not the biggest.

I've never seen a Saturday defense the past two years. They are clearly a better team than the ones I mentioned. Lastly, do you really think that the Boston Red Sox have a better team and lineup on paper than the Yankees do? I don't think so.

After the Bell

The NFL and it's owners met on Monday night to discuss the business deals of Cowboy owner Jerry Jones. The owners talked about how Jones violated league policy by signing private sponsorship deals with big time companies such as Pepsi, Nike and an almost signed deal with American Express that never panned out. The league and its owners have declared war on Jones saying that he is not sharing any revenue with the rest of the league as it should be according to league policy. All I have to say is that in the last few years the Cowboys have had the best success when it comes to sales in Cowboy products. If they had the best sales over any other team in the NFL, why should they have to share all their success with a team that has no success in their entire franchise history? It seems to me that the Cowboys are keeping all the NFL teams in business with their extraordinary sales in fan purchasing.

Boxing returns to Madison Square Garden in a few weeks with Oscar De La Hoya squaring off with "Jesse" James Leija. I think that it's about time that boxing returns to MSG. The fight is labeled as "The Return to the Mecca". Since Boxing is the topic, lets talk Don King. Just when we all thought King was a sneaky money hungry crook he suddenly makes a turnaround by signing a deal with Fox allowing the Mike Tyson-Buster Mathis Jr. fight be televised on public television. Before we all jump the gun and start saying how great King is remember on the same night Tyson fights Mathis, Holyfield fights Bowe on Pay Per View. How many people are going to purchase Pay Per View when Tyson is fighting on free T.V.? That's King's strategy. Once again King sneaks by.

Hockey is back, even if it is only pre-season. Let me make a prediction right now: Heave-ho, two in a row, the cup stays in Jersey. Yes, that's right, the New Jersey Devils will once again rule the NHL, this time in a full season. See ya in seven.

Fearless Forecasts

NICK GANTAIFIS, CO-SPORTS EDITOR: (-)

Giants -3 over New Orleans. Go Big Blue.
Atlanta -5 over Jets. Hayward is a truck.
San Francisco -101/2 over Detroit. Niners are awesome.

BOB THE GUY, CO-SPORTS EDITOR: (-)

New Orleans +3 over Giants. Saints march in and march out with win.
Cincy -61/2 over Houston. Game of the WEAK.
St. Louis +11/2 over Chicago. Bears will take the horns up the wazoo.
San Francisco -101/2 over Detroit. San Fran is a nice town.

MICHAEL ROESSNER, TREASURER: (-)

Atlanta -5 over Jets. Go Falcons.
Oakland -7 over Eagles. My name is Mike.
Pittsburgh +4 over Minnesota. I am the PPT.
Tampa Bay -3 over Washington. And the Pseudo-Treasurer.

TOM TRACY, MANAGING EDITOR: (-)

San Francisco -101/2 over Detroit. I am very tired.
Dallas -14 over Arizona. I am very tired.
Giants +3 over New Orleans. I am very tired.
Green Bay -101/2 over Jacksonville. I am going to bed now.

GREG MACSWEENY, INU COORDINATOR: (-)

San Francisco -101/2 over Detroit. I love the Niners.
Tampa Bay -3 over Washington. I was a Buccanneer for Halloween.
San Diego -4 over Denver. They have pretty colors.
Giants +3 over New Orleans. I am playing quarterback.

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