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"Voice of the Students"

Theta XI regains crown at College Bowl Tournament

by Michael Rosner

Theta Xi won their third championship at the Annual College Bowl Tournament held on Saturday in the Student Center.

It was sponsored by the College Bowl Club and Student Activities and was organized by Chuck Feiner, Director of Student Activities.

Seven teams participated in the tournament. Each team consisted of either three or four members.

The Theta Xi team blew through the tournament field undefeated until they faced the Montclairian. The Montclairian won the first game. Theta Xi came back to win the final with Michael Costa’s 100 point performance.

Costa said, “I was pleased with the

Student injured on tracks

by Christine Miller

An MSU student walking along the railroad tracks underneath the Clove Road bridge on Monday afternoon broke his ankle on the tracks and narrowly missed being hit by a train.

The student is a commuter from Northwestern N.J, who routinely parks his car in Lot 28 and takes a shortcut along the tracks to walk to the campus.

This time, the student lost his footing and slid down onto the tracks. His foot got caught in stones and he broke his ankle.

Fortunately for him, another student was walking with him that afternoon, and he ran back to notify the police. Officer Charles Kuhn was the first to arrive at the scene.

The conductor of the approaching train was notified immediately. It stopped only a few feet away from where the student was lying.

He was transported to the hospital, where he was treated for the broken ankle and released.

Move to censor Internet gathers steam in Congress

by Greg MacScennas

A House-Senate conference committee agreed on tough new prohibitions against transmitting obscenity and "indecent" materials over “on line” computer networks on Dec. 6. The committee rejected a compromise offered by moderate Republicans and the on line computer industry.

The measure, which passed 17-16, would impose fines of up to $100,000 and prison terms of up to five years for people who make "indecent" material available to minors. Members of the committee stopped short of deciding on the exact language of the bill.

Tuesday, Dec. 12 was “internet protest day” and on line users were urged to e-mail or fax their Congressional representatives in protest of the now popularly named “Exon Bill,” named after the Democratic Nebraskan Senator Jim Exon. This would be the first provisions of it’s kind that would by imposed on communications on cyberspace.

Civil rights groups immediately denounced the measure saying that it

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by Kristina Mathison

On Sun., Dec. 10 at about 12:30 p.m. MSU student Sean Gaffney rescued his neighbor from his flaming house in Teaneck, N.J.

Gaffney, a 22-year-old senior Physical Education major, was alerted to the fire by a neighbor who was walking by.

“I told my dad to call 911 and I just ran over there,” he said.

Gaffney opened the front door, he said, “and it was just black. I couldn’t see more than two feet in front of me.”

After hearing sounds of someone coughing, Gaffney found owner of the house Joseph Farina and helped him outside.

“It was kind of instinctive. The first question I thought of was, ‘What if somebody is in there?’” he said.

“I was glad I was there to help out. If somebody is in there?”, Gaffney said.

Farina, home alone when the two-alarm blaze broke out, was treated for smoke inhalation at the scene.

“I would have done it for anybody,” Gaffney said.

Gaffney, who plans to take the civil service exam next year and hopes to become a Teaneck firefighter, said that the same thing happened to him last year.

“A car parked across the street from where I work was on fire. I grabbed the extinguisher and got the fire under control before it escalated.

“It’s kind of like fate,” he said.

“You just react, you don’t think.”

The blaze, which drew nearly 60 firefighters from Teaneck and Bogota, was under control by 12:55 p.m., said Teaneck Deputy Fire Chief Bill Panzella.

The firefighters rescued a dog and three cats from the home, Panzella said.

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Update: TQM Begins

by Kristina Mathison
Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Dr. Lee Wilcox said that since his attendance at the Total Quality Management seminar given by Dr. Alan Oppenheim, the committee in charge of implementing the program has begun its campaign.

Five of the 10 departments involved in the TQM program received their training earlier this month. "The rest will train in February," said Wilcox.

After the seminar, Wilcox said that the departments were advised to have their staff get into small groups, choose a problem to concentrate on, and apply what they have learned at the TQM program to the problem. "We're really in a trial period," said Wilcox.

The program involves a list of principles that are the goals of TQM.

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would violate constitutional rights to free speech and vowed to fight the move in court. Many on line services are worried about being involved in long legal battles over foul language.

On Line America, along with other communications groups, endorsed a compromise that would restrict explicit and graphic material that is "harmful to minors."

"Indecency" remains a vague legal term that falls short of sexually graphic material but covers the "seven dirty words" deemed to be offensive.

The "seven dirty word" standard has only been used to cover broadcast media and has not covered print media, but the seven words deemed to be offensive.

They are:
- Improving Customer Service - to gather data on current interactions, to understand how satisfied the students are, to discover what can be done to make the processes flow more smoothly
- Maintaining Improvements
- Teamwork
- Improving Overall Processes

"Although we didn't use TQM last year, I think the registration Voice Response System is an example of the improvement of customer service," said Wilcox.

Wilcox said that TQM is "a long-term enterprise. It does not yield quick fixes."

"We're going to look at all of the behind-the-scenes processes, because they ultimately effect the students," he said.

Wilcox said that students can expect to see other changes within the departments.

"There is no point where we are perfect," he said.

papers would be able to print a word like "penis" in their printed publications but not on their on-line publication on the internet.

"The American Civil Liberties Union immediately announced that it would challenge the bill if it becomes law in court, saying it violates the First Amendment Rights regarding free speech.

Prodigy Services Spokesman Barry Ek said, "The indecency standard is very problematic. No one knows what it means. It is overbroad and it will be challenged in the courts for years. In our view, it is a giant step backward."

Editor of CyberWires Dispatch Bill Meeks said, "It is a travesty when the Congress of the United States is essentially putting handcuffs on me and treating the Constitution of the United States like a rough draft."

"The suppression of freedom of expression has no place in a democracy and no place at a university." - Reese C/eg/iorn, journalism dean, 1993

Walker speaks to CARIBSO

by John Hughes
Dr. Elaine Walker was the guest speaker at CARIBSO's third annual Christmas dinner.

Walker was a last-minute substitution for Dr. Hall, the Newark superintendent of schools, who could not attend due to a death in the family.

Walker is in charge of the Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Testing for the Newark school district.

She was born and raised in Jamaica and received her degree from the University of the West Indies. She received her masters and her PhD in Sociology from Howard University. She has been in the U.S. ever since.

The theme of Walker's speech was higher education. She related stories about the difficulties of getting out of the Caribbean and how education is the key to success.

Walker told the group about how she began at Howard illegally living in the dorm with her sister, both sharing a single bed, with no money for food. Fortunately for them, another woman from Jamaica who worked in the cafeteria would sneak them some food.

Walker did graduate with her PhD, but there were times when she thought about giving up.

She stayed in school because she knew that the hardships she was facing then were nothing compared with the hardships she would face without the degree.

She mentioned that there was not a Caribbean student organization and that she believed it would have helped her get through to her degree.

She then stressed to all of the students who were not considering graduate school to reconsider. "In today's world, you need a higher degree. A bachelor's is not enough. Employers look to see how far you've continued on," said Walker.

She said, "Being educated means an awakening of your mind. Your education not only benefits yourself, but others as well."

Walker believes that the world has changed a great deal with technological advances. "We no longer have separate cultures, " she said, "but a global culture and economy."

Freshman Alwin James Stewart agreed with Walker. "It's true; my parents went through the same hardships with getting their education. You can't get anywhere without a higher education."

When Walker was questioned about the progress of reconstruction of the Newark school district, she said, "Reco-

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**Christmas party for the children hosted at MSU**

by Darstellung Nunez

The Educational Opportunity Fund Student Advisory Board [E.O.F.S.A.B.] held their fourth annual toy drive and Christmas party on Sat., Dec. 12 in the Student Center ballrooms.

The snow and the freezing rain did not stop the 100 children and their teachers from attending the event held especially for them.

For the past four years this event had benefited needy children of the inner city communities of our area.

Each year, a different community center is chosen to participate in the event. This year's participants came from the Father English Community Center of Paterson, N.J.

As they walked into the reception room, the children were welcomed by MSU students who volunteered to participate in the program. MSU students from all different organizations on campus entertained the kids by making Christmas hats, playing games, distributing gifts, and performing for them.

Douglas Igualar and Odalys Serrano of the Latin American Student Organization performed a Salsa for the children.

Omar Vasquez, President of E.O.F.S.A.B., said that the party is important for the children who attend it. “This is a very exciting event,” he said. “I hope the kids walk out of here like it here because we do a lot of fun things. It’s beautiful here.”

When asked what she’d be doing if she was at home, Martinez replied, “I’d be watching T.V.” As they left with their toys, most of the children said that they wished to come back again next year.
Campus Police Report

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Dec. 5 a sign was set on fire in the business office of College Hall.

Dec. 6 a male resident of Bohn Hall reported that his door was kicked and the drawing on the door was damaged. He had also been receiving threatening phone calls.

Dec. 8 on the Clove Road bridge five new lights had been broken off at the base.

THEFT
Dec. 5 the advertising department of the Montclarion reported that $20 was stolen from her office in the Student Center.

Dec. 6 a female returned the license plates from her stolen car which was found in South Belmar. The plates belonged to another MSU student’s car. The plates were switched between two cars.

Dec. 8 a female Blanton Hall resident reported her MAC card stolen and $1,500 withdrawn from her account.

Dec. 8 a female reported that her handbag was stolen from Partridge Hall room 206.

Dec. 10 in Sprague Library a female reported her wallet missing from her handbag.

She received a phone call on Dec. 11 from Valley National Bank informing her that her wallet was found on the street outside of the bank.

THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE
Dec. 5 in Lot 22 a 1988 Honda Civic was reported stolen. It was recovered in Little Falls from the Six Brothers Diner parking lot.

ATTEMPTED THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE
Dec. 5 in Lot 27 a 1990 Honda CRX had its driver’s side window smashed.

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THEFT OF MOVABLE PROPERTY
Dec. 6 a folder containing Accounting exams was reported stolen from Partridge Hall room 306.

SUSPICIOUS PERSONS
Dec. 8 on Hearing Plant Way a female reported that a male was staring at her on the NJ Transit P5 bus. He followed her as she got off of the bus. The suspect was described as a white male, 40 to 50 years old, with blue eyes and light brown hair, wearing a brown jacket, smoked patent leather shoes, brown pants, and carrying a shopping bag.

Dec. 8 in the Game Room of the Student Center officers responded to an alarm that had gone off in the game room. They observed a suspicious male in the hallway. He was an employee of one of the vending services and was unauthorized to be on campus. He was escorted off of campus and his employers were notified.

MEDICAL
Dec. 11 a male broke his ankle while walking down the hill under the Clove Road bridge to the railroad tracks. He slide down the hill and caught his ankle in a railroad tie. New Jersey Transit was notified to slow down the oncoming train. The victim was transported to the hospital.

ARREST
Dec. 5 Eric White was arrested after being pulled over for a motor vehicle violation. A check on his driver’s license revealed that he had an active warrant for his arrest from Paterson for several outstanding motor vehicle violations.

Dec. 6 Susanna Fuentes was arrested on an outstanding traffic warrant from Montclair.

Dec. 7 Jave Miller was arrested on an outstanding warrant for theft from Beachwood Borough, New Jersey.

