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MSU American Humanities Program travel to national conference

by Genie Perav

Thirteen MSU students enjoyed the opportunity to develop leadership skills, network with top industry executives and experience in Houston as they took part in the American Humanities Management Institute Conference, a national conference held between Jan. 3 and 7.

The first official delegation from MSU was led by Prof. Tim Sullivan, executive director of American Humanities at MSU and chair of the HPERLS Department, and Jon Mortagia, director of student development for the American Humanities Program at MSU. They were joined by MSU President, Dr. Irvin Reid, who is a national board member of the organization.

The American Humanities Management Institute Conference is an annual event which attracts over 200 students from 19 campuses nationwide this year.

One of MSU's finest promoted to the rank of lieutenant

by Tom Bond

The Department of Campus Safety and Security promoted Sgt. Paul Cell to the rank of lieutenant on Jan. 6, according to DSS Director Philip Calitrc.

Calitrc said that Cell's promotion is due to the increase in the DSS roster since 1991, DSS has gone from 21 officers to a present strength of 31 officers.

“Cell has been changing the table of organization since we have expanded. The job has become more sophisticated,” said Calitrc. “Therefore, it is no longer necessary to have an operations lieutenant as well as an administrative lieutenant.”

Calitrc specified that Cell will assume operational duties while Lt. Michael Postaski will have administrative responsibilities.

Calitrc also said that Cell's new responsibilities will include maintaining control over shift operations, inspection of shift personnel, maintaining proper shift coverage, training of all officers, supervision of all Residence Life Security Guards, monitoring of the welfare of Residence Life residents and guests, institution of crime prevention programs, and assisting with the Office of Emergency Management during crisis periods.

Cell discussed what it means to be lieutenant. “It's a really dynamic job. Among many other things, I'll be coordinating the action between the patrol division and the investigations unit. I will also be heading any major investigation,” he said. “There's never going to be a dull moment.”

Cell said that his heavy expertise in investigation and police procedures provides him with the requisite background. “I've been in law enforcement since 1980. I received my basic training at the Essex County Police Academy and attended numerous in-service training courses at the Essex, Passaic, and Morris County Police Academies,” said Cell.

“I have taken interview and interrogation courses at the John Jay School of Criminal Justice. I have studied narcotics investigation with the Drug Enforcement Agency and sexual crimes investigation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I am a certified PR24 instructor (dealing with police baton methods) as well as a state certified police academy instructor,” Cell said.

Cell expressed his gratitude to the MSU community. “I am very thankful that I got the promotion. I realize that it not could be done without the backing and support of Director Calitrc and the university administrators who made it possible,” he said. “I am also appreciative of how easily Lt. Postaski has made this transition for me and how the officers supported the promotion.”

Calitrc conveyed his support for Lt. Cell's promotion. “He is very deserving of the promotion. He has shown a great deal of loyalty and dedication to the department. He has been providing a lot of input concerning the security cameras, booths, and gates,” said Calitrc.

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The University Bookstore is a business owned and operated by a private company. MU leases the space in the Student Center to Follet's, a division of Follet's Corporation. Follet's, as any other contractor, must pay rent, salaries and all costs for its inventory, said Fred Webber, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Follet's Campus Resource. Follet's must also negotiate a contract with MSU about prices of texts, said Webber.

Richard Ammerman, general manager of the Bookstore said any profit is made from sales of products with the university logo. Markup on textbooks is less than on any other items sold in the store, he said.

The circle of new-to-used book inventory is an integral part of the Bookstore's business. It begins with professors' requests for texts. Publishers build into the new text price the cost of paper, print, binding, royalties, and amount of demand. Used-book vendors are another primary factor in the pushing up of costs of textbooks, said Barbara Rosenberg, an acquisition editor for Harcourt Brace College Publishers.

Harcourt Brace sells the text English Romantic Writers to MSU at a price of $42.25. The Bookstore marks it up about 25 percent to $56.40. All businesses want to make money. Although there is a mark up on the new books it is still better for the bookstore to buy back from students, said Webber. There are extra costs in buying from publishers and from used-book companies.

Ammerman said the store tries to maintain the highest ratio of used books to new. The Bookstore holds "buy-back" sessions to complete their inventory. Students are given "wholesale" rates for books they sell back. "Wholesale is always and necessarily less than 50 percent. In fact the wholesale price ranges from 10 percent of the retail price to approximately 30 percent of the retail price," said Webber.

Only when the inventory is not filled during the set buy-back period will the bookstore order the books from vendors, Webber said. The bookstore will sell books bought back for 75 percent of the current market price.

There is a misunderstanding, Webber said, that those books bought from students at wholesale go directly to the University Bookstore shelves. Not so, according to Ammerman. Unless there is a late request for the books from a professor, the used book companies buy those books from the Bookstore at wholesale, he said. A nationwide catalog determines the price.

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tel and entertainment, including and evening at NASA's Johnson Space Center, which was opened exclusively for AH participants. Students were served dinner, watched a film on a five-story screen on astronauts and space, played video games and held a campus sweatshirt raffle.

Touring some of Houston's best attractions from nightclubs to museums, took up the rest of their time. They packed up just in time for the Blizzard of 1996, which reached out as far as Houston.

Dr. Reid was very impressed with the students. "[They are] an enthusiastic, fun-loving, committed group, and like much of MSU, diverse in their makeup. I have never enjoyed traveling with any group of students more than with this one."

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**Whisky and freedom gang thegither!**

- Robert Burns, 1759-1796

Self defense seminar: another step toward a safer campus

by Tom Bond

The Department of Campus Safety and Security is starting its first semester-long self defense seminar on Jan. 30 at 6 p.m. in Dickson Hall’s Brant Lecture Hall, said Lt. Paul Cell who is spearheading this latest DSS crimefighting endeavor.

