VRS network lets your fingers do the walking

by Tom Boud

More than 10,000 calls have been received by the MSU Voice Response System [VRS] in the first week of registration alone, according to Registrar Denise De Blasio.

Citing specific data, De Blasio said the system's 47 telephone lines are handling the deluge of registration calls admirably. "During the first week of registration which was from Nov. 1 to Nov. 5, we had 10,276 calls with an average call time of 3 minutes. As of last Friday (Nov. 10), 7,000 students have registered so I can say at least 7,000 students know it's out there."

De Blasio explained the discrepancy between the number of calls received and the number of students registered by stating that students frequently use the VRS more than once. "Many students will call back more than once because, for example, they have to go back to the book (spring 1996 schedule of courses) to look something up or they didn't hear the complete set of options offered by the system."

Regarding usage, a MSU student can access the VRS by calling (201) 783-4008 when the student enters their nine-digit identification number (social security number) and a four digit personal identification code. Then the VRS automatically guides the student through the scheduling process with the help of a computerized voice which announces an entire range of options.

In terms of options, De Blasio emphasized that the VRS will save students from sweating too much over their fall 1995 semester performance. "As of the end of August, students were able to access their semester grades."

Vietnam veteran promotes message of understanding

by Karolyn Jennings

Vietnam veteran Marine Corporal Roger W. Liggon Sr. gave a moving speech on the experiences of his Marine Corps unit the “Walking Dead” in Dr. George Zibergeld's American Government and Politics class Tuesday morning.

Liggon served in the First Battalion Ninth Marines and was on a nine month tour in Vietnam with the Walking Dead, who got the nickname due to the number of casualties the unit suffered.

"The unit was wiped out every single year," Liggon said. "If one unit was hit hard, my unit would be dropped in to bring you is an understanding, not pity."

Zibergeld said he felt it was important to have Liggon speak to his class.

NJCP addresses future leaders

by Joseph Paternoster

"One Man, One Woman, One Vote" is the slogan of the New Jersey Conservative Party [NJCP]. Last Friday the head of the NJCP, Tom Blomquist, spoke at MSU on the invitation of Dr. George Zibergeld. He told the history and experiences of the NJCP.

The NJCP was born in March 1992 in a library in Manalopan. Thirty-five people were present at that first meeting and there are now over 1,000 active members in every city and county across New Jersey. Blomquist was a candidate for governor in 1993 when he received 9,164 votes.

"Our belief is we're going to fight you until hell freezes over and mount a new attack on the Republicans as numbers one and two, so we would be number one, too," Blomquist said. However, the NJCP received just four percent of the vote.

Blomquist told some of his experiences during this election. Some of the party's candidates were threatened by the Republicans and Democrats. The threats ranged from firing the mothers of NJCP candidates to hurting their business if they did not withdraw from the election, said Blomquist. However, the candidates did not back down.

"Our belief is we're going to fight you on the ballot, and fight you with write-ins and in the words of Lincoln 'we're going to fight you until hell freezes over and mount a new attack on the ice,'" Blomquist said. And they did just that.

Blomquist was told by a Grand Old Party [GOP] fund raiser, "You're more like a charity than a political party, you..."
Government shutdown threatens 800,000 jobs

by Christine Miller

"Today, as of noon, almost half of the federal government employees are idle," Pres. Bill Clinton said in his address on government shutdown, after a Nov. 14 meeting with GOP congressional leaders.

"The government is partially shutting down because Congress has failed to pass the straightforward legislation necessary to keep the government running without imposing sharp hikes in Medicare premiums and deep cuts in education and the environment," Clinton said.

Yesterday, they [the Republican Congress] sent me legislation that said we will only keep the government going, and we will only let it pay its debts if and only if we accept their cuts in Medicare, their cuts in education, their cuts in the environment, and their repeal of 25 years of bipartisan commitments to protect the environment and public health," Clinton said.

"On behalf of the American people, I said no. If America has to close down access to education, to a clean environment, to affordable health care, to keep our government open," he said, "then the price is too high."

Because neither the House nor the Senate has the votes to override the expected veto, the government was forced into default on Nov. 15, when a $25 billion interest payment was due.

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When they call, students can access a maximum of three semesters worth of grades per call. “It’s a great service. With the voice response system, they can get their grades even before they get their grade report. The system even offers semester grade point averages and cumulative grade point averages as well,” she said.

De Blasio stressed that the VRS has made life easier for the Registrar’s office as well. De Blasio said that students previously only had a three week period to register. She added that students needing to make changes afterward previously had to attend an in-person registration session which ran for only three days. “We used to hold in-person registration in the Panzer Gym before moving it to the Student Center in the fall of 1989. It was a well-organized process, but very time-consuming for the students. Now students can call to make changes from 7 in the morning to 11 at night. You can even register from your car if you have a cellular telephone.”

Concerning future developments, De Blasio said that the university is considering expanding the VRS to the admissions process and to the financial aid office. “It seems to be going wonderfully. It’s such a great convenience,” De Blasio said, echoing student opinion.

Junior Jean-Marie Navetta praised the VRS’ efficiency. “I think it’s fabulous. I haven’t had any problems and it’s much better than waiting in line.”

Junior John J. O’Sullivan put it more bluntly, “It beats the hell out of waiting on line!”

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don’t have any juice.” Blomquist explained that in this case, “juice” referred to jobs, favors, etc. to give to people. He told of lock-outs by Republicans and Democrats in party candidate selections, which was a way to keep the “juice” where it is. “The political establishment believes in two things and two things only,” Blomquist said, “money and votes.”

He understood the limits and obstacles his party faces; while they had raised over $20,000 in just three years, they were running against millions of dollars. He is grateful for the experience that the NJCP’s candidates got in speech giving and debating. Blomquist believes that the NJCP’s candidates gave the Republicans and Democrats a “run for their money, with no mudslinging.” They kept their feet to the fire, addressing promises made and broken and gave it their best shot.

“We don’t care who gets credit for it, as long as it gets done,” Blomquist said.

The NJCP, in the speaker’s view, bridges the differences between people with ideas. The party wants to empower people and restore faith in the political process. The idea is to “reestablish the process from the bottom up, rather than top down.”

“You see how an idea can grow,” Blomquist said, “that’s the future. You are the future leaders, lead this thing.”

While many view the NJCP as just a splinter of the Republican party, the two major parties have taken notice at the strides they have made. And with a growing dissatisfaction with the Republicans and Democrats, maybe next time the NJCP will become even more of a political force.
Campus Police Report

BURGLARY/THEFT

Nov. 7 at 8:30 a.m. a package was reported stolen out of an office in Mallory Hall.

THEFT

Nov. 8 a female resident of Bohn Hall reported that her car phone was stolen and is being used. She suspects her ex-roommate.

Nov. 9 a female Blanton Hall resident reported $200 stolen out of her desk drawer.

Nov. 13 a vending machine in the Student Center was found broken in to. All cash, coins and the coin mechanism were stolen.

Nov. 14 a Xerox machine was found broken into in the Student Center. $94 was missing.

Nov. 14 a female reported that her bookbag was missing after leaving it in the Blanton Hall bag check.

THEFT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE

Nov. 13 at 10:15 p.m. a 1987 Honda Accord was stolen out of Lot 21. The car was recovered on Nov. 14 in Elizabethtown, N.C.

Nov. 14 between 11:30 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. a 1992 Honda Accord was stolen out of Lot 23. It has not been recovered.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Nov. 9 a male resident of Blanton Hall reported that a student entered his room and tried to get into his suitmates’ room. Criminal charges are pending.

Nov. 14 a male resident of Bohn Hall reported that someone came into his room while he and his roommate were sleeping and vandalized it.

ASSAULT

Nov. 13 at 8:30 p.m. a female resident of Blanton Hall reported that her ex-boyfriend came to MSU, threatened her and hit her numerous times. A temporary restraining order has been filed. Criminal charges of assault, terrorist threat, criminal trespassing and domestic violence are pending.

SUSPICIOUS ODOR

Nov. 10 an officer responded to a report of an odor of a controlled dangerous substance in a Blanton Hall room. No residents were in the room, but a strong smell of a CDS was emanating from it.

ELECTRICAL FIRE

Nov. 12 after a Freeman Hall fire alarm was activated, a check revealed that fire and sparks were coming out of the ceiling of the tunnel section in the basement. The Montclair Fire Department responded. No major damage was done.

MEDICAL

Nov. 13 an officer responded to a report that a male resident of Bohn Hall had passed out in the elevator. Further investigation revealed that he may have been under the influence of a CDS. Criminal charges are pending.

ARREST

Nov. 9 Bradley Edwin, a Bohn Hall resident, was charged with stealing a book from someone in the library and selling it back to the bookstore. He is being charged with theft in Montclair and fencing in Little Falls.

Nov. 12 at 10:30 a.m. a female resident of Bohn Hall was arrested after being stopped for a motor vehicle violation. A check on her license revealed an outstanding warrant from Newark, NJ for motor vehicle violations.

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NJCWW “determined to clean up” waterways

by Diana Woods

The New Jersey Community Water Watch, composed of 15 environmental and community groups determined to clean up inner-city waterways and to help stop water pollution, hopes to expand its programs to include Clifton and Montclair schools.

The MSU site of the NJCWW is one of eight across New Jersey. Dr. Robert Taylor of the Earth and Environmental Studies Department invited the group to MSU to establish the site and to initiate several projects in the area. You may have seen the posters across campus with “StreamWalk” in big blue letters and the NJCWW logo, and thought, “What do they do, exactly?” The NJCWW has several programs in progress to achieve their goals including, among others, the streamwalking project. Streamwalking involves going into the river and investigating problems by taking and analyzing water samples. These surveys, audited for the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, serve to test the water for dissolved nitrates, phosphates, and pH (acidity) levels.

Volunteers from NJCWW educational programs also go into schools in Paterson to teach students about water quality issues. Community waterway cleanups are other NJCWW events that promote awareness of water issues. By attracting attention to the issues of water pollution and cleaning up waterways, the NJCWW hopes to achieve its goals and to make better water available to everyone.

Liz Delleart and Bill Stearns are the advisors to the students for the ongoing programs here at MSU. “Interest [in the program] is high among faculty, administrators, and other student groups,” Delleart said.

For more information about the NJCWW, contact x4129.

TQM seminar opens doors to quality teaching

by Lorren Magnus

On Oct. 25 and 26, Dr. Lee Wilcox, Vice-President for Student Development and Campus Life, and Dr. Helen Matusow-Ayers, Dean of Students, attended a Total Quality Management seminar, given by Dr. Alan Oppenheim of MSU’s School of Business.

The seminar was given in hopes of improving the students’ education and the way students are served by the departments of the university. TQM is a process in which principles are used to form a “quality oriented way of thinking, that is shared and practiced by employees.”

This “quality way of thinking” is implemented in a list of principles and the functions of these principles are intended to serve. Wilcox explained some of these principles:

• Improving Customer Service - to keep the focus on the student on the student’s needs
• Continuous Improvement - to look for ways to improve the way services are conducted
• Teamwork
• Improving the Processes - to simplify and continue to improve the services

Wilcox said, “There will be a ‘steering committee’ that will begin their own seminars to learn how to use these principles and processes. The committee will consist of the directors of all departments of Student Development and Campus Life, as well as its executive assistant and vice-president, along with representatives from the Registrar, Bursar, Academic Advising, EOF, Residence Life Facilities, Human Resources, and Professor Joan Ficke, union representative. The steering committee will learn first and then all the full time members of the faculty will attend their own two day seminars.”

“Our division (Student Development and Campus Life) has played a leadership role in bringing TQM to the university,” he said. “It has taught me how

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because Liggon displays the moral and physical courage that should flow into people of everyday society. “It is important to inform people of the Vietnam War and honor the military,” Zilbergeld said.

MSU has never had a major military speaker address a large audience, Zilbergeld said. He feels that he is opening the doors towards a new respect and understanding for the military.

Liggon is the founder and national coordinator of the First Battalion Ninth Marines Network and is the commander of the Central Jersey Leatherneck Detachment of the Marine Corps League.

He recently received the Purple Heart for an injury he suffered during the war. Liggon dedicated this Purple Heart to those who died and did not receive theirs.

Liggon once had a hard time talking about what he had seen and done in Vietnam. “I didn’t cry until 1990,” Liggon said. He said that everyday it becomes easier to talk and share his experiences with others.

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House Chief Leon Panetta had told reporters that talks were “at an impasse,” and that no further meetings were scheduled for the evening. Two meetings Tuesday had already failed. Panetta said that various proposals and counter-proposals had failed to meet either side’s approval. For example, he said, Republicans had spurned an offer by Clinton to commit a balanced budget in a range of seven to 10 years.

Earlier Tuesday, the Republicans, faced with a barrage of negative ratings in public opinion polls, were pushing for a compromise. They said they would only require Clinton to agree to balance the budget in seven years.