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Self defense classes scheduled to begin in January

by Tom Broad

The Department of Campus Safety and Security’s anti-crime crusade just does not stop. Sgt. Paul Cell announced on Dec. 11 that DSS will be running a semester long self defense and safety seminar beginning in January.

The seminar is only the very latest in DSS efforts to combat crime. Since September, DSS has established an escort service, foot patrols, more emergency call boxes, better lighting, and security cameras throughout Clove Rd. and the quarry.

DSS is constructing 24 hour security booths at all campus entrances and is also considering the purchase of scooters for patrolling.

In addition, Cell and Crime Prevention Officer Timothy Webster have appeared at many campus safety conferences throughout campus.

Cell said that the upcoming seminar will be the first ever to run for an entire semester. “This will be our third self-defense seminar. This seminar will last for the entire semester due to the success we have had with the previous seminars,” said Cell.

“The MSU community has shown a lot of interest in these kind of affairs. Since this will be a semester long affair, we will have the time to focus on all aspects concerning self-defense and crime prevention,” he said.

Regarding topics, Cell emphasized that there are many categories of crime prevention that DSS will discuss. “We want to get the word out to people about what they can do to protect themselves.

“We’ll be going over dorm safety, campus safety, home safety, car safety, and basic self-defense among many other things,” he said.

Basically, we want to instruct people on how to avoid getting into situations where they are vulnerable as well as how to react in confrontational situations,” said Cell.

Concerning specifics, Cell said the seminar is tentatively scheduled to run Tuesday nights between 6pm-8pm.

Cell said that DSS is presently in the process of procuring a building for the seminar.

Cell said that DSS will be drawing up official registration forms which will be available in January at campus police headquarters.

He also said that DSS is considering running copies of the registration forms in the Montclarion.

“However, anybody in the MSI campus community can register by calling me personally at 655-5123,” Cell said.

Cell stressed that the self defense and safety seminar will serve to clarify harmful myths about crime safety. “For example, there’s this myth that you should scream ‘Fire!’ if you’re being attacked. This isn’t logical because if you scream ‘Fire!’ people will be looking around for fire and smoke instead of reacting to the real problem at hand. You’ll do better by sticking to the facts and yelling, ‘Help! I’m being attacked!’”

Latin American groups honor Martí at Christmas celebration

by Anthony R. O’Donnell

Over 200 students and faculty packed Dickson 178 on Dec. 7 to celebrate the centennial of José Martí’s death, “La Navidad” and the increased contribution of Latin American student and faculty groups to the MSI campus.

Featured speaker, writer and critic Vicente Escerri said that from the paradoxes of Martí’s life emerge a message of brotherly love and duty meaningful to all the peoples of the Americas.

Martí was a sensitive thinker who became one of the greatest figures of Spanish-American literature. He was a poet and pamphleteer in the cause of freedom.

“There is no other leader in the Americas, I dare to say,” said Escerri, “in whose speeches and teaching we can find repeated so many times the word ‘love,’ a term which sounds more proper in the lips of a preacher that in those of a revolutionary guide.”

In celebration of Martí’s work Professor Diana Guevara-Cruz presented a bilingual reading of selections of his Versos Sencillos (Simple Verses) by students of the Weekend College and the Department of Spanish and Italian. Excerpts included La Niña de Guatemala and the Cuban anthem Guantanamera. Music was performed by Dino Peri.

The organizer of the event, Dr. Joanne Englebert of the Department of Spanish and Italian, said that she was pleased at its inclusive spirit. “We were able to draw together various groups of the campus community in an atmosphere of friendly celebration,” she said.

Dr. Englebert explained that the event was the result of combining two planned events. “We originally planned both a tribute to Martí and a Christmas celebration in advance of the date, in typical Latin American fashion. We decided that it was entirely appropriate to join this to our homage to Martí, since he is a figure whom the diversity of American peoples can celebrate: a figure whom we can all emulate.”

A lavish buffet of Latin American foods was provided by the co-sponsors Latino and Latin American Studies, the Hispanic Caucus, LASO, Weekend College Association, Caribso, The Department of Spanish and Italian, and the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

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**Campus Life**

**Sisters Griots warms up the Student Center**

By Anthony R. O'Donnell

On Monday night, the wind chill factor brought temperatures close to zero degrees, but in Student Center room 418, the sound of African percussion was warm with the pride of Black identity.

The theme continued with story-telling in dance, song and speech by Sisters Griots (pronounced GREE-oh). Also appearing was OSAIU's African Dance Troupe and special guest, poet Jessica "Care" Moore of Detroit, a five-time winner on "Showtime at the Apollo."

After the African Dance Troupe woke up the audience, Sisters Griots turned them into participants, inviting them to clap and chant a Swahili greeting of "words of healing." Chant gave way to song and recitation as the Sisters fulfilled their role of "keeper of the history." Each griot, a woman or man...surviving rape and degradation; acts of such horror that if I went on I would make you cry." A succession of sayings completed a catalogue of experiences of celebrated women of African-American history, including Harriet Tubman, Mary McLeod Bethune, Fanny Lou Hammer and Madame C.J. Walker.

Complementing Walker's dictum "we began to believe we were ugly because that's what we were told," The Sisters proclaimed their mission as African women, "reclaiming ancient beauty and history — we've come back to take our place."

It quickly became clear that the recitation would delve deeper into sorrow before rising up to joy. The percussionist slowed and deepened the lively beat; unrestrained cries and wailing rent the air. A griot began to sing:

"Oh freedom! Oh freedom! Over me. And before I'll be a slave I'll be buried in my grave; I'm going home to my Lord and be free."

The rhythm varied and strands of "Sing Low Sweet Chariot" were intertwined with the verses. The crowd was invited to share in the song and then, once they were fully involved, the song took a new turn and quite by chance, it was put, "How Black are you really and how far back are you willing to go?"

"Won't you take a little journey with us?" the Sisters inquired. "Imagine Africa," they said, describing a scene of...Continued on pg. 9.

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**A CARIBSO style Christmas**

By John Hughes

Everyday you probably walk by a sign for CARIBSO, but do you know what it is? Neither did I, so Friday I went to their meeting to find out. This was their third annual Christmas party with traditional Caribbean food and music as well as the exchanging of secret Santa gifts.

CARIBSO, the Caribbean student organization, is a Class II organization of the SGA. They have 25 members, up from 18 last year, 7-10 of which are male, up from 1 last year, according to vice-president Damian McAnuff, he was the one.

Their purpose is to allow different people to share their culture and learn about others. They have members from most of the islands in the Caribbean as well as U.S. born members.

Natalie Brakley, a freshman biology major, was born and raised in Trinidad and came to the U.S. in 1988. When asked about the difference between the U.S. and Trinidad, she replied, "In Trinidad there is a greater sense of family, the whole community is a family, and there is a larger emphasis on education." She feels that CARIBSO has helped its members create unity and acceptance of all cultures. Anthony St. Jean, also a freshman biology major, is from the island of Dominica, not to be confused with the Dominican Republic. Dominica is in the Lesser Antilles and is also known as the nature island because of it's wild flora and birds. Anthony attended school in the Virgin Islands, so he was already aware of different cultures.

Juliet Young, a senior biology major, is president of CARIBSO. "At the beginning of the semester, we decided to make hurricane relief our main project, hoping to get the entire campus involved, but no other group would help," she said. However, that did not deter them. They raised over 100 canned goods for Puerto Rico, and $100 for Dominica.

CARIBSO's faculty advisor is Dr. Snipes. He is not from a Caribbean island, but volunteered as an advisor due to an interest in charity. "This group functions well outside the boundaries of CARIBSO, they are self starters and very dedicated. They work very hard for charitable causes, and to contribute to campus life," Dr. Snipes said.

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**Sue's Christmas wish list to Santa**

by Suzanne Freige

As assistant editor of the Campus Life section, I have witnessed events that you could not even imagine. I have seen depraved editors stress to bring you this wonderful newspaper on time. I have heard the groan of despair when I told Erica (our campus life editor) I could not cover a story due to horrible snow covered roads. Yes, I am a commuter. People, it hasn't been pretty.

That is why I am summarizing my wish list for 1996 for you, with the hope that you can make it come true.

1. More writers for the Montclarion.

2. If we could get all the snow to go away, and the campus would ice free. If all 13,000 students did this, the entire parking situation would improve. These are two simple wishes. I am not asking for much. Come on people, a little effort and you can make my dreams come true. Don’t be cruel, let the holiday spirit overcome you.

Here are my pleas, it is up to you, the student body, to fulfill them. Have a wonderful vacation, try to be sober by January 10, 1996 and I hope to see you all in the Montclarion office soon!
The Real World
by the students of the Co-Operative Education Program

Dear Career Services

Q: I'll be graduating in May with a B.A. in English and a provisional teaching certificate. I've always wanted to be a high school English teacher, but so far I've had no luck finding a teaching position for the fall. What should I do?

A: Sign up to substitute in one or two local school systems. This experience will give you a chance to practice your classroom management skills and to become recognized by administrators, faculty, staff and students. Also, contact the guidance departments of schools to find out about tutoring students individually or becoming a home instructor for students who are unable to attend school.

If you have experience with and/or an interest in any sports on a secondary level, look into the possibility of coaching. Many schools hire coaches outside their own teaching staff. Coaching is a good way to get to know the students outside the formal classroom setting and to practice your teaching skills.

Before the summer, contact several school systems to find out the possibility of teaching summer school. If that's unsuccessful, look into opportunities to work with junior and senior high students in summer recreation programs or camps. In the summer, follow the classified ads for teaching positions closely because many staffing changes tend to take place then.

Finally, it goes without saying that you should be networking with everyone you know who has any affiliation with the school system, since insiders often know about an opening before the position is officially posted.

Finding a teaching job is not always an easy task, but the rewards can be tremendous once you've found one. Good luck!

Q: It's very expensive to live in N.J. I want to look elsewhere for a job, how should I begin?

A: Pick up a copy of The Places Rated Almanac which compares hundreds of US metropolitan areas in terms of cost of living, quality of life, availability of cultural opportunities, community services and lots more. Once you've selected a potential location, write to the local Chamber of Commerce in order to begin identifying possible employers. Ask for names, addresses and general info about local business, industry, schools, hospitals - whatever organizations might employ you.

You should also call the business office of your present phone company and ask for a phone book of the area you are investigating. Not every skill or profession is in demand in all areas. A public relations specialist might find locating work difficult in a farming community. Also try having the Sunday newspaper from your desired area mailed to you. Examining ads can be very helpful in giving a sense of the community.

A number of directories, available in Career Services, can be helpful. The College Placement Manual has a geographical index of companies across the U.S. who are expecting to hire new grads. Other directories, written for specific occupations, are also available to help you identify likely employers. Networking can also help in the long distance job hunt. Let members of your department, union, and professional association know of your interest to relocate and they may provide you with contacts. This can offer desperately needed support in a new town.

Have a safe holiday. From the Campus Life Staff

Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah!

Log-On @ MSU

by Rita Bronenkanst

Well, this is the last edition of the Montclarion for the semester, and it's time to remind everyone to do a little housecleaning. Those e-mail boxes and file directories are overflowing with electronic junk mail. OK, now everyone, Delete! Absolutely cannot live without it? Save it to a disk. If it's e-mail, change the subject line in the ENTRACT command. Remember WinQYFNet? Good. Choose FTP, use GET to send it to your disk. Don't forget to tell your account manager when you change from WinQYFNet to WinQYFNet2.