The seminar is only one portion of a DSS and Facilities Planning venture to strengthen campus security. Since last September, MSU has seen the establishment of an escort service, additional emergency call boxes, enhanced lighting, foot patrols, and surveillance cameras. There have been many crime prevention discussions by Officer Timothy Webster, to say little about plans for scooter patrols and security booths at all campus entrances.

Cell said that the seminar will intensely focus on all aspects of crime safety. “We will be running the seminar initially for eight weeks. At this time, we have the necessary facilities booked for Tuesday nights from 6 - 8 p.m. up until April 9. However, I’m pretty sure this will be a semester long affair,” he said. “We’ve held self-defense seminars in the past and we found there is plenty of student interest. Thus, we really want to be able to cover all areas of crime prevention in depth.” Cell said that all seminar classes will take place in room 419 of the Student Center.

Regarding topics, Cell said that the seminar will deal intensely with home safety, dorm safety, office safety, car safety, and anti-theft awareness, among many other subjects. He said the seminar will also focus on maximizing one’s ability to react in the face of an unexpected assailant.

“The actual self-defense that we’ll be teaching is based on an Okinawan karate form modified for street defense. It’s basically for fending off an attacker and is not designed for offense,” said Cell. “No martial arts background is needed. We ask that people wear loose clothing. We prefer that people come every week, but the seminar is structured so that they won’t be left behind if they miss a week,” he said.

Cell said that DSS is committing considerable resources to the seminar. Besides Cell, Sgt. Boyd Lyons, Police Officers Hermer Miranda, Timothy Webster, Israel Rosado, as well as Security Officers Frank Marino and Stanley Campen (one-quarter of the entire DSS roster) will be providing assistance. “We will also be getting assistance from Kenney Key who runs a ‘Ta Kwon Do Club in Panzer Gym. All in all, we are making a 200 percent effort to make the self-defense seminar a success.”

He said that he will be in charge of the self-defense segment of the seminar whereas Webster will lead the crime prevention portion. Anyone interested in registering for the seminar or with any further questions can contact Lt. Paul Cell at 655-5123.

Blizzard ’96 still wreaking havoc

by Tom Bond

The security booths which were scheduled to be completed by the beginning of the semester have been delayed due to bad weather and official red tape, said Director of Facilities Planning George Mellen.

The security booths are a part of a continuing Department of Safety and Security and Facilities Planning enterprise to ameliorate campus safety.

According to the Facilities Planning schematic, five security booths are to be erected at the lot 28 entrance, Clove Road, Normal Avenue, and Valley Road entrances and at the Carlisle Road exit. They were to be in place by mid-January in order to keep out non-permitted visitors as well as help prevent criminals detected by the surveillance cameras from escaping. However, booth construction is literally on ice in light of the Blizzard of 1996.

“We’re going to have to wait until the snow and ice melts before we can start digging. We hope to get most of the booths up by mid-February, but that all depends on the weather conditions,” said Mellen. “In fact, adverse conditions have also delayed completion of the surveillance camera project. We hope to get everything back on track as soon as possible,” he said.

Mellen said the Valley Road booth will not be finished until the summer. He explained that Facilities Planning must obtain special permits before the Valley Road booth can be built. “We’re going to be building a jughandle by the Valley Road booth so that (DSS Director) Phil Calitine’s people can turn away unauthorized vehicles. This requires permits from the county and state which means that the Valley Road booth won’t be ready until sometime during the summer break,” said Mellen.

Regarding other security measures, Mellen said that Facilities Planning is investigating the use of screech alarms that will assist the surveillance cameras by picking up suspicious sounds such as people screaming and windows being broken. He said that the screech alarm project is still in a primary stage of development.

Mellen added the issue of adding security cameras to the campus interior is still being discussed. “There’s a human rights concern about putting cameras up around campus buildings. It’s all going to hinge on whether or not Calitine can get approval from the MU community.”
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WHAT DOES THE RENEWAL APPLICATION LOOK LIKE?
The Renewal Application looks a lot like the 1995-96 Student Aid Report (SAR) you received this year, but it will be printed on white paper. It will also include an instruction booklet and envelope for mailing it back to the processor.

NOW THAT'S IT'S HERE, WHAT DO I DO WITH THE RENEWAL APPLICATION?
Essentially, you treat it like a new 1996-97 FAFSA. Carefully follow the instruction for completion, change those items which need updating, and leave the others as they are.

WHEN CAN I SUBMIT THE RENEWAL APPLICATION TO THE PROCESSOR?
Just like an original FAFSA, you may file this form anytime after January 1, 1996. All students must file the Renewal Application by March 1, 1996 to ensure compliance with our deadline.

WHAT IF I DIDN'T RECEIVE A RENEWAL APPLICATION BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1996?
Not to worry! If you have not received a renewal application by the end of the holiday break, come by the Financial Aid Office and pick up a regular 1996-97 FAFSA. The same applies if you misplace the one sent to you. Duplicate renewal applications are not available. The processor will accept either form. However, don't send both in - just submit one or the other by the priority deadline date.

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Come to the Financial Aid Office in Co-321 of College Hall, pick up a 1996-97 FAFSA and instruction sheet. Be certain to complete and file the FAFSA by March 1, 1996.

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Proceed as described above and submit the "Institutional Application for Graduate Student Financial Aid - Academic year 1996-97" by March 1, 1996. This form is available in the Financial Aid Office, College Hall, Room Co-321.

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Applicants who fail to submit the FAFSA by the deadline date are not guaranteed award notification for Fall 1996 billing (about July 7, 1996) and must be prepared to pay the term bill in full from personal resources.
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Think about getting a part-time job or internship in an area of particular interest to you. The Sports and Exposition Authority at Giants Stadium posts positions with Career Services as do other organizations concerned with sports, physical fitness and recreation. Stop in to Career Services in Student Center Annex for more information.

Q: I am interested in working outside the United States after graduation. How do I find out about job opportunities abroad?