“It is particularly unfortunate that the Republican Congress has brought us to this juncture,” Clinton said, “because, after all, we share a central goal — balancing the federal budget. We must lift the burden of debt that threatens the future of our children and grandchildren, and we must free-up money so that the private sector can invest, create jobs, and our economy can continue its healthy growth.

He continued, “Since I took office, we have cut the federal deficit nearly in half. We have eliminated 200,000 positions from the federal bureaucracy since I took office. Our federal government is now the smallest percentage of the civilian work force it has been since 1933, before the New Deal. We have made enormous progress, and now we must finish the job.”

However, Clinton feels that ‘finishing the job’ should not entail government shutdown. According to Panetta, “When you shut down government services to the people of this country it is going to have an impact on those who, frankly, are innocent victims of this political debate.”

Most non-essential government programs have been shut down and seriously scaled back, resulting in many inconveniences, some more serious than others. For example, the White House says new Social Security applications and veteran benefits applications aren’t being processed. Civil cases in federal courts have been postponed. Military recruitment offices, passport offices, and national park visitor centers and monuments have been closed.

In addition, about 800,000 federal workers have been sent home. Certain essential personnel have stayed on the job, including the military, FBI, air traffic controllers, border patrol inspectors, persons who oversee stock markets, and meat inspectors. They might go without pay, though, until the government resumes operations.

The General Accounting Office estimates if the government were to shut down for three business days, it could cost tax-payers as much as $600 million.

The last time this happened was over the Columbus Day weekend in 1990, so the economic damage was much less severe. That shutdown, according to the GAO, cost taxpayers $3.4 million.

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to implement the ideas it represents, although it is a shared and continuous process. It has taught me that no matter how well you think something is, you can always do it better than you did a month ago.

“I believe in this program going into it,” Wilcox said, “and every department is going to take a hand in it and work on their own processes and improve them.”
Students turn out for a taste of a different culture

by Ann Margaret Kane

The first annual Food festival, held at Montclair State University's Student Center Ballrooms last Tuesday, November 9, experienced a "standing room only" turnout of hungry students and faculty.

The festival, sponsored by the MSU Unity Collaboration and the Student Government Association, from 12 noon until 3 p.m., offered food samplings from different countries, a live band, dance troupe and a DJ playing ethnic tunes, all for the price of $1.

"There's so much diversity on campus that we thought we would have an event in celebration of the different groups at MSU," said Arlene Mermelstein, Educational Opportunity Fund Counselor and chair of the festival.

"By sharing food we hoped to bring people together," said Mermelstein, in reference to the idea behind the festival.

The event was held in part to promote the MSU Unity Collaboration, which was the brainchild of Associate Dean of Students, James Harris.

"I'm excited to see so many people supporting us," said Dean Harris.

All of the food was donated by various organizations and groups on campus.

There was an abundance of different foods, contributed by these groups, from which students and faculty could choose. From soup to dessert, students' taste buds and stomachs remained open to all of the various dishes and had many seconds, thirds and fourths.

"I think it's nice that students get a chance to sample other cultures' cuisine," said junior dietetics student Andrea Carr.

Some of the organizations participating in the festival included:

- The Haitian Student Organization, Jewish Student Union, Latin-American Student Club, Newman Catholic Community Center, Latino American Student Organization, Asian Student Association, Greek Clubs, Organization of Students African Union, Jewish Student Union. Many more groups participated.

"It's like EPCOT," said sophomore student Lisa Block.

Taste buds were tempted with foods such as pork dumplings, arroz con pollo, fried rice, pierogis (Polish potato wrapped in dough), pastitsio, (Greek lasagna), curry chicken, falafel (Spanish custard), biscotti (Italian cookies), and many more delicious dishes.

"The turnout is overwhelming," said MSU President Reid. "The extraordinary response to the event shows that there is a growing respect for each culture."

-President Reid

Catholic church prints pamphlet on sex abuse

by Christine Miller

"We need to say, 'Abusive behavior is wrong and we hold you accountable for it.'"

"Walk in Light," a message sent to over 60 million Catholics around the country, is one of the Catholic church's first acknowledgements of and attempts to eradicate the sexual abuse within its hierarchy. It's distribution couldn't be better timed, either, in light of the fact that yet another priest was convicted of child abuse recently, this one in Maryland.

"Walk in Light" took over two years to write and compile; it's the Catholic bishops' first and strongest message on the topic. The document states that, "In regard to abusers we must remember that justice plays a role in the forgiveness process. We need to say: Abusive behavior is wrong and we hold you accountable for it."

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The church, through this series of pamphlets, hopes to reassure those victims questioning God in the aftermath of abuse, and to reassure the public that they are looking for and trying to resolve problems that exist both inside of and outside the church. If all goes as intended, this will be a significant first step in the healing process.
**Dear Career Services,**

Dear Career Services,

Q: Sitting in the parking lot traffic this summer, I’ve begun to wonder about what it might be like to live somewhere else. How can I find out which are the best places to live and work?

A: *Money* magazine in September ’95 ran an article, “The Best Places to Live in America.” They rated 300 places taking nine broad factors into consideration: health care, education, housing, crime, economy, transportation, weather, leisure, and the arts. This year the Gainesville area in Florida was rated the #1 place to live in America.

The *Money* survey rates each locality individually on all nine categories. If only four factors are important to you, for example, economy, housing, weather and leisure, you may find another location more to your liking.

Another good source which compares the lifestyle and living conditions in various cities is Places Rated Almanac: Your Guide to Finding the Best Places to Live in America, by Richard Boyer and David Savageau. With this information you can select a place which rates highly on the factors important to you.

Q: Help me! I am a junior. Most of my friends are either talking about graduate school, corporate America, or moving home. I would love to do something else.

A: Volunteer. You sound like the type of person who would greatly benefit from a year or more of volunteer work nationally or abroad. Why? The benefits are many. They provide a real life education, experience, training, and contacts to add to an application. It also adds important skills such as new friendships, experience in a new culture, deeper spiritual life, sense of adventure, and greater compassion. Come to Career Services to learn about volunteer programs. Get involved! Get involved!

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**Log-On @ MSU**

by Rita Bronnenkant

The good news is that Richardson Hall’s computer lab has 41 computers. The bad news is that TEN of these machines had “Out of Order” signs. I hope this 25% out-of-service rate is not a reflection of the entire campus. Now closer to semester’s end, more students are finishing assignments. Ease up on the lab assistants, this is someone else’s responsibility.

Let’s de-stress from this situation by going down South to visit the Center for the Study of Southern Culture at http://www.dgsys.com/.


Get involved! Get involved!

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Excited? If you would like to write for the Campus Life Section, come on down to the Montclarion office in the Student Center Annex room 113 for the possibility to have your name in print. If walking is not your thing, call extension 5169 and ask for Erica.

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**Alpha Phi Omega cleans up campus**

by Vanessa Lorenzo Scanzano

If you walk around the campus and notice that it is a little cleaner, you can thank the brothers of Alpha Phi Omega National Co-Ed Service Fraternity. Saturday, November 4, was Alpha Phi Omega’s annual National Service Day, designated to perform a special service project for their community, brotherhood, or campus.

The theme was Green and Recycling Projects, and the Nu Psi Chapter decided on a clean-up project here at MSU. Starting in Lot 19, the group worked their way up to the entrance on Normal Avenue.

“We picked up everything from campus parking tickets to metal forks from the cafeteria.” said Tim Cheung, Vice President, Alpha Phi Omega.

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**Has anyone besides me seen**

Has anyone besides me seen NJKnowledgeNet on NJ Public Television on Friday afternoons at 2:30? It’s a half-hour program, aimed at teachers, encouraging the use of the Internet. Enjoy the smug feeling you get when you can say, “I know how to do that!”
Campus Pulse: Students cope with the death of Yitzhak Rabin

by Suzanne Feagle

On Saturday night, the world suffered the tragic loss of Yitzhak Rabin. After several failed attempts, I finally was able to learn the opinions of students concerning this tragic loss. It was an eye-opening experience. While many were deeply saddened by Rabin's assassination, others did not even know his name.

We, as a campus, must become more aware of events in the outside world. Like it or not, the world does affect us. Everyone should feel the loss of Yitzak Rabin. He worked for something that we all take for granted: freedom. Think about how different your life would be if you weren't free.

Here are a few of the comments people had concerning the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin.

“It saddens me that one person took the life of another. It saddens me that his death is the result of a religious/political butting of heads over a piece of land that in the end doesn't belong to anyone anyway.”

Dianne Ciccone

“I don't know what frightens me more: The fact that the world lost a great champion of peace or the fact that so many people did not know who he was. Either way, we suffer.”

Harlan Kroff

“With everything that is happening in the world, it doesn't surprise me that every time there is someone working for good, a moron claiming to do the "Will of God" does something stupid. It's a shame what happened. I hope this doesn't scare other people from working for peace.”

Brad Baker

“It's can't be answered. Maybe we shouldn't be asking 'how it makes us feel?' and instead ask 'why it happened?' It's so difficult to explain emotions. This is something that leaves you speechless.”

Dena Linett, English professor

My opinion is similar to the opinion of Dr. Linett. Almost ninety percent of the people interviewed could not give an answer because this was such a powerful loss. I really want to know what possesses an individual to do something so horrible. The pattern of killing those who work for peace is extremely frightening. Rabin's assassination was a painful reminder of such great men as John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King Jr. I found myself asking, "Who will be next?" That is a very scary thought.

I also wonder if this will prevent others from speaking out against injustice. It is an unavoidable fact that this tragedy played a prominent role in Colin Powell's decision not to run for the presidency.

We will be feeling the effects of this for a long time. I hope we can stop these madmen from killing again.

UPCOMING CAMPUS CALENDAR

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16

Listen to Rich and Dylan on WMSC at 8:00 a.m. if you can manage to wake up that early.

Donate food for the food drive. Canned foods and non-perishables please.

There will be a lecture on Child and Adolescent Clinical Issues: A Child's Perspective on Blame in Dickson Hall room 177 at 8:00 p.m. The speaker will be Claire Gilotta, Ph.D. For further information contact Dr. Badin at extension 7376 or Dr. McCormick at extension 4408.

There will be a Salsa and Merengue workshop in front of the LASO office room 100 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17

LASO, EOFSLC present DJ Steve in Fall Jam at 9:00 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. in the Student Center Ballrooms. Admission ranges from $3.00 to $5.00.

There will be a Wrestling match against NYU at 1:00 p.m.

There will be a Men's and Women's swimming match against Drew at 1:00 p.m.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18

The Organization of Students for African Unity present The 27th Annual Harvest Ball with guest speaker Ann Tripp from 98.7 KISS FM. The topic will be the media's effect on African-American youth. It will take place in the Student Center Ballrooms from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. For more information contact the OSUU office at x4198.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21

Men's Basketball game against Trenton State College at 8:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball game at 6:00 p.m. against Trenton State College.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 22

All residents must be out of their dorms by 6:00 p.m. for the Thanksgiving Break.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING. Don't eat too much.

There will be no Montclarion this week. We will return next week. Be safe.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 23

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Students encouraged to “Get Involved”

by Erica Duncan

Last Thursday, Resident Assistants Jean-Marie Navetta and Mike Thiruvillakkat of Blanton Hall held a program entitled “Get Involved!” The purpose of the program was to make the students of MSU aware of the many different organizations, both educational and social, that they can join during their schooling here.

“I noticed that there are a lot of groups on campus who need more members,” commented Navetta, “and there are a lot of students who are looking for something to be part of. It seems like this would be a logical way to make the two connect.”

Present at the program were organizations such as Four Walls, The Conservation Club, The Wellspring Project, WMSC, Class One Concerts, The Women Student’s Organization, Blanton Hall CHEERS, and the Montclarion. Each one of the organizations had items that they gave to the students that were present. The Conservation Club gave away tee-shirts featuring the environment, the WSO gave away whistles and pins stating that “there’s no excuse for abuse,” WMSC gave away cups and bumper stickers and the Montclarion provided the paper for that week. All organizations also answered questions about their function and had sign-up sheets for residents to fill out.

There was a total of fifty-three residents attending the program from Blanton, Bohn, Freeman and Clove Road.

If there are any questions about any of the organizations on our campus, feel free to call any of them up. I am sure that they can use all of the help that they can get.

If your organization is having an event that you would like to see in the Campus Life Section, contact Erica at x-5169.

Have an idea?
Send it to my email account!
DuncanE@alpha.montclair.edu.

“Hey look, exploding cows!”

Get a mooooove on over here... (bad cow humour)

Oh by the way, join us!!!!!!!!!

This message of sheer nonsense is brought to you by the nutty wack-o night shift of the MONTCLARION (Particularly JJO’S & Victoria C.)
WSO sponsors discussion on financial strategies for women

by Jessica Noonan

On Wednesday, November 8, The Women’s Students Organization sponsored “Financial Strategies for Women.” Lisa Cerbo, an MSU graduate, represented the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of New Jersey. The seminar focused on how credit affects women and the importance of being aware of the risks involved in financial transactions.

