New computer labs on the way for Spring term

by Cheri Melone

To keep up with student demand, four new student computer labs will be opened during the spring semester. According to Cliff Gillman, Director of Academic Computing, "The largest student computer lab will be in Room 280 of Dickson Hall, and it opens on the first day of classes next semester."

The Student Center, Bohn Hall, and Blanton Hall will each have a small student computer lab installed in the Spring.

Gillman said that MSU has received 55 computers for the new student computer labs, and that most of the computers presently in use on campus have been upgraded to brand new machines. Gillman said that, "some classes will be held in the new Dickson Hall computer lab, but it will have set times for student usage."

Gillman said that student computer lab usage "has soared" partly because of the introduction of student Internet and e-mail accounts this past September. Gillman acknowledges that he has received complaints from students who need to do their homework in the computer labs and are sometimes kept waiting by Internet and email users. However, "there is gray area where some students are assigned homework by e-mail and such, and those students have every right to stay on." As far as a separate room for Internet and e-mail users, Gillman said that, "we are working on that."

Gillman said that 'homework has higher priority over recreational computing, and we are doing our best to remind everyone of that." Gillman said some of the student complaints stem from "some students that are not respecting this rule."

Senior Shane Scala said, "During weekdays, I have to wait for a computer almost 75 percent of the time." Scala said, "it would be a good idea to set up a separate room for Internet and e-mail users."

Internet user Sophomore Shirish Patel said, "I check my e-mail and talk to my friend on the Internet for about five to ten minutes a day. I would definitely give up the computer if somebody needed it for homework," said Patel.

Gillman hopes that the four new computer labs "will help to keep up with the steadily increasing amount of students at the university."

DSS considers buying scooters for patrolling

by Tom Boud

The Department of Campus Safety and Security is looking into purchasing scooter vehicles, according to Lt. Michael Postaski.

The scooter proposal is only the latest in a DSS anti-crime blitz which has entailed an escort service, increased emphasis on foot patrol, additional emergency call boxes, enhanced lighting, security cameras, and 24 hour security booths at all campus entrances which are under construction. This is not to mention a six week self-defense seminar at the beginning of the semester which was headed by Sgt. Paul Cell or numerous ongoing crime prevention lectures by Officer Timothy Webster.

Postaski said that DSS is considering the use of scooters for improved policing of the campus interior. "We are looking into an alternate-type transportation vehicle for interior campus patrolling."

He said that DSS has been in contact with various scooter vendors. "Right now, we have some vendors. We've already test-driven a vehicle from one vendor and we'll be test-driving another vehicle in January. Basically, we're looking at golf cart/scooter-type vehicles."

Postaski added that DSS has no definite starting date for scooter patrols.

Discussing campus crime, Postaski said that a total of 185 criminal offenses have been reported to DSS during the last three months: 39 for September, 79 for October, and 67 for November.

Postaski said these criminal offenses include theft, theft of automobile, assault, criminal mischief, weapons possession, drug violations, disorderly conduct, robbery, and even a kidnapping attempt. "There have been a lot more incidents of a serious nature this semester."

Aside from crime, Postaski said that DSS has been particularly busy with noncriminal matters. "We have spent a lot of time on such activities as medical assists, accidents, and checking out fire alarms. We've also spent a lot of time on escorts, investigating suspicious persons, and issuing summonses. We handed out 2,500 summonses alone for..."
MSU students not immune to proposed financial aid cuts

by Genie Feron

Students will be forced to pay more than ever in the history of the U.S. for their education, according to the Student Advisory Committee for the state of New Jersey.

MSU is not immune to the proposed reductions that will be decided on Dec. 15, but students still have the opportunity to voice their opinion regarding these cuts, said Dr. Randall Richards, Director of Financial Aid.

Most of the students affected by these cuts are in the middle-income bracket, participate in the student loan program and hold part-time jobs. These cuts will force a student to either borrow more money or work more hours.

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• Modify federal Pell Grant allocations by increasing eligibility requirements. This will affect all recipients but the neediest students, by shrinking the eligibility pool; however, those students deemed neediest will see an increase in their award. The maximum award per year will be increased by $100, for a total of $2,440.
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Our next issue will be January 16, 1996. Happy Holidays!
MSU Briefs

**No lockouts from 4-6 p.m.**

by Caroline Burgess

The Residence Life Handbook states that in the larger residence halls, which include Bohn, Blanton and Freeman Halls, no lockouts are done during the hours of 4 and 6 p.m. before being keyed in, if a resident forgets his key.

This policy of no lockouts during the dinner hours of 4 to 6 p.m. has been in effect, “at least as long as I have been here, since 1987,” said Director of Bohn Hall Joe DiMichele.

The key box, located behind the Bohn Hall desk, houses all of the keys to the individual rooms. It is locked at 4 p.m. and the key is given to the Assistant Manager on duty when he or she checks in around 4 or 4:30 p.m.

Since the hall is busy due to the coinciding Blanton Hall cafeteria hours, the Desk Assistants are unable to perform these lockouts as they do during the day, and they do not have access to the keys because the key box is locked, DiMichele said.

“If the AM is out of the building at dinner, it is an awkward time to call him or her back because someone was neglectful or irresponsible,” DiMichele said.

According to DiMichele, there are exceptions to this policy. If it is an emergency or if the AM who is on duty is in the building, the lockout will be taken care of during those two hours.

In the Residence Life Handbook students are warned, “It is your responsibility to carry your key at all times.”

**Faculty poetry reading a hit**

by Dave Richards

On Wednesday, Dr. Tom Benediktsson and Dr. Deanna Linett from the English Department kicked off what is promised to be a series of original poetry readings. Held in the student center, the two-hour session was a combination of the professors’ sharing their work and answering questions about their writing processes.

“We hope this will be the first of many readings,” said Benediktsson before introducing his pieces. The audience, composed of students and faculty, listened in silence as each writer read for almost twenty minutes each.

“We are really excited to try this,” said Linett as she took her turn at the podium. Her poems pulled the audience into a world of strong images with her powerful use of words. Meanwhile, Benediktsson’s poems were slightly more humorous and told autobiographical stories.

“I wish I had some humorous poems with me but I don’t,” said Linett. The audience laughed.

After both had finished reading, the floor was opened up for questions and comments. The writers explained what drives them through their work and also how it makes them feel. “It’s a rush like no other,” said Benediktsson.

To close the session, Benediktsson and Linett read a series of six poems that were connected by their images, styles and sounds. “I found this part to be the most intriguing part of the readings,” said Sharon Kelley. “That was a really neat idea. It showed me that writers can approach ideas in different ways and still evoke the same feelings.”

“This was extremely beneficial to the faculty and students because not everyone is writer,” said Dana Nadale. “It was a very comfortable setting and it answered a lot of questions that you don’t get to ask in class,” she said.

“I hope they keep doing more of these because it adds so much more to the poem when you hear the writer read it. This was great,” said Kerri Feddok.

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There will a News Department meeting Tues., 12/12 at 3 p.m. All News staff must attend!
Lecture given on teaching democracy

by Tom Bond

Dean Nicholas Michelli of the School of Professional Studies emphasized the need to teach independent thought about democracy at a Dec. 4 lecture entitled, “The Enculturation of the Young into Our Social and Political Democracy: The Role of Schools.” Michelli further elaborated on enculturation at a Dec. 5 interview held in his Chapin Hall office.

Michelli began by defining the meaning of enculturation. “Enculturation is an anthropological term. It has to do with the way values and beliefs are taught in a culture. Every society has a way of enculturating people into a society. The school is the only institution charged with the responsibility of having people learn what is necessary to function as citizens in a political and social society,” Michelli said.

Michelli said that the issue of political enculturation concerns the following: what teachers actually know and should know about democracy, what could be done with this knowledge, how it should be taught, and what schools can do to promote political enculturation in America.

“Most schools and universities have in their statements of purpose the goal of preparing young people to become citizens, but this is not acted on seriously. The evidence is that, for the most part, we take political enculturation for granted. We don’t do it as systematically as we should. One of the most important facets of education is preparing students to think about democracy critically and independently.”

Concerning enculturation efforts, Michelli said that MSU is collaborating with 1,500 other institutions including the Universitites of Colorado, Connecticut, and South Carolina. “The focus is on critical thinking. It’s on having people come to judgements on democracy based on criteria and open dialogue. The problem is that most teachers have a one-way dialogue mode of teaching and that most people come to judgements without being tested.”

Michelli stressed that the best way to ensure critical thinking about democracy is open dialogue. “It’s very dangerous not to train people to be open-minded. We work hard with schools to get this point across. We have gotten awards from all over the country in recognition of our work. However, enculturation should not be indoctrination because enculturation is about challenging people with 1,500 other institutions including the Universitites of Colorado, Connecticut, and South Carolina. “The focus is on critical thinking. It’s on having people come to judgements on democracy based on criteria and open dialogue. The problem is that most teachers have a one-way dialogue mode of teaching and that most people come to judgements without being tested.”

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Passaic River Water Watch Update

by Rosemary Gutierrez

The New Jersey Community Water Watch group in MSU is in the process of creating a charter and writing a constitution to make the environmental group a student organization, according to organizer Liz Delleart, after their successes with local endeavors.

The NJCWW environmental group recovered a ton and a half of trash from their sponsored Passaic River Clean-up last month, according to Delleart. With the help of 30 volunteers, the 250 hours of community clean-up gathered from the riverbank trash ranging from shopping carts to cars.

River Clean-ups are done once a semester. Last year, the group recovered a total of 200 tons of trash from the clean-ups.

Although interested in cleaning up, Delleart said the only way to have clean water is through preventive measures. She said the programs the group brings to schools educate students on the effect of one piece of trash thrown into water. The key, she said, is stopping the trash before it gets in there.