A: Living, learning and working in a foreign country is a wonderful way to experience different cultures, to gain another perspective on how business is conducted, how people interact, and to develop greater self-awareness. It is also a great way to develop friendships in our global society.

In Career Services, there are many resources to help you explore working options in other countries, how to prepare yourself, what qualifications you need, and the requirements necessary to gain employment. Teaching English Abroad by Susan Griffith, The Directory of Jobs and Careers Abroad edited by Andre De Vries and the Directory of American Firms Operating in Foreign Countries are just some of the several books available. The Council on International Educational Exchange in New York City provides invaluable help for students who are interested in working in other countries both before and after graduation and many of the Council’s flyers and pamphlets are posted in the “Work Abroad Opportunities” binder in Career Services.

The job market today is more competitive than ever. Learning another language or improving beginning language skills can only benefit you in the long run. Start early if you plan to go abroad right after graduation.

Semester begins with a little snow

by Erica Dunnau

The semester has started and all is under way. Now is the time to come to the realization that you are back in school after a torturous break. If you commute to MSU, as many students do, it may look like nothing was done to get rid of the snow from the ground. On the contrary, a lot has been done to clear this stuff away. The roads are clearer than they were after the great blizzard of 1996. Where there was one lane there are now two and where there was no lane the way is now passable. So it is a little better.

In the Quarry however, there are mounds of snow eliminating parking spaces by the dozens. Now that I have been transformed into a commuter student, these mounds are becoming a nuisance. It is possible that they can all be cleared up before another snowstorm comes through our part of town or the rain falls and creates an ice-skating rink! Anything that can be done will be greatly appreciated by all of the driving population on our beloved campus.

Now that I have finished complaining about the parking situation the only thing left to do is to ask the students of MSU to donate some of their time and join the staff of the Montclairian. We are a lovely bunch here in the basement of the Student Center and will appreciate anything that you can do for us, big or small. Diminish those nasty rumors of the dinosaur-like computers. We just received a new set of computers that are amazing. Come on down and check them out. They even have software on them incase you get bored. So you see, there is a multitude of things that you can do here at the illustrious Montclairian office.

On a brighter note, have a great semester. And if things get a little hectic, just think about March 11 through the 17. For those of you that don’t know the significance of these dates, it is Spring Break. Start making your plans. I’ve started making mine already.

Food Focus: New Year, New Body, New You

by Ann Margaret Kane

With the start of the new year, count­less numbers of people vow to get in shape, lose weight and start eating healthy. However, old habits are hard to break and within the second week of the new year, the best intentions are often left behind.

How does one stick to a healthy eating and exercise plan? According to the article “Winning the Losing Game,” in the Jan./Feb. ‘96 issue of Health Magazine, Dr. Hill, a nutritionist at the University of Colorado recommends setting realistic goals. For example, losing a pound a week instead of ten pounds. Dr. Hill also suggests, “do it yourself, don’t deprive yourself, cut fat and above all GET MOVING!”

Dawn Grey, Montclair State University senior dietetic major is moving her body to the gym. “I’m starting to go to the gym again,” said Grey. Though she slacked off last semester, this year she’s back on the treadmill.

“I’d like to get started running again and this is the year I’m going to do it!” said Mike Blaskewicz, a sophomore fine arts major. Denise Austin, fitness guru on ESPN, in a recent article from the Star-Ledger newspaper said, “The more muscle you have the more calories you burn at rest.” Austin’s diet consists of three meals a day and encourages snacks.

Christopher Rea, junior home economics major snack on low-fat tuna during classes. “I discipline my diet to prepare myself for the wrestling season.” In order to defend his Division III wrestling title, Christopher eats a low fat, high protein diet.

Jane Fitzgerald, junior business administration major, started watching her diet before the holidays. “I didn’t want to gain the average five to seven pounds that you hear most people gain,” said Fitzgerald. Instead of taking her holiday leftovers home, Jane brought the holiday goodies to the office for hungry co-workers to devour.

According to Prevention Magazine’s Jan. ’96 issue the key to controlling your diet is to control your trigger foods. In the article entitled “Turn Off Your Trigger Foods,” it says that these foods are the ones that you “can’t have just one.” Examples of trigger foods are sweet or salty foods, such as cookies and potato chips. These are often not linked to hunger but behavior and situation.

In order to control your intake of trigger foods and total food intake, never eat while standing up. Don’t eat while cooking, eat with your non-dominant hand and stay out of the kitchen! Now you know a weight-control method. But weight loss and a healthy lifestyle is incomplete without exercise. Studies show that when people have lost weight and acquired an exercise habit, they’re more likely to stay trim than people who try to keep the pounds off by diet alone.

Barbara Mintz, a post baccalaureate dietetic student and personal trainer said, “In order to become optimally fit you must combine proper weight training, eating habits and cardiovascular exercise. Barbara’s business has tripled since the start of the new year. “Many of my former clients, who want to get in shape fast, have been calling me in a state of panic to start working out again,” said Mintz.

The key to exercise is to make it a priority. Even the busiest person can fit exercise into his or her daily routine. Exercise should be done at least 30 minutes, three to five times a week.
The Real World
by the students of the Co-operative Education Program
by Yin Ha Tsang
During the summer of 1995, I was very fortunate to have the opportunity to work as a co-op intern at Wings Production Co. in Hong Kong as an Associate Event Planner. While performing my co-op internship, my main duties involved gathering project information, planning and coordinating special events and also administrative work. I was also involved with the design, fabrication, purchasing and consulting work done for numerous special events projects. I also participated in the installation, implementation, and dismantling of these projects. I was privileged to meet and work alongside people in the construction, advertising and promotion areas of the special events business. During this co-op internship, I discovered that there is quite a difference between the office structure of business in Hong Kong and in the United States. In Hong Kong, employees do not need to be officially assigned tasks. They work as a team and are self-motivated toward the same goals. Also, employees' working attitudes are quite different. Employees in Hong Kong tend to be over-achievers who are not overly concerned with time management or a good working environment.