The two most popular times to buy a computer are during the back-to-school rush and at Christmas. If you're researching your high-tech heart's desire, here's a tip. Know the sales jargon. New, different color from previous design. All Solid State: heavy as hell! Field Tested: manufacturer lacks test equipment. Exclusive: imported product. All New: parts not interchangeable with previous design. Latest Aerospace Technology: one of our engineers was laid off by Boeing. And, last but not least, Maintenance-Free: impossible to fix. Also, know that whoever said computers would give us a paperless world lie! I generate more paper than a government bureaucrat.

On the serious side of purchasing a computer: beware of old versions of hardware and software being passed off on you. You don't want the 1993 or 1994 versions of CD-ROM encyclopedias. Lots of useless software is preinstalled on new computers, so the buyer will think he's getting a deal... not necessarily. Look out for simpler software that demonstrates what an application can do, but is not the application itself. It's nothing more than an advertisement running on your computer. Understand the warranty and see it in writing before you buy. Check with other customers about the quality of service. If they want to Lynch the store manager, take your business elsewhere. CD-ROM drives should be quad-speed, at least. The new inkjet printers with the optional color cartridges are a great buy. Laser is still expensive. Don't get a modem slower than 14,400, or you will learn the meaning of World Wide Wait. Make sure the hard drive has enough space—a gigabyte is common. Got enough RAM? Need 8 MG or better.

If you get a communications software application, you can access the MSU Alpha system from home. I have BitFax/Professional, which combines BitFax/BitCom. There's also ProCommPlus, TSONline, and others. Software that does only faxes will not do it.

Should you get a Mac? Which are you more comfortable with? What kind of computers are used in the field you plan to work in? Are you capable of setting up the computer at home?

My purchase included on-home setup. The first time I had to bring the CPU into the shop I made a diagram of the back of it where all the wires connected. I also put little string tags on each wire, numbering them to match the diagram. It worked. I can disconnect and reconnect without my diagram now.

What would I do or change if I was buying a computer again? I would go for more speed. I have a 486DX-33. It is 1-4-o-w. Try the Pentiums with 75, 90, 100, or 133 megahertz.

Most importantly, enjoy your computer! It may be one of the most rewarding purchases you will ever make. Happy Holidays!
Food Focus: What do you eat while studying?

by Anne Margaret Kane

 Finals will soon be upon us and many students will get the midnight munchies while studying.

 Recently, asked some Montclair State University students what they snack on while studying. Here are the foods that some students munch on while hitting the books.

 Louis Vega, senior biology major, enjoys pizza, potato chips and candy bars. These foods satisfy Louis’s cravings for fat and sugar, which most people crave when searching for a snack food.

 Krista Vitalie, senior political science major, noshes on nachos with salsa. “The salsa usually ends up all over my notebook,” said Vitalie. Salt seems to be the taste that appeals to Krista.

 Rice crispy treats and pop-tarts satisfy the sweet tooth of Greg Cooke, sophomore environmental studies major. According to the Center for Science in the Public Interest, Kellogg’s has introduced a new low-fat pop-tart. The new tart has gone from five grams per tart to three. Unfortunately the so called “fruity tart” has more corn syrup, dextrose and cracker meal than berries.

 Unlike some students, Christine Duggan, senior music therapy major doesn’t eat when she’s stressed. “I get sick if I eat when I’m stressed,” said Duggan. She can, however, stomach pretzels when studying.

 “I eat all kinds of foods, but I really like Taco Bell,” said Peter Mosca, sophomore accounting major. Luckily for Peter, the cafeteria now serves Taco Bell.

 Fat in foods is not a concern for Tara Swords, sophomore home economics education major. “I eat Pringles potato chips from the red can, not the third less fat kind,” said Swords.

 Swords works at the Fortunes Coffee Exchange. Located in the basement of the Student Center, the new Seattle style Coffee Exchange is one of the many eateries on campus. Jennifer Larsen spends a lot of time drinking java there. “I need lots of coffee during finals,” said Larsen, a senior theater design major.

 Other places at MSU where hungry students can go to satisfy cravings during classes include: The “C” Store, located next to the Student Center Bookstore, the newly renovated Student Center Cafeteria, The Rathskellar Pizza, also in the Student Center and the Coffee Shop, a quaint little cafe hidden in the basement of College Hall.

 Mike Brennan, sophomore environmental studies major, loves cheese steaks. Not exclusive to their home city of Philadelphia, cheese steaks can be purchased at the cafeteria. “Other than that, I eat what’s left in my dorm which is usually microwave popcorn,” said Brennan.

 Since square meals have become a thing of the past, snacking is encouraged. According to The Record newspaper, a recent study found that 98% of the population snacks. The trick to snacking plan is to nibble and make nutritious food choices.

 Nutritionists advise using snack time as an opportunity to fit fruits and vegetables into your diet. Unfortunately, not one student mentioned fruits or vegetables as a snack food. What most students seem to enjoy are snacks that are high in fat, sugar and sodium.

 The Journal of the American Dietetic Association found that taste, not nutrition was the most frequent consideration when snacking. At MSU, taste takes the cake!

 Not all snacks are alike. Here are some common snacks that students enjoy.

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Pastoral peace and community broken by the deprivations of slavery. “Imagine,” they continued, “your mother or your grandmother standing, stripped of their clothes, standing on an auction block...can you feel the warmth of her tears, and the coldness of her tears...lynched, tarred, feathered and burned. Can you imagine what it is like to be a slave?”

Members of the audience were brought up to help enact the story of a slave named Highjohn who always managed to outwit his master. Highjohn was able to "master the master" to such an extent that he was able to use the latter's greed to fool him into suicide. With the master gone, Highjohn took the plantation himself and transformed it into a collective farm community.

Sisters Griots closed with song and dance celebrating principles of Kwanzaa, such as collective work and responsibility, unity, and self-determination. They urged students to put something into their community both at school and where they live. “First,” they said, “find what your purpose is...always remember: to love yourself doesn’t require the hatred of anyone else.”

Jessica “Care” Moore took the theme of Black Pride away from historical Africa and South Carolina into the places and the discourse of the present.

In Box This! she satirized “how the government is trying to pigeonhole us in racial categories” by requesting that one identify oneself according to race on official documents.

Moore spoke of the attitudes behind the changing of the Statue of Liberty model from a Black to a White woman. She essayed a description of the perplexity of those who could not bear the power of the symbol, contrasted against a characteristic of a stubborn sense of the Black woman’s dignity in the face of such cowardice of the imagination. The theme of the performance and the fierce dignity with which it was delivered seemed to lead inevitably to a demand from admirers of the performance of Moore’s Black Girl Jale.

This piece celebrated at once the sexual appeal of the Black woman, her emotional power, her discipline and her strength of self-determination.

Performing for the African Dance Troupe Monday were Victoria Stewart, Tashira Burwell, Lisa Smith and Na’cema Duncan.

Sisters Griots is the partnership of Estima Baker and Akanke McElan, professional actresses of long and distinguished experience who first met as undergraduates at Howard University. They are accompanied in performance by master percussionist Nontum. Ms. Baker said of Sister Griots’ mission “we hope to educate through theater and we want the children to know there is great power in education and the knowledge of one’s history.”

MONTCLAIRION
A Semester Gone

Remember When... OSU performed in the Homecoming Parade in the first week of October in the rain? Featured here are Victoria Stewart on the right and Khadijah McFadden on the left. The type of dance that they are performing is called a Magni, a social dance. OSU won most spirit at the end of all the festivities. The rest of the activities included a performance by Sigma Sigma Sigma and theta Xito Janet Jackson's "If," a LASSO representation of an Aztec temple along with other fascinating events.

Remember When... At the 17th Annual Pride Roar, Ed Harris held up a youngster from Ridge School during their visit from the school.

Remember When... Irving Callender and Marty Cruz, members of the MSU Football team, went to visit a sick youngster at the University Hospital in Newark. The visit is an annual tradition that MSU has participated in for the Pride Roar.

Remember When... From the left, Julio Marenco, Jay Stone, Gennady Kupperstyn, Howard Ung and John O'Sullivan were the finalists for Homecoming King.

A special thanks to George Rubsam from La Campiana for all the times that he came through for us when we needed pictures of an event. Without all of his help, Campus Life would have been a lot more bland and definitely not as eye-pleasing.

Thanks George, we really appreciate it.
By In Pictures

Remember When... On October 11, 1995 National Coming Out Day was celebrated on campus: pictured here are President Reid, Dr. Wilcox and Dean James Harris at the Flag Raising.

Remember When... Sigma Sigma Sigma member Krista Gastala led the camel in the Homecoming Parade. As you can see, despite the light rain on October 7, 1995.

Remember When... Jay Stano and Lisa D'ambola were elected Homecoming King and Queen on October 7, 1995. Don't they look lovely!

Remember When... "We the jury find O.J. Simpson not guilty." This is the reaction when it became public.

Remember When... It was not too long ago that Jeanine Doms and Dagm DeKruis went to the Winter Ball, sponsored by C.J. U.B., last week Thursday Night.

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Discipline, Focus, & A Love of Music

by Genie Ferras

Like many students at MSU, Dimiter Hadjipetkov wakes up to full-time class schedule followed by a part-time job on campus, but instead of leaving school after a 12-hour day, the award-winning violinist puts in a few hours of practice before going home to do his homeworks.

This rigorous schedule is nothing new to the 20-year-old junior from Bulgaria. He has been practicing since his mother put a violin in his hand at the ripe old age of five. “I wanted to go outside and play with the other kids, but my mom wouldn’t let me until I put in a few hours of practice first,” Dimiter recalls.

Such discipline and focus served him well. Dimiter won his first award in a national competition when he was nine-years-old. At 16, he won third prize in the International Korzian Competition, which features the youngest European violinists and caught the attention of Peter Christoskoff, a famous violinist/composer who invited Dimiter to study at the Sofia Academy of Music under his tutelage.

Upon graduation, Dimiter chose MSU because of its faculty, and its reputation for the arts. Professors Oscar Ravina, a violinist with the New York Philharmonic, and Chaim Zernach, a cellist with the New York Metropolitan Opera, are his mentors and inspiration. They encourage him to make the most of the opportunities available here, which are many compared with his native Bulgaria, a country rich in the arts but poor in economic opportunities.

Professor Ravina is the musical director of the Montclair Chamber Ensemble, of which Dimiter is a member. The ensemble will perform The Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 17, at 3 p.m. in Upper Montclair’s Presbyterian Church.

Dimiter also has recorded for the Bulgarian state radio and plans to do a recital with his girlfriend, Maria Gilmartin, a pianist, performance major, in the spring of next year. His ultimate goal is to play for a major symphony orchestra, which is literal performance major, in the spring of next year. His ultimate goal is to play for a major symphony orchestra, which is literal performance major, in the spring of next year. His ultimate goal is to play for a major symphony orchestra, which is literal

The Nutcracker at MSU

by Victoria Caltés

The Nutcracker opened at MSU last night at 6:30 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium. The American Repertory Ballet performed The Nutcracker. The audience was a mixture of ages, ranging from very young to old. All the dancers were light on their feet, twirling, spinning, and prancing around the stage.

The ballet opened with Clara and her brother trying to peek at their Christmas presents. Soon the stage was filled with children dressed in knickers and party dresses dancing around the huge tree and playing with their new toys. Clara’s grandfather gives her a nutcracker, which she adores. However, her brother manages to steal it from her hands and breaks it.