As a second program of the group, the representatives and volunteers from NJCWW this year have gone to four different schools in the Passaic and Montclair area. They have spoken to 30 classes of students. 18 more classes are scheduled for December. A six-week curriculum, consisting of nine classes seen six times each, is planned for January.

Streamwalking is the third program of the MSU Water Watch group. The walks take place along the Passaic River which starts above the Pompton River and continues down to Rt. 80 and Rt. 20. For ten hours a week, members and volunteers note everything out of the ordinary from dead fish to open barrels on the bank. There are committees, Delleart said, for particular areas. "Ideally, there would be a committee assigned to each of the 10 sites of study on the river."

All information they collect is sent to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, explained Delleart. If the department considers an occurrence unusual, someone will be sent to investigate formally. Delleart said that some steps the department takes are containing the problem, testing the area, locating the party responsible and filing law suits.

Last year, in their 8,000 hours of streamwalking, Delleart said they did water testing at the Passaic River. This was the first year of the NJCWW MSU group, and testing was "not conclusive," she said. This year, the testing will continue on a regular basis and volunteers will be taught how to take samples.

The project for this year will be to locate all of the sewer outflows using a map NJDEP is creating of all storm drains. In Paterson, Delleart said, the outflows combine rain and sewer together and it flows into the reservoir. This information will be given to the Department of Health. It can help them regulate health risks, said Delleart.

She said the group hopes to compile all the information collected about the Passaic River together in a file by the end of the Spring, 1996. "We will expand on gathered information from last year," said Delleart, "to see where the river has been and where it is going."

The group is concerned with the Passaic River because organizers Delleart and Bill Stearns are members of a national service, AMER, whose members work in needy areas. "We try to work on urban waterways. If an area is economically depressed, bigger concerns are on food and clothing. They are not as concerned with the waterways and therefore the river becomes distressed environmentally," concluded Delleart.

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the month of September. There's a lot of stuff that goes on that people don't read about in the weekly police blotter," Postaski said.

Postaski remarked that just keeping track of all criminal and non-criminal incidents at MSU requires the efforts of two officers. "I spend a lot of time putting all these statistics together. Also, Officer Timothy Webster is providing a lot of assistance with the statistics."

Student opinion about the proposed use of scooters can be best expressed by sophomore Jill Caliendo. "I think it's a great idea because we need more security. I have night classes and it's real dark on the other side of Finley and Mallory Halls."
Wellspring sponsors "party safely" lecture for Greek Council

by Kristina Mathison

The Wellspring Program sponsored Joe Madge, a College Advisory Task Force representative of Trenton State College, to speak to the Greek Council Tuesday night about how to plan a safe party and what to do when someone is drunk.

Madge's first experience with a fraternity party was on his first day at Louisiana State University. "Everybody in the room was drinking," he said. Being an athlete and Boston native, Madge was surrounded by "the brothers" who began to verbally abuse him until his 7-foot friend rescued him.

Madge began the lecture by stressing risk management. Parents of injured party-goers get the "PPS," "Pissed-off Parents Syndrome who will sue anybody and everybody." He stressed the fact that even though insurance companies, "will pay and pay a lot" for lawsuits, they "aren't there to give out settlements."

Madge explained that host liability should be a main concern when throwing a party. Host liability says that the owner of the house or establishment where a party takes place is responsible for the consequences of that party.

"And the Greeks are under siege," said Madge. "Twenty years ago, they really weren't held accountable, but right now, there's a microscope looking at the Greek community."

Through audience participation, Madge listed the party factors that affect intoxication. Among them are not eating enough, body size, what you drink, and how fast you drink it.

Madge suggests getting professional help if someone gets extremely intoxicated at your party or a party you are attending. "If you have any doubt about what to do, call for help," he said.

With background information about alcohol and its effects covered, Madge moved on to what to consider when planning a safer party. He listed some suggestions that can make a party successful:

• Serve food high in carbohydrates.
• Have sober people monitor the party. Remember to consider how many people are going to attend.
• Have sober people provide rides home. Madge warned that this is not a complete solution because it is seen as an "attractive nuisance," where the effect will produce a drinking binge.
• Provide alternative beverages.
• Prepare, and stick to, an invitation list.
• BYOB, "Bring Your Own Beer/Beverage."
• Have a theme to your party.
• "There are a lot of things you can do and still have fun, and still remember it in the morning," concluded Madge.

Director of the Wellspring Project at MSU, MaryAnne DiMasi, said, "Greek Life is very big on campus and part of that is partying. Parties do take place."

However, she stressed that the Wellspring Project "is here to target the student population and not here to police; we're here to help."

"We think of Animal House and stuff like that when we think of campus parties. They're [the Greeks] not the only group that parties."

Michelli summed up by underlining the significance of political enculturation. "Jefferson saw the school as the key element of the democratic process. Here, leaders can be selected by their ability instead of wealth or class. Enculturation is an ongoing process which has to be spread throughout education. We have to keep at it."
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Residence Life Fashion Show a great success

By Joseph Paternoster

On Wednesday, November 29th a group of Resident Assistants from Bohn Hall, with the assistance of Programming Director Matthew Kane, put on a fashion show titled Something Different.

The tickets cost $4.00 a piece, and all of the proceeds were donated to the Sickle Cell Anemia Foundation in the name of Omar Redding, a Bohn RA who passed away earlier this year.

The show took place in the Student Center Ballrooms, where 25 tables were set up surrounding the runway. The tables were covered with red cloths and had black and white balloons in the middle of them, to add a festive touch. As the refreshments were served, the room began to fill up to the point where people had to be turned away. The show started at 7:55 pm, with a restless audience waiting in anticipation.

“We promise to show you something different,” the emcee began, and that they did. From the ski slopes to a night on the town, the models did a terrific job in some great, and at times, freaky clothes. The trip to the Far East “with a ’90s twist” was accentuated by short hemlines and red fans.

Next down the runway was the business look, featuring Miss Lori Tobias, complete with cellular phone in hand. It seems that the feminine business look is in, as most of the ensembles shed away from pant suits and went for skirts.

The “Winter Wardrobe” dared us to “make a bold statement”, and they did just that. Pink, green, yellow, and purple sleeveless angora sweaters started this look for the ladies. The men’s look was a little less bold, sticking with the traditional brown, gray, or dark purple shirts and black pants.

After that the “Night on the Town” portion of the show began. The models were coupled, showing off dresses and suits. Sophistication was the watchword for this stop on the tour. Black, purple, gold, and red were the colors for the ladies; with everything from sequins to Department Store selection process, revealing how publishing companies influence professors’ choices.

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Remember Pearl Harbor, Dec. 7, 1941

by Erica Duncan

While walking around the Student Center, I noticed posters that will be going on around campus. I walked into the Student Activities Office.

While copying down the information, members of Chi Alpha came in and announced that they will sing a song for the office.

The song that they sang was “Silent Night.” It sounded heavenly. Subsequent to the singing of the carol, a scripture was read. The scripture was about the reaction of Joseph when he found out that Mary was pregnant. As he started to question if he should stay with her, an angel came down and stated that he should not fear for she was carrying the son of God. With that, he carried Mary away and awaited the birth of their child.

As I was listening to this display of the Christmas spirit, I was wondering if this type of feeling was evident all over campus?

With the stress of finals approaching and last minute papers due, many people have become a little distant from the actual holiday. Some people on campus are in the spirit, though. If you walk around campus at night, you will see traces of it everywhere.

Students have decorated their windows with lights, bowties and pictures of elves and other Christmas items. Resident Assistants have decorated their boards in holiday attire as well as the front desk area in the dorms.

Anne Marie Carvalho, sophomore says, “It’s their season. Live and let live.”

Junior Amy Pumphrey said, “I think that people have Christmas spirit, aside from me,” as she watched the Charlie Brown Christmas Special.

“There really isn’t any Christmas spirit here. Very little, you know what I mean. There is the exception of a few cheezy lights in front of Bohn Hall,” said sophomore Keith Donnelly.

Sophomore Amy Lewis said, “I really don’t see a lot of Christmas spirit on campus, except for the lights out in front of Bohn Hall.”

“Inside Freeman,” Lewis said, “they have a Christmas tree, and it’s really pretty. But there isn’t much decoration outside of the residence halls.”
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A: Students who receive federal work study awards as part of their financial aid packages can only receive money if they work on-campus. Those not on financial aid can still be employed on-campus. Come to Career Services, located in the Student Center Annex, 104, and ask to see the on-campus employment books.

The most jobs are available at the beginning of the semester. University offices are looking for employees with good communication and customer service skills, as well as good work attitudes.

Q: My parents want to know if there is a major which will ensure me a job after graduation. What is the best choice?

A: No major can ensure you a job. Employers do not hire majors, they hire people with valuable skills and positive attitudes. According to a recent survey of 259 employers conducted by The National Association of Colleges and Employers, communication skills are looked for most in job applicants. Furthermore, when asked to rate the importance of skills, employers choose oral communication, interpersonal and teamwork skills as the most important ingredients for a successful new hire.

Here are some tips:
1. Go to your classes, study hard, and get good grades.
2. Get involved in activities.
3. Get an internship related to your career goal.
4. Become computer literate.

Choosing a major that truly interests you and following the above suggestions will help make your college experience a rewarding one.

Log-On @ MSU

by Rito Brownmant

I had the pleasure of visiting New Jersey's second cybercafe, @ALAYS. The cafe has five fast pc's plus a Mac, all with Internet access via a local provider. Two computers also have virtual reality, with a selection of CD-ROM games to choose from. High tech does not come cheap, but I did not consider it overpriced. Internet access (email, Netscape, etc.) is $10/hour, email box $7.50/month includes 10 minutes daily online time to check and send email, videoconferencing $30/half hour, virtual reality $10/half hour, personal training $20/half hour, upgrades and service $60/hour. B&W laser prints $.25/cent/page, color inkjet prints $2/page. @ALAYS is located at 617 Valley Road, Upper Montclair center, just a few doors south of The Gap Cafe. Cafe hours are: Mon. - Thurs. 8 a.m. - 10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m. - midnight, Sat. 10 a.m. - midnight, and Sun. noon - 5 p.m. Enjoy!