This internship has been quite a learning experience and has contributed to my developing many positive and upbeat feelings. I have gained confidence plus a strong desire to do more and learn more about the field of special events. It certainly is the kind of career that will provide me with both business and personal satisfaction.

I must say that I have learned quite a bit. For instance, working with an accurate time table is crucial and working on more than one project simultaneously becomes a way of life. Pressure and stress along with last minute changes are normal and good communication coupled with interpersonal skills are a necessity for success. Different people bring different skills, attitudes and ideas to the job, and being able to capitalize on this and channel them is an important task.

I have really worked hard during this co-op internship, but I also been rewarded for working hard.

Bored...Sue's got the answer
by Suzanne Feigle
Now that the semester has officially started up, our books are bought, and life is back to normal, what's next? While there are many things to do on this wonderful campus, fun activities are also available in the outside world. Over what seemed to be an incredibly short break, I sampled a few. So here are my recommendations for the "Get-me-off-this-darn-campus Blues".

As many of you have seen in their advertisements, The New Jersey Rock Gym is just minutes away from campus in Wayne. I actually had an awesome time and it wasn't that expensive. With the basic lesson, equipment, and a day of climbing, I spent about $35. Not bad, considering that now that I am "trained" I can climb for about $10. My friends and I spent about five hours climbing. Since there are many walls to climb, including the ceiling you never have to wait. There are all different skill levels to choose from and there are a lot of really cool people to assist you. In fact, some MSU students work there, so you'll feel right at home.

Guess what? I also learned how to ski! There are numerous ski resorts in the area that offer student discounts. (Camelback gives $10 off for students on Tuesdays) Now you can't use the "it's too expensive" excuse. Find a phone book and some friends and get moving!

Okay, so my vacation felt more like an audition for "American Gladiators", but it was a lot of fun and a great stress reliever.

If you really want to stay on campus, check out our campus calendar. It will tell you everything that is going on. If you want to do something challenging, exciting, and organic, work for the Montclarion. No more complaining about not having anything to do. I've done my job, the rest is up to you. I have a great semester.

Write for Life. Contact Erica or Sue for more information at x-5169.
by Rita Brunnenkant

The good news is that the new Pentium lab in Dickson Hall opened last week! The bad news is that the roof leaked...and part of the ceiling came down! Rain and melted snow hit two new PCs. Fortunately, no one was using either machine at the moment. The lab was shut down immediately as a safety precaution. DI-280 was up and running by Monday morning, thanks to the efforts of Charlie Fraser of Academic Computing. Speaking of up and running, Richardson Hall labs haven't been running. Electrical work is in progress in both 108 and 110. Check availability before you go.

Director of Information Services Jim Byrne was kind enough to provide me with the current stats of the Alpha system. As of last week there were 4,433 Alpha users out of a total student body of 12,006. So, where are the other 7,573 of you? Take the technological step that puts you on the cutting edge. Learn it at your leisure, before you have to do it under pressure from a professor or an employer.

How would you like to win something? Does $1,500 sound good? That's the grand prize for the best "spoken word work and/or poetry" in the Hugo Boss Wordslam Contest at http://www.wordslam.hugo.com/howtocenter.html. I graciously accept all offers to share prize money. Want a laptop— and IBM ThinkPad (tm) to be precise? Go to http://www.insight.com/whofromwin.html. Fill out Insight's online survey and click to enter the free drawing.

Libra Square T-shirts has a contest—design a shirt, and if it's chosen to be part of their line, you get a freebie. It's not a laptop nor $1,500, but I enjoyed the sayings on their shirts at http://www.liveline.com:80/libra/, such as "House of Ill Repute", "Whois@whitehouse.gov," "Friends Don't Let Friends Drive DOS", "Network Engineers Can Remove Your Shorts," and "My Friends Went Shopping on the Internet and All I Got Was This Lousy T-shirt."

Thousands of companies, big and small, have an Internet presence. But, is anyone making any money off this, besides the access providers? At the WebSuccess site they show real life examples of companies marketing themselves. Find them at http://www.kcdcol.com/~ray/index.html. And how many people are on the 'Net anyhow? See Internet Facts and Statistics at http://www.echonyc.com/~parallax/interfacts.html.

May you never need the following information, but if you do, it can be on your screen in a flash. The CenterWatch Clinical Trials Listing Service contains listings of clinical trials for new drugs, patient notification service, profiles of centers conducting clinical research, new drug therapies, and background info on clinical research. You can also search by therapeutic area and geographic region at http://www.centerwatch.com.

Does the US Constitution really provide for separation of church and state? Read the arguments at the Separation of Church and State Homepage, http://www.louisville.edu/tnpetic01/church/index.html. This site is run by a Professor of Communication at University of Louisville, and independent researcher, and a lawyer/member of the Supreme Court bar.

I have previously mentioned WomensWire here, so the guys deserve a turn. Find the National Coalition of Free Men at http://www.ncfm.org. This group was founded on the belief that men need a unified voice when expressing their beliefs on important political issues of the day. Don't miss their journal, Transitions: Journal of Men's Perspectives.


The Drop-In Center invites you to:

STRESS/TIME MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

WHERE: Student Center Room 411
WHEN: Monday, January 29
TIME: 8:00pm

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Atwood's *The Robber Bride*, Refreshing & Shocking

by Jodie Kastel

While managing a used bookstore over the summer, I received my first lesson in the beauty of Margaret Atwood. A co-worker of mine and fellow English major told me about Atwood's breathtaking, unforgettable works, and I've been hooked ever since.