Cerbo explained that creditors look for, like capital (savings, bonds), capacity (job, length of employment), and character (previous credit, loans). We received a budget sheet to sort out financial matters and a credit report application. Cerbo emphasized the importance of getting a credit report since there could be damaging errors.

She also advised to keep a limited number of cards and low credit limits. This will make it easier to apply and receive a loan since creditors will see that you will not delay payments.

“Credit cards should be used as a convenience, not as a supplement.” Cerbo stressed. “Credit history stays in record for seven years, that is why maintaining a good credit history is essential for future plans.”

Danger signs of credit abuse:
1. Taking cash advances from one credit card to pay another.
2. Using a credit card for regular purchases such as gas or food.
3. Not being able to pay the minimum amount due.
4. Accounts are not paid on time.
5. Not being able to have a zero balance in twelve months.

Food and toys needed for the Paterson children

by Erica Duncan

Every year, the Equal Opportunity Fund Student Advisory Board (EOFSAB) sponsors a Christmas Party for the unfortunate of the community. This year, nothing has changed except for the amount of participation from the student body.

Omar Vazquez, president of the EOFSAB, needs all of the help that he can get.

Vazquez stated that in the past, through Alan Food Services, the EOFSAB was able to donate all of the food. However, since their contract expired and Gardner Merchant stepped in this fall, no food has been donated. A representative for Gardner Merchant said because of school policy they are unable to donate food.

The role of the EOFSAB is multifaceted. The first step is to collect the toys in the boxes that are located around campus. These toys can be either new or used. The following steps include cleaning the toys, identifying the toys by sex and age, gift wrapping them and then distributing them to the children at the Christmas party. This year, the children will be coming from The Father English Community Center in Paterson.

Since the start of this event, all classes have participated. Organizations such as the Organization of Students for African Unity (OSAU), Latin American Student Organization (LASO) and many others have taken part in this event.

One hundred thirty-five males between the ages of five and twelve are expected at the Christmas party this year. With only thirty toys so far, many more are needed.

In the past, the amount of toys has always increased relative to the years the EOFSAB have sponsored the event. In the first year, they received 325 toys, second year, 400 and last year they received 415 toys.

The EOFSAB requested that volunteers, more toys and food. “It’s a shame that more people don’t get involved because it is such a wonderful feeling to see the happiness on these children’s faces,” said Vazquez.

For more information on how to donate toys or volunteer, contact Omar Vazquez at extension 4385 for directions on how to do so. ‘Toys and food are needed.

The Christmas party is scheduled to be held on Dec. 1st in the Formal Ballrooms of the Student Center.

NJAG sponsored Saturn Watch

by Tom Boud

Cold temperatures did not prevent the North Jersey Astronomical Group (NJAG) from holding their Saturn Watch on Nov. 4 in Livingston’s Riker Hill Park. The event was originally slated for Oct. 21 but was canceled due to rainy weather.

NJAG President Kevin Conod said the special event commemorates Saturn’s rings appearing edge-on which occurs only in 15 year intervals. Conod said that professional astronomers take advantage of the rings’ alignment to search for new moons around Saturn. He added that astronomers from the University of Arizona working with the Hubble Space Telescope have discovered 2 new moons and possibly 2 more.

Conod emphasized that the NJAG wanted to give the public the opportunity to see Saturn during this unique phase. “We want to give people a chance to look at Saturn and there are lot of people who have never seen Saturn through a telescope, let alone see Saturn with its rings edge-on.” This is a view we will not be able to see for at least another 15 years.

In fact, Dr. Mary-Lou West of the University of Arizona, is a sphere 74,000 miles in diameter with rings 1/2 mile in thickness. Saturn has a mean distance of 896 million miles from the sun whereas the Earth has a mean distance of 93 million miles.

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As for viewing possibilities, there were six telescopes on hand, including a 16 inch Meade telescope owned by NJAG member Mark Ivanovic. Along with Saturn, the public was treated to the full moon, the Pleiades star cluster, and the Andromeda galaxy. Through a telescope, Saturn appeared as a small peach colored ball bisected by a thin gold line which, in reality, is a sphere 74,000 miles in diameter with rings 1/2 mile in thickness. Saturn has a mean distance of 896 million miles from the sun whereas the Earth has a mean distance of 93 million miles.

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by Josh Kastel

How many times have you passed by Life Hall and wondered what the hell the sculpture is on the hill? Well, last Thursday, Nov. 9, Mac Adams, the genius behind that sculpture, visited Art Forum and answered most of the questions surrounding his unique style.

Mac Adams is an accomplished artist straddling numerous aspects of art, including photography, installations, and sculpture. Adams studied sculpture in Cardiff, Wales, but moved to New York City and discarded his learning to develop his own personal art form.

Combining photography, situation constructions, and an element of narrative, Mac Adams created a niche all his own. Though veheemntly denies ever reading mysteries, his installations depict crime scenes, though the viewer never actually sees the crime being committed. Each scene has an eerie feel, like the viewer just stumbled upon the scene, and the killer is still lurking in the foreground.

For example, a double print piece entitled “The Toaster” portrays an assumed crime scene. In the first print, a chrome toaster is seen with two slices of white bread in the slots. A woman in her underwear can be seen in a reflection on the chrome. In the next print, the toast has popped up and is burned. In the reflection, the woman is lying face down on the ground.

Mac Adams the sculptor seems like a completely different person from Mac Adams the photographer. His original sculptures can be seen all over the world.

He designs sculptures on two levels—one level is on the surface, the aesthetic beauty. The second level is the way the sculpture reacts and shapes the sunlight. “The Serpent Bearer,” the sculpture near Life Hall, creates an image of the human body with its shadow during the month of May.

Another sculpture, a conglomeration of rocks and piping surrounded by stones of various sizes resembling a Zen garden, creates the image of four Buddhas when the sun shines in the correct angle. Other sculptures form images of Karl Marx, Mickey Mouse, and Jesus Christ.

One of Mac Adams’ most well-known sculptures/monuments stands in Battery Park. The Korean War Memorial he designed is beautiful. It is a granite spire that is cut straight across at the top. The body of a soldier is chiseled out of the center with polished steel lining the outline of the body. Through one side of the soldier, the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island are framed. Through the other side frame, the corporate offices of downtown Manhattan. This is particularly significant because the Korean War was essentially the conflict between freedom and capitalism. The base of the memorial features mosaic flags of numerous countries.

On June 26, of every year, the anniversary of the day the Korean War ended, the angle of the sun shining through the cut-out of the soldier casts a shadow of an image of a flame. Though I have only seen the memorial through the slides Mac Adams brought with him, the vision of the memorial—the Statue of Liberty molded by the outline of the soldier is breathtaking.

The current vein of Mac Adams’ art utilizes the modern technology of computers. He collects pictures from newspapers or magazines and “mixes” them with his own photographs to create a synthetic image. His light of shiny things attracts him to silver teapots and bowls, chrome bathroom fixtures, and cut glass. On photographs of these images he infuses cut outs from periodicals of infamous people like Colin Ferguson, Joel Rifkin, and Susan Smith. The result is an “art meets trash” kind of statement, which is refreshing because it allows the viewer to laugh at art; to laugh at the absurdity of society without feeling guilty about either one!

Mac Adams is a diverse artist with his head in the clouds, but his feet on the ground. His conscience shows in his work. He believes in never growing stale and never ending the process of learning—something we should all believe in.

Wellcurbs, The Kind Of Band For Thirtysomethings

by Ben St. Jaques

If what you’re looking for is a raw rock and roll band—one with searing riffs, heavy groove and powerful vocals, then forget the Wellcurbs and buy yourself an AC/DC album. But if you want a softer, more melodic album, an album that your mother won’t mind you blasting, then maybe Wellcurbs is for you.

Wellcurbs is the kind of band thirtysomethings would listen to because they are too old to listen to Motley Crue, but at the same time they are young and still hip enough not to listen to Neil Diamond. Wellcurbs reminds me of bands like the Gin Blossoms in that respect.

As I have already suggested, Wellcurbs’ sound is not a heavy one, but admittedly, a distorted guitar does not a band make. The guitarists, Rob Maru and Tom Kincaid, seem content with “clean” guitar sound and enjoy playing melodic, single note guitar lines rather than power chords.

There are also a few tracks on the album which feature some nice acoustic guitar playing. The drummer, Pete Kaprielian, fills the album with solid backbeats, which at times border on dancy. He also featured playing bongos on a track entitled “Breathe for me.” Bill Atkins handles bass duties for Wellcurbs, and uses his playing to act as a “glue” to hold the other elements of the band together.

An Gusamo contributes his vocal talents to the band, and I must say his voice is the most unique part of the band. I can’t compare him to any other singer in the rock/pop scene today. Although his vocals are quite powerful, I found myself praying for a falsetto or something to break up Gusamo’s vocal range which became monotonous after the first few tracks. Also, you harmony lovers will be disappointed as backing vocals are a rare occurrence for Wellcurbs.

My favorite song on the album is entitled “Rainbows (scaling flowers).” It seems to be the only track of the 11 that sticks out in my mind. This track features acoustic guitar and a few melodic moments. These elements mixed with the song’s nice pop flavor give it that Gin Blossoms sound I spoke of earlier.

Apart from the aforementioned song, however, I can’t seem to recall another song that really stuck out in my mind. The songs are mostly mid-tempo, and they lack those elements you can really sink your teeth into when listening to a song. For example, big choruses and hooks. On the whole, Wellcurbs have written an entire album of material that is mediocre and easily forgettable.
Descent Exposure's reception at Gallery 3 + 1/2

by Victoria Caldes

Gallery 3+1/2 held a reception for Charlene Collins Haug's exhibit, Descent Exposure last night, November 15 at 5 p.m. in Calvin Hall, room 208.

Ms. Collins Haug is a first semester BFA student, concentrating in painting. With a BA in English from Rutgers University, Ms. Collins Haug is often called articulate and intelligent. She has been painting since childhood, and her family has a strong background in the arts. She would like to continue on with her education until she receives her master. Ms. Collins Haug said teaching is a possibility, but she would like to make it on her own as an independent artist.

Ms. Collins Haug is well on her way. Her abstract oil on canvas paintings, combining golds, pinks, blues and burgundies, are unique. Also on display are two black and white etching immersions. Her work has appeared in two small shows, but Gallery 3+1/2 is her first-solo exhibit, which Ms. Collins Haug calls "Exciting!"

Descent Exposure's theme is women. Ms. Collins Haug said, "I really concentrate on women's issues, and what's going on in the world today." All of her paintings display different images of women. Her favorite piece in the exhibit, an oil on canvas mixed media, "Love & Contentment" relates to her husband and creates some very personal feelings.

Gallery 3+1/2 once again brought in a crowd. Loreny Socas, Lisa Ertle, Kristin Buzzee, and Toni Topinka the organizers of Gallery 3+1/2 treat it as a professional business. Lisa Ertle called the gallery, "A learning experience. We are trying to involve all aspects of fine arts. We have exhibits booked through next semester." Although they are not yet an official organization, their membership grows everyday. Gallery 3+1/2 is a hidden treasure on campus, check it out.

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Madness At Maxwells

By Victoria Caldes & Erin Petty

On a stormy, Tuesday night we escaped from the basement of the Student Center and ventured out to experience Poetry Tuesdays! at Maxwells in Hoboken.

Chris Miguel and John Maestro were the featured readers of the night with an open mic session between sets. While the poets were entertaining, the mood was a thirsty one, so we decided to indulge in a few beers, Rolling Rock and Guinness Stout to start our evening off. Without cold ones in hand, we strolled to the back room of the bar and sat on bleachers because the elementary school folding chairs were all taken. After relocating because we sat on a wet spot, we were finally ready to enjoy some literary enlightenment.

The atmosphere was informal and poets could either stand or sit and a stage was available for the confident readers.

Some of the faces were familiar ones from Montclair, others were strangers who wanted to share a night of spoken word.

With a smoky atmosphere and a friendly crowd, poets spoke directly to the audience about life, love, and taxes. Around beer number two, Joy Thompson climbed on the stage massaged her belly button and recited some of her work. Joy will be featured next month at Maxwells, belly button and all.

At beer number three, a poet who appreciates a good buzz like us, took the stage. He donned a yellow rain hat and mumbled about needing his guitar to accompany his creative writing. Around 11 p.m. the poets left the stage, folding chairs were all taken. After relocating because we sat on a wet spot, we were not quite ready to leave the bar. We seated ourselves at a table with some friends and received cold Bass Ale on the house. A few hours later when the room began to spin, we managed to stumble to our designated driver's car.

Question of the Week:

What was the name of the Green Martian on the Flintstones?

Charles Collins Haug beside her painting "What We Bear" in Gallery 3+1/2
Greetings and Salutations! I celebrated my 22nd birthday on Sunday. “Only eight years ‘til 30,” one of my friends yelled to me in passing. I’m beginning to feel a bit old. I feel senility lurking around the corner, or maybe I’m just burnt. I thought about retiring my column and trying something new, but in the past few weeks I received both fan and hate mail.