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The Real World
by the students of the Co-Operative Education Program

by Derek Van Valken

For many students nearing graduation or those seeking entry-level positions, the familiar mantra among prospective employers seems to be, “We’d like to hire you, but you have no professional experience.”

The Co-Operative Education program bridges the gap between the classroom and the workplace. The program provides students with an opportunity to apply the knowledge acquired through extensive college course work to the real world of working life.

My personal reason for visiting the Co-op offices was because I was unsure of my future career path. As I sifted through the Co-op library, I came across the book, Careers for English Majors. I was amazed at just how much I could do. One career path stood out. This was a career in public relations. Through the Co-op library, I researched the field.

As I learned more and more about the career, I wanted on the job experience. As a result, I signed up for Co-op and accepted a Co-op internship at MCS, Inc., in Summit.

MCS is a health care public relations agency. The staff includes senior executives with a wide range of backgrounds in crisis management, event coordination and new product launches, and an experienced group of top notch account executives.

Like every entry level position, I needed to learn basic duties before actual work in the field began. At MCS, interns participate in a two week training program. During this time, Co-op interns are taught standard office procedures such as answering phones and maintaining an organized office by the Office Coordinator. Direct supervisors teach the fundamentals of press release writing, media list management, and Lexis/Nexis online searches. From the account staff all the way up to the CEO, people are there to teach, and are always available to answer questions.

The most practical experience of my internship was my involvement in press events, as I work directly on account teams. Each person has his or her set responsibilities. There are deadlines to be met, which increase the pressure, but what job does not have pressure? The realistic pressure of fulfilling and attaining deadlines has given me valuable work experience. In my opinion, this goes a long way when a person is trying to obtain a position.

Through my internship, I have made some valuable contacts with the media. In public relations, where interaction with the media is essential, it is a definite plus to acquire new contacts and develop a working relationship with them. Several stories I’ve pitched to the media have appeared in print. Even as a Co-op intern, I have just as much responsibility for getting the word out as the senior account people. I enjoy the challenge.

To see an article written on the results of a clinical study or survey I pitched, gives me a great deal of satisfaction.

The Co-op office is always there to help. If I had any questions or difficulties on the job, my Co-op supervisor was always willing to listen and offer advice. The office helped me formulate a student profile of myself, and aided in finding the Co-op position. For anyone interested in broadening their horizons in the employment industry, or looking for valuable work experience to add on to one’s resume, I would highly recommend a visit to Co-op.

A counselor can assist in exploring career goals, and obtaining an internship.

Campus Pulse: Students respond on troops in Bosnia

by Suzanne Peigle

As you read this, 20,000 troops are traveling to Bosnia-Herzegovina in a peace keeping effort.

Since our government is handling this in a much more low-key manner than when Iraq invaded Kuwait, I wondered how the students of NISU are reacting. Here are a few opinions.

I don’t think we should get involved in foreign affairs unless it’s absolutely necessary. We should weigh all other possibilities before we send troops anywhere because we may end up doing more harm than good. Just look at what happened in Haiti.

Caroline Howell

What bothers me is the fact that these troops are going over to Bosnia and many of us do not even know why. I am very relieved that the draft is not still in effect. I honestly would not want to go. It’s hard to fight for something that you do not truly understand.

Richard Choi

It’s very sad to hear about those 20,000 men and women going to Bosnia to fight, especially since Christmas is coming. I think the United States should solve it’s own problems first, but I do feel bad for the Bosnians and their families.

Marta Gomez

This is not something that I can be totally against. For two years, our government has stated that troops would not enter Bosnia until a peace agreement had been reached. We are not going in to fight a war, we are only going in to enforce peace. I think the timing stinks, because the holidays are here and many troops will be away from their families. However, these men and women know what they are doing.

Don Whelan

I support it. I believe that it is the right thing to do. I say this because it is not an economic issue, it is a human issue. America can’t afford to live in isolation anymore.

Naren Smalese-Duffy

I feel that they are walking into a trap. I don’t think that the U.S. needs to be everyone’s protector. This is in Europe and their nation should do more than they have been. There is no need for America to be the protectors of all.

Diane Brown

America should mind their own business. We should not try to be the world police.

Lennon Barkley

I didn’t even know that the troops were in Bosnia.

Name Withheld

Bored? Write for the Campus Life section. Contact Erica in the Montclarion office, Student Center room 113 or call 655-5169 for the opportunity to do so.
Food Focus: How to eat healthy over the holiday season

by Ann Margaret Kane

During the holidays, we love being with friends and family at social gatherings, but fear the high-fat foods we are offered at special occasions.

Nutritionists estimate that millions gain between five to ten pounds between Thanksgiving and Christmas. That’s around 28,000 extra calories. How is that possible?

The sight and smell of foods alone cause us to indulge. A simple solution to this problem would be to savor every bite of food, so you’ll be satisfied with less.

It’s the only time that certain foods are available, so you feel compelled to eat these seasonal delights.

“Be selective,” said Karen J. Bellerson, author of The Fat Book. Eat the foods that you love, rather than attempting avoidance, just eat moderate portions. Avoid drinking too much alcohol, which is loaded with extra calories and stimulates appetite. Although these social settings encourage drinking, try to drink in moderation.

To prevent hunger, have a big breakfast so you will be less likely to overeat later in the day. Another option: just prior to the main meal, have a glass of water or a snack to stave off hunger.

How do we enjoy these holiday treats without expanding our waistbands? “It’s a matter of mindset,” said Barbara Keyworth, M.S.W., and behavioral therapist at Duke University from “Outsmarting the Holiday” in Weight Watchers’ December ’96 issue: “You have to choose to stay on your eating plan.”

High-fat foods contribute to unwanted pounds. When possible, substitute low-fat ingredients for traditional high-fat recipes. For instance using low-fat yogurt instead of sour cream in dips. When making cookies, replace two egg whites for one egg yolk. Egg whites are virtually fat and cholesterol free.

There are so many more things, in addition to foods, that the holidays have to offer. Treat yourself to a day of shopping, including a gift for yourself, rent a movie holiday classic or tune up an existing exercise program or start a new one. Exercise is a great way to relieve holiday stress and to burn up those extra holiday calories. According to The Center for Science, Nutrition Action newsletter, “Move it or Lose it!”

Some tips for maintaining healthy eating habits during the holidays are:

1. Don’t skip meals.
2. Eat a good breakfast.
3. Have a glass of water or snack before dinner to stave off hunger.
5. When it comes to desserts, try a little bit of everything.
6. Don’t reach out for food when you are stressed out!
7. Allow one treat per day before the holiday to avoid overindulgence.
8. Keep a journal to record eating habits.
9. Exercise to burn off excess holiday calories.

Thomas Flynn discusses Sartre and Foucault

by Moses Sacknitz

Flown to MSU especially for you; existential scholar and warm heart; Thomas Flynn arrived from Emory University for the second time last Thursday and delivered his lecture, "Sartre and Foucault: A Tale of Two Citizens." Both students and faculty were delighted to attend.

Tom Flynn was here last semester, and he gave a reception for majors in the afternoon providing a paper and technical background for his planned speech. Perhaps that went too well, for later that night, the then "B" building’s pipes burst, causing Tom to cancel his lecture and leave the students and faculty with an academic feeling of suspense.

Hope was restored to us all when the Philosophy and Religion department captured him during a lecture at Emory and flew him directly to the Student Center where he was served a bean burrito.

The focus of “A Tale of Two Citizens” was to compare in narrative form the life of Jean-Paul Sartre, the inventor of existentialism, philosopher, novelist and playwright; with the life of Michael Foucault, follower of Sartre, structuralist, and advocate of the theory of systems.

What does this mean to the average student? Good question. You may have heard the expression, “Hell is other people.” This is from Sartre’s play, No Exit, in which hell is depicted as three people locked up in a room for eternity. Each is the other’s torturer. Sound familiar?

More aspects of Sartre’s thinking include the notion that we are our possibilities, and we are always the end-product of our life’s actions. The crux lies in the fact that at any moment we have the power to change, alter, or re-direct our lives, so that when an existentialist says, “you are what you are not,” we can understand him/her. All this stems from Sartre’s complex notion of being, or existence.

Foucault would likely say to you, “Your way of studying an object creates the object.” Before we dismiss this as ridiculous, we must understand that he means that when an object of existence is presented before us (and it could be anything) we always bring to it our own understanding and preconceptions. If I am hungry, I see this object as a bowl. If I am a hippie, I see it as a frisbee. This can also be applied to abstract concepts.

These and other important concepts were discussed, such as Foucault’s notions of power and its capilarities, system, and structure. He would also say that the occupation of philosophy is to diagnose the present through its comparative hist-
Flynn memorably described the lives and thought of Sartre and Foucault as two partially overlapping circles, much like "searchlights in a prison yard, if you want to go by your own experience," as he put it.

After his presentation, a reception was held featuring Pepperidge Farm gourmet cookies and soda. It was here that I confronted Dr. Flynn. I asked him, "Who is your favorite musician?" He answered, "Gustav Mahler, for his depth of emotion."

"Who is your least favorite philosopher?"

TF. "Bertrand Russell, for he hits the bull's eye at first but then splatters all over the target in exaggeration."

MS. "What is your favorite ice cream flavor?"

TF. "Black currant."

MS. "What is the most important thing for the layperson to understand?"

TF. "Pause... "To consider the realm of possible lives. What we are led to believe are necessities are only life’s possibilities."

We thank Thom as Flynn for his warmth and for coming back a second time to share his discoveries.