Atwood's most notable novel, which was later adapted into a movie, is *The Handmaid's Tale*. Surreal and futuristic, it has captivated audiences around the world. Other works include *Surface*, *Cat's Eye*, *Lady Oracle*, and *Bluebeard's Egg*. A *New York Times* best-seller in 1993, *The Robber Bride* adds yet another chapter to the list of reasons why Canadian Margaret Atwood is one of the most original and lyrical writers of our time.

*The Robber Bride* is the account of one woman's evil grasp over three of her "best friends." Zenia is evil incarnate. She has no heart, no conscience, and will stop at nothing to get what she wants, even if it destroys the people who love her.

All three women first encounter Zenia in college and unsuspecting Tony is her first victim. Quiet, mousy Tony has a crush on West, a guy in her history class.

He casually invites her to a party at his apartment. Amid the music and smoke, Tony meets Zenia, West's live-in girlfriend. She is like no other person Tony has ever met.

Commanding, yet strikingly sexy, Zenia's deep indigo eyes, wild black hair, and tall, trim body leave Tony feeling short and boring. Zenia takes Tony in as her little pet, giving her fashion pointers, drinking lessons, and dating advice. Tony trusts her completely and for the first time, learns what it's like to have a best friend. Zenia then borrows money from Tony, steals from West, and devastates her with her sudden and mysterious departure.

In time, West comes to love Tony as she has nursed him back from his broken heart. After graduation they get married, buy a beautiful house on a small island, and completely enjoy each other's company. That is until Zenia returns, seducing West yet again, and leaving Tony rejected, betrayed, and alone.

Zenia runs into Zenia again a few years after college. Completely in love with Billy, an American Vietnam War draft-dodger, she sees Zenia in her yoga class, hiding a black eye. Zenia claims that West abused her for years, and now that she's dying of cancer, she doesn't want to live her life in fear of what he'll do to her. Charis takes her in and starts a rehabilitation regimen to get Zenia back in good health. Billy despises Zenia, and sees her as an infringement on his safety, little haven with Charis. Zenia begins to hint that Billy is coming on to her, coming to her bedroom in the middle of the night. Charis shrugs it off, believing that Billy loves her and that they are soul mates, so nothing can come between them.

One morning, after fixing breakfast for Zenia and Billy, Charis goes out to the backyard to feed her chickens to find their necks have been slashed. Screaming and covered in blood, Charis rushes to her, coming to her bedroom in the middle of the night. Charis shrugs it off, believing that Billy loves her and that they are soul mates, so nothing can come between them.

Suddenly I am unshed in a hot, mid-summer sun with the sweet tunes of bagpipes floating through the air. As I look overhead, my friend, Rod is perched on top of a van. Standing next to a huge peace sign flag, he plays for a parking lot full of strangers. Enchanted, I find myself, with new and old friends, rhythmically, spiritually, dancing in a circle. Another friend, Dan, dressed in full dancing bear costume in 90 degree heat, is riding through the crowds on a bicycle. He is waving, bringing a smile to everyone he meets, occasionally posing for a picture or a hug. No one can actually speak, just feel.

A Grateful Dead show actually begins before any glimpse of the members of the band actually take the stage. It originates within the audience, which is unlike any other concert audience I have ever taken part of. They form their own society, tied and bound by the stereotype of "deadhead," but set free to experience the music any way they choose. Surrounded by thousands of romantics, like myself, we share a common love and respect for the Grateful Dead and their audience.

Now as my thoughts grow colder, back to the present, I am reminded of the death of Jerry Garcia and the break-up of the Grateful Dead. No more shows, no more Jerry. However the audience with whom I have share so many moments, is hardly dead. We don't disappear from MYTV news, we are the Grateful Dead. Life is all day & all night, and mine is filled with vivid memories not available at a record store.

At the end of the show, Brad and I drive back to the hotel. Our hotel is waxing, bringing a smile to everyone we meet. The Grateful Dead and their audience, both in time and in space, reside forever in my eyes and transport myself back to the summer, I received my first lesson in the beauty of Margaret Atwood. A co-worker of mine and fellow English major told me about Atwood's breathtaking, unforgettable works, and I've been hooked ever since.

Margaret Atwood's *The Robber Bride* is intelligent, refreshing, and shocking at times. It shows how blind love, friendship, and trust can render people, and how easy it is for those with less of a conscience to feed on that blindness and use it for all it's worth. Read it - it can change your perspective on friendship forever.

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So I am sitting cross-legged, smoking a cigarette, at the end of a football field. I’m watching the lights at the other end flash on and off. The letters are huge, 22 feet tall and 30 feet wide. Each letter follows the pattern ROY G BIV; red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet: the biologically correct colors in the rainbow. The letters spell out Graduation.

Even though I failed Biology last semester, I know the correct colors in the rainbow. I hate General Education Requirements, but I am down to my last two. Come May I will leave my horrific home away from home and enter the “real” world.

There are several aspects about MSU that I won’t miss, but the food takes the cake. Last Friday, after class, I attempted to eat at the Student Center Cafe, but the cafe closes early on Friday, so I skipped down the stairs to the Rat to indulge in some pizza. Pizza that has somehow shrunk in size yet grown in price.

As I stood on line looking at the pies covered with an abundance of cheese, I wondered where is the sauce? I asked for two slices, and the woman behind the counter used a spatula to remove my slices from their round circle of friends. Now, the pieces had not been sliced very well, so she managed to cut one of the slices in half. She threw the slices on a plate and whipped them across the counter at me.

I told the cashier that a rolling slicer rather than a spatula would probably be a better method to cut the pizza, but she must have misunderstood me because she gave my slices to a man in the kitchen to finish slicing with the rolling slicer.

Dumbfounded I strolled over to a table, brushed off the crumbs the last visitor had left behind and sat down with a fork and a knife. The Rat can boast that their pizza is the only pizza that I eat with a knife and a fork. I began sawing away at my pizza only to realize that the dough was burned to a nice charcoal. I did not ask for my pizza to be barbecued. However, only half of the dough was burned. I guess half is considered acceptable.