I am not responding to any allegations made against me in this column. According to some, my column is nothing but bable, a waste-o-space™. However, I know I have dedicated readers, people whose lives would drastically change if I disappeared. People who are looking forward to reading about what happened in Washington, D.C.

For those of you who don’t know, two weeks ago the Montclarion staff went to Washington, D.C. for a conference sponsored by the Collegiate Press Association. We went to all these informative meetings gaining and exchanging ideas, knowledge, and experience with students from all over the country. But the conference was during the day. At night it was a different story.

The Montclarion crew is a diverse group. Gender, age, nationalities, majors, and hobbies vary a great deal. We have feminists, intellectuals, philosophers, freaks, weight lifters, frat boys, and freshman (they fall into a class of their own). But we discovered a common thread: we all drink.

I shared a room with three of my favorite editors. However, one of them (I won’t mention names) snored, cleared her throat, and coughed all night. It was difficult to achieve a peaceful night’s rest. Another one developed freezing cold hands and an allergic reaction to the hotel. The third, well, her hair has a mind of its own. Although she claims I got her intoxicated, she willingly consumed every drop of cheap wine I poured for her until we finished the bottle. We finished off the evening with a guy from Rowan (there were men from all over the United States, and we met someone from Jersey) who had good beer, Sam Adams!

When the beer was all gone, we stumbled, supporting each other, back to our room. Arriving safely, and knowing we were in the right room by the “KKKEEVGHKKH KKKGHHI” I climbed into bed. My roommate said, “I feel all warm and fuzzy.” I have to agree.

That night, despite snoring, grumbling, and earthquakes, we slept like babies. Washington provided an educational vacation. I felt like an escaped convict, fleeing from prison. As usual, I found a way to annoy everybody because, being a vegetarian, I had some problems with what we drank. Other than that we all bonded beautifully.

Next week look for my E-Mail adventures. I just got my account. I’ve become a junkie. Also, Brian Donnelly, my favorite sandal wearing pal, and I have decided socks are now a must. Until then, have fun. See ya.

Victoria loses her mind
by Victoria Galides

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A collective experience for the rock-n-roll soul
by Brian K. Cagigal

It all began with the acceptance of two free tickets last Sunday and the concept of a cheap and easy birthday present for my friend Galactic Joe. I figured how bad could they be knowing that Collective Soul had received tons of air play on the local radio stations. So with the Ski Taxi loaded up we started the long treacherous journey to the Academy in New York City. Upon our arrival we were lucky enough to park right in front of the venue and also happen to run into Mark, the MSU CD Guy.

Ed Roland and company hit the stage about 9:30, and for the first time in years I was able to enjoy a show without any mosh pits, shirtless sweaty bodies flying overhead, or out of control high school kids pushing ‘n’ shoving their way toward the stage. As the house lights came down and the intro for “Simple” the first track off their second album came on, I knew that this was going to be an excellent show.

Although the set started off a little slow and at half the volume, that didn’t seem to slow the excitement of the packed house. Just like a freight train, Collective Soul kicked it into high gear by the third song, and the crowd was most receptive to the new found enthusiasm.

With energetic performances from Ross Childress, Dean Roland, Shane Evans and Will Turpin of true rock and roll songs like “Get,” “December,” and an intense version of “Where the river flows,” this band had the entire house rocking. The best part of the show came with a cover of the tune “You got me on my knees” which, with the help of the band’s guitar roadie, was a blast.

The most moving part of Collective Soul’s show came with a very heartfelt version of “The World I Know,” which Ed Roland and friends played with passion. At the conclusion of the song Ed shared his inspiration for the tune which he wrote in New York City when they were on tour there last year.

I found Collective Soul to be one hell of a rock-n-roll band who, if the chance presents itself, I highly recommend seeing. The guys in the band play with energy and passion for making music which they love to do, and it shows on stage. Their current tour ends in December, so they can go into the studio and record a new album, which according to the band will be in stores next June. If you can’t wait until then go out and pick up their current album Collective Soul on Atlantic Records, and if you want to save some cash because you’re a poor college like me, buy it from the CD Guy it’s only $10, and well worth every penny.
I was seated in a reclined chair with a huge spotlight on my face and my lip clamped in a vice. There was no turning back; I couldn’t move if I wanted to. My piercer, named LaRaine, armed with rubber gloves and a huge needle, told me to hold my breath and when I exhaled it would all be over. Seconds before the needle touched my lip, a chill went up my spine. I was determined to be brave, I closed my eyes and prepared for the worst. As soon as I realized that I had forgotten to breath altogether, it was over. It was just a sharp pinch and as soon as the needle went through the other side, there was this incredible release of pain. I had just gotten my lip pierced and enjoyed it, in a weird sort of way.

Body piercing. While I understand that maybe it is not for everyone, I never realized how much attention I would receive from my newly pierced face. It has been a few weeks since I went under the needle and quite honestly I forget that it is even there, until it happens. I will be minding my own business, someone will stare at me, wince in pain and sometimes get the nerve to ask me, “Doesn’t that hurt?” I have gotten so many crazy responses from people. My friends joke about it, like Steve who has expressed his urge to attach a leash to it. Some will confess where they are pierced. One of the ladies in the cafeteria felt the need to exclaim, “Lord, have mercy!” And I have even received some “propositions” from people I don’t even know.

So, I know you are wondering and yes, my mother has seen my lip ring...once. She said I looked like a gypsy. Since then she has been mailing me letters at school pleading with me to remove it. She has even gone as far as to tell me that if I love her, I will take that “thing” out, especially since Thanksgiving is fast approaching.

While some of my encounters have been humorous and entertaining, this is not why I have chosen to put a steel metal ring through my face. I like lip rings, that is all, and I finally got the nerve up to actually do it. I realize that people are curious and want to see if I am actually “normal” by their standards, so I understand the 20 questions. But maybe I am not so normal, but really who is?

We all have some secret urges inside, and one of mine shows right on my face. I am proud of it because I have decided to take a chance that I had only talked about. Life is all day & all nite, with some room to be yourself despite what others think. Someone, somewhere, is contemplating body piercing and I say go for it, it feels great!
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It's that time again. Christmas decorations go up around campus. Holiday parties abound. People rush to the mall, to church and to their families. 'Tis the season for joy, goodwill towards men and keeping traditions.

Or maybe not.

Every year the Student Advisory Board of EOF has kept its own tradition. They sponsor a Christmas toy drive for underprivileged children. Campus organizations have traditionally donated toys to the event; the food service contractor has traditionally provided catering. But this year Gardner Merchant has decided to break with that tradition.

According to Gardner Merchant, donation of food to the EOF project is against school policy. Whether there is any such basis for this excuse, it has caused some to see the MSU food provider as something of an anti-tradition, anti-charity Scrooge.

Of course there are other factors which should be considered. Gardner Merchant hasn't received the most positive feedback on its fare lately. In fact, Gardner Merchant itself may be in some need of charity — It seems that real forks are no longer in their budget. Nor apparently, is provision for washing dishes and trays, since the former are now made of throw-away stuff (which is not properly recycled) and the latter are often “recycled” to fresh customers without the inconvenient intermediary process of cleaning. Maybe there could be an EOF sponsored “Holiday Place Setting Drive” for Gardner Merchant.

After looking at the big picture, maybe breaking with holiday tradition isn’t such a bad thing.
Flush twice... It's a long way to Blanton cafeteria

As a resident of the MSU campus, as well as a human being who must consume food every day in order to survive, I am compelled to articulate my opinions on the present state of the food services here. I believe I speak for the majority of the people here who must eat this “food” on a daily basis. There are important points to be made here, and not all of them directly concern the food.

First, I do realize that, for the most part, the students here are not particularly concerned with the fat or calorie levels in the foods they eat. I am not speaking from ignorance. I eat in Blanton every day and do notice what people eat, and believe me, the cheeseburger is king. However, there is a small contingent of us that do watch what we eat, and I think there would be general agreement that we are underrepresented. I am not asking that the entire menu be changed, but there has to be middle ground somewhere. Pasta and cereal seem to be the only safe things to eat.

Second, the cereal situation is pathetic. Our choices are two bins of Cheerios, two bins of Corn Flakes, two bins of Raisin Bran...you get the picture. If we get lucky, maybe they’ll include a single bag of Cocoa Puffs or Lucky Charms. Even the worst cereal is low in fat, so that’s no excuse not to have it. Here’s an idea - order cereals that people will actually eat.

Third, a question - does the staff age the lettuce like one would age a fine wine? The idea behind fruits and vegetables is to serve them fresh and green, not old and brown. It takes a lot of nerve to look at browning lettuce and deem it acceptable to serve to the student body. It’s disgusting, and it should stop now.

Lastly, I would like to talk about something that is especially bothersome: the general attitude of not all but many of the food workers. In short - it sucks. I have had a lot of menial jobs in my time and I know what it feels like to work a crappy job for little pay, but if you don’t like your job, don’t take it out on me! This means that I do not like having my food thrown at me. I do not like being made to feel guilty for having served my food to me. If I say “thank you,” I expect it to be reciprocated. Simply “don’t laugh” here if you don’t like it! I am paying your salary. If I ask you if there are any bowls left, I am not doing it to spite you or to make your day tougher than it already is. It’s your job.

Now, I realize that it must be tough to feed so many people and to keep the menu fresh and creative, but the student body senses a lack of initiative on the part of the food workers. In short - don’t blame the cooks when the food is bad. Blame the people who hired them.

As a nurse in the student health center, I am aware of the student interest about mononucleosis. Therefore, I am writing this response to students which may provide basic understanding about the disease. Mononucleosis, commonly called “mono,” is a viral infection caused by the Epstein-Barr virus. As such, it is not a dangerous disease. Mono is most commonly recognized among the young adult population, specifically students of high school and college age. There is no immunity to infection and mono does have a tendency to recur.

The virus is found in saliva and is easily spread through oral contact such as sharing bites of food, eating utensils, or kissing. Droplet contamination when coughing or sneezing will also contribute to its spread. Following mono exposure, the incubation period prior to the onset of illness is four to six weeks. Most mono cases are mild, manifesting symptoms of low-grade fever, headaches, sore throat, enlarged lymph nodes, and fatigue which usually last ten days to a month.

Antibiotics are ineffective as treatment for viral infection, so treatment of mono is symptomatic. Rest when tired. Salt water gargles help for a sore throat, Tylenol helps for fevers.

The infection may present a variety of additional symptoms of the lymphatic system becomes involved, such as swelling of the lymph nodes in the neck, armpits and groins, upper left abdominal pain caused by liver and / or spleen involvement, jaundice or a skin rash. These symptoms require immediate medical attention by a physician.

Active cases of infectious mono are diagnosed by a doctor and by blood studies. Blood tests will show changes in white blood cells and the presence of specific antibodies to fourteen days after the onset of active medical symptoms. Treatment is now by strict, doctor initiated medical regimen.

American Public Health guidelines in agreement with Local Health Authority specify infectious mono is justifiably not reportable. Further, neither isolation nor quarantine is required.

Kathleen Jones, RN, BA
Student Health Center
In response to what the sisters of Tri-Sigma wrote in the November 2, 1995 Montclarion Mailbag, I would like to try to explain what some ‘non-Greeks’ find so baffling about fraternities and sororities. I cannot speak for all people who are not in fraternities and sororities, but I am aware that there are many people who share my opinion.

Of course I realize that anyone who pledges does so of his or her own free will, but “If they experience any embarrassment, it’s through their own choice.” Therein lies the ridiculousness. Why someone would subject themselves to daily humiliation is baffling to me. The analogy to a family going through difficult times is both outrageous and offensive. As a person who has struggled with her family through different problems, I do not understand why people would choose to put themselves in this situation. And as for the many reasons for why pledges do the things they do, the only reason I can see for a pledge doing his pledge brother’s laundry at 4 a.m. is the pledge brother’s need to feel as if he has power over someone. Unfortunately, he does. He has power over a bunch of sheep. It’s amazing that people need friends so badly that they will put up with all sorts of embarrassment and, at the end of a six to eight week period, suddenly become “sisters” or “brothers” with the people who were the source of their embarrassment.

Since the sisters and brothers know how much time is required to pledge, I am amazed they still enforce it. I personally am here to get an education. I also need to work a part-time job. That doesn’t leave a whole lot of time for the ridiculous escapades pledges subject themselves to (chanting in the parking lots in the wee hours of the morning, for example). The sign on campus that says “Don’t let your education interfere with college” absolutely disgusts me. Is there any surprise that it is a fraternity sign? I hate to burst your bubble, but college costs money. The people who continuously skip class and have that attitude either are very wealthy or simply don’t care because it’s not their thousands of dollars being spent only to party.

I was glad to hear that the member’s dues go to such worthy causes. However, from the flyers around campus, one would be lead to believe that all of the money goes into purchasing kegs for parties. Another place the dues would seem to go is vandalism. There is not a single rock on this campus that does not have gaudy colors and letters painted on it. Even the trestles off campus were not spared this fate. This makes our campus look cheap and sloppy. It brings back memories of high school, when kids marked their territory by scrawling “Mike wuz here” on various desks and walls. I realize that not all fraternities and sororities have these rules and behaviors, however I still do not believe that all of the money is not being used properly. It is important to respect the money that students have paid for such a prestigious institution.