Being overweight increases the chance of dying young

by Christina Miller

Recently, a study on what women should weigh showed that even being slightly overweight increases the odds of dying in mid-life.

A New England Journal study showed that for women five feet, five inches tall, those who weighed less than 120 pounds had the best chance of living longest.

Leading obesity experts, including Dr. Susan Yanovski with the National Institute of Health, say one shouldn’t panic over these findings. The most important thing you can do for your weight, is to keep from gaining more.

Some women, like those who attended a recent conference at Berkeley called "Health at Every Size," are ignoring the study. "My advice would be to adopt a healthy lifestyle and let your weight fall where it may," nutritionist Joanne Ikeda said.

"If your weight in high school or young adulthood was normal, that's the weight you should remain for the rest of your life," Dietz said. "It's quite clear that any weight gain out of the normal range carries with it a risk of disease or death regardless of your age."

UPCOMING CAMPUS CALENDAR

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 7

The Latin American and Latino Studies Minor will be sponsoring a Homage to Marti/Fiesta Navideña with poetry, music and food from 6:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. in Dickson Hall room 178. For more information call x7511.

MONDAY
DECEMBER 11

OSAU is sponsoring a storyteller at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Center room 419. All are welcome to attend. There will be a vocal chamber ensemble in the McEachern Recital Hall at noon.

FRIDAY
DECEMBER 8

Players presents An Evening of One Acts featuring two original plays, Imprisoned and Rooftops and other forms of Transportation. It will be in the Student Center room 126. The cost is $2.00 for students and $3.00 to non-students.

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 9

Organization of Students for African Unity, OSAU, will be co-sponsoring a party with Groove Phi Groove from 9:00 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. in the Student Center Ballrooms. The cost will be from $4.00 and up.

College Bowl tournament from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 10

There is a senior recital with Nicole Bini-Covart playing the flute at 8:00 p.m. in McEachern Recital Hall.

TUESDAY
DECEMBER 12

Dr. Molefi Assante is coming to speak in the Student Center Ballrooms at 7:30. This event is being sponsored by OSAU.

WEDNESDAY
DECEMBER 13

There will be a reception and a performance of American Repertory Ballet’s “The Nutcracker” beginning at 5:00 p.m. The performance begins at 6:30 p.m. The tickets cost $20 for students and children, and $35 for standard admission. For tickets or information contact 655-5112.

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 14

There will be a luncheon at 2:00 p.m. in Dickson Hall room 178. Come and learn about holiday traditions from different cultures. Also, a lecture on “Coping with the Stress of the Holidays” by Susan Herman of Psychological Services. Admission is $6.50.

SUMMER SESSION 1996 FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION(S) DEADLINE:

MARCH 1, 1996 (1995-96 FAFSA MUST BE FILED BY FEBRUARY 1, 1996)

APPLICATIONS AND INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE NOW IN THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE, COLLEGE HALL ROOM 321.
MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
SUMMER SESSIONS 1996

Avoid delay! Pick up your Summer Sessions catalog late March. No admission application required for MSU students. Just follow telephone registration instructions in the catalog.

FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO REGISTER BY TELEPHONE FOR ALL SESSIONS APRIL 8-MAY 6

Priority for Montclair State students April 8-16

Visiting Students may register April 17-May 6

Visiting students from other colleges and universities must have their permission form or letter from their school indicating good academic standing and eligibility to take course work at another institution OR the Visiting Student Permission form from the Montclair State University 96 Summer Sessions catalog processed by MSU Admissions prior to registration. Specific details will appear in the 96 Summer Sessions catalog.

Additional opportunities to register by telephone for all sessions beginning May 20

Beginning May 20th, there will be additional opportunities for all students to register by telephone during Summer Sessions as long as the 9th of May is not to be processed by Montclair State University Admissions for summer registration.

This preliminary listing of courses and programs is for general information purposes only, and is subject to minor changes. Complete Registration, Schedule and Visiting Student information appears in the 1996 Summer Sessions catalog, which is needed to complete registration.

The catalog will be available in late March.

A student may take one or more semester course during the Three-Week Pre-Session; a total of 9 semester hours during any combination of the Six-Week Session, Eight-Week Session, and Ten-Week Saturday Session; and one 3 semester course during the Three-Week Post-Session.

Financial Aid: The primary source of financial assistance for Summer Sessions study is the William D. Ford Direct Stafford Loan Program. Loan assistance is not available if a student is requesting it for only Pre- and/or Post-Session study. This condition is a function of Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submitted their Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Montclair State University ‘96 Summer Sessions catalog processed by MSU Admissions in order to register.

Students accepted by a regionally accredited college or university, other than Montclair State, to begin their studies in the 1995 Fall semester are considered Visiting Students. Following the registration procedure(s). Use admission letter to the student attending in the fall semester to be processed by Montclair State University Admissions for summer registration.

Tuition and Fees:

(Summer 1995 for your guidance, 1996 Summer Sessions tuition and fees will be established by the University Board of Trustees at a public meeting late in the spring semester) Undergraduate: $93.00 per credit New Jersey residents, $154.00 per credit non-residents of New Jersey Graduate: $127.50 per credit New Jersey residents, $214.50 per credit non-residents of New Jersey Graduate: $127.50 per credit New Jersey residents. $214.50 per credit non-residents of New Jersey Graduate: $127.50 per credit New Jersey residents. $214.50 per credit non-residents of New Jersey.

**Tuition and fees are subject to change at any time by action of the Montclair State University Board of Trustees.**

Key to abbreviation of days:

- M-Monday
- T-Tuesday
- W-Wednesday
- R-Thursday
- F-Friday
- S-Saturday
- U-Sunday

The Summer Sessions office is located in College Hall, Room 215, telephone (201) 655-4362. Montclair State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.
SIX-WEEK SESSION
Most courses meet during the course:
May 28-June 13
General Time Frames:
6:30-9:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-2:25 p.m.
1:30-4:50 p.m.

EIGHT-WEEK SESSION
Most courses meet during the course:
June 10-July 3
General Time Frames:
8:30-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-1:25 p.m.
1:30-3:50 p.m.

TEN-WEEK SESSION, SATURDAYS
June 8 - August 10
General Time Frames:
8-11:45 a.m. 9 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

GRADUATE COURSES
Three-week pre-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Three-week post-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Graduate School of Education
Graduate pre-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Graduate post-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Graduate School of Social Work
Graduate pre-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Graduate post-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

Graduate School of Engineering
Graduate pre-session
Most courses meet during the course:
May 26 - June 10
General Time Frames:
8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.

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May 26 - June 10
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8:30-9:30 a.m.
9 a.m.-10:40 a.m.
11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.
It's happened to all of us. We've gone to one of the many computer labs on campus, trying to find a computer to type a paper on, and they're all either being used or are broken. There isn't much to complain about the broken ones, save for asking that they get repaired faster. But there is something to complain about concerning the ones in use, or at least the people using them.

The computers are there for academic purposes, but this fact seems to escape those people we see who sit there socializing or playing games with them, as we patiently wait for our turn. There is no reason for a student with homework to have to wait for somebody to finish an interminable number of hands of solitaire.

The World Wide Web is an amazing resource of information from around the world, from antimatter to zoology, with text and sound and full color pictures for anyone's use. It is also a giant warehouse of games, stories, news, cartoons, and other interesting diversions. But a student looking for medical data from Bolivia finds that the system is slowed down because someone downloading images from Hustler Online is taking up an unreasonable amount of bandwidth.

How many times have we been hard at work on our homework at the computer and the person next to us was reading "The Brady Family Orgy" while the waiting line stretched out the door? Or the printer couldn't get to our essay because it was too busy printing out the entire year's
Montclarion Mailbag

Apology for Bohn fire alarms

Fire alarms have been a major problem at the dorms of MSU, especially in Bohn Hall. The students pull the alarms all the time for whatever reason, and I was one of them on the night of September 30, 1995. I am writing this letter to apologize to the residents of Bohn Hall, the faculty members, the police department, the fire department, and the fire station. Hopefully by writing this letter I can prevent at least one person from pulling the alarm again. Although I pulled it a while back, it’s not too late to apologize and save someone else all the trouble that I had to go through. I realize that pulling the alarm was in poor judgment and although I was intoxicated, I was still responsible for what I did. I not only invited trouble upon myself, but I also could have put everyone in Bohn Hall in danger. So many alarms have been pulled that some students don’t even bother to get out of their rooms. It’s like “The Little Boy Who Cried Wolf.” One day there may be a real fire, but some people may not move, causing them to get injured. With all the trouble I had to go through, it wasn’t worth pulling it. It’s not fun going outside late at night, especially when there are those who have early classes the next morning. Nobody seems to laugh when they come outside, so it’s not even a fun joke. Anyone who goes to jail and has to let out on $500 bail definitely learns his lesson. Besides going to jail, I had to miss a number of classes because I had to deal with court dates and faculty members on campus. I made a stupid move, so now I have to face the consequences which include being banned from the dorms until Fall of 1996. The only thing I can do now is prevent someone else from committing the same act, because a false fire alarm is a serious criminal offense.

Antoine Amuy

Rubinocorrects Fleischman

Frank Fleischman should pay more attention to his reading and writing skills, particularly when he quotes published work. In his column titled, “Writer Rejects Rubino’s Ideology” (November 30), Mr. Fleischman claims that I said that I “wish there was a cut” (in school lunch programs and Medicare). I would advise Mr. Fleischman to reexamine my column that he critiques (Republican’s Manifest Destiny, November 16). This statement does not appear and I find it reprehensible that Mr. Fleischman would err on the side of misinformation and libel.