I continued chewing vigorously at my pizza when my friend Tom peeled back the tremendously thick layer of cheese to reveal that there was no sauce on his pizza.

At that point, I stopped eating. I’ve been bringing my food from home this week. I figure I’m saving money and my appetite; also my stomach from an ulcer. Well I’m off to learn about how our great government stole this great country from the Native Americans. Thanks to Brian and Jan for their enlightening conversation about our druginfested friends. Until next week, have fun. See ya.
SGA announces new library hours for the MSU campus community

At times, may of us think that for a change to occur around here it requires some kind of divine intervention.
Well, last year around election time, the current SGA president Francois Dander promised that he would try to get longer library hours on campus. Well, we can now happily announce to any students who might not have noticed, that library hours have been extended.

Now, on Mondays through Thursdays, closing time will be eleven instead of the old ten o'clock closing time. It will also be open on Fridays until eight. On the weekend, students will have the chance to hit the books for longer periods on those empty Saturdays when the library will be open from nine to five.

All of the people who helped make this possible can’t be listed on just one page, but some include: the past SGA Director of Academic Affairs, Dan Marshall, Board of Trustees Student Representative Natalie Vacarro, and many thanks to Barry O. Bernstein, SGA Director of Welfare and Internal Affairs, whose hours of research finally paid off. Two people who showed great devotion and service to the students will be well appreciated by all: Dr. Richard Lynd, MSU’s Vice President of Academic Affairs, and Mr. Luis Rodriguez, the Acting Director of Sprague Library. Finally, a special thanks to the Sprague Library staff, who will be greatly appreciated during exam and final paper time.

We hope you and all parakeet a bit more in the university’s motto: Carpe Diem!

Enjoy the semester.
Julio A. Marencio
SGA Vice President

Victoria loses her mind over MSU library policies

I am senior at MSU. I transferred here three years ago. There are many things about MSU that have angered me in the past three years (the dorms, the food, the BCTERs, the administration), but Sprague Library really aggravates me. It’s not the way they wangle their hours to fool students into believing that they are open longer; it’s the rude staff, or the lack of adequate staffing.

As a Journalism minor, many of my classes require newspapers or magazines. Last semester I paid over $50 for a subscription to the New York Times and that was the student rate. Most magazines cost about $3.50 per issue with subscriptions ranging from $15 to $20 for 12 issues. As a student without a job, I cannot afford these prices.

You may be thinking, “Quit whining and get a job.” And I have tried to find one, but living on Clove Road without a car creates a problem, and NJ Transit has left me standing in the rain, snow, wind, heat, and cold too many times to be considered reliable. I tried to get a job on campus, but I do not receive Financial Aid; therefore I am not eligible to receive College Work Study. I even tried to obtain work at Sprague Library, but I was put on a waiting list, if I received Financial Aid, I could have a job at the library.

You may again be thinking, “Quit whining, the library has many newspapers and magazines.” Very true indeed, but the magazines and newspapers do not leave the library. No students are allowed to take them out, not even Journalism minors.

However, Sprague Library has a wide variety of movies. Any student may sign out a movie and watch it in the library. But if you are a Film minor, you may take the movie and bring it home as if it were a book.

I asked her how often the suggestion box is checked, she told me to write my suggestion on a piece of paper. When I asked her how often the suggestion box is checked, she shrugged her shoulders, and said “Every three or four days.” I had a difficult time believing her. Hopefully, Father Ryan, the Library Director, will read this letter or a professor from the Journalism department, who will contact the library, and Journalism students will be allowed to sign out newspapers and magazines from the library – before I graduate in May.

Victoria Caldes, English Major

Montclairion Mailbag Letter Policy

All letters and e-mail must be received by 3:00 p.m.
Monday. Submissions must include the author's name, major, social security number, and phone number. The last two items will be used for verification only. Letters will be edited for length and libel.

That Business at the MSU bookstore

The start of a new semester offers a plethora of possible experiences. One of the more adventurous of these experiences is the uncertainty of the MSU bookstore.

Prospects of this trip cause stress for even the most casual student who seem to go higher, while the value of the books that are sold becomes more questionable.

However, appearances, as the saying goes, can be deceiving. There is nothing outrageous in the bookbuyback that must occur to textbook prices on the nationwide book price levels determined by a nationwide catalog. Such assumptions are incorrect. The reports of the books not only greatly exaggerated, but also partially outside the control of the bookstore.

An explanation of the bookbuyback and resale process was the start of a new semester offers a plethora of possible experiences. One of the more adventurous of these experiences is the uncertainty of the MSU bookstore.

While students might have found comfort for their tired eyes, it will charge with the University’s approval.

If the fault of the seemingly constant increases in textbook prices can be paid to the expense and number of books students must pay for a course, it is the fault of the bookstore, other causes of this problem - and ways to deal with them - have been suggested that professors should take students’ concerns into consideration when deciding on which textbooks will be required. The books will be paid for by free reign of the bookstore. The bookstore will charge with the University’s approval.

Although this reality might lack the rush of a good scandal, it will charge with the University’s approval.

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**Rubino**  
by Michael Rubino

How many more innocent Americans have to be brutally murdered by violent thugs until we finally make real changes in our sentencing laws?

We don’t live in utopia - there is no such place on earth. Therefore, we must do all we can as a people, as a nation, to protect and preserve our safety and civility. If this means we must increase mandatory minimum sentences, replace liberal judges with conservatives, and further implement the death penalty, so be it.

On August 20, 1990, 16-year-old Charles Jenkins confronted 35-year-old Antonio Zamora. Jenkins demanded that Zamora relinquish his money. When Zamora pulled a knife to defend himself, Jenkins beat him, causing him to drop the knife. Jenkins proceeded to grab the knife and plunge it into Zamora’s chest. Jenkins served only four years at a youth correctional center for the murder, before being released on August 17, 1995.