During the dance, Clara returns to the living room where she asks for ballet lessons and dreams of being a star. She fights with her nutcracker, sugarplums fairies, and a silver sleigh ride.

The dance of the Sugarplum fairy, performed on pointe, was delicate and beautiful. The talented ballerina had balance, strength, and skill. Her partner lifted, caught, and helped her spin.

TheNutcracker’s music, story, and dancing brought the spirit of Christmas to MSU.

Victoria loses her mind

by Victoria Caltés

Greetings and Salutations! Is anybody as happy as I am for this semester to finally be over? I can’t give it a complete thumbs down, but I’ll be glad to go home. I have been propositioned, begged, and bribed throughout the semester to highlight various individuals in my column. Crazy, since many people in my happy bachelor home usually say all I write is babble, but then whine when I fail to mention them. Except for Joe and Jean-Marie Paternoster my Editorial friends, who point out every mistake I make, listen to my complaints, as he bitches about his own. He works as a waiter, and he usually brings home yummy food that sometimes I get to sample. In our car stealing, knife threatening, gun mugging campus, I feel safer knowing that Gish, Carl, Frank, and Matt live across the hall.

Across the quarry, Blanton Hall the prison/Titanic stands. When I’m really bored, I dash out of my apartment, run down the stairs, wave my arms at the fourth floor “C” wing, and yell, “Casey.” Sometimes I’m not sure what kind of supernatural powers Casey possesses when I get back upstairs. Laura stops spinning around the kitchen and says, “Casey just called. She said to stop flailing your arms around because you look like an idiot. And she said something about salad.” Casey always knows exactly what I need.

Next is Moses. Moses has been one of my good friends at MSU since my second semester here. We had both had our share of horrible, terrible, unmentionable significant others. Hours, days, weeks, months have been spent agonizing over specific details about why we are right. Moses left and I got back together with the same people who are never, ever wrong.

Brian Donnelly is my sandal wearing pal. Every week since September, Brian has asked me to put him in the picture somewhere in the paper. I try to remember, but it’s his fault that I forget. Brian’s house has all kinds of cool toys, fishes, and even a bird. “Tony’s bird. I usually eat far too much when I go to Brian’s. He has this gourmet salad that is quite a treat. He promised to write something for me this week, but he made me forget.

I’m not much better at remembering things. Daru Santos has asked me since last spring to highlight her, and every week I forget. Daru is my D.A. buddy even though I moved out of Bohn Hall, I still return to General Hospital and hear all the gossip. Even her, spreading rumors all by herself now.

And finally, the event that made my semester, the Winter Ball. I was the envy of many since the lovely Amy Fisher escorted me. I remember a good portion of the night but not the rest. Some of it is a bit hazy, and I’ve heard outrageous stories from sober ex-agitators, Mikey Rosencranz. Table 16 had crashing, glass pyramids, flying dinner rolls, a tumbler and candleabra, and some how every time I stumbled back to the table a brand new, filled to the brim alcoholic potion awaited me. The bartender remembered that my order always included a shot of Jack. I may have swayed a little bit, but I didn’t drop my drink or fall down. I’ve been refused to dance with me, imagine that. But Greg MacSwiney pulled me to my feet and spun me around the floor. I also got to meet Tom Tracy’s gal, Kathy, who taught him how to do Tequila shots. I’ve been told numerous tales about the night, especially about a certain Brian, who became my best friend at coat check. Winter Ball’s memories leaves me counting the days to Senior Bash.

Well kiddies that’s it. I wish you all a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa. If missed my holiday, forgive me. Happy New Year and all that. I’ll talk the jazz. Until next semester, have fun. See ya.
First Night Montclair, a solution for New Year’s nightmares

by Victoria Ca/r/es

New Years Eve, 1995. Phish is sold out. The few remaining tickets are going for $150 plus. It’s too late to make reservations. Do you want to stand in Times Square freezing to death watching a disco ball slide down a pole, or see it on TV squashed on the couch between your state have established their own First Night Montclair is a community celebration of New Year involving family and friends with entertaining artistic performances of all varieties. First Night features music, dance, theatre, magic, and fireworks all in walking distance of each other for the price of $10.

First Night Montclair is an alcohol-free, family-oriented evening of arts and entertainment that offers an alternative to traditional New Year’s eve celebrations.

Debuting in 1988 as the first, First Night in New Jersey, Montclair’s First Night is the largest celebration in the state with an estimated 14,000 people attending. Also, Montclair is known for supporting the arts.

Since 1988, eleven towns around the state have established their own First Nights. In Montclair this year First Night will feature 60 artists in 35 locations around the downtown Montclair business district. Paul Ellis, Executive Director, has been planning First Night Montclair since February. He said, “It’s hard to be a performer at First Night. The competition is stiff.”

Mary Ann Riel, Administrative Assistant, has attended four First Nights, and she said, “After the tragedy at the Post Office, the town of Montclair needs a sense of community and celebration.”

Riel is also excited because Stone Bridge International will be filming segments of First Night Montclair to launch a new, 30-minute weekly entertainment show on Shanghai Television.

Riel has been told that, “Montclair’s First Night is a perfect occasion to show Chinese television viewers a family-oriented evening of arts and entertainment that offers an alternative to traditional New Year’s eve celebrations.” All of Beijing will view Montclair’s First Night.

The quality of performers have improved over the years with more support and funding. The names are getting bigger and more popular. First Night Montclair 1996 will feature such diverse musical acts as Rounder recording artist Chune Lavin and Lenahan, the hard driving Celtic Rock group.

Lavin is one of the folk worlds most prolific writers and producers. Her brand of “ur b a n folk” highlights the pathos, chaos, and humor of modern day mores in a society trying to catch up to the changes it engenders. Lavin will be performing songs from her newly released album Please Don’t Make Me Happy. Her charm, satirical wit, and irresistible energy are sure to be charming.

Lenahan has been described by critic John O’Regan as “Celtic rock and rhythm and blues delivered with a fiery attack and passionate flair. Lenahan is killer!” Tom Lenahan is the leader of Hoboken based Celtic Rock n’ Blues Band.

If jazz is your choice, Mark Weinstein and “The Group” will delight you with their cool sounds. Weinstein has played with jazz greats Chick Corea, Herbie Mann, Tito Puente, Maynard Ferguson, and Lionel Hampton. Weinstein and “The Group” will be performing acoustic jazz performances featuring flute, guitar and bass.

Another musician to check out is Oliver Lake at a unique theatrical and musical piece. Lake showcases his proficiency performing flute and sax while leaving no board of the stage unstepped! Lake’s performance promises style, presence, energy, and a great sound. Billboard Magazine says of Lake, “the most refreshing music to emerge from the jazz scene in recent years.”

The Swing Renaissance Orchestra performs in First Night’s own Ballroom for traditional big band music of the 40’s and 50’s. Classics such as Count Basie and Duke Ellington can be danced to and heard, with a culmination of fireworks.

If dance is more to your liking, the New Jersey Ballet will perform excerpts from their repertoire, and the 25 performers in the New Jersey Tap Ensemble under the direction of its founder Deborah Mitchell will be performing routines reminiscent of the big screen musicals and big band era.

Parents will also be delighted with the array of children’s events, ranging from puppeteers to magicians. Rick Lyon, a puppeteer on Sesame Street brings his own colorful troupe of hand puppets, The Lyons Puppets, to perform Really, REALLY True Stories! Maga zina zebra, Becky Santos brings her magic, clowning and all her pets to this performance.

First Night Montclair is an uplifting way to ring in the New Year. All you have to do is purchase a button from the following locations: Baby Boom, Grove Pharmacy, Montclair Book Center, Burgdorf Realtors, or King’s supermarket. However, more sites exist for more information contact First Night Montclair at 201-744-3427. Read a program, map out the events you want to see, and have a great time.
The Christmas season is upon us once again. Time to face the mobs at the stores to shop, hang colored light bulbs on a dead tree and spread good will to our fellow man. I say, "Bah Humbug!" I have not even begun to think about my Christmas shopping; my dorm room does not allow a Christmas tree and to be honest I don’t give a shit about my fellow man right now.

My roommate, Agnes and I have been living together for four years, and every year we come to the same conclusion, “Santa Sucks.” The closer Christmas festivities creep up on the calendar, the more work we have to do. We have 80 billion finals and papers to take care of, before Christmas and we are expected to have a holiday spirit?!?! Santa sucks. We don’t have time to visit us this year, it might be hazardous to your health, unless of course you have a few term papers in that bag full of goodies.

My dorm room does not allow a Christmas tree and spreading your cheer, don’t bother to come caroling over to our room, we don’t want any, Santa sucks. And if Santa is reading this; Don’t bother with us this year, it might be hazardous to your health, unless of course you have a few term papers in that bag full of presents. Life is all day & all night, and mine full of holiday homicidal tendencies.

So this year while you are out hanging mistletoe and garland, spreading your cheer, don’t bother to come caroling over to our room, we don’t want any, Santa sucks. And if Santa is reading this; Don’t bother to visit us this year, it might be hazardous to your health, unless of course you have a few term papers in that bag full of presents. Life is all day & all night, and mine full of holiday homicidal tendencies.

Suicidal Expressions

by Jodi Kretl

"You must have a pure soul. Only when creation is wiped away can you have a pure soul." This quote sums up the ideology of Tomoko Chosokabe, guest lecturer in Thursday’s Art Forum class. Chosokabe introduced the class to her highly unusual reconstruction-style artwork and to her personal hell. Her main type of artistry consists of covering large slabs of plaster with modeling glue, laying various types of clothing onto the glue, and setting the whole piece on fire.

Chosokabe began her immersion into art and Western culture because she felt Japan was too structured, and longed for the freedom and open atmosphere that Western ideals and philosophy promote. Art became the outlet for her aggression, and allowed her to express herself and the turmoil that was ripping her apart inside. Chosokabe hates herself. She cannot love herself, and wishes she could erase her existence. She believes there are three components to her psyche/artist self: self-loneliness, suicidal impulse, and a negative, missing element. She burns clothing because it is symbolic of herself burning.

Tomoko Chosokabe read most of her speech from a piece of paper. Though eye contact was minimal, her lecture was very personal, explaining her psychologically unstable obsession with suicide. Her dialect was heavily influenced by her Japanese heritage. Her speech was also supplemented by a video presentation, a slide show of her students’ work, and a question and answer session.

The video, entitled “Erasures,” which featured black and white segments of the artist talking (in Japanese, with English subtitles) about her work and life, interspersed with color footage of the artist creating in her studio.

The video began with a bang. The word “Erasures” appeared on the screen, followed by the image of flames raging, complete with audio. She seemed comfortable when talking about herself or her work, and handled the questions, including the very personal ones, with honesty and clarity.

The lecture was received well. The language barrier was a definite obstacle, but her openness and honesty seemed to make up for it. An improvement could be made with her eye contact, but Tomoko Chosokabe was interesting and worth seeing.
Rave Reviews for The Rush Limbaugh Show

by Joseph and Jean-Marie Paternoster

"Tell them that they are very gutsy for letting you write." This was Rush Limbaugh's response when he was told that we were writing a review of his show for the Montclarion Arts section.

On Tuesday night we attended a taping of the Rush Limbaugh Show. We were accompanied by Montclarion editorial writer Eric Wright and MSU Political Science professor Dr. Barkay.