Michael P. Rubino
Montclarion columnist

Dissemination ofinformation on safet y at MSU is unreliable

We were recently informed that on November 20, 1995, a man was held at gunpoint on the Clove Road bridge. Multiple things about this situation distress us. The first and foremost item is how we were informed. We overheard a staff conversation about the incident, and then confirmed the story with the police. When we questioned the campus police as to why the students were not informed of the incident, he explained that an e-mail was sent out on the Dewey system, which only has faculty accounts. When we inquired as to why e-mail was not sent to a student system such as Pegasus or Alpha, the officer informed us that they did not have access to these systems. How can this be? Important memo needs to be disseminated regarding personal safety, why should the police not have access to the system? The incident involved student safety, not faculty. The faculty has access to parking lots which are close to University buildings. Students are forced to park in the very remote areas, such as the Clove Road lot. Many of us walk to and from Clove Road parking lots at least eight times a week. Since the incident on the 20th of November, we have made the trip ten times. We do not understand why, with such an explosive situation, the students were not notified.

The officer did explain that the Montclarion was given the information, but the Montclarion was not available until Thursday, November 30, 1995, ten days after the incident. We feel that this is an unacceptable method to inform the students in a timely manner.

Shawn Pyatak, Psychology major
Melanie Fleming, Philosophy major

Montclarion Mailbag letter policy

The deadline for letters is 3:00 p.m. Monday. All letters must be typed and double-spaced, and not exceed two pages in length. Letters must include the author’s name, major, social security number and phone number. The last two items are used for verification purposes only. The letters may be edited for length, libel, and taste.

Stretford Mongrel
by Matthew Connolly

When I first arrived at MSU, I did the thing that seemed most natural to me in order to meet and socialize with people. I sought out the pub. Looking in the student handbook, I spotted mention of the Rathskeller. I thought maybe MSU’s Rathskeller is similar to that of the Bauhaus movement. Perhaps the university had associated itself with the same ideas and ideals of the Bauhaus education. How wrong I was. It seems that MSU more closely aligns itself with the Nazi repression of Bauhaus with its attitude towards alcohol. I know about drinking laws, but I don’t understand their puritanical application at MSU.

Although a majority of students may be below the age of 21, a significant minority of students as well as all the faculty and most other staff are not and they are entitled to be able to enjoy a drink. With I.D. cards readily available in the form of driver’s licenses or even an amended MSU card, the restrictions on underage drinking could easily be met. So why not liberalize the present policy a bit?

The promotion of a responsible attitude toward alcohol is laudable and I support it. However temperance is not the way to achieve this. I attended a Wellspring Program presentation this week on “safer parties.” The speaker, Joe Madge, outlined the dangers of excessive alcohol consumption and ways to avoid or lessen these risks. He made a lot of sense and had a realistic attitude toward alcohol.

Some of the problems he associated with alcohol consumption seemed to stem from youthful exuberance and inexperience, rather than alcohol itself. Peerc pressure could also be seen as a positive pressure by influencing people not to drink excessively or by taking care away from intoxicated drivers.

I cannot hope for a more reasonable drinking age in the current political climate, although it is interesting to note that politicians consider one age responsible enough to vote but not to drink. I can only speak from a European viewpoint on this subject, but in general if the young are introduced to alcohol by their parents in a respectful and responsible manner it leads to fewer problems in the future. So often the ill nature of a product leads teenagers to discover it and abuse it in private, preventing them from learning how to use the drug carefully. MSU’s “dry campus” policy perpetuates this system. One good example of how the present policy could have been sensibly relaxed was the recent Convocation Day. There was a great celebratory occasion with good food, convivial company and wine glasses on the table but only water or iced tea to drink. A very permissive attitude. One glass of wine would have been a very nice touch.

Student unions in British colleges run successful bars that provide a center for recreation and socializing in a controlled atmosphere. They bring in significant revenue, something not to be sniffed at in the current financial climate. We take money from gambling for education why not from beer sales? There is excess, but they are more rites of passage than regular drinking habits.

The veritable cornucopia of alcoholic beverages available at my local liquor store is a delight to me. For the sensuous pleasures of fine wines, whiskies and beers should not be denied by those who have not tasted a full bodied Burgundy, smoky Islay Malt or bitter Boddingtons beer. Alcohol is not just for chugging. It can be appreciated too.
Writer's defense from the "Editorial Zone"

A word to the wise: controversy breeds contempt. A case in point: Frank Fleischman III, a man who held an unpopular view, and was verbally thrashed. The price to be paid, perhaps, for writing in... The Editorial Zone.

In the two years that I have written for this newspaper, I have never received such strong responses as I have to my column on Megan’s Law. Some people stopped me on campus and argued reasonably with me. Others have simply attacked me personally, calling me a “slimeball,” a “pervert” and other names not fit to print here simply because I opposed Megan’s Law on constitutional and pragmatic grounds. I have felt firsthand the effects of the dark side of majoritarianism.

Nancy Cifalino and Deanna DiMarco made some reasoned, if pyrrhic, arguments in their letter last week. In that letter, the two ladies say that it is “obvious” that neither I, nor anyone close to me, has ever been molested. The former assumption is correct; the latter assumption is incorrect. I have had close friends who have been victimized by child molesters. They have told me of the deep pain that they felt during those times, as well as when their parents didn’t believe them. I blame the parents for not believing their children and for not taking an interest in the people that their children came in contact with. I don’t blame the legal system. Government cannot usurp the responsibilities of parents in keeping their children safe.

Cifalino and DiMarco write that they are “interested in the ‘civil liberties, right to privacy, and the right to continue their lives’ of convicted murderers, rapists, and molesters. I’m sure that’s true, and that’s a big part of the problem.

No matter how horrible the crimes that criminals commit, when they have done their time in prison, they have a right to re-enter the community to start their lives again. The victims will never get compensation for the wrong-doings done against them. If Cifalino and DiMarco want to lobby to have early parole repealed, then fine. It would be even more constructive to lobby the legislature to appropriate more money toward psychiatric services for both criminal and victim, and, when they are given clearance by mental health professionals, they should be returned to the community for a fresh start. That’s justice, although Cifalino and DiMarco don’t seem as interested in justice as much as revenge.

Megan’s Law makes such a plan impossible, because neighborhood notification that a convicted sex offender is coming into the community guarantees acts of vigilanism, like the one last year in southern New Jersey when a former convict was mistaken as a sex offender and attacked in his own apartment by a man with a baseball bat. But why stop there? Why not stop there? Why not do the same thing to some people’s own self-interest doesn’t get intermeshed with the purpose of serving the public as a whole, a goal which should have little room for self-interest.

Perhaps we can filter out such self-interested people by picking our legislators out of a hat. Of course, we may get some who are unqualified. The kind of person we need in the government is one who is continuously aware of our situation on all levels. When the comforts of the upper-class senator become overwhelming, we could hire someone to whisper in his or her ear, “Remember, you are elected.”

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Instant Karma

by Melva Sackowitz

I was passing a classroom where an old professor of mine was teaching and I stuck my head in. He said, “How are ya big guy?” I said, “Fine,” but as I was leaving I heard him call out, “Come back, we need an example of an old fashioned liberal!” This confounded me. I came back to the class and asked him why he thought was an “old fashioned liberal,” since I had never had any in-depth discussions about anything political. He said he was joking. I said that I was through with politics (having finished the major) and I had moved on to philosophy. I mentioned that Jean-Paul Sartre would have said that doing politics only gets you “dirty hands.”

Am I offended at being called an “old fashioned liberal?” Not really, since I don’t think anyone can tell me what that exactly means. Perhaps more aggravating is being politically stamped with no reason. People have the tendency to jump to ideological conclusions (and confusions) due to the very nature of political thinking which in our country leads to a select few deciding the fate of all.

In America, behavior may provide impressive slogans and evoke feelings of duty, but actually it is only, in my thought, a sport for power. A sport is a game. If you can play the game, you win. What do you win? Power. Money. Influence. For some reason I find these goals somewhat undesirable to any sensible person. Skills to play the game are most definitely required. Such “skills” including having financial backing, rhetorical skills to influence and alter public moods and thinking, and the stomach for cut-throat competition. Think about it. People compete for control of our country, city, etc., which is allegedly for our own good. People competing for my general welfare makes me uneasy.

What do these competitors know? It seems like they are ignoring me when the government is planning to decrease funds to protect the environment and wildlife. Isn’t nature important for our well-being as well as for itself? Cuts in education will lead to poorly equipped students and unsatisfied youth who make up their frustrations in destructive ways.

The educational system in this country is already pathetically unproductive. These are a few concerns that affect us as a whole.

I have always felt that people “running for office” or “seeking election” are only motivated by a desire to further their own personal agenda. Whether it is school board elections or a race for the senate, I can’t help but sense that these candidates are overcome by feelings of self-righteousness and self-importance. I have also experienced this at internships at State Assembly and Municipal levels. Maybe I am too cynical to believe that people are actually trying to do something worthwhile, but I find it impossible that those people’s own self-interest doesn’t get intermeshed with the purpose of serving the public as a whole, a goal which should have little room for self-interest.

Politics of political life are rejected

by Michael Rubino

Jesse Jackson’s obsession with Newt Gingrich has inspired him to return to his previously held position of CEO of Operation PUSH (People United to Serve Humanity). PUSH, according to Jackson, will focus on economic objectives.

Jackson’s obsession with Gingrich has inspired his Rainbow Coalition to direct its energy toward ousting the Republican Congress and reestablishing a Democratic majority. The Rainbow Coalition, according to Jackson, will focus on politics.

Of course, there is no difference between Jesse Jackson’s economic and political objectives.

After the 1994 election, Jackson ripped Gingrich and the “Contract with America” because the GOP proposed to reduce the free government goodies which were being distributed. During the now nearly forgotten “Million Man March,” Jackson ripped Gingrich and the “Contract with America” because the GOP was following through on its proposals. Last week Jackson attacked Gingrich again because, well, what else is new?