Last Thursday, just five months after his parole, Jenkins was arrested again – this time for the shooting of two Bronx police officers. One officer was fighting for his life after being shot five times in the abdomen. The other was lucky enough to avoid injury after one of Jenkins’ bullets hit his handcuff case on his belt.

You may not have heard this story, since The New York Times opted to bury it on page 27 of the Metro section. It’s funny what the liberal establishment finds important and what it deems less important. Newt Gingrich whines about the rear seat of an airplane and that’s front page national news. But two cops are shot and the story gets a small space in obscurity.

The Times refers to this repeat offender as Mr. Jenkins, giving him the same respect as the fallen victims. But where is Jenkins’ respect for human life? The Times reported that just before he was sentenced for Zamora’s stabbing, his lawyer read aloud to the court a letter Jenkins had written.

“I know this situation caused many people to feel sorrow,” he wrote. “I’m just writing this letter to let everybody know I have a heart and I’m not a killer.

Here’s the catch: he is indeed a killer. He killed Zamora and last week he tried to kill again. The officers were responding to a call that was made by the perpetrator’s mother, who told police he had become violent and sprayed her with a tear gas. He admitted shooting the officers because he was “mad at my mother.”

Perhaps the policy pursued by New York Governor George Pataki, in which he is seeking to eliminate parole and have 16-year-olds who commits heinous, adult crimes to be charged as adults, can begin to roll back needless episodes such as this one.

It’s about time we had hard-core policy in criminal sentencing. Recidivism, the tendency to relapse into criminal behavior, should become an extinct word in our vocabulary. Whatever happened to, “Lock ’em up and throw away the key?” Here’s a better one: “Fry ’em!”

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**Columnist says: “Fry ’em!”**

Rubino

**College at Thirty-something**

by Angela DiMone

The Super Bowl is once again about to descend upon us. I couldn’t be happier. I am not willing to say that I dislike this traditionally male ritual that most women complain about every year, because it isn’t true. I look forward to it. And I can hold my own when it comes to reciting statistics and deciphering the penalty signals made by the referees. I know the rules of the game and I know you’d be wrong if you didn’t say that the exact colors of the Dallas Cowboys uniforms were royal blue, metallic silver blue, and white.

This year’s game might show that an AFC team could finally win after eleven futile attempts in a row. But technically, the Pittsburgh Steelers were originally an NFL team that jumped to the AFC along with the Cleveland Browns and Baltimore Colts when the League expanded and they evened out the conferences. So the dearh Pittsburgh fans might consider them still a national conference team.

Here are a few statistics for you skeptics out there that might question a woman’s knowledge of football: Chuck Howley of the Dallas Cowboys had the most yards and yardage in 1965. Don’t you think so, ladies? And he looks terrific in dark green and gold.

Now, you may be wondering why on earth I’m writing about this football stuff. The simple truth is that I love it. The roughness and violence and macho junk I could do without. And if my favorite team loses I won’t sulk. I don’t rush home from Sunday Mass to throw on a Packer jersey and park in front of the television. But there are so many interesting facets of the game, as well as in sports in general, that I couldn’t help growing up wanting to be part of it, even if it were only as an observer rather than a participant. (My dad forbade me to play anymore when the boys started tackling me whether I had the ball or not.) And the Super Bowl is the culmination of weeks and weeks of newspaper stories and media coverage and fantastic catches set to popular music. It would be so cool to see Emmitt and Deion running with Garth Brooks singing “I Got Friends in Low Places” in the background. It would give new meaning to cowboy music.

Anyway, for all you guys that think women don’t appreciate or understand the finer points of football, you couldn’t be more wrong. Some of us don’t wait for Super Bowl Sunday to plan the all-day excursion at the mall. Or get our nails done. Or go to baby showers. There’s at least one female who’ll be swiggling beer and slopping sauerkraut on Sabrettes with her friends. But if it will make you happy, I’ll wear my Dallas sweatshirt with a tight metallic silver blue skirt, high heels, and my Wonder Bra. And I’ll spot you 10 1/2.

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Mississippi boy Favre has done a great job. Don’t you think so, ladies? And he looks terrific in dark green and gold.

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Chicks and the joy of Super Bowl Sunday

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The Examined Life

by Jean-Marie Navetta

Hillary Clinton: The First Lady from Hell

by Raf Ricci

On the lighter side of...unemployment

The Examined Life

by Jean-Marie Navetta

I didn’t vote for Hillary Clinton in 1992. I didn’t even vote for Bill Clinton. So it probably isn’t very surprising that the current Hillarygate scandal which has filled everything from the evening news to the New York Times editorial page, confuses me. It is amazing that a woman who became a quasi-elected official through the election of her husband to his position, could cause so much trouble.

But I think that my problems with Hillary started long before Hillarygate became a major issue. I always thought that she was a poor excuse for the feminist role model as she was publicized. There is nothing admirable nor laudable about a woman who will accept the behavior of a husband such as Bill Clinton. The “stand by your man” tactics which she used during the 1992 campaign makes a farce of the importance of the family which she highlights in her new book, It Takes A Village.

Further, the very problems which she and her husband campaigned against in 1992, such as the government bailout of failed S & L’s and its cost to American taxpayers, have come back to haunt her, as observed by the behavior of a husband such as Bill Clinton. The “stand by your man” tactics which she used during the 1992 campaign makes a farce of the importance of the family which she highlights in her new book, It Takes A Village.

People are dying to compare the various manifestations of Hillarygate to Nixon’s Watergate. Some similarities are becoming clear. However, there is an element which has been – but should not be – ignored. In Watergate, people questioned the abuse of power by an elected official. Hillarygate is more offensive to American sensibilities: she was neither elected by the American people nor approved by the Senate for any public office, but she has exercised and abused the power of such an office. On Friday, the Senate committee subpoenaed Mrs. Clinton to answer the lingering questions and to explain the alleged disappearance of documents related to the Madison S & L bailout and the alleged disappearance of documents related to the Madison S & L bailout.