As the busy holiday season approaches, I would like to ask members of the University community to continue to support a spirit of goodwill toward one another. In a period of increasing divisiveness and polarization throughout the world, it is important to seek both to respect differences among us and to seek common ground for agreement and harmony.

Nothing accomplished this more dramatically than the recent campus multicultural food festival. For an all too brief three hours on November 9, a plethora of differences became instead a crowed celebration of togetherness and unity. During the festival, an endless line of students, staff, and faculty - Asian, black, Caucasian, Hispanic, female and male - queued around the ballrooms mesmerized by the aroma and eventually the taste of many different foods representing the diverse cultures and nationalities found at our University. All this took place to the festive sounds of Pakistani fold songs provided by two faculty members, Fawzia Afzal-Khan of the English Department accompanied on flute by Mark Weinstein of Educational Foundations.

We have each other to thank for this extraordinary coming together. Only when there is goodwill can strength be found to endure and overcome divisiveness. We must give special praise to Arlene Mermelstein and her colleagues in the Division of Student Development and Campus Life, who carefully orchestrated the efforts that made the day unique and memorable.

Given the complexity of our University as a microcosm of the world, divisiveness and disagreements are inevitable. Many times during the past years, and most dramatically this past week, we saw the ugliness of hate, prejudice, and violence. We must deplore the violence of states such as Nigeria whose military dictatorship executed author and environmentalist, Ken-Sofo-Wiwa. We must deplore the violence against statesmen such as Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was assassinated by a fanatic who sought to end his final campaign - the search for lasting peace.

The intolerance between the two sides should make us all the more proud that this University is bridging the gaps of difference among us to find more common ground. This, in the end, is likely to be more powerful as a force for goodwill than our differences. As an institution of higher learning, much of our strength comes from the diversity and complexity that defines us. At the same time, we must always keep in mind that we should be just as vigilant to seek and celebrate all that we have in common. The world envisioned by Rabin and Sofo-Wiwa would come closer to reality if each of us tried somewhat harder to achieve our dreams of unity and mutual respect right here on our own campus.

Lauren Tietze
German major

The Republican plan under the balanced budget proposal is set to increase Pell Grants for the average student to $2,440, making it the largest increase in Pell Grant history. Reading over Dr. Grover Furr’s column in the Montclarion two weeks ago, I suspected much misinformation and twisting of the truth. I thought it would only be fair if both sides of the issue were revealed. Therefore, I contacted my congressperson and discovered another side to what will occur with financial aid under the Republican plan. What I learned was that there will be no cuts in federal aid funding.

There are no Republican proposals to eliminate College Work Study Programs, the Student Loan Program, or the Pell Grant Program. In fact, besides the cuts in the federal government over $5 billion, and it is considerably fair. If students find employment upon graduation, they will be able to start making payments on the loan without accumulating interest. On the other hand, if payment is not initiated, interest will begin to accumulate and cost the student more.

There are a number of other student aid programs supported under the Republican balanced budget plan.

- The number of student loans will be increased from 6.6 million loans in 1995-96 to 7.1 million loans for 1996-97.
- The amount offered for loans will increase 50 percent, from $24 billion this year to $36 billion in 2002, under the Republicans’ seven year balanced budget plan.

- Perkins Loans will be fully funded by the government for $6 billion.
- Minority and disadvantaged student programs will be fully funded at $463 million.
- Black college programs will be fully funded at $1.30 million.

Now, you may wonder which story you should believe, Dr. Furr’s or mine. There is a clear distinction between ‘Don’t Dr. Furr listed certain changes and interpreted them for you, while I listed the very same changes and I will allow you to interpret them for yourself.

By failing to propose a balanced budget, the Clinton Democrats impose higher loan debts for college graduates. Under the Republican balanced budget, the average loan repayment for college graduates will drop by $13 a month because interest rates will have fallen by about 2 percent.

Given the fact that our nation is 4.7 trillion dollars in debt, this proposal, which saves $10 billion over seven years should be given consideration. A balanced budget will create lower interest rates, millions of jobs, reduce personal taxes by 20 percent, and relieve the future generation from the enormous debt burden that they are facing.

The Clinton Democrats had control of the House, Senate, and the executive office for two years and have failed to offer a balanced budget proposal. Let’s support the politicians who were willing to take the responsibility of reducing the bureaucracy of government and of balancing our budget - and stop supporting those who are simply worried about being re-elected.

Vitaly Stavinsky
Finance major
Kevorkian and “right to die” movement are dead wrong

I will neither give a drug to anybody if asked for it, nor will I make a suggestion to this effect.” This passage appears halfway through the Hippocratic oath that all doctors are required to take. Jack Kevorkian, a retired pathologist, had to recite these very words before beginning his practice. But since his retirement it seems that he has forgotten those faithful words. He has embarked on a killing spree since 1990, in which the death toll stands at twenty-six victims.

The latest victim of “Dr. Death” and his killing machine was Patricia Cashman, a fifty-eight-year-old woman that he said had been suffering from breast cancer. Dr. Kevorkian left her body in a car in the parking lot of a Michigan hospital and placed an anonymous telephone call to the medical examiner, Dr. Ljubisa Dragovic. The killer has insisted that he helps to relieve the suffering of terminally ill people. However, Dr. Dragovic found that in Miss Cashman’s case she “had had a mastectomy” and that while he might find “microscopic evidence,” no major organs were involved.

The competence, sickness, and suffering of the victims of Mr. Kevorkian have always raised questions about the legality of his acts. Margaret Garsh had a painful form of rheumatoid arthritis. Several months before her death Dr. Kevorkian’s lawyer, Geoffrey Feiger, issued a warning: unless doctors came forward to treat her pain, Kevorkian would assist her suicide. At least seven pain control specialists from around the country responded. When asked why he did not put them in touch with her, Mr. Feiger said that the specialists were publicity seekers.

Marjorie Wantz complained of pelvic pain, but her autopsy showed that she was not only terminally ill, she wasn’t ill. According to press reports, she had deep emotional problems and her family doctor said that she had been abusing the drug Haloxin, which some experts believe can cause suicidal tendencies. Despite these facts, Dr. Kevorkian killed her in 1991.

The last, and probably most controversial case, is that of Hugh Gale. According to a form called “Final Action,” which Kevorkian created to describe the last moments of those he kills, Mr. Gale asked to have the gas mask taken off of his face after forty-five seconds, and his wish was granted. It was placed on his face again and he again requested that it be taken off. This time it was not removed. Mr. Gale stopped breathing eight minutes later, according to the document. Mr. Feiger does not dispute the authenticity of the document, but said that it was an erroneous description of Gale’s death. In the altered statement, the second plea of “Take it off” had been deleted.

In the Netherlands there is a de facto agreement between prosecutors and physicians to “help patients die” as long as certain safeguards are met. The patient has to be terminally ill, in considerable pain, mentally competent, and must repeatedly express a wish to die. However, there is a dark side to this Dutch practice. According to one of the cases, the doctor killed without the patient’s knowledge or consent. This figure comes from that government’s own pro-euthanasia report in 1991. Dutch doctors defend their actions by saying that they believed they were doing what the family or the patient wanted. But in forty-five percent of those cases, the doctors didn’t even consult the family members. This version is often viewed as the ideal model for euthanasia laws around the world. US doctors support this model and believe that they can improve upon it by adding that the patient’s death “must be virtually certain within six months.” But what if the doctors are wrong? Kevorkian’s own lawyer admits that “no doctor can say with certainty when a patient has six months to live.”

And if such a law is passed, aren’t we headed down a slippery slope? In one Dutch case a woman had faced a bitter divorce and the death of her two sons. When she threatened a second attempt, her psychiatrist prescribed a lethal potion of twenty barbiturates, which she used to kill herself. The court acquitted the psychiatrist, ruling that “in a society that allows the self-sacrifice of those in physical pain, it was suitable for a doctor to help someone in unbearable emotional misery.” Some physicians there have also sought permission to “euthanize” infants whose “prospective quality of life is deemed to be low.” Is this what we want in the US?

The choice to commit suicide comes from a combination of things, including a sense of despair and hopelessness, but alternatives are available. Hospices provide both emotional and physical help to the dying. New, pain-relieving drugs are becoming available at an amazing rate. Support groups are popping up all the time. "Almost everybody who gets a terminal diagnosis goes through a momentary period where they contemplate suicide," says Maggie Callanan, co-author of Final Gifts and a hospice nurse. When the alternatives are presented, however, that momentary feeling passes.

On several occasions in recent weeks, Kevorkian has said that his killings are necessary to help people who can’t face their deaths. In one recent case Mr. Gale asked to have the gas put back on, but Mr. Feiger said that the death had been deleted. Mr. Gale complained that he had been forgotten in the “hospice.” Kevorkian said he had left the patient there because he did not want to "cause his death."

However, my pride in this fact does not deter me from seeing facts, reality, and misinformation when it comes my way. Unfortunately, it seems that Barbara Nicol in her letter, "Feminist Protests Paternoster" (Montclarion, November 11, 1995) has let her "feminist" pride blind her. Nicol’s attempt to vilify him by using unreasonable accusations of sexism is wrong. There is a fear that all comments made by males are inherently sexist. Sexism is not inherent in all words uttered by men. In his book, "Cancer中央," a man writing such as Paternoster is willing to attribute positive accomplishments to women, Nicol is all too quick to attribute his good intentions and egalitarian nature to thinly veiled sexism. It is justifiable to disagree with Paternoster, but Nicol’s attempt to vilify him by using unreasonable claims, evidence which is questionable at best, and accusations of sexism is wrong.

Sigmund Freud wrote that “Sometimes a cigar is only a cigar.” Sexism is not inherent in all words uttered by the opposite sex simply because one disagrees with them. Sometimes, Ms. Nicol, a compliment is only a compliment.

Sometimes a compliment is nothing but a compliment

Colin Powell. ... Further, the evidence which Nicol uses to demonize Republicans as a group destined to destroy all poor people and women is flawed. She claims that the source cited is from the Wall Street Journal of October 26, 1995. What Ms. Nicol does not reveal is that the evidence was written by Albert Hunt, an editorial columnist for the paper. To assume that his opinion is the opinion of the Wall Street Journal would be as fallacious as assuming that Joe Paternoster’s column is representative of the Montclarion as a whole.

Perhaps the most unfortunate comment that Nicol makes is her refusal to be “placed on a pedestal.” This is typical of the paranoia that seems to be felt by some “feminists.” There is a fear that all comments made by the male sex are loaded with sexism and aimed to objectify. Once again, the reality is that this is very fortunately not the truth in all cases - and was definitely not the truth in this case.

Paternoster’s comment was made to emphasize the fact that women should be admired, honored, and placed in a position which identifies them as the history behind the history. It seems unlikely that women such as Margaret Thatcher, Oprah Winfrey, or Peggy Noonan would deny this reality or the contention that they should be identified as the pillars of society. Clearly, a pillar in this context is a metaphor for referring to the highly influential and strong nature of women.

Women have complained for a long time - and right-
Rubino
by Michael Rubino

The Republicans’ manifest destiny

I recently spoke with a political adversary. I consider her a friend, but a political adversary, nonetheless. I told her we will no longer witness the popular election of the ultra-liberal left wing: the country is tired of it. She hesitantly agreed, but quickly needed to say no extremes will be supported – nobody will elect far-right conservatives either. But each day that passes I’m becoming increasingly convinced that the only way to save and restore our country is by electing as many conservative Republicans as many offices as possible.

Well, what’s a far-left liberal? Jesse Jackson, mega-taxers, defenders of the failed welfare state, supporters of political correctness, denouncers of American culture and institutions. But what’s the far-right? Ronald Reagan, tax-cutters, U.S. autonomy, economic growth, strong family and moral values. The direction we must take to strengthen our nation is painfully obvious.

The hard-core left has been on the attack. For too long have they forced the average American to justify his or her values. They have branded traditional American culture, norms, values, and institutions as evil, perverse and corrupt. They find excuses for their failures and they hide behind tired cliches and lies. Denounce affirmative action and support a balanced budget and tax-cuts, and they call you a racist, sexist, and homophobe. The vicious Median scare tactics used in the most recent election are completely reprehensible.

The Marxist left will not be satisfied until radical economic and social change has evolved. There is a perpetual attempt to undermine common sense. There is no more right and wrong- only options. The hard left is dominated by individuals who act and speak as though they are intellectually superior to others and by those who will take away one’s private property in order to give preference to spotted owls.

Young liberals are described as being “free-spirited, and open-minded.” Wait until they have jobs and families and the increased responsibilities that go with them. Then they may find that they won’t appreciate the government spending half their income, or their tax dollars being used to support “babies having babies,” or social rehabilitation for convicted killers and rapists.