While we were on line waiting to enter the studio, the anticipation was incredible. The crowd was a conservative's dream. The word "liberal" was bandied about in terms that would have made Newt Gingrich proud. After waiting about half an hour and passing through the metal detector (which picked up everything from keys to gum wrappers) we entered the studio.

The best way to describe the stage is to say that it is like a Shrine of Limbaugh. Anything and everything that Rush's face has appeared on was hung up around the stage. To us, it seemed to be a lot bigger than it looked on television, and it was decked out for the holiday season.

The first person to greet us was Kit Carson, Rush's chief of staff. He poured Mr. Limbaugh's Coke and began to brief us on the rules of the show: only books will be signed (as opposed to signing body parts), there is no shaking Rush's hand (since he might catch a cold), and taking pictures prior to the taping of the show is not permitted.

"If there's a camera anywhere in this building, The Great One (he made me say that) will find it," Mr. Carson commented.

Next up was Rush's radio talk show scorer Bo Snerdy. He opened the floor for audience questions. After a few questions, he began to announce all of Rush's accomplishments: "Over 8 million books in print, the most successful political newsletter in the country, and the most listened to show since the invention of radio - Rush Limbaugh!

The audience gave Rush a very longstanding ovation. After they calmed down, he began to ask where everybody was from and followed this with a long Q & A session. After taking a list of questions from one particularly annoying woman, Rush commented that speaking to her proved that he obviously can handle strong women, since he was "dealing with her." We were informed that, unlike other talk shows, there would be no signs prompting applause since the audience is "intelligent people who will laugh if something is funny."

The show had its usual conservative slant on humor. Rush poke fun at the liberals using their own words and addressed the issue of Whitewater. He ended the show by reading a news story about a postal worker in Denver who entered work in a dress and gorilla mask, with "a sexual device strapped on." Rush mused that this man may have been de­ ranged or just, " impersonating Patsy Schroeder," a retiring liberal Democrat senator from Colorado.

All in all, it was a lot of fun (except for Dr. Barkay's constant whining about the cold.) We give The Rush Limbaugh Show five stars on a four star scale. Even liberals would have a good time, because Rush's mixture of facts with fun are unparalleled - and just plain funny. We'll leave you with Mr. Limbaugh's Christmas wish: "I hope you get every material thing you want for Christmas."

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year from the Arts Section!
A Dark Day for the First

Maybe it’s Rita Bronnenkrant’s fault. The volume of students in the labs is at an all time high. They are exposing themselves to a world of information via the Internet. They are clogging up the printers with hard copy of their e-mail in hand, and taking up an unreasonable amount of bandwidth downloading giant pictures of Japanimation. But there are those who would limit our freedom to access this information.

In Washington, the conference committee approved tough sanctions against obscenity and indecent material, indicating that the House and Senate might be close to imposing their will on the Internet and World Wide Web. In their mad crusade for family values and to protect children, our representatives are willing to trample over the very same First Amendment that they take out and parade around in their struggle for school prayer.

Fortunately, the administrators of MSU haven’t caught the censorial fever of our legislators. Our Internet access is untrammeled by university administrators trying to limit our participation on the global information superhighway. We admire their decision, and hope that their hands-off attitude will remain so in the coming days.

However, these freedoms require individual responsibility. We are free to look at and read whatever we choose, as long as we are not offending our neighbors. Just because we can view images of a nude Anna Nicole Smith in the labs does not mean that we should. The Newtoids are right about less governmental intervention, but they seemed to forget about this part of their Contract in their zeal to restrict others’ First Amendment rights.
Clinton redefines war for the U.S.

The Examined Life

Thank God it’s over...maybe

Barring the term papers that remain untyped, the independent study never finished, the presentations yet to be made, and the assignments long past due that need to be completed, there’s really nothing given to the professor, the semester is over. And, as usual, I’m exhausted. And, as usual, I want to go home. But I can’t resist that “end-of-the-semester-evaluation” that I love to do. The chance to proverbially “put it all into perspective,” and only hope that the perspective I end up with is the most constructive possible.

Being here at the Montclarion gives me more things to cram into this great perspective than a lot of people, since it seems that when anything happens on this campus, be it a new security system or one in the endless list of complaints about the Blanton Hall food, I’m there to hear it. And I’m somehow supposed to assimilate all this into a weekly section.

It hasn’t been easy, and at times it wasn’t even fun. Sometimes its hard to accept when the six pages that I’ve stared at from Monday to Wednesday is labeled as “racist.” Or when instead of two pages of letters from concerned, upset, and generally agitated students and faculty, I only find a half page - or even worse, no pages at all. But in the end, Thursday afternoons are a wonderful time when everyone who worked on the paper, from the writers to the editors that need to be completed, and all in-between (including the people who bring me coffee at 12:30 a.m. and walk me home at 2:00 a.m.) can look at the final product and really feel that we’ve done some sort of service to MU.

People continue to say that the students here are apathetic. From where I sit I guess that perspective that people always admire so it isn’t that way at all. From racism to homophobia, bad food to Bosnia, we have seen and heard it all this semester. And I completely expect to see the same feedback (and hopefully more) next semester.

Everyone here in the Montclarion office looks tired. I guess that they look exactly like what a group of students who have spent the majority of their semester in this basement office/home should look like about now. But it is a good tired, and at least for me, a very satisfied one. Our humour editor, John J., just told me that my final column of the semester is bound to look like some relative of the infamous Victoria “Loses My Mind. Maybe. I’m trying to keep myself together just long enough to send out my holiday wishes, and keep them as unoffensive as possible, something not necessarily characteristic of the Editorial page. (But that’s the way it should be.)

Thanks to all of my ever-faithful writers for another wonderful semester. Good luck and all the liberal stuff to Frank Fleischman, the Editorial section’s liberal—without him, we’re going to have to find someone else to keep these conservatives in check! Holiday wishes to all of the staff here at the paper, and thanks to the people who put up with our Monday to Wednesday lifestyles (my parents included.) Happy holidays and best wishes in the new year to all of the Montclarion readers. Thank you for making this a fantastic semester for me. Now I too can go and lose my mind and discover that holiday spirit that everyone outside of the office has told me so much about. Happy holidays!
A columnist’s last chance to “comfort the afflicted, afflict the comfortable”

by Frank Fleischman III

Change is one of the only absolutes in life I recognize. Nothing ever remains the same. This is true of philosophies, institutions, the natural world, and people. Some may view this as a reluctant admission that I have changed. Of course I have. Any person who goes through life and doesn’t change deserves not to be called human. Yes, I have changed, but my fundamental philosophy is what philosopher Bertrand Russell called “empiricist liberalism.”

Empiricist liberals ignore dogmas, do not submit to any authority except their own critical intelligence. The Empiricist liberal demands scientific evidence for the endorsement or disapproval of authority, while demanding human happiness, no matter what political party is in power or what public opinion may say at any given time. Empiricist liberal beliefs are wholehearted and open, not apologetic or subservient to the dogmatisms of the right or left, but are committed to the value of liberty, scientific freedom, and moral plurality. Can such a description be made to fit the zealots, the book-burning, fundamentalists of religion, or the Marxist-Leninist hardliners? No, because these different people have one thing in common: they claim to have a monopoly on Truth, and they see their duty as self-appointed prophets to enforcing other people’s beliefs in the Truth as they see it.

To counterbalance this, it is necessary to adopt a sort of political agnosticism. Like folk singer Pete Seeger once said, “Truth is a rabbit in a bramble patch: you run around it and say that it’s in there somewhere.” I came upon this quote a few weeks ago, and it reminded me of an idea that I had long ago abandoned for a simplistic, ideological view of life: that life is complex, that eternal truths and absolutes do not exist, and that one person’s ideas and solutions to problems do not have all the answers. What are needed more than anything in this world, are new ideas and new solutions to problems. It does a great disservice to humanity and all of Earth’s inhabitants to cling to old solutions and shout meaningless slogans. It is time for all of us to admit that we never have all of the answers and that what holds true today may be completely dispelled tomorrow. This world doesn’t stand still. We shouldn’t act as if it does.

There is a great deal of things for liberals of all stripes to do. Our liberties, our promises of equality, are under attack. Ideological feminists would like to see the First Amendment recognized as allowing them to speak of things that may be sexually explicit or sexist. Fundamentalists like Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson, and Donald Wildmon would like to replace the Constitution with the Bible. Militant pro-life people like Randy Terry would have us believe that killing doctors who perform abortions is God’s will. Militant secularists would like nothing more but to exclude any mention of any religion, like the school board in Palo Alto, CA, last year when they forbade any Halloween activities.

One of the issues of conservatives have gotten all liberals by the collar on is the idea of values. It is true that we liberals must defend the values of respect, fairness, liberty, diversity, rationality, which are liberal values, against the forces of parochialism, nationalism, irrationalism, and pessimism that pervade our world today.

As Empiricist liberals, we must be afraid to change, just as we shouldn’t submit our critical intelligences to a “higher” authority such as government, church, or a God who may not even exist.

It is our responsibility to stand on our own two feet and look critically at this world that we have found ourselves in, both the good and the bad, the beautiful and the ugly. We must see the world as it is and not be cowed into submission by it. We must conquer the world with our human intelligence and not be subdued by its horrors. To be rendered meek by superstition, by pessimism, or by inflexible religious beliefs is to do a great disservice to free persons.

We ought to make the best we can of this world, and if it is not as good as we wish it were, we have incentive to work to change it.

This world needs knowledge, kindness, and courage. This world doesn’t need a longing for the past, nor do we need it to be hampered by intellectual chains on the mind, forged and tempered by ignorance and irrationality. What our world needs is hope and progress, not a fondness for a past that is now gone, but a longing for the future that only the power of human intellect can bring forth.

Therefore, it is liberalism’s challenge to defend free expression, no matter what is expressed, unless it interferes with the freedom of others.

We need to defend the rights of all. Whether they be political dissidents who hold an unpopular view, or those accused of horrific crimes, it is necessary to defend the rights of people because that’s what democracy is all about.

It is also imperative that Empiricist liberals help bring to the fore recognition of “them.” We must be in the forefront of championing gay and lesbian rights, just like we did with those of African-Americans not so long ago.

Because “certainty” has reigned in the minds of so many people have begun to see the world in fact quite figuratively “black and white,” right and wrong, good and evil, God versus the devil, and inversions them.

This must end. This is not to say that there aren’t any evil individuals or institutions in this world. There are, and they need to be resisted. Yet, political positioning makes more of things that have no true significance. Individual rights and freedoms must be protected, not just financial liberty, but moral liberty as well.

Liberalism is not borne of certainty; actually, liberalism’s detractors have shown it as a weakness. That’s not exactly true. Liberals have a hard time believing in absolutes because, in the true vein of agnosticism, they know that they have no monopoly on Truth.

It is the duty of empiricist liberals to throw off the shackles of dogma and certainty, to defend the rights of the oppressed, the disenfranchised, those who aren’t given a fair shake. The motto of the empiricist liberal should be, “comfort the afflicted, afflict the comfortable.”

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have been with me these past two years.

I thank first and foremost, my family, for being so supportive.

Secondly, I thank my future wife, Carmela, for listening to me argue and putting up with controversy and my small faults.