It’s become politically chic to dump all over the House Speaker. The Speaker is the spark plug behind the engine that is the Republican Revolution. Liberal policy exposition is finally being seriously challenged. Therefore, liberal stalwarts like Jackson are trying to maintain the status quo, at any cost.

Jackson’s policies are simply an ever-increasing supply of tax dollars channelled into cradle-to-the-grave ideology. His policies include affirmative action, quotas, and group rights over individual rights. His policies defends the welfare state and pushes for increased expenditures. His policies involves standing side-by-side with hate-mongers like Louis Farrakhan.

Jackson is acutely aware of this country’s racial division, criticizing it every step of the way. However, he closes his eyes to the real and documented chattel slavery that is running rampant in Sudan and Mauritania. Charles Jacobs, of the American Anti-Slavery Group, exposed Jackson’s refusal to acknowledge the problem. A Jackson aide said, “Jackson is busy with affirmative action. Fight a new battle on his agenda.”

So last week Jackson promised to spread the Coalition message. “The Rainbow is going to defeat Newt Gingrich in 1996,” he declared.

Can Americans really take him seriously anymore? I’ll proudly support the Speaker.

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Sex, lies, and myths of World AIDS Day

Some of the real truths that are routinely overlooked on World AIDS Day are the ones that, if we are honest, are not easy to say. This is not true because I say so, but because the statistics say so. According to the latest numbers from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), 85% of all AIDS cases are attributed to homosexual and heterosexual cases. This is not true because I say so, but because the CDC has decided to throw all unknown cases for AIDS into the “heterosexual sex” category. Instead of trying to find what the actual cause is, they are misclassifying people into believing that there is an increasing AIDS epidemic among heterosexuals.

AIDS is a devastating disease that deserves attention, but so does cancer, heart disease, and a host of others that affect far more people, and are much less preventable than AIDS.

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The violence in Bosnia does defy American principles, but so does war where there are mass executions and ethnic cleansing. A united Europe will be a better partner in trade and security, but American blood does not -- and more importantly, should not -- need to be spilled in order to achieve this. Let us not forget that this is a European problem which in no way threatens our national security. Although the war conflicts with our principles and delays a formation of a united Europe, it is a reality in Bosnia that has been going on for much longer than the four years the President leads us to believe. The situation in Bosnia is very complex and there is no clear solution in sight.

While American G.I.’s are digging their foxholes, the senators are going in and praying for their lives, the President will be in the safety and security of his home. When American men and women were dying for their country in Vietnam, Mr. Clinton was in the same situation he is in now. The guns are not pointed at him and his life is not in danger. The irony is that just like Vietnam, Bosnia has become a political game with no real American interest. Just like Vietnam, Bill Clinton will only talk about what it is going to be to like them.

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Dancing at Lughnasa, Hopes, Dreams, and Rebellion

by Victoria Cables & Erin Perry

Brian Friel’s Tony Award-winning play Dancing at Lughnasa is currently being performed by the Mainstage Theatre Series at MSU in the Studio Theatre. Dancing at Lughnasa is directed by Dr. Ramon Delgado; set design by John Figola; lighting design by Steven A. Draheim; and costume design by Deborah Lombardi.

Dancing at Lughnasa is set in August of 1936 Ireland during the harvest moon of Lughnasa and follows the lives of the Mundy family. This memory play is recollected through the eyes of seven-year-old Michael Mundy (Gregory Amend). The strict religious ideals of certain family members like Kate (Bernadette Cerami) conflict with the pagan impulses of the Lughnasa dancing; however, her four sisters are inclined to dance in the moonlight with dirty, drunk men. Cerami adds comic relief while assuming the role of her departed mother by refusing to let her sisters go to the dance.

The sisters reveal the hopes and dreams that they have for themselves and for each other, as they listen to the radio, their only connection to the world outside of their small village of Ballybeg. Maggie (Tara Flynn) maintained her sense of humor throughout the play, but would sometimes lose all sense of control and dance outside like Ginger Rogers. Flynn’s character is strong yet gentle.

Adding to the tension in the Mundy family is Uncle Jack’s (Edward L. Terhune) strange behavior when he returns from Africa suffering from malaria. Terhune portrays a crazy, sick elderly man excellently. Chris Mundy’s (Maria Ryan) illegitimate son Michael also brings a sense of shame to the family. Ryan brings her character to life with enthusiasm, and an authentic Irish accent.

Dancing at Lughnasa also touches on the Industrial Revolution when Agnes (Denise Michelle) and Rose (Danielle Lanzo) are forced to work in a factory when their handmade gloves fail to sell. Throughout the play, the sisters are often drawn outside to dance. Lanzo is convincing as a spirited youth with a rebellious attitude.

The Studio Theatre is set in a circle in the round style with the audience seated on three sides of the stage. Dancing at Lughnasa scenes occur in the kitchen of the Mundy home, outside in the yard, and even featured hanging foliage, where Gerry (Adam Drew) hung from the rafters to fix the radio. Drew portrayed an absent father who danced in and out of the family’s lives. A prop which entertained the audience was a rubber rooster that Lanzo carries in after running off to dance with Danny, her married lover in the back hills.

Dancing at Lughnasa is a celebration of life, dance, and tribulations. The cast and backstage staff invites the audience into the religious and personal confrontations, laughter, and love in the Mundy family. Dancing at Lughnasa is being performed tonight through Dec. 9 at 8 p.m.

Works A Foot, talented, beautiful, graceful movements

by Victoria Cables

Last night at 8 p.m. in the New Dance Space at Life Hall MSU’s Dance Division presented Works A Foot, an array of eleven modern dance pieces. The concert represented choreography by students, faculty, alumni, and guest artists. Selections from Works A Foot will be presented in the fully produced concert DANCEWORKS ’96.

The first piece Vigil, choreographed by Bill Evans, featuring music by Faire’s Requiem was a group of men and women twirling about the floor in black, red, and white costumes. The dancers were incredibly flexible with jumps, leaps, and spins.

To Merge a piece choreographed and performed by Todd Thoenig demonstrated his strength, flexibility, and balance. During most of the dance, his legs were crossed, and he used his upper body to move around the stage. He appeared to grow from an infant, to a child, to a man.

The next piece was Hausoflonk, choreographed by Sara Hook and David Parker. Eight dancers appeared as wind-up dolls in a humorous struggle to win a hat. Stacey Pepper and Wilson Mendieta took center stage as they spun, stretched, and reached to grab it.

Another solo piece entitled Areana, choreographed by Sharon Livardo with music by Mickey Hart, featured Omagilive Omagbemi. This dance had an African beat to it and seemed to have tribal movements.

The next piece, Swingin’, choreographed by Maureen Glennon with music by Bobby McFerrin of Manhattan Transfer, enlightened the audience. A group of eleven girls danced onto the stage in bright red costumes. The troupe moved together with perfection.

Caprice, choreographed by Joanie Smith and Danial Shapiro, made the audience hold their breath as Stacey Pepper became a true-to-life Tinkerbell. Pepper floated above a gazebo-like structure and flew into the hands of Thoenig, Mendieta, and Andersson. Balance, timing, trust, and grace blended together to make the piece breathless.

Titillated, choreographed by Ben March and performed by Wilson Mendieta and Brown appeared mime-like, but he managed to have skill and strength.

The finale was Family, choreographed by Joanie Smith and Danial Shapiro, with music by Scott Killian, featured seven dancers in a family picture pose. Every dancer used an over-stuffed, brown chair. The piece was funny and romantic as every “family” member tried to get a hold of the chair.

Works A Foot displayed talented, hardworking, amazingly flexible and strong dancers. Also, the choreography was excellent. One choreographer was overheard saying, “I get more nervous when I’m watching my choreography. It’s out of my hands.” Out of the choreographers’ hands and into the dancers’ souls and bodies as they danced, pranced, twirled, and flew.
Players One-Acts Featuring Traveling Rooftops & Magic Boxes

by Erin Perry & Victoria Cables

Last night in the Student Center Annex, Players presented An Evening of One-Acts featuring two original plays, Imprised by Scott Maccio and Rooftops & Other Forms of Transportation by Christopher F. Miguel. Both authors also directed their scripts and chose their casts.

Rooftops & Other Forms of Transportation is created by Christopher F. Miguel; the Stage Manager is Jennifer Cole; lighting crew consists of Kevin Collins, Kari Gottman, Meredith Henderhan, and Chrissy Schroes; costumes by Teresa DiFabrizio.

Rooftops is set on various rooftops in Brooklyn, the New Jersey boon-docks, and California, throughout the life of 24-year-old Miranda (Jesse Schappert). She tries to find solutions to her problems while staring out at constellations which her Dad (Sean Hale) showed her, like "the big ladle."

Schappert convincingly portrayed an uncomprehending single, struggling writer trying to find herself and a direction in life. Hale humorously managed to capture his character's ignorant behavior and involvement in his daughter's life.

Following Miranda through her childhood and adolescence rooftops, the audience is enlightened by Liza (Jennifer Weaver), a hip, chic, fashion faux-pas, who is Miranda's best friend. Weaver credibly pulls off an intelligent brunette in dumb blond's body. Jason Wills plays drug-addicted, highly philosophical, Deacon, who introduces marijuana and LSD to Schappert and Weaver. There is also Miranda's poet turned frat boy boyfriend Kent Manly (Chris Carroll). Carroll's depiction of a sensitive guy transformed into a beer-guzzling "Greek tragedy" is accurate and believable.

The play also deals with the internal struggles of Miranda's life by introducing her stepmother Agnes (Kaye Siegle). Siegle breathed fire into a typical, wicked stepmother stereotype, constantly nagging Miranda about her misguided life, complete with a phony British accent. While these conflicts are quite serious themes of most twenty-something college graduates, the play is not without humor. Jon Dae Kim (Liu Xi Pang) and Dan Patik, who plays a myriad of roles, including a nostalgic OBI-Wan-Kenobi and a "Super Superman" both add a wacky spin to the play. Imprised, written and directed by Schappert and Jennifer Weaver reprise a scene from Rooftops.

Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls

by John Springman

Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls is a completely review-proof movie. If you're a Jim Carrey fan you'll love it; if you're too trying to act, nor are there any inane body cavities.

This Ace Ventura is far better than the first. There are no NFL, quarterbacks trying to act, nor are there any inane gangster sequences. Nature Calls has great scenery and inane African tribesmen sequences; however, none of the film was shot in Africa. The opening mountain scene was filmed in British Columbia, and the rest was done in South Carolina and Texas. The story involves the kidnapping of a sacred African bat, providing a good excuse to use exotic African wildlife in the film, including elephants, lions, and zebras.

Director Steve Oedekerk, an old Jim Carrey buddy, is smart enough to give us pure Carrey without annoying subplots. The manic intensity does get to be a bit wearing, as in the first, but he provides many good (if simple-minded) laughs.

One highlight features Ace trapped in a mechanical rhinounder the hot sun. Sweating profusely, he strips naked before wriggling out of its posterior, in full view of a busload of tourists. A more subtle moment (few moments are less subtle) has Carrey doing his William Shatner impersonation on an airplane, puffing himself up and overenunciating each word in the hammy style of the erstwhile Captain Kirk.

The ultimate Jim Carrey movie would be a comic remake of Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan with Carrey playing both the Shatner and Ricardo Montalban roles. Note to studio executives: If you make it, they will come. And I want a piece of it.

I enjoyed Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls and heartily recommend it for the sophisticated viewer. I give it a B+.
Montclair Art Museum, Outstanding collection in a sleepy suburb

by Judi Kasdel

It may not be as impressive as The Metropolitan Museum of Art or The Museum of Modern Art, but The Montclair Art Museum has an outstanding collection for a small museum in a sleepy little suburb. Four separate exhibits are being featured, most until the end of January.

Upon entering the museum, the first exhibit that I encountered was entitled, "Empty Dress: Clothing as Surrogate in Recent Art." This exhibit was organized and circulated by guest curator Nina Felshin of the Independent Curators Incorporated, New York. It features mixed-media works, photographs, and sculptures by 29 artists from the U.S., Canada, and Europe exploring issues of psychological, cultural, and sexual identity.

Some featured artists include Joseph Beuys, Sarah Charlesworth, Lesley Dill, Barbara Kruger, Judith Shea, and Cindy Sherman. The works are visually impressive. Artist Elise Siegal states, "Clothing is about who we think we are and how we choose to represent ourselves. It is about how we are seen and culturally defined." Each piece takes fashion to a new, original step. The exhibit will be at the museum until the end of December.

"Framing the Future: Recent Acquisitions" features newly acquired works. Since space at the small museum is limited, a rotation of sorts is needed to be able to display as much of the collection as possible.

Goldeneye Review: 007 Shaken not Stirred

by John Springman

Goldeneye features during action sequences lush scenery, classic villains (complete with bogus accents), an appropriately cheesy theme song (sung by Tina Turner), entendres and the "Bond, Shaken, not Stirred" clichés early on, but he's never given anything to connect him to the audience. The script also follows the Classic Rule of Action Cinema, which states: The hero can be captured repeatedly by the villain, but is always lectured and let in on the secret plan, rather than simply being shot.

For the next Bond movie, I propose the deadllest Bond foe of all - myself. I figure it would take about twenty minutes for him to fall in the clutches of my henchmen, at which point I'd calmly shoot him, putting this series to a well-deserved and overdue rest. Honestly, I wish they could update and refresh the character of James Bond. Goldeneye, C.

This exhibit is housed upstairs in the Rand Gallery and centers on American and Native American art. My favorites include Dottie Attie's "Coming from a City," Oscar Howe's "Sioux War Dance," and John Nieto's "Archer with Santa Fe Moon." This exhibit will be on display until March 17, 1996.

"Proud Heritage" also features Native American art. Running through January 14, this exhibit is a commemoration of William T. Evans dedication to American art. In 1909 as President of the Municipal Art Commission, Evans announced his intention to present "thirty or more meritorious paintings by American artists of established reputation, as a nucleus for a Public Gallery of Art in his hometown of Montclair. This exhibit includes Robert Motherwell's "Sea at Biarritz" and Kathy Caracio's "Rusty-Fingered Down," as well as works by Raphael Soyer, John Marin, and John Singleton Copley.

The fourth, final, and my favorite exhibit is "Varied Visions." This exhibit also focuses on Native American art. This collection is bright, brilliant, and exciting. It also includes works by Caucasian artists depicting their first impressions of the Native Americans and their culture. They regarded the American Indians as romantic, tragic, changing, and sought to record the beauty and honor of their slowly dying heritage. My favorites include Carl Moon's "Street in Santa Clara," Thomas Cole's "A View of the Hudson," based on James Fenimore Cooper's novel The Last of the Mohicans. Fritz Scholder's Hollywood Indian, Oscar Howe's "Sioux War Dance," and John Nieto's "Archer with Santa Fe Moon.

The Montclair Museum, though small, has an outstanding body of works featuring turn-of-the-century works to the present. Through December 10, the museum will also be displaying portions of the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. Exhibitions opening in January include Kachina Dolls, American Sculpture from the Collection, and NJ State Outdoor Sculpture: Photographs by Douglas Pederson.

The Montclair Art Museum is located on the corner of Bloomfield Ave. and South Mountain Ave., and is open everyday except Monday and major holidays. Admission is only $3 with a school ID, $4 without. For more information, call 746-5555.
DECEMBER

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3. Lead character in Dragnet
4. Jodie Foster movie
5. Spanky and Our Gang song (2)
6. Movie featuring Donna Summer hit
7. Easybeats song
8. Addams Family character
9. Rolling Stones song
10. Movie series with hockey mask-wearing
11. Fleetwood Mac song
12. Movie about whirlwind tour of Europe
13. Song by Chicago
14. Sang "Voices Carry"
15. Carpenters song
16. Jane Fonda movie
17. Morphine song featured in Spanking the Monkey
18. Melanie Griffith/Sting movie
19. Bangles song written by Prince
20. John Travolta movie
21. U2 song
22. Walter Matthau/Jill Clayburgh movie
23. Morrissey song
24. Movie directed by Billy Crystal
25. Star of Pretty Poison

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23. 体育的
24. 数学的
25. 物理的

CULTURAL IDIocy QUIZ

Day In, Day Out

Directions: Listed below are 25 pop culture items with days of the week in their names. Name them all.

1. Mamas and Papa song
2. Lead character in Dragnet
3. Bay City Rollers song
4. Jodie Foster movie
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MY CAT'S FAVORITE RECIPE IS ON PAGE 28.
Letters to Santa

In the holiday season, Santa receives many letters from around the world. Many of them are more or less like order forms, others really don’t help us in picking out gifts. As a public service, here is a sample of some of the more eccentric letters that Santa received this year, as examples of what NOT to write to Santa; he has many letters to read, and the simpler, the better.

Thank you,
North Pole Postal System

(Our motto: We aren’t disgruntled...yet.)

Dear Santa,
Hi, how are you? Well, I have been better than I was last year; it’s kind of hard in my field. I’ve been trying to get better, instead of 536 tricks last year, I’ve only had to pull 232 this year. You know...getting paid for being laid; I guess that’s the name of the game. For Christmas this year, I’d like another 10 year supply of condoms; I’m starting to run low, and nowadays, I kind of need them. Oh...and I’d also like a really nice thong, and perhaps even a new set of headlights. And a new computer, with lots of RAM, and a Pentium™ Processor; my Commodore 64™ just isn’t cutting it anymore.

Thanks!
Trixie Hotpants

PS: Come down my chimney this; I have a surprise for you. Holy! Holy! Holy!

PPP: Thank you for having the Republican National Convention in New York. I asked for that a couple of years ago, and thanks for all of the money that I will see in the future.

Thank you Santa, and don’t cross me.
Nicky Eyes

FROM HALF COURT TO THE OVAL OFFICE

BY TOM BOUND

Bill Bradley is the choice for the white house in ’96! So what if he’s currently not interested in running? According to the latest Time Magazine poll, 200 percent of all Americans and 300 percent of all New Yorkers would vote for him for president. As stated in the Nov. 3 issue of Time, Bradley’s charisma is so powerful that politicians from the Pleiades Cluster regularly visit him and his name is known even in the Whirlpool Galaxy some 300 million light years away. The article also said that 40 percent of Americans and that 50 percent of New Yorkers immediately recognized his name. So let’s have a roll call vote for THE TEN BEST WAYS TO GET BRADLEY ELECTED PRESIDENT! Drum roll, Bill! (Drummmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm)

1. Get the MSU sports establishment to help out by putting Bradley’s name on a 200-foot floating basketball.
2. Bolster war chest by having Bradley’s wife Ernestine sponsor weekly back bone and schnapppp drinking competitions. And now for the best way to get BRADLEY ELECTED PRESIDENT!
3. Challenge all presidential hopefuls to a foul shot competition!

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3. Saturday Night
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5. Sunday Will Never Be the Same or "Sunday Morning"
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9. Thursday
10. Friday the 13th
11. Monday Morning
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CULTURAL IDIOCY QUIZ ANSWERS

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Montclairon Thursday, December 7, 1995

Montclairon 27
Red Hawks lose to Springfield, 70-57, in Dial final

MSU wins first conference game; tops Ramapo 67-59

MSU (4-5, 3-0 NJAC) defeated St. Mary's (6-5, 1-2) 67-59 in the title game of the 17th annual Dial Soap Classic, as they overcame a 16 point second half deficit to upset St. Mary's 101-93 in overtime.

In the championship game, tournament MVP Donna Masterson of Springfield College crushed Notre Dame of Maryland by the score of 91-68. In the consolation game, Notre Dame overcame a 16 point second half deficit to upset St. Mary's 101-93 in overtime.