Young liberals are aghast at the thought of anything being “free-spirited, and open-minded.” Wait until they have jobs and families and the increased responsibilities that go with them. Then they may find that they won’t appreciate the government spending half their income, or their tax dollars being used to support “babies having babies,” or social rehabilitation for convicted killers and rapists.

I am not speaking of FDR or JFK. These Democratic leaders may have pursued different directions of governmental policy, but they respected traditional American culture and values. I speak of the modern liberal left that since the 60’s has embraced communists, socialists, quotas, political correctness, and pointy-headed elitists.

The hard left I speak of trumpets the principles of civil rights, yet discriminates on the basis of race through affirmative action. They purport to strive for equality, but rather than the legitimate goal of equal opportunity, they focus on the impossible goal of equal results. They promote multiculturalism and diversity, yet the end result is ethnic priority rather than the American melting pot. They strive for tolerance and sensitivity, but conversely are intolerant and insensitive to anyone who doesn’t conform to their social engineering.

Ronald Reagan was right to stand behind the 11th Amendment, which says that, “No Republican shall speak ill against a fellow Republican.”

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On the lighter side of... the Democratic Party

WERENT YOU A LITTLE LARGER IN THE LAST RACE?

Apologist
by Nelson Alonso

Jerusalem has no great size, strategic location, natural resources, or industrial capability. Yet there is not a city on earth which is better known and more dearly loved by so many people of diverse nationalities and beliefs. Certainly there is no city which is of greater importance to world peace. However, with the death of Yitzhak Rabin, the question of Jerusalem’s future still hangs in the balance.

How could what seems to be just one more ordinary Middle Eastern city reach such a position? If words have any meaning, the ancient Hebrew prophets declare unequivocally, and with one resounding voice, century after century, that Jerusalem is “the City of our God” chosen by God to play a special role in human destiny.

For the Arabs, of course, the suggestion that God promised Palestine to the Jews and is now fulfilling that promise is outrageous. However, in spite of herculean Arab military efforts, employing overwhelming numerical superiority of manpower with the backing of the Soviet Union, tiny Israel has not only survived but has grown steadily stronger.

Like other nations, the United States, though it has been a supporter of Israel, has nevertheless placed its embassy not in Jerusalem, but in Tel Aviv, contrary to Israel’s wishes. Even the world’s media goes along with this open denial of Israel’s right to direct its own affairs. For example, the BBC and other European radio and television networks habitually refer to Tel Aviv as Israel’s capital, a twisting of facts which persists like some worldwide conspiracy. On a recent German quiz show, to the question of the location of Israel’s capital, Tel Aviv was judged the correct answer. How frustrating to Israeli’s that the capital city it has chosen is not acknowledged as such by the rest of the world! Even the Vatican still does not recognize Jerusalem and demands for the internationalization of Jerusalem.

For a comparison, consider the case of East Germany. When that defeated country, in defiance of the Potsdam agreement, designated East Berlin as its capital, the nations of the world acquiesced immediately without a murmur of protest. This is not so with Jerusalem. There is no international agreement giving other nations any control over Jerusalem. Yet it is treated as though it belongs to the rest of the world.

Early in 1994, Yasser Arafat called for a continuing jihad (holy war) by the Arabs to retake Jerusalem. When the contents of his speech became public knowledge, it created an understandable stir in Israeli quarters. Arafat tried to explain his statement by saying that jihad also means a peaceful struggle.

There is, however, no such concept in the Koran. In fact, another remark in that speech by Arafat leaves no doubt as to Arafat’s meaning. He claims that, “The PLO and Israeli agreement will be considered like the agreement which had been signed between our Prophet Mohammed and Qurish.” He was referring to an agreement broken by Mohammed in order for Mohammed to conquer Mecca. Thus Arafat was saying that the PLO-Israeli agreement is only a step in the declared jihad of the Muslims to retake Jerusalem.

One can only ask why there is this type of treatment of Jerusalem. Why are the re-dividers of Jerusalem so intent on tearing the very heart out of the Jewish soul? The Bible seems to have the answer: “I (God) have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there” (Psalm 16:1).
Drug sentences are racially biased

At the risk of disrespecting Joe Paternoster, I must comment on his opinion in last week's Montclarion. This is exactly the type of opinion that annoys people and causes them to tell him to "get a more informed view." It seems Paternoster can hand out criticism, particularly of liberals, but he doesn't like to be criticized back. He wants us to cut out and keep his articles-how egotistical! There are other issues that affect the situation around crack and it is not black and white!

Cocaine is the main ingredient for crack. Therefore, cocaine should, if anything, carry more severe sentences than crack. Isn't this the theory behind modern drug enforcement: to stop the supply of raw materials? Wouldn't this help stop crack problems?

If Paternoster is right that "90% of those convicted of federal crack offenses were black, but half of the users were white" then this tends to prove the argument of racism, not so much in the law, but as in the way it is applied. Paternoster would "throw out the statistics" like those above, taking the attitude that "if I don't know about it, then it is not happening." To use a favorite Montclarion analogy, the Allies did the same when ignoring statistics on Hitler's "final solution."

If the police hung around executive restrooms the way they patrol "poor, urban, minority communities" then perhaps they would detect the cocaine users, and they would know it was happening. Remember, sentencing is the last phase in the legal process. If crime is not detected it will never come to trial to warrant a conviction or sentence. This is another example of how wealth can buy a way out of the justice system. Maybe the relative poverty of blacks is the real reason for their predicament-not their color.

Paternoster cites that the reason crack has high sentences is because of the ease of sales, cheaper price, addictiveness, and damage it causes in society. The same could be said of alcohol abuse or nicotine addiction. In many ways they are more destructive and costly, but society has chosen to accept these. Is it not just for the reasons Paternoster cites that crack users are targeted and sentenced heavily?

The deaths in Washington, D.C. are again more real than that of federal crack offenses. After all, the deaths in Washington, D.C. in recent years, as has the use of the drug. Or are those ubiquitous statistics?

Paternoster seeks to deal with society and its drug problems in a simplistic way. Just saying no, banning needles, and ignoring statistics does not deal with drug problems. It is ridiculous that we would prefer to pay to put someone in jail for five years for the possession of five grams of crack rather than spending that money on drug education and rehabilitation programs, which are the very programs that are now having their funding cut by the GOP.

From the Left

by Frank Fleischman III

Eric Wright's column last week concerning Megan's Law makes the same arguments for the law, but one doesn't hear many people that argue against it. Why? Because opposition to Megan's Law has been equated with being "soft on crime," or, at worst, being in favor of kiddie porn.

There is no doubt that one of the functions of a good society is to protect the innocence and encourage the well-being of children. However, making unenforceable laws which give people a false sense of security is a cruel joke, politically motivated to make politicians look like they are being "tough on crime."

First, one must consider the question of fault. Is it the fault of the molester that he molests children? Would any sane individual do that to a child? It is obvious that anybody who would force a young child to have sex with an adult has a mental problem. No sane person would do that. Mental illness is not the fault of the individual or anyone else; it is an organic problem that can be cured or treated through therapy and medication.

Besides the issue of motive, there is the question of enforceability. How can a law stop every sex offender from attacking children? Can any law do that? Do drug laws stop all drug users? Of course not.

Wright is concerned that tax dollars will be used to finance a convicted person's constitutional right to have his rights ensured by a lawyer, if the subject cannot afford one. This is the Constitution we're talking about.

The classification process is another aspect of the law that should be reviewed. Is it constitutional, or even moral, to continue to punish someone after they have served their time for a crime? I believe that in our democracy, it is given that after somebody has completed their time in prison, they are left alone to better themselves and pursue happiness.

Wright is also concerned about the appeals process, where the state must prove its case or innocence be found on behalf of the defendant. Yes, the process can be abused, but I have always believed that we should let 10 guilty men go free before we put one innocent man in jail.

Of course, Wright doesn't want to hear about the rights or human dignity of these "monsters." He wants them put to death, without finding out why these people commit these crimes, how constitutional the law is, and how enforceable it is.

Wright is correct to be concerned about crime; we all are. However, we won't be a bit safer by depriving people, even criminals, of their civil liberties, their basic dignity, their right to privacy, and their right to continue their lives after serving their time.

Instead of wasting valuable and scarce prison space for perpetrators of an abomination that is basically a mental health problem, why not provide more money for community-based mental health facilities where these people will be cured?

I know that this is hard to swallow. Many of you reading this have, like Wright, been whipped up by our politicians into the blood lust for criminals to be punished. However, a look at the other facts about Megan's Law reveals the truth, that Megan's Law is a cruel trick dreamed up by power-hungry politicians that will fulfill their constituents into a false sense of security and will most likely secure their reelection to office.

Montclarion Mailbag

Write us a letter. You don't need to put a stamp on it. You don't even need an envelope. Bring it to the Montclarion office. Just make sure that it has your name, Social Security number, major, and telephone number. Letters should be less than two typed double spaced pages, and will be edited to our hearts' content. Or e-mail us at Navettaj on alpha.
Dan sits at his desk in his old familiar studio. He finishes a nice little story on the 234,486,782,346 people killed in the bloodiest Zzzasdfjl rebellion ever, and then starts his next story. Unfortunately, he forgot to take his anti schizophrenia drugs this day, and he’s not feeling his normal, stable self. He begins his next story, unknowing of the wreckage that will ensue. “...Meanwhile in Bosnia this week, Croatian Fighters won yet another battle this week in the ongoing battle in the former Yugoslavia. They took the Serbian stronghold of...of...of... WHY DON’T YOU LEAVE ME ALONE?? STOP EATING MY HAIR!!! 1m..heh heh heh, sorry about that folks... Um...as I was saying, the Croatian fighters won the strategic battle against the Serbians by rallying popular support in the...um...YOU ALL SUCK!!! CONNIE CHUNG IS THE ANTI-CHRIST! EAT ME ALL!!! AMERICA AND TUNA FISH, ARGH!”

“Dan, are you okay,” asks the producer.

“NO, I WANT TO KILL THE TUNA FISH! I WANT TO KILL THE TUNA FISH!” Dan leaps onto the desk, and starts pretending that he’s an airplane as he sings, “Up up and Away in my Beautiful, my Beautiful Balloon!!!!”

“Quick, get the net,” the producer screams.

Dan crawls on the ground and starts barking. He piddles on his producer’s foot. America is loving this. The loony bin people come after him with big loony-bin nets. He piddles on their feet. They run away screaming, “Dan Rather peed on my foot.” Dan then gets completely out of control. He starts throwing cameras at people. The studio is in absolute chaos. Connie Chung picked the wrong day to come visit the studio. She walks in, and Dan, now foaming at the mouth, hits her in the head with a monitor. Her last words: “Maury, why ‘A Current Affair’?” She collapses, now dead with a monitor bashed over he head. Laurence Tisch, President of CBS, expected a day like this. He planted explosives all over the CBS News Studio, and wired them all to a red button mounted under his desk. He pushes the emergency explosion button, blowing up the entire building. It was a tough decision, but Dan would never be able to stopped while alive. The news community is still in mourning.
Whoever said that truth is stranger than fiction must have been wiser than Spock! I bust my ass to come up with those fables only to be outdone by three stooges (this pun intended) with an ass-backwards impersonation of Department of Campus Safety and Security officers (DSS). I still can’t get over it!! According to the Nov. 2 Campus Police Report, Eddy Arias, Luis Alcantara, and Alexis Martinez were busted in lot 24 after stopping a car by waving a handgun and claiming to be security. Never mind that everybody knows that DSS doesn’t carry guns. To add insult to injury, the 3 stooges decided to pull this prank in the one area where they stood a real good chance of getting stopped themselves....by the real DSS!!

There’s more! Monday night, I was on the phone with my long-time pal Inspector Henderson, Metropolis, P.D. He told me more than he’s ever said in March, 1992 where a trekkie by the name of Trace Starstruter got into a Star Trek Convention in Memorial Auditorium by impersonating DSS Officer Jim Higgins. The plot literally blew up in Starstruter’s face when the phony belly he was wearing exploded; sending rubber and licorice soaring every which way. DeForest Kelley (Bones) came to his aid, but was quoted as saying, “I’m a doctor, not a costume artist!” Henderson also told me about a caper last April involving two hoods named Fairchild and Boulder. First, Fairchild had fix Boulder covered with dark brown Kiwi shoe polish. Then he provided Boulder with hair/facial surgery, voice training, and necessary accouterments so that he looked liked and necessary accouterments so that he looked liked and talked liked Sgt. Herbert Lloyd. Then Fairchild sent this “phony Lloyd” to a Class One Concerts event in the Student Center ballrooms to pick pockets while he remained outside. However, the real Herbert Lloyd was working concert duty that night. Thus, the whole scheme fell apart when the real Lloyd stepped out for a breather whereupon Fairchild talked to him thinking he was the phony Lloyd. Got your funny bone going? Let’s have a barrel of laughs with THE TEN BEST IMPERSONATIONS!!!