Thanks to my former editor at Worrall Community Newspapers, Rosell Roenne, who was good to me and never allowed away a young 65. Thank you for believing in my ability to write and nourishing enough to turn me into a full-time reporter. I continue to miss you.

Thanks to Montclarion staffers, past and present, especially Jean-Marie Navetta, Anthony R. O’Donnell, Kevin Colligan, and yes, even Ron Abansco, and to my friends, who were also my political opponents: Joe Pater­

oster, Mike Rubino, Eric Wright, and George Calle, as well as countless others.

I thank my professors, particularly Dr. Batkay, Dr. Cassilly, Dr. Furr, Dr. Sotillo, Dr. Harrison, Dr. Aygeman, and Dr. Nichols.

Last, but certainly not least, my loyal readers. The absolute best you can do, if you are a liberal and proud of it, is to start your own column at this newspaper, to prevent its total corporatization. Keep the belief in liberal, fellow. Here’s a man who continues to cheer you on, even after he graduates.

Final exams and holiday madness

by Angela Dandura

I’ve decided to hang tinsel in my car this holiday season. That way, I won’t feel like I’m totally missing the wonderful spirit of this time of year. Please understand, I’m not a Scrooge; I’m a college student. And that would certainly be enough to keep me busy, as we all know. But there’s more: I work part-time job in the mornings, am trying to run a small business from my home, and I have no time to relax.

I love being back in school. When I took one class this past spring I felt it wasn’t enough. This semester, I enrolled in four classes. What was I thinking? I expected and eagerly anticipated a challenge. It didn’t occur to me that I would have to dust the cobwebs out and jump start my brain. I thought the memorized symptoms of midterms would go away by now, but they’ve returned in fuller force than before. Finals are coming.

These exams, papers, and end of term presentations combined with the holiday madness has produced one lethal concoction. If I could bottle it, I would make one hell of an elixir.

My seasonal spirit hasn’t been dampened, though. I’m wondering—will I be able to order my Christmas gifts through campus E-mail? Do you think my literature professor will mind if I write my final thesis paper on what I’d like to serve for Christmas dinner? Will I have $400 to spend for a holiday season? I believe the right things are being done.

I hope my children—the very patient son and daughter—will realize that their mother will soon return from the abyss, emerging, no doubt, with tinsel in her hair, bearing gifts of IOJ’s scaled with kisses. I pray they will know, as well as the other loved ones in my life, how important they are and how proud of them I am every single day. Love them beyond any words I can save on disk, even though, unfortunately, I haven’t slowed down long enough to tell them.

The semester will be over soon; my word processor will get a well-deserved rest. I’m looking forward to thumbing through my back issues of Cosmopolitan to see if my October horoscope came true. Maybe I’ll watch the World Series tapes on Christmas Eve, set to background music of Silent Night. Who is George Bailey pitching for this year?

Despite the madness, maybe it is a wonderful life after all. Happy holidays.
Instant Karma
by Miasz Sachowska

Bubbles, pinballs, and Nerfballs

There’s no discussion. It’s ova. We now spend relentlessly toward 2000. I thought I might sum things up for Instant Karma '95, and offer a perspective to think about between semesters.

We have all followed the debate between absolute truths and relativism. Those living in an intellectual bubble must come to realize that there are other bubbles, and each bubble also claims that its knowledge is absolute and the only truth. Perhaps we should not think of them as bubbles, but rather as pinballs, constantly rolling around and knocking each other about. Notice the voices always rising when discussing their views from their pinballs. As students, it is easy to forget our goals and aspirations, especially when we are confused by the narrow agendas generated by incomplete political ideologies, self-righteous alienating religions, and other exclusive groups. We must try for a slow and careful approach to today's problems; only then can they be solved.

As students, many of us today feel discontented with the state of the government, international dilemmas, and our own situation entering the job market. But we must counter our unrest by realizing our luck and good fortune; namely, we are in college. Don’t we all sometimes forget this? For all of its strangeness and hypocrisy, it provides us with time to ponder our possible directions in life; in fact, just by being here we have a choice. We can choose our direction and not be stuck in a job we don’t love. We can look into other people’s pinballs. We constantly take for granted these reasons why we are here and underestimate our faculty and administrators. We can write for a newspaper, put on concerts, plays, dj on the radio, and participate in other activities that would be less available to us in the “real world.” Most importantly, we have the opportunity to study and pursue those areas of our passions. Students complain constantly about everything: the food, the RA's, classes, boys, fats and sororities, the SGA, and parking – while we forget our goals. Actually, our world and our future is changing as we speak.

This holiday we can be thankful that America took the responsibility to support the peace agreement in Bosnia. If not for its humanitarian purpose, our conscience can be eased knowing that our country will help put genocide, war, and the production of orphans to an end. It is unfortunate that this is not the main activity of America, but this is a start.

As students we can look forward to all the wonderful and joyous things that await us in the next four years leading up to the millennium. We must recognize our situation not as Irish-Americans, LASO: Asian-Students Association, OSAU, Chi Alpha, Jewish Student Union, Philosophy majors or Physical Education majors, but as students living in America. We can’t ignore the benefits of these but we can’t allow them to be all-encompassing. Until we get past this, we will always be divided. We should not be pinballs, but Nerfballs. Better yet, humans. Only then can we explore the fruits of unity and perseverance.

Apologist
by Nelson Alonso

Over the past few decades, computer technology has made enormous strides. There is something almost frightening about the pace of development. Already, computers are able to perform numerous tasks that had previously been within the exclusive province of human thinking, with a speed and accuracy which can outstrip anything that a human being can achieve. However, with any broad-ranging technology, it is likely that there are dangers as well as benefits. In addition to the evident advantages that computers provide, there are also many potential threats to our society inherent in computers.

One of the main problems is the extraordinary complexity that computers present us with, so that there is no chance that any individual human being can understand their full consequences. It is not just a matter of computer technology, but also of the global communication that links computers to each other completely around the planet. We see something of the problems that can arise in the unstable way that the stock market behaves, where transactions are performed almost instantaneously on the basis of world-wide computer predictions. Here the problem is not with the individual, but rather with an instability and unfairness in a system which is geared to enabling individuals to make instantaneous fortunes simply by out-computing or outguessing their competitors.

Rubino
by Michael Rubino

Last week, a detained homeless man attacked a six­year-old girl on a subway train in Manhattan, plunging a hypodermic needle into her leg. Collette Lopez and her family must now hope and pray that there was no transmission of disease during the vicious incident. The maniac has since been identified, but I will simply refer to him as “Skunk.”

Everyone is sympathetic towards little Collette. After all, she was simply minding her own business while spending an afternoon with her family. But now what? What happens to the Skunk? What happens to this lunatic who possesses a criminal record that dates back to the 1960's, including charges of burglary, theft, and manslaughter? What happens to the Skunk who has bounced in and out of mental institutions and made three escapes from the Rochester Psychiatric Center?

Maybe you’re thinking, “I don’t care what happens to the Skunk.” Well maybe you should care. The phrase “I don’t care” usually connotes indifference, or of looking the other way. Before the Skunk’s last escape, he had been judged as a threat to himself and others. The mental health office, after his last escape, officially listed him as “discharged.”

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ACLU defends the criminals, not victims

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"HEY! I DON'T WANT TO RETIRE!!! LET ME STAY, DAMNIT! BILL, GET YOUR BUTT OFF OF THE CHAISE LOUNGE AND DRAW ME!!!"

Mister Boffo by Joe Martin

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2. Pizza Bowl
3. Regal Beagle
4. Arnold's
5. Central Park
6. Hub's Place
7. Riff's
8. The Brick
9. Bob's
10. Hooper's Store
11. Keely's
12. Mac's
13. Monk's
14. Mama's
15. The Minute Man Café
16. Pops' Choklit Shoppe

by Rich Rake

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Answers are page 22. Don't look at them if you aren't finished; Santa will give you a lump of coal, and a bump on the head.
THE LIST OF THINGS THAT PISS ME OFF!!!

1. "STORE-BRAND" POP-TARTS

Pop-Tarts today are secretly re-branded Pop Tarts with our "Lame Ass Toaster Pastries"

2. The Tale of the Christmas Angel

In Ed Flannery

Humbug. Christmas is here and I'm already in a bad mood. My family got its tree. This means they're celebrating again. The only thing I like about the Christmas tree is the angel. The following story is about how the angel became the ornament that gets put on top of the tree.

Before I start though, I would like to point out that I know a lot of people put a star on top of the tree, but my family has put the angel up there for generations. I think the stores were all out of stars when my ancient ancestors went Christmas tree shopping. This year it even rained and they thought stars were ghosts and stuff. I'm shocked they even knew Christmas.

Did you ever see the Flinstones Christmas Special? Neither did I, but I heard about it. They were cave dwellers too, and the were around well before this Jesus guy. Plus, freakin' Santa Claus came and gave them stuff. Santa is also in one of the Fruity Pebbles commercials that they play around the holidays. I've no idea why you would wonder why Fred couldn't sell it was Barney in all those disguises. I know, I once saw a show of what was going on. Maybe Fred had a lot on his mind. He was probably still dazed from when he met the Jetsons.

I do not recall a Christmas episode of the Jetsons. This worries me. Not only is there apparently no Christianity in the future, but I could not name a single minority in the Jetsons', accept for the aliens that they lived around.

For Christmas, I want one of those jetpacks that Elroy had. If any one knows where I can get one, please let me know.

Also, does anyone remember seeing a tree on the Jetsons. I sure as hell don't. I like trees. Especially in the fall when colors change right before they died. It might not happen during my lifetime, but maybe the Jetsons of the future would have it. I always liked the way Scooby Doo talked better than Astro. Astro was like a bluish grey. Did that mean he was dying? SCI-ENCE LIVES!

2. The Pop Tart Guy

Writers of "Lame Ass Toaster Pastries", and since we know that ours suck, we decided to make a switch.

Me: That's it. You and your Pop Tart stealing cabal will die now. I will start chasing around the Pop Tart guy/ company, but they got away. I'm already in a bad mood. Although I'm already in a bad mood, I will not go by without any damn problems. I have a personal theory that this is all the work of some twisted and sick toll collector who has some hidden agenda against me. IT'S A CONSPIRACY!! I guess he didn't get his raise, so he is taking it out on me! We'll see if he gets his Christmas gifts. I already E-Mailed Santa, and he was pretty steamed. "He's getting nothing for Christmas!!!" Ha ha: revenge is sweet.

3. The Elevator Music in the Food Service.

I don't want to dump this to again. I don't want to, but I have no choice but to; when they charge you for friggin' barbecue sauce, it's time to start the attack once again. I went to the state parkway the other day, and ordered some chicken fingers. They began to prepare them, and they asked me what kind of sauce I would like. I said "sauce". They said cool. They gave me two. There isn't a snowball's chance in hell that two little tubes of BBQ sauce could possibly cover six rather large chicken fingers. I asked if I could have another, and they said I couldn't, unless I paid fifteen cents. I flipped. "FIFTEEN CENTS!! DON'T YOU KNOW THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ALL THE OTHER FOOD HERE?!!" The cashier sneered, "Well, they cost money, so we charge for them.