In the championship game, tournament MVP Donna Masterson of Springfield College scored 19 points and grabbed nine rebounds to defeat MSU. MSU's Kelley was named to the All-Tournament team, as she led the Red Hawks with 16 points in the title game.

The final six minutes of the game was Aljumar Earl (Jackson, N.J.) leading the Lady Red Hawks 21-8. Earl was hitting 5 of 5 free throws in the game, while making seven blocked shots, with six coming in the championship game.

Saturday's loss to Springfield snapped the Red Hawks four game win streak that began on November 21 against Trenton State. Earlier in the week, MSU defeated the Roadrunners of Ramapo College 58-50. During the win streak, MSU shot 68% from the free-throw line, hitting 81% against TSC. In the three losses, the Red Hawks have a total of only 46% of their free-throws have been made, with only 28% against Ithaca.

Kovar, the all-time leader in blocked shots at MSU, is averaging 3.6 blocks per game. On the season, Kovar has a total of 26 blocks, and in the last three years she has 185. In her career she has an amazing 211 with an entire season still ahead of her.

MSU, who is undefeated in the NJAC, trails Rowan College by one game as the Profs boast a 4-0 record in conference play. Rowan defeated the Lions of Trenton State 88-66 over the weekend to lift their overall record to 4-0.

The NJAC honored MSU's Klingert this past week as they named her to the NJAC Honor Roll for her efforts in the Dial Tournament.

The Red Hawks will look to improve on their undefeated NJAC record as they have three important upcoming conference match-ups against Jersey City State, followed by Rowan and Richard Stockton. Bradley believes that her team is better than the Gothic Knights of Jersey City State, and their great defensive game will prove beneficial. "We are more balanced then they are," said Bradley. "We shouldn't have a tough time player to player and we will take advantage of their injuries."

On Wednesday night, the Red Hawks played Jersey City State, however, results were unavailable at press time. This weekend, they travel to Rochester to take part in the Harold Brodie Tournament. MSU will play against Pitt-Bradford, with the next game being against RIT and Potsdam.
**HEAT TO HEAD**

*Who will win the NBA Championship?*

Bob Czechowicz

If my life was perfect, I wouldn’t be in school, I’d have as much money as I want, and the Knicks would win the NBA championship. However, my life is not perfect. I would love to see the Knicks win it all, especially with first year coach Don Nelson and his new “system”.

Yet, we must not forget about the other teams in the NBA, namely the Orlando Magic. Here’s a team that is ripping it up with a 13-4 record. True, it does match the Knicks record, however, the Magic are playing without any of the services of Shaq. Remember that guy? Me too. He’s a pretty good player. When he comes back, I feel that the Magic will dominate the league, no question.

Last year, the Magic showed us they can compete with the best, even though they lost in the Finals. Let’s remember, we’re talking about a young team here.

Staying in the Eastern Conference, Chicago is back in contention. With Jordan back for a full season, Rodman rebounding like crazy, and other good stuff like that, the Bulls are a force to be reckoned with.

It’s tough call when it comes to the Western Conference, with many teams playing unbelievably well. Consider the Kings, I thought they sucked, but they’re in first place.

I also like the Lakers. With players like Van Exel and Ceballos, they are in good standing. On a down note, I don’t really like their colors. I used to have white socks with purple and yellow stripes, and the elastic broke.

**BOB’S PICK:** ORLANDO MAGIC (maybe)

I have to say that my partner Bob is looking back on the 1995 NBA season when he states that his prediction to win it all is the Orlando Magic. The Magic are still the team they were last season, but so many other teams have improved and added to their rosters.

I honestly feel that the 1996 world title belongs to the Chicago Bulls once again. Even though I am a huge die hard Knicks fan, it is still unrealistic to say that they will win it all. Last season, and the 1994 season was their year to win a crown, but those days are over. Back to the Chicago Bulls. The addition of Dennis Rodman was the biggest piece of the puzzle that the Bulls were missing. Now they have a human vacuum that sucks in every shot missed. Michael Jordan is still and will always be the Michael Jordan we all know him as. He consistently scores his 30+ points every night, and his presence alone is a threat to his opponents. Scottie Pippen improves every year and their is no other player that compliments Jordan the way Pippen does. Toni Kukoc is a hard working who gives everything he has just to be called a winner.

The only negative comment that I could make about this team is the presence of Rodman, who has a reputation of causing controversy amongst team members. Yes, Rodman is a problem when he is unhappy, but I truly believe that he is happy and content where he is. He must color his hair purple, green or any color of the rainbow, as long as he is winning and giving everything he has, then who cares who he scares.

**NICK’S PICK:** CHICAGO BULLS (definitely)

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**NJAC Standings**

**1995-96 NJAC MEN’S BASKETBALL STANDINGS**

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**Join the Montclarion Sports section today. Call x5241, and ask for Nick or Bob.**

Or, stop by the Student Center Annex Room 113, and talk to us in person.
Give the Gauchos credit

The November 6 issue of Sports Illustrated featured an interesting story on Lou D'Almeida coach of the legendary New York City AAU basketball team the Gauchos. This story was written by Johnette Howard a senior writer whose specialty lies in basketball. I had the pleasure of doing an over the phone interview with Ms. Howard concerning Coach D'Almeida and his controversial Gauchos. The controversy is that the NCAA feels that D'Almeida is breaking NCAA rules by supplying money and luxuries for his players. The Gauchos are a travelling team for athletes who are in grammar school, high school or recent graduates who play on the team the summer before their freshman year in college. Players such as Jamal Mashburn, Felipe Lopez, Stephon Marbury, and Chris Mullin have played for D'Almeida and the Gauchos and are future or present NBA players. Why is the NCAA so ridiculous when it comes to its rules and regulations! Some athletes have no money to take a train to practice and if D'Almeida gives money for a simple train ride to games or practice than the NCAA cries violation. Their has been times when a few of his athletes are low on cash to buy their mothers a gift for birthdays or Christmas and D'Almeida supplies them with the money they need to do so. If this world had more people like D'Almeida, then maybe this world would be a better place to be.

Stephon Marbury, the freshman sensation at Georgia Tech, played for a few seasons with the Gauchos. When it was discovered that D'Almeida gave him a used 1987 car as a gift and transportation means, the NCAA almost sanctioned him with a year off from college basketball. Is it possible that D'Almeida could be a friend and someone who can give him a gift without a problem? Why is it okay for say a parent or relative to give gifts to college bound recruits? If an outsider gives you gifts then oh my God we've now got problems. All this NCAA business is way out of hand. If they stick to their real problems like drug abuse and crime among college athletes then the NCAA will be a better organization.

Klingen, a junior guard, scored fourteen points in a Dial Classic matchup against St. Mary's. She was recently named to the NJAC Honor Roll for her efforts on the court last week.
Red Hawk Sports Week

Grey box denotes home games

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- RIT Tournament 5:30
- RIT Tournament 7:30
- Stockton 8:00

**Women's Basketball**
- Rowan 2:00
- Stockton 6:00

**Men's Swimming**
- Alumni vs. Varsity 2:00

**Women's Swimming**
- Alumni vs. Varsity 2:00

**Indoor Track**
- Seton Hall 1:00 AM
- CTC Relays at S. Conn 10:00 AM

Red Hawk Scoreboard

**MEN'S BASKETBALL:**
- Win over Ramapo 67-59

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL:**
- Win over St. Mary's 65-49
- Loss to Springfield 70-57

Fearless Forecasts

BOB CZECHOWICZ™: OFFICIAL SPOKESPERSON FOR VIVARIN.
SD -9 over Arizona. I have a fifteen page paper due on Tuesday. Send Help!

NE -7 over Jets. My roommate is a screaming idiot. Listen to him every night at 11.

Dallas -9 1/2 over Philly. I starred in Money Train. See page 24 for the ad.

Indy -3 1/2 Jaguars. I'm just kidding. It wasn't me in Money Train.

WESLEY WILLIS: CHRONIC SCHIZOPHRENIC / MUSIC ARTIST

TB +7 over Green Bay. "McDonald's is a place to eat. They sell Big Macs."

Anyone over anyone else. "My outbursts got me in trouble at the art store."

VB -3 over Miami. "I hear voices in my head."

VICTORIA CALDES: I AM QUEEN OF THE WINTER BALL.
Victoria's comments Tom is a drunk.
are not accompanied by games I will be drunk tonight, also.
because they have nothing Don't you wish
to do with football you were me?

My sincere apologies to Mike Rousser and Xena Calderon.

BRIAN HOFFMAN: I FORGOT MY PERSONAL ACCESS CODE.
GB -7 over TB. I like Baywatch and I'm getting breast implants.

Oakland -2 1/2 over Pitt. My bologna has a first name, but I got grounded for it.

Cincy +2 1/2 over Chicago. Wesley Willis is singing the National Anthem.

Philly +9 1/2 over Dallas. I like my chicken McNuggets™ with my toe cheese. YUM!

BRAD COLE: INTELLECTUAL LUSH
Denver -7 over Seattle. Just because I use big words doesn't make me smart.

Denver -7 over Seattle. I'm sleeping in my bed.

Denver -7 over Seattle. I don't live in a dorm. I need my sleep.

Denver -7 over Seattle. Tell Bob I'm gonna beat the crap out of him!

MANDY McNELIS: COOTER-GIRL
Denver -7 over Seattle. I want pancakes.

GB -7 over TB. Wouldn't you agree, baby you and me, we got a groovy kind of love.

Denver -7 over Seattle. I'm a sick monkey.

Denver -7 over Seattle. Oooonnshhhhhohoooo, I HATE YOU !!!!!!!!!!

Mandy and Brad live together, yet sleep in different beds.
We surrender

MSU fails to repeat as Dial Classic champions. (Gantaifis, p. 28)