1. Overthrow the Clinton administration by launching a coup as Lex Luther!!
2. Dress up as Simon Bar Sinister and wreak havoc with campus heating!
3. Seize control of the SGA as Saddam Hussein.
4. Deck yourself out as Jesse James and stage daring daylight shuttle bus stickups.
5. Fix all your grades by entering the registrar’s office as Ronald McDonald.
6. Take over the entire Student Center cafeteria operation as Ronald McDonald.
7. Do yourself up as Howard Stern and commandeer WMSC.
8. Don a Starfleet uniform and persuade MSU Astronomy Professor Dr. Mary Lou West that Captain Kirk sent you to requisition her 8-inch Celestron and 7-inch Questar telescopes.
9. Get inside Lt. Michael Postaski’s confidential file by impersonating DSS.
10. Infiltrate the Montclarion opinion section by impersonating columnist Joseph Paternoster.

Aries (Mar. 21–Apr. 19) Plan ahead to have a delicious meal waiting for your husband when he gets home.
Taurus (Apr. 20–May 20) Take a few minutes to freshen up your makeup before his arrival. Looking your prettiest will help him get his mind off his troubles.
Gemini (May 21–June 21) Make certain that you run a dust cloth over the tables and above the refrigerator as he may place his hat there.
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Virgo (Aug. 23–Sept. 22) Don’t complain if he comes home late, drunk as a skunk. Consider yourself lucky to be married and not an old maid.
Libra (Sept. 23–Oct. 23) Have a cool drink ready for him and speak to him in a soothing tone. This will help him relax while you prepare his dinner plate.
Scorpio (Oct. 24–Nov. 21) You may have many things you want to tell him, but please refrain. He isn’t interested in hearing your insignificant problems. Save those for your afternoon tea with the ladies.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22–Dec. 21) Never complain if he doesn’t take you out to dinner. While his job is at the office, yours is in the kitchen.
Capricorn (Dec. 22–Jan. 19) Fluff his pillows for him just before he dozes so you won’t have to disturb him later.
Aquarius (Jan. 20–Feb. 18) Don’t hesitate to massage his feet, provided you’ve finished cooking dinner first.
Pisces (Feb. 19–Mar. 20) Once he’s asleep, brain him with a roll of paper towels.

This blast from the past is in honor of Ms. Wyner-lo’s recent divorce from husband #4.

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If you don't stop someone from driving drunk, who will?
Do whatever it takes.

FRIENDS DON'T LET FRIENDS DRIVE DRUNK.
Attention all readers!

There will be absolutely, positively, completely, totally, (did we say absolutely already?)

**NO MONTCLARION™**

Next week! So, please do not come down to our beautifully furnished office next week with mouth foaming and arms flailing demanding your fresh, brand new, cool smelling issue of the *MONTCLARION* next week, because THERE WON'T BE ANY! We will be too busy stuffing our faces with turkey and yams to care about your raging addiction to our newspaper. So please--I know it will be rather hard--come to terms with this matter.

Love and sincere happiness,
The Worn-out, tired, depressed, repressed, excessed, sexually frustrated, outdated, subjugated, reinstated editors of the *MONTCLARION*.
To the Upsilon class of Theta XI,

You have a great family. I am glad you didn’t hit anyone.

Your Twin, Sailboat

To the Opsi class of Theta,

Congratulations! Welcome to the new ending sisterhood, and forever. Strength in Sisterhood.

I love you, Greg, Twin

New Member Jill (Tri-Sigma),

Congratulations on getting your big! You’ll make a great addition to our family! Keep up the good work.

Love, Christine

Jill F.,

Congratulations! You’re the perfect addition to our fan-club family.

Love, Em

Tom,

Happy Birthday! You’re the Best.

Love, Christine

Emily (Thalassa),

I love you – I miss you.

Love, Lonie

Tania (AIX),

You are an amazing person! Thanks for being strong for me.

Love, -D (Phi-E pledge) Loren

“Colleen”,

Isn’t that drive to the Washington Bridge looking good right now? Or should we do the mainstay of the Irish Pub thing? Which ever, remember, I’m here for you always.

“I LOVE YA BABY!”

“Kath”

To Karen,

Congratulations! “I’m a little tough...” Now we can really party together!

Love, Ye, S.I.S. Call (#100)

Wendy,

Congratulations on becoming a big! I love you

Lynn (Phi-E)

“I like it like that! See you at Fatso’s.

-LSYW

Captain Laura (AO),

I think you are awesome. I really enjoy talking to you.

Tell Captain Cherry “He Klicking”

-Captain Ed

To my little little, Lyda (Theta),

Congratulations! You did it! You did a great job and will make an awesome sister! I love you! Welcome to the new ending sisterhood! Strength in Sisterhood!

Love you, Your big big, Elena

LAST TIME,

I ASKED CURRY TO GO AWAY, NOW IT IS D-XI-D!

Karen,

Congratulations! Welcome to the Theta family! You did great!

Not just away from those Vixens. Haflf! Half sisters.

Love always, E.J.S. Elena (Theta)

Roof Hearted?? Iea Wiked.

Anonymous

That is pretty funny...Well done... -Ed

Little Little Misha (Tri-Sigma),

I love you! Thanks for always listening to me. You truly are my best friend.

Love, DM

Salibout (ZK 00)

Your family loves you.

Love, Your Big Big Big

To the New Brothers of Tau Phi Beta,

Congratulations! Welcome to Greek Life.

Love, the Sisters of Theta Kappa Chi

Gisele, I love you.

-Dan

Jennie,

5th floor Study Room- The place to “Study”.

Love, Tony

To the Theta class of T-Phi-B,

Begin, Drug, Big, Jitters, Ban-Wa, Oz, Snicker, Creek, Rax. Six weeks ago, you told me you had the most desire to become bulls, but wash you showed me.

You made me proud and I’ll never forget that. “Pita is temporary, Pride is forever.”

Your Pledge-Master, Solo

...also to those guys...

Good Job guys. Congratulations on going from boys to BULLS. We’re glad you guys made it. And remember, Don’t eyeball me.

-Fitz

Tripled:

When are you coming over for coffee? I miss you!

Love, DM

Spitfire (Tri-Sigma),

I had so much fun with you this weekend. We have to do it again! Remember, never to seek a runt you?

Love, Your adventure buddy

Joyful & Holiday,

I miss you both...microwave papaya, toilet paper spoofs, and exercise...May he made some, but we kept each other alive.

Love, Your around-the- corner denu-tan.

And Now The Overwhelming Flood of Theta Parsons...Like They Didn’t Have enough Already!

DM (Big Big Big),

You are such a sweet person. I love my family. People are saying that we look alike.

Love Always, Salibout (Little Little Little)

Jill (Theta #005)

Big, I can’t believe it! I’m finally a Theta! I couldn’t have done any of it without your support. You’re the best.

Thanks, I love you.

Karen (Theta)

Stephanie, Lonie, and Lyda (my grand-til),

Congratulations and Welcome to the family. Our true continence to...grow.

S.I.S., True

Upsi Class,

You proved yourselves strong and I am proud to call you my sisters.

Love, #88

Lonie,

We didn’t know you liked Dashi that much.

Tony,

Thank you for all your help and support that you gave us through pledging. We couldn’t have made it without you.

Love, Upsi Class

Melissa, thanks for all your help Sat. night. You helped me stay strong & stick w/ it. Thanks, I’ll never forget it!

Love, Yeah!, Karen

Marc (Pledge),

Thanks for all the help & support U gave me. I couldn’t have done it without U. To Quiero Muchol

Love Your Little, Lonie

Jennie,

Hey big! Thank you for everything. You helped me in so many ways. Thanks for being there. I love you!

Love your Little, Beth

To Elinor,

I think of all your help & support. I couldn’t have survived through noon muck w/ your advice. I MUST U BIG BIG!

Love, ya

Your Little, Little

Stay (#004)

Hey Big, I make it. You are the best and I couldn’t have done it w/o you. Thank you for everything.

Love you, Jaime

To my Big Kristie,

Thank you so much for the help and support you have given me. It means a lot to me. Thanks for the dinner, it was really good.

Love Your Little Little, Kerrie

To my Big Michelle,

Thank you for the support, helpful hints, and answering my questions. It meant a lot to me.

Love Your Little, Kerrie

To the Upsi Class,

I love you all! Daddy forever! Do you feel like sucking today? Be good!

Love & Draft, Wild-Child

Kathleen,

Thank you so much for helping me through! You’re the best big! I love you!

Love Your Little, Stephanie

Leslie,

Congratulations! Welcome to the family! We love you!

Love, Maria & Ellen

Upsi Class,

We did it!!! Thanks for everyone’s help.

Love, Laura

Marc,

Congratulations on your little little...or should I say your fish?

Love, Ellen

To my big Michelle and Big X 2,

Thank for everything, we couldn’t have done it w/o you!

Love Your Little and Little Little, Kristie + Laura

Did you call her?...Are you on Crack?

Stephanie,

Thank you for everything you have done for me during pledging. Sorry for everything that happened at the party! Thanks again.

I Love You, Jaime

Kathleen,

You so much for helping me through! You’re the best big! I love you!

Love Your Little, Stephanie

I request to inform you that the new two page limit forbids me from putting in the rest of them. The leftovers will be put in next week. Sorry... -Ed

I think you are attractive and that in all that matters.

Anonymous

Thank you, too. :) -Ed

To my little Jill,

You are so great. So perfect for us. You’re the best.

Your Big, Wendy

To all the Garland Watchers: The Montclair crew are really good girls. Thanks for watching.

-Jane, Chuck, Maris, Gabby, and Kelly

Diana C.,

You hit it. (So does Vance & Tom)

...and

Lucy P.,

I am a vegetarian

-Michelle

Hawkar (Tri-Sigma),

Love, #129
More Personals

Are you calling from another planet or are you dyslexic?
Love, Jill-oh, Sean-oh, Mari-oh

Ann or HJ
What do you think? Better luck with BURGERS?
-Courtesy #40

Vincent, Francesca, & Nick,
Happy Birthday
Love, The Brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi

Victoria
Are you some sort of freak. I think you need to calm down and be less of a hyperactive weirdo.
-Ed

Congratulations Delta Alpha, You done good!
-Sigma Delta Phi

Dave M,
YOU READ YOUR E-MAIL!!

Ken (ZBT),
Thank you for the flowers. It was really sweet.
-Jamie

To my 2 Favorite Tri-Sigmas,
Happy Birthday to you both. You’re both the best! Lots of Love, E’s boy and Juan

Erica,
Thank you for rubbing my face too!
Love, Your Boy

To Gamma Ma 41,
If I get in, can I use your wrist band at the Kali-Bar?

PZ 193,
Shove up!
Love, Mary Down

PZ 193,
We were our short skirts just for you!
Love, Little Baka Lorne

Beth T, Heather, Shawn, Tiffany, and Beth L (Tri-Sigma)
Group Cheal
Love, D.M.

JO/J
You amazing Stardustin. I don’t care if you are a real male male patriarch. I want you.
Love, A. Nude

Ed (Theta Xi Associate Member)
Conry is in the parking lot!!!
Love, the new sisters of Theta Xi

Stacey and Courtney,
How did it feel to be locked in your own bedrooms.
-Ed & Tim

Jen Patercoster,
Let me be your waste angle, baby! MEOW!
Love, MJ

If you would like to donate $ to help less fortunate children this holiday season. Please stop by the Marketing Association and bring your donations to room 447 Porticoe. Thank You.

To the Anonymous “non-Greek” who wrote to the mailbag last week,

Thank you very much for your letter. We are addressing your letter in the mailbag to avoid games of letter tag. If you have any questions please feel free to Speak to us (or any other Greek) in the Student Center Cafeteria on a more personal level.
Respectfully, Wendy Hollenbeck, Sister of Tri Sigma

VP,
Seek and destroy....mine and yours....to share.
-AE

It’s Tuesday night! Do you know where Maria is?
Happy Seeing, 303A

Apartment 303A,
Early to Bed....NEVER! Sycophax, Mathebe, Mona-

Love Tri-Sigma, Theta, an Ex-cheerleader

Delta Kappa Psi 300C,
Stop falling up and down the stairs. Next time you’re getting more than cotton tomatoes on your windows or water in your shoe.

LOVE JIMMITS 303A

Maria, Theta

Love and Sisterhood, #39, 40, and 42

Steve, Greg, & Jon,
Let’s get Waked.

Stacey #99 (D-XI-D)
Don’t get up when you are not asleep. Walls don’t open!!

Love, Courtney #40

...also...

Sorry Gregg,
the card is yours, take it off.

Hey D-XI-D,
Is this wall a closet?
Ace #99

Courtney & Lorraine,
Mistey Valen Maxi, Anyone?

- Stacey

Bill (TKE pledge)
Nice butt!! Thank you a million.

The Zette

Cindy = Nicole (D-XI-D)
You were the best pledge mom and pledge mistress ever!

Thanks!

Love and Sisterhood, 309, 40, and 42

Leyle,
You are the best big ever!

Love, Courtney #40

Before I type another “I love you Big” letter, I would like to know, how can a person say their big is the best ever. Did they do so in depth research into the history of highs to come up with that? It all seems like backsliding up to me.
-Ed

JJO/Gamma Gamma 45,
As far as big brothers go, I think you are doing okay.