4. ELEVATOR MUSIC WHERE THE EVIL MUSK* DEMONS THAT BE TAKE YOUR FAVORITE SONGS (IE: BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY) AND MURDER THEM MERCILESSLY

I swear to God, I heard the "Bohemian Rhapsody" Queen's magnificently turned into Musk*. I flipped out. I started saying out loud, "Those bastards. Those damnable bastards killed it." People started looking at me like I was tied up in a sleeping bag or something. I swear, kind reader, it was perhaps one of the WORST things I have ever had the displeasure of hearing. Me and the MUSK*. I was at the Golden Age of Disco. During the faust-arietta in the middle of the song, some lame-assed synth violin played Freddie Mercury's voice, all to a relaxed ballad tempo. The third, usually rauscous part, was easily taken: vi­braphone and rhythm track taking over the impassioned wailing sound that I usually enjoyed. I couldn't stand it anymore. I went over to Musk* incorporated, and killed all of the musicians. Shh, don't tell anyone: no one knows that I buried them under that picked-apart car in front of Calica**.

4. DISCO: Disco is DEAD! Live with it! Take off those stupid bell-bottoms, and BURN your garbage, since bringing your own lunch is bad enough that a cup of soda costs about $1.50, when the same amount of soda costs much less at a fast food joint. What are they going to charge you for next, rent for chairs? I can only say one thing: Bag Lunch. And when you're done with your lunch, charge the food service money for letting them take your garbage, since bringing your own lunch costs money.

5. DISCO: Disco is DEAD!! Live with it!! Take off those stupid bell-bottoms, and BURN THEM. Take your Donna Summer, Bee Gees, and Village People records and 8-Tracks and use them for frisbees and drink coasters. Disco is DEAD! Live with it! Take off those stupid bell-bottoms, and BURN THEM!!
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SUMMER SESSIONS 1996

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**Personals**

Brice (Ballis),
Thanks for coming to my Christmas party. I hope you had a good time. I love the moves.
Love, Yas, Colleen (Theta)

Steve (Ballis),
You better keep your eyes open for flying pancakes.
Love, Colleen (Theta)

Lorraine (AIX),
Don't you love my favorite quotes? Oh, ah Alpha Beta! Go Blanketbearer!
Love, Yas, Your Aunt (AIX)

Marleen (Cruis),
Thanks for the present. I like it a lot! I am glad we all get to go out for 48 hours!
Love, Lauren (Good)

Tanks (AIX #154),
Hope you had a great b-day! I am glad to see you were happy! Our birthdays were a fun 48 hours!
Love, Yas, Fefa (AIX #156)

Erie,
Happy 21st Birthday again! Have a great one but don't eat too much popcorn!
Love, Lauren (AIX)

To Mooda,
May you rule DOA with an iron fist!
-Sea slave

Hey Hips,
You have a very bad habit of disappearing during all good songs. I think we need to break you of this habit.
Love, Chicky
P.S. Did you get the feeling that everyone was watching you?

PhiSig #16,
Just out of curiosity, do your plans for next semester include giving "Oral'? A word to the wise, next time use "presentations". You never know who may be listening.
IPL, #112

Caroline,
I'll have you know that there is nothing wrong with the "Retro 80s"!
-Genovina

Dave O.,
Thanks for coming to my Christmas party! Hope you had a great time! When you're on campus, stop by so you could finish the Tequila... before WE DO! HAHA!
Love, Yas, Eliza (Theta)

Energizer,
Though you are truly energized. I thank you for everything you have done for me. CONGRATS ON OUR 1 YR. ANN.
Love, Yas, Wipe It

To the "cute boy" from TKE, Don't forget, I owe you a heart! Hopefully I'll see you over break!
Love, Yas, Your Nasty Friend

To My Little Eric,
You're looking good in those letters. Congratulations again! If you ever need guidance, you know where to find me!
Love, Your Adopted Big
P.S. Tell Ed I'll be investing in contacts ever break.

Erie (Phi Sig),
I would like to end the semester by saying, "I can't believe I hooked up with..." You fill in the blank!
Love, Genovina

I know it is not my place to interrupt, but was it by any chance a German Shepherd named Duke?
Fast Food Editor, Rob Duane,
When are you going to see Bill? I'm dying to detach if I should go "South of the Border" or not.

Signed, North of the Border

Thetas,
HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!
Love, Karen

Gary (Ballis),
Thanks for coming to my formal. I had a great time! I loved the candles!
Love, Karen (Theta)

Dyran P.,
I am back to what I told you and what you heard. It may be true. But you didn't hear anything from me!

Niceat Blus,
It's good to see you out of your "state of confusion" and happy again. Don't worry about what anyone says, I still love you! One more thing, are you still growing on you?
-Not so bad blues

Andy (TKE),
One question, what does your definition of evil consist of?
Spiderwoman,
I had so much fun the other night. We all have the brains to prove it. I'm gonna miss you over break. I'll come up to see ya!
Love You, Your Little

Wild Child (Theta),
Why don't you go dance for a while?
-The Bartender

To the Sisters of Lambda Theta Omega,
Thank you on your donations!
Sincerely, The Sisters of Lambda Theta

Alphas,
There's nothing that you & I can't handle together! I love you with all my heart!
-Jamie

Tanis (AIX #154),
Happy 21st! Go Holka!

Love, Sisterhood, Mar (152)

Stacey and Courtney,
Keep on Suckin'!

To all my Sisters (AIX),
Have a great holiday and a happy New Year!!!
Love - Sisterhood, 152

Alan,
Thanks for the song at 12:00. It meant a lot to me. Happy Anniversary. I love you!!
-Monica

Amy,
Delicious Dinner! What's up President? You Cookie Eater You!
Love, Ashole

Meredith,
Dear Me, Whip Me, Make Me Write Bad Checks.
-Tim

Kurt (Ballis),
Thanks for coming to my formal. I had the best time! A Snickers bar?!!!
Love, Stacey (Theta)

Stay-C (Theta),
Once again, you were there to clean up the mess! Thank you sooooo much. You're not just a true friend, you are a GREAT SISTER! I love you, Karen (Theta)

Mark (ZBT),
That was so mean of you to come out and party with the Birthday Sigmas of AIX. Thanks for the present.
Love, Lauren (AIX)

P.S. Go Tanis's Big! Go Sigma Pledge Class of AIX!!

Little,
You are the best little ever and I love you.
I love you, Big

Big,
F**K YOU. YOU NEVER LOVED ME. QUIT TRYING TO SUCK UP YOUR HEARTLESS BASTARDS! I HATE YOU, Little

Thetas Kappa Chi,
Christmas party was awesome- what we all remember of it!
Love, Stephanie

Archie,
Congratulations on being voted "Worst RA" in a unanimous decision!

-Stone Hall Residents

Hey Ed,
Raisin a stinky plough on high, or something.
-Tim

Tim,
They've locked us out...They've banned our unions...They even treat their animals better than us.

-Eddie

P.S. Without justice, there will never be peace

Monica (Theta),
I'm glad you cheered up for the Christmas party! We had such an awesome time! I'm heaux!

Love, Colleen (Theta)

Love Ya, Colleen (Theta)

Love, Stephanie

Okay, I'll give Ed a break and do these cursed things; it has been awhile.
-JJO'S

To Apple Jacke,
Does GoldSchlager taste the same coming up as it does going down?
-YTB, The Lambda Class

Hey, are you guys still pledging? THEN YOU ARE NOT THE LAMBDA CLASS!
Love, a concerned TX Brother

To all of my brothers, punch me in the face L'il Buddy, GM 61

TX Brothers: Spring 96 will be even better, get psyched! -Casper

To Rick, Christie, Rob, and Melissa, When is the next monopoly game??!!?! Scott

To the Upsilon Class (Theta),
You are the best! And I do and will always love you guys! Have a Happy Holiday and a great new year!
Love, Sidekick

Fatty,
The 12th was soon enough. Please rub my. OK. I'm an elevated ground. Baby

WHAT!!!!
JJO'S

Energizer,
You have a heart that knows no hate. Thanks for laughs, arguments, and chill on those Dr. Rico Perez pills!
All Dat!

To Andrew and John, I'm proud of both of you. Thank God pledging is over!
OAS AAI LL
Your Brother, Raider

Brothers of Phi Mu Alpha, I want the dog!! "Here Ostin, here boy!!"
-Ross

To Andrew and John, Are you a Siftenfian? Reliah

Happy 1 year Anniversary to the S.T.R.I.A. Line of Sigma Phi Phi!
Love, Wipe it

John J. O'Sullivan,
You got my vote for Homecoming King '96!! Hearts and kisses, Goldie Love!
Wow, cool; I guess I should run again!
-JJO'S

Stupid is as stupid does...so what's the deal Thompson?
I want action, satisfaction!

Are you up for a trip to Friday's?

Winter Ball think of "Foxey Lady" and the motto Genevieve (Phi Sig), to get stocked up for her next semester at home.

To the Brothers of Psi Sigma Phi,

You are the best roommate and my best friend. Thanx for everything!

that I have ever seen my entire life. You write the weirdest and most evil looking "Es"

Ed (TKE),

Muggo, Kim, Temptation do with out you.

You needed to cheer up! The X-Mas party did you good

Love you little! Monica

Hey Fatty (TPhiB) I knew you could never hurt me, you dumb ass! Bogart

Stephanie (Theta), Mike W., and Dave M. (Bulls), How do you make an H? I had a great happy hour or should I say hours last Monday!

Love, Colleen (Theta)

Twinter, That was a pretty daring personal...are you with me??

Love ya, Cey-Mom

Shirley, YOU SUCK!!! I have nothing else to say to you

Love, Erin

Ilene (Theta),

Link it, rock it, and slam it. You got to go to the Crum bar more often.

Mara (101)

Teddy, Well, I'm no longer curious!

Chachi, You should always compare GIRLS to tires and "always have a SPARE- J"

Thank you for your sisterhood!

Lambda Theta Alpha,

Don't laugh; rabies are serious!

Beware, be careful.

You needed to cheer up! The X-Mas party did you good!!

Girl, You needed to cheer up! The X-Mas party did you good!!

Love, Eric

Happy holidays to everyone at the Montclarion! See ya next semester! Love, -J-M

Jane Paternoster...I love you, you oh great ultra conservative! Merry Christmas! Meow!

Love, -J-M

Enough from me...here's Victoria!

J-M I need a long break away from this place. Merry Christmas and don't get too warm and fuzzy on New Year. Love, Victoria

Amy, Thanks for being a wonderful date. I'm glad we hung out more this semester. It's been so much fun inflicting hounds! Love, Victoria

Tommy, I didn't fall down this time, and I got some action. It's your turn to be jealous. Love, Victoria

Tom - I wanted you to be my first...personal Bound to only my dreams.

Stephanie (Theta)

You needed to cheer up! The X-Mas party did you good

Love you little! Monica

PS The SoCs killed me!

- JJO'S

MONTCLARION/Thursday, December 14, 1995
Men’s B-ball successful behind Sutherland

by Hob Czer/iotriz

The MSI Red Hawks had a successful week, as they posted a 2-1 record, and watched as Rohan Sutherland set a school record on 11 of 11 shooting against Jersey City State.

Over the weekend at the Harold Brodic Tournament at RIT, MSI split their two games, losing to Pitt-Bradford, and coming out on top against Potsdam.

In the Potsdam game, freshman forward John Weips (Waretown) scored 26 points and pulled in eight rebounds, while leading MSI to a 74-65 victory. The 74 points was three points above MSI’s average of 71 points per game. MSI shot 48% from the field, which brings their season average to 36%. The team also grabbed 43 rebounds in the game, which gives them an average of 43 rebounds per game.