-P.J.

Phi Sig,
Just 3 more months from today! Atlantic City here I come. Are you with me?

-IPS, Megan

Dax (Balls)
Is it ever yet? Do you now have a minute to yourself?

Yes. Well then, see you Wednesday.

-Generous

The Brothers of ZBT,
Thanks for a great night!

-Sisters of Sigma Delta Phi

Congratulations to the late Class of Alpha Iota Chill!!
Love and Sisterhood, Theanz #169

Ray (T-Phi-B),
Matte Dame doesn’t suck!!

Never where you want them to, in any case.

Linda & Anita,
Happy Birthday.

Love, The Brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi

Brooke,
It’s been so long since I’ve held you in my arms.

-Precious

To Doc Lavoo,
How could you be a “bostonian” if you never saw a box?

Kelley Phi 175,
Congrats on your precious little!

Rosa,
Remember what I said on the phone about Kathy? My hands are shaking.

-Chris

Hey Tania (AIX),
From one precious to another—What’s up?

#163

Gifts,
We met the Omicron man!!! It’s all over, our journey has ended!!

Love, Moore

Nicest Blues,
Despite your “state of confusion”, you’re still adorable!

If you need a friend, you know where to find me.
Not So Bad Blues

-P. L. P'

Sisters of Sigma Delta Phi

Love, Your Little

Jean-Marie

Love Tri-Sigma, Theta, an Ex-cheerleader

Love, Floss, Brian & Kim

Cowry
Thank for forgiving me.

Love, Floss

Brion and Kim
Don’t feel. You will survive this. I love you guys.

Tom

Erika
What exactly were you doing freshman year with your willime? “Be-Hoppie”???

-IPS, Genevieve

Amy,
I know became an information highway hear. Help? I’m an e-mail junkie.

Victoria

Tom
Did I give you strep, or did you give it to me? The rumors are starting...again! Thanks for the birthday present it knocked me clear off the bed.

Victoria

Editoria,
Are you really sure that you’re ok? I’m not sure that I am. My hair to copy editing and typesetting, writing a book note, and sleeping at the same time.

Jean Marie

To all the DOA pledges,
Stay strong, don’t die!

Meow,
Meow meow, squirrel, meow, meow, meow meow.

Meow
Rowan tops MSU 30-0; Red Hawks finish at 3-6

by Bob Czechowicz

A long, hard, and disappointing season has finally come to an end for the MSU Red Hawk football team. Finishing with a dismal 3-6 record, this is MSU’s second straight losing season, after ending the 1994 campaign with a 4-6 record. The last thing a team like MSU wanted to do, is finish the season with a loss. However, when playing against NJAC powerhouse Rowan College, the outcome was almost certain.

Sophomore running back Eugene Foster of Rowan rambled for 78 yards, leading Rowan to an easy 30-0 victory. The Profs came into the game with a 7-2-1 record and were ranked fourth in the NCAA Division III East Region. It was a great day for Rowan sophomores, with QB Greg Lister completing nine of 14 passing for a total of 141 yards, while Profs passed for a total of 13. Mike Green was the leading rusher, averaging 62.0 yards a game, with Ralph Cinque coming in second with 25.4. Ralph Cinque was held to just 23.2 yards a game.

Rowan dominated the game, converting 17 first downs, to MSU’s five. The Profs passed for a total of 141 yards, while their sparkling defense held the Red Hawks to negative 14 yards rushing. That’s right, negative 14 yards.

The MSU season was filled with many ups and downs. The Red Hawks started the season off with a 19-6 win, over SUNY Brockport. After that, the season took a major slide, in the wrong direction. MSU went on a three-game losing streak, with losses coming against SUNY Cortland, Southern Connecticut, and Kean. Even though the Red Hawks lost these games, the scores were close (24-17, 15-14, and 6-0, respectively). Splitting the next four games gave MSU a 3-5 record, with the final loss of the season coming against Rowan, putting the Red Hawks at 3-6 on the year.

Here are some overall team stats for MSU. The Red Hawks were outreached this season by a margin of 1,347-679, while they outpassed their opponents, 1,488-1,341. MSU rushed for 4 TD’s, while passing for 13.

Rowan- 30
MSU- 0

Mike Green was the leading rusher, averaging 62.0 yards a game, with Ralph Cinque coming in second with 25.4. Ralph Cinque came up big in the second half of the season, accumulating 244 yards on 65 carries. Frank Franco lead the team in interceptions with 6, while Jermaine Johnson came in second with 4. Jermaine set a new MSU record for pass breakups in a season.

Another great season was played by All-American candidate defensive end Jeff Bargiel. Jeff had 14 sacks on the season, bringing his career total to 39, placing him in second on the MSU all-time list.

Next year should provide a more interesting and satisfying season for the Red Hawks, with many sophomores and juniors returning. One can predict a long off-season with much hard work.

Men’s B-Ball: New faces, high hopes

by Bob Czechowicz

The 1995 MSU Men’s basketball team is looking to improve this year, after a successful 1994 campaign. Last year, MSU finished off with a 17-10 overall record, and 12-6 in the conference. They placed fourth in the final conference standings, with a second place finish in the NJAC tournament.

This season is somewhat like deja vu to coach Nick DelTufo. Fifty-five of 17 players returning are new, and first team All-conference player, Greg Fowler, will have to redshirt due to freak injuries to both arms. The returning all-conference forward (13.8 ppg, 6.7 rpg), was recuperating from a hairline fracture of his left thumb, when he fell and dislocated both bones in his right forearm. Take Fowler’s injury, and add to that the ineligibility of B.J. Reilly’s (7.4 ppg, 4.5 assists) decision not to play this year, and it looks like a tough season for MSU. With the injury to Fowler, and the loss of other key players, different players will have to step up. The two players who will look to make the biggest impact will be Rohan Sutherland, a junior college transfer from Morris County College, and Kyle Griffith, another JUCO transfer from the same school as Griffith. MSU is also losing top assistant coach Jose Rebimbas to WPC. Rebimbas will be the head coach for WPC.

This year’s squad fields 8 freshmen, all hoping to fit into the Red Hawks’ game plan in one way or another. Coach DelTufo believes his team has the potential to make the post season tournament, if they learn the “system” while playing together.

His “system” includes strong man-to-man defense, controlled fast breaks, a motion offense, and superb physical condition.

As stated before, success will be determined by the team’s ability to learn the system. However, size and depth in the front court could pose problems for the Red Hawks, with only two players over 6’ 5.

Last year, MSU was led by Greg Fowler, who placed 15th in the conference in scoring, with a 14.3 average. Fowler also added 6.9 rebounds per game, with Evan Carlson contributing 6.7 rpg in the conference.

MSU opens up their season this Friday and Saturday at the Dickinson Tournament, at 5:30 and 7:30, respectively.

Cheerleading squad looking for new members

The Montclair State University Cheerleading squad has begun a new program this year. Right now, we have 8 girls and 6 guys. We are currently working on a routine to use for demonstrations at high school competitions and to use in competition in the spring. Our practices are Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-9:00 PM and Sundays from 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Stop by and talk to us, and see our improvements. You can contact me, Amy Harrington at 655-4525.
The Montclarion 1995 All-Fall Team

DiBello, a freshman, led the team with 11 goals on 67 shots. He also had 10 assists on the season. His 11 goals tied MSU’s record for most goals in a season. He was named NJAC rookie of the Year.

Pollard, another freshman leader, registered 8 goals on 32 shots. Besides being a scorer, Pollard could also pass the ball, contributing 3 assists on the season.

O’Meara, a senior goalkeeper from Leonia, placed her name in the record books by recording 415 saves in her career. This tremendous feat puts her first on the all-time saves category at MSU. She had 185 saves this season.

Harraka’s 9 goals this season, added to her career total of 55, an MSU all-time record. Harraka also holds all-time records in the points and shots categories, with 104 and 186, respectively.

Gastelu led a successful volleyball team with 190 kills. Her .724 block percentage was a team high for the Lady Red Hawks.

Mazurkiewicz, a freshman defender, led the team with 244 digs. This added to an impressive 3.342 digs per game average.

Fuller, a senior transfer from Elon College, contributed a great deal to a very successful MSU squad. Playing at #1 singles, she finished with a 14-3 record.

Saldino, only a junior, already holds the honor of MSU’s best career record at 24-5. She finished off the 1995 campaign with a 14-2 record, playing at #3 singles.

There is not much that needs to be said about Bargiel, his performance speaks for itself. This All-American places second on the all-time MSU list in sacks with 39.

While leading the team with 35 punt returns on the season, Ricks was also tops in the receiving category, with 467 yards on 32 catches.

Jebes, a senior forward, had 2 goals on the season, while attempting 36 shots. Despite a losing season, Jebes displayed leadership on and off the field.

Scott Patterson
Cross Country
Patterson, a sophomore, gained all-NJAC honors by finishing 15th overall at the NJAC Cross Country Championships.

Cathy Grosvenor
Cross Country
Cathy was an all-NJAC selection, finishing 3rd in the Conference Championships.

Pat Ricks
Football

Jen Jobes
Field Hockey

Wendy Saladino
Tennis

Brian McLaughlin
Women’s Tennis Coach

Brian McLaughlin was a lock for Coach of the Fall honors. He guided the women’s tennis team to it’s best season ever in school history, as they posted a 1-0-1 record.

McLaughlin took the reins of Head coach in ’89, trying to improve the team’s 0-11 record in ’88. This past season was the Lady Red Hawks’ third straight winning season. He guided MSU to an NJAC tournament victory. They won the A, B, and C flights and also the doubles.

His overall record stands at 33-29-1, with a promising and bright future still ahead.
A great recruiting class takes the mat

by Nick Gantaifis

Coming off a disappointing 1995 season, the MSU wrestling team looks to improve on a 2-11 overall record with the help of a very successful recruiting class. With only three starters returning from last season, and five being lost to graduation, Head Coach Steve Strellner is hoping his strong recruiting class and solid individual talent will be enough to place his team in the top ten of the NCAA Division III rankings. Last season, the Red Hawks took fifth place in the Metropolitan Championships and 19th in the NCAA's.

Returning for the Red Hawks are juniors Mike Deluca (Lyndhurst) and Chris Reel (Weehawken), as well as sophomore transfer student Scott Stepe (Wanapeke). Deluca, wrestling at 118, finished last season with a 22-8 overall record and an eighth-place finish in the NCAA's. Reel, who will be competing at the 190 pound weight class, finished fourth in the NCAA's with a 19-4 overall record. Stepe, a 177 pound transfer student from Wilkes, should add a lot to the team according to Coach Strellner.

New faces for the Red Hawks include freshmen Terry Lemmon (Palisades Park) at 126 pounds, Carlos Latorre (Paterson) at wrestling at 134, Matt Lake (Closter) at 142 and at 150 Darn Quinones (Avenel). A big loss for Coach Strellner and his Red Hawks is 142 pounder Mike Flammer who finished last season with a 14-4 overall record and a 3-2 post season tournament record. Flammer's role will be filled by Lake this season.

Despite being a young and fairly new team, Strellner is expecting good things from his team and even better things in the future. Strellner boasts that this is his best recruiting class he has had in years and he feels that this team has the potential to place in the top ten in the country. Coach Strellner is beginning his 17th season as head coach and has been a part of MSU wrestling since the early 1970's, where he was a student and a wrestler. Entering this season, there have been 69 All-Americans at MSU, including Coach Strellner. Strellner has had the pleasure to wrestle for, with, or coach every one of them.

In the past, MSU wrestling has produced some of the greatest wrestlers on the Division III level. In 1992-93, Jim Sloan captured a National Championship finishing with a 36-0 record. In 1977-78, Ken Mallory won a National Championship with a 37-0 record. Karl Monaco has the most career wins in MSU history with 158 victories from 1985-89. Monaco also holds the record for most career pins with 55, and decisions with 78. Monaco's resume also includes an overall 158-9-2 record.

MSU opens their season tonight against Hunter at 7:00 PM in Panzer Gym.
Up Close and Personal with......
Sebastian DiBello

by Nick Gantaifis

For most coaches, finding a young leader is difficult. But for head men's soccer coach Rob Chesney, a young leader is what he got when he uncovered a recruit name Sebastian DiBello.

A freshman soccer player from Dover, DiBello started playing soccer at the age of five years old, at his parents urging. He has been playing ever since and has an extraordinary resume at such a young age. DiBello attended Dover High School where he received All State, All Conference and All Country honors his junior and senior year. With all those awards, one would think a Division I program was in the off season, DiBello hit the gym and lifts to strengthen his game and to keep in shape. During the winter he plays indoor soccer with the MSU soccer team and plays in the spring. Besides playing with his school teammates, he also plays on a club team called the Union Lancers.

If DiBello has to name some kind of goal it is to become college-educated. He also would like to keep soccer in his life in some way, possibly by coaching someday down the road.
MSU ends forgettable season by losing to Rowan 30-0. (Czechowicz, p. 32)