In the first game of the tournament against Pitt-Bradford, MSI was not as fortunate, as they dropped the game by a score of 74-61. The team looked slow all night, as they shot 39% from the field, and were outrebounded by a margin of 50 to 36. MSI only went to the free throw line 10 times during the game, and only made five of them. The team’s free throw percentage on the season is 69%.

Against Jersey City State, the Red Hawks fared well, behind the great play of 6’2 junior guard Rohan Sutherland. Sutherland scored 34 points on 11 of 11 shooting, helping MSI to a 80-79 victory. Four of Sutherland’s 11 field goals came from behind the three point line, which gives him 7 on the season. “Rohan had a career game against Jersey City State. He’s a leader on this team,” said Red Hawk coach Nick DeTufo.

Besides Rohan’s great offensive game, he also has been playing extremely well on the defensive end of the ball. He is tied for the team lead in steals with 10, and has been a vital part of the team when it comes to shutting down opponents. According to coach DeTufo, “Most of the time, we put Rohan on the other team’s best offensive guard.”

Last night, MSI played the Osprey of Stockton State. “We match up well. Due to our similar styles of play, it should be a close game,” said DeTufo. “If we limit the turnovers and shoot better, we should win.” Turnovers have been an issue for MSI this season, as they have committed 76 more turnovers than steals. However, there have been games in which MSI has committed many turnovers and still won. This can be attributed to the up-tempo pace of some of the games.

On Saturday the Red Hawks will travel to Staten Island, to take on Staten Island at 7:30. The Red Hawks now have an overall record of 4-4, with a 2-2 record in the conference.

Cagers fall to Stockton St.

compiled by Sports Information Dept.

Junior guard Carl Cochran hit for 18 of his 23 points in the first half as Richard Stockton College (8-1, 6-0) used a 31-1 run and coasted to an 88-67 New Jersey Athletic conference men’s basketball victory over Montclair State (4-5, 2-3) in MSI’s Panzer Gymnasium on Wednesday evening.

Richard Stockton, which never trailed in the game, turned a close 16-13 lead at 11:43 into a 47-17 bulge with that stunning 31-3 run spanning just six minutes of the first half. Cochran starred in the flurry, hitting for 13 of his 18 first half points. The highlight of the run came when a double technical was called on MSI’s bench, causing the ejection of head assistant coach Nick DeTufo. Cochran hit all four of the technical free throws, and then followed with a three-pointer on the very next possession for the 30 point cushion.

The closest MSI got from that point was 17 points at 1:01 left in the game, 82-65. Cochran finished with 23 points on 6-12 shooting, including five of eight from 3 pt. range. As a team, the Ospreys hit 10 of 19 three-pointers and committed just 10 turnovers. Four other players hit for double figures for Stockton: Marty Small (23 points, 10 rebounds), Eric Magazine (20 points, six assists), and Yumal Williams added 11 points.

For MSI, junior guard Rohan Sutherland (Miami, FL) dropped in a game-high 30 points on 12-17 shooting, while freshman John Weips (Waretown) chipped in with 14 points.

The Montclarion's Athlete of the Week

NAME: ROHAN SUTHERLAND
NO.: 23
YEAR: JUNIOR
POS.: GUARD
H.S.: MORLAND

Against Jersey City State, Sutherland set a school record by shooting 11 of 11 from the floor, while scoring 34 points. Sutherland is averaging 15.8 points per game, and is tied for the team lead in steals with 10.

Season’s Greetings from the Sports staff.
Women’s B-ball improve to 5-0 in NJAC

by Nick Gantzidis & Brian Brodsky

Last night the Red Hawks lifted their NJAC record to 5-0 with a 57-49 victory over Richard Stockton in front of a home crowd in Panzer Gym. MSU (6-3, 5-0) took a 36-24 lead into halftime behind the play of Heidi Klingert (Linwood) who led the Red Hawks with 12 points. Wyckemia Kelley (Paterson) and Kim Kovar (Hazlet) both added 9 points each.

The second half was a back and forth contest until Kelley hit a 12 foot jumper along the baseline with 4:19 left in regulation. Kelley’s jumper sparked an eight point run by the Red Hawks, who never looked back.

For Montclair, Kovar finished with 11 points and 11 rebounds, Klingert scored 15 points and Kelley had 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds.

The MSU women’s basketball team continued to roll in the NJAC as they posted their fourth conference win of the season with a 68-27 beating of Jersey City State at the Athletic Fitness Center.

The Red Hawks destroyed the Gothic Knights by 41 points as Kovar led the team with 11 points and ten rebounds, while Kelley contributed with 10 points, five steals, and five assists.

Off the bench, Jennifer Owens (Plainfield), Tata Taulanc (Atco) and Tracy Singleterry (Keasbey) all added ten points each. Singleterry is averaging 19.6 minutes, 5.6 points and scoring in double digits in two of her last three games.

So far this season, the Red Hawks are on top of the NJAC in field goal percentage. The MSU defense is keeping their opponents to only 32% shooting. Kovar is averaging 10.9 boards a game. She is also second place with 3.8 blocks per game. Other MSU players who are among the leaders in NJAC play is Klingert who is eighth in scoring with 14.0 ppg and second in assists with 5.25 per game. Kelley is also among assist leaders, as she averages 4.63 assists per game.

Another impressive Red Hawk is Jill Schultz (West Milford) who has made drastic improvement in the last year as she has started in all eight games for the Red Hawks this season.

Last season, Schultz was not a starter, and this season she has improved every part of her game as she is shooting 40% from the field, and 63% from the line. She is only one assist and one block away from her season totals for all of last year in rebounds and assists.

Up next for the Red Hawks is FDU-Madison in a non-NJAC contest. The game is on Friday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m. at FDU-Madison.

Jeff Bargiel named to two All-American squads

compiled by the Sports Information Department

MSU’s junior defensive lineman, Jeff Bargiel (West Paterson), has been named to the 1995 Hewlett-Packard Division III All-American Football Team and the 1995 Dan Hansen Division III All-American football team, as was announced today by both squads.

Bargiel, who also earned the All-American honors after competing in his sophomore season in 1993, is the first two time Montclair All-American since Paul Goffen used the award in 1988 and 1990. Goffen is Montclair’s all-time leading sack leader with 55 over his four year career.

This past season, Bargiel was the anchor of the MSU defense, as he was named to the New Jersey Athletic Conference All-Conference team for the third time. He was voted NJAC “Player of the Week” five times in the last eight weeks of the season, including each of the final two contests. In the final game, against National Division III championship runner-up Rowan College, Bargiel had 12 tackles, two sacks, two forced fumbles and a 22 yard interception return on the one yard line.

The selection of Bargiel to the two squads is more impressive when considering that he sat out last year to concentrate on his academics. Coming off an outstanding sophomore season in which he accumulated 65 tackles, caused four fumbles, broke up seven passes and set a team record with 17.5 sacks, including a record five versus Trenton State, Bargiel was forced to sit out the entire 1994 season due to academic ineligibility. With one season left in his career, Bargiel now has a chance to attain something that no other player has in the long history of Montclair State University football, earn his third Division III All-American selection.
An unjust situation

I don’t know if there is anyone out there like me who loves high school athletics like I do. I religiously keep up with all the high school stats, news and happenings in not only the state but also the country. I think the biggest shock of my life concerning with high school athletics came on Tuesday morning when I opened the sports section of The Bergen Record. Every Tuesday in the North Jersey section the state top 20 appears. For the last six weeks, my alma mater St. Joseph Regional was on top of the poll with the number one ranking. St. Joe’s defeated a nationally ranked Bergen Catholic, East Regionally ranked Hackensack and a very good Nutley team. Not only were the Green Knights of St. Joe’s ranked number one in the state, they were also nationally recognized by the USA Today in their weekly national top 25. Two weeks ago, St. Joe’s captured their third state championship in eight years by defeating DePaul at Giants Stadium. One would think that St. Joe’s would be a unanimous choice to finish number one in the final state poll that was released on Tuesday. To my shock, and probably everyone else’s, St. Joe’s finished the final poll at number three, behind Neptune and Hoboken. Are the sports writers crazy? If you are number one most of the season, and cap your season off with a state championship victory, then there is no reason why you shouldn’t finish the number one team in the state. The sports writers excuse for not voting them number one in the final poll was that they had to come from behind to defeat a stubborn DePaul. They said their victory was not impressive enough for a number one team. All I have to say to those ignorant sports writers is a win is a win. No team should be penalized for winning, only for losing. St. Joe’s worked hard all season, and without any doubt they proved to me and to everyone else that they are the best team in the state.

Sports Quiz
by Larry Duncan

1. What cities were Start and Finish for the first intercontinental automobile race held in 1908?
2. What is the distance of straight-line sprints in drag-racing?
3. How many games are played in a five-team round robin tournament?
4. What are the colors of the five Olympic rings?
5. What are the three Alpine skiing events?
6. Who retired with 755 home runs to his credit?
7. What tennis term is derived from the French word for the egg?
8. What does a ballplayer accomplish if he hits for the cycle?

Sports Quiz Answers
1. New York and Paris; 2. a quarter mile; 3. 10; 4. black, blue, red, green, yellow; 5. downhill, giant slalom, slalom; 6. football; 7. Hank Aaron; 8. he hits a single, double, triple, homer.

Sports Quiz
by Larry Duncan

1. What golfer’s nickname is Super Mex?
2. What shot is the hammer shot in a shuffleboard end?
3. What is considered tennis’s most illustrious championship?
4. What sport features a full court press?
5. What was the favorite sport of the Kennedys?
6. What pro sport was played by Wilt Chamberlain after basketball?
7. What Hall of Fame pitcher started three World Series games for the New York Yankees in 1962?
8. What tennis term is derived from the French word for the egg?

Sports Quiz Answers

The Conservation Club

Watch out for our Spring Events!

Adopt-a-highway, camping trips, guest speakers, Earth week, Cornucopia events, Mountain biking, and much MUCH more.

Why not stop by our office in the Students’ Center,
Room 120, or call X 5102

for more information about the Spring activities, and about our club?!

Conservation club is Class I SGA
# Red Hawk Sports Week

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# Fearless Forecasts

**BOB CZIECHOWICZ:** "WHAT A WEIRDO!"
- Cowboys -15 over Giants. Roy Rogers is my hero. He makes good hamburgers.
- Browns +2 1/2 over Cincy. I like Columbus, but the capital of Ohio sucks.
- Bears -7 over Bucs. If I was a bear, I would thoroughly enjoy Blanton food.

**DAN "Bcn-wa" QUINONES:** NEXT ULTIMATE FIGHTING CHAMP.
- Oilers -5 over Jets. I can break Royce Gracie's arms with my butt!
- Browns +2 1/2 over Cincy. (deleted for vulgarity)
- Falcons +1 1/2 over Lions. Spackle walnuts for a tasty treat.

**ERICA DUNCAN:** DIE-HARD COWBOYS FAN.
- Bills -1 1/2 over Dolphins. Dolphins: Taste great. Less filling.
- Colts -3 over Chargers. (might offend people)

**VICTORIA CALDES:** I HAVE ONE SEMESTER LEFT.
- Team A over Team B. Merry Christmas.
- Team E over Team F. I'm graduating in May.
Rohan Sutherland has emerged as MSU's leader on the court. (Czechowicz, p. 28)