Hillary Clinton is not the feminist hero or purveyor of motherly wisdom which she has so disingenuously attempted to re-cast herself as. She is, succinctly stated, a chronic liar, and insult to the intelligence of every thinking person in America.

On the lighter side of...unemployment

But Congress wants me to get off welfare. I need a job! Sorry, but why should I hire you when I can get a laid-off middle manager with a master’s degree?

Controlled Dangerous Substance

by Raf Ricci

A lot was made of Megan’s Law in these pages last semester. Some decried its sweeping powers and lack of alternative sentencing options, and some insisted that it wasn’t enough. I think both are missing the point. Justice is not perfect. The law, our guide and basis for justice, is constantly growing and changing, adapting with and to our society and its changes. A perfect justice would require a static and homogeneous society, one in which each member shares the same background and beliefs, education and class status, and equal levels of wealth and privilege. Our society won’t become like this in our lifetimes, or even in our children’s lifetimes.

Since our justice is not perfect, it may occasionally happen that members of our society will be dissatisfied with the punishment that is meted out. And it’s natural to feel outrage at outrageous acts committed by persons and to marvel at their chutzpah when they ask the courts for leniency in their sentences. To want a wrong righted is a reasonable and decent thing to do. But I become uneasy when I hear people who I know say things like “Lock ‘em up and throw away the key,” or “Get out ‘ol sparky.”

These draconian laws that label or condemn people who have committed crimes do not serve society by officially creating a class of career criminals that are identifiable under current laws. If a sentence has been served, then the crime, in the eyes of the law, has been abolished. By labelling an ex-convict, and informing everyone of his past, the law keeps this man from becoming a working part of society.

I remember many people expressed shock when Mike Dukakis said he wouldn’t ask for the death penalty for the hypothetical man who had hypothetically raped and killed his wife. How could anybody be so cold? Would he really do that? I think everyone would have jumped on him even if he had answered the other way, for reversing his position.

The lust for the blood of criminals is not new, or rare. It was commonplace to have public hangings and daily executions in the larger cities at the turn of the century. It didn’t deter crime then, and I offer this to execution advocates who want broadcast television to carry lethal injections, electrocutions, and gasings.

Some of the mandatory minimums and the repeat offender sentence guidelines may, in fact, create worse crime. A man who faces life imprisonment if he is caught may become more zealous in dealing with witnesses, generating more innocent dead. Some may think that I am arguing that laws generate crime, and they would be right. I think that an unjust and poorly planned law may generate more crime, and subsequently, more laws, probably hastily and shoddily drafted, andfoisted on a criminal justice system that is still dealing with the first bad law.

Does anyone think that we can make our crime problem go away just by throwing these people in a prison far away from the rest of us? We need to make changes in our culture that not only discourages crime, but also provides alternatives for a decent, dignified, and constructive life. If it means more student aid, or a livable minimum wage, or better schools, then that’s the way we should go. We should also think about enabling our prison population to fend for themselves in the outside world through education and job training. These programs are cheaper and easier to build and staff than prisons.
The fourth (and hopefully final) annual Clinton State of the Union Show took place on Tuesday night and, as in the previous three, the call for "more government, bigger government, and more meddlesome government," as Bob Dole summarized it, resounded. The President focused for a change, on the positive opportunities that lie ahead. He laid out his plan on how to take advantage of these opportunities, and to no one’s surprise, government was the key ingredient to all future achievements. The President showed that while he is still an orator, he doesn’t understand that it is the content of the speech that matters most.

The President began by saying that the “era of big government is over.” However, the rest of the speech resembled a combination of his past three, with a collection of contradictions throughout the presentation. He stated that the United States is “selling more cars than Japan for the first time since 1970,” but he failed to mention that a huge trade gap still persists.

He thanked the Democrats for passing the Deficit Reduction Act of 1993 because it lowered the deficit to “almost half” of what it was when he took office. But what he failed to mention was that his deficit will begin to skyrocket over the next few years. Also, he did not mention that his lowest deficit is still higher than Japan for the first time since 1970, but he failed to mention that a huge trade gap still persists.

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Bill is a contract for time served in the military. The unemployed would be getting the money for doing nothing.

The President then brought back three of his defeated proposals from State of the Union Shows past. There was a renewed call to raise the minimum wage, despite the fact that most of the people who earn the minimum wage are teenagers and not family breadwinners as he would try to make people believe. He mentioned that the crime bill should be kept going, even though community policing and not increased police officers or midnight basketball have helped to curb crime recently. And again he called for massive health care reform.

The President ended by boasting that he has cut the government by 200,000 people, but most of these were in the military. He said “let’s never ever shut the federal government down again,” but if he would have just met his commitment to submit a balanced budget, the shutdown would never have taken place. However, the President fails to state these facts.

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Thank You,
Wee wee

Dear Abby-Normal:

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Wow, what a loser you are. Hey every one, Mr. Wee Wee (Or, in real life, Thomas J. O’Brien) can’t hold his bladder overnight!
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Thank you,
Burger Flipper Victim

Dear Abby-Normal:

My wife has just left me for a 18 year old Burger King™ Employee, and I really don’t know what to do. I loved her deeply, and gave her everything she could ever want. Now I’m all alone in the world; I don’t know if I can make it. Please help me.

Thanks,
Burger Flipper Victim

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I can’t control my demons that live in my eye balls. I can’t control dsajANACK! KILL EVERYONE! KILL THE HOMECOMING KING RUNNER UP! HE MUST DIE! HE MUST DIE! HE MUST DIE!!! Aaaaack!! Please help me. I can’t control Satan over me for much longer, I need hhahahahhah KILL O’SULLIVAN! KILL O’SULLIVAN! KILL O’SULLIVAN! Demon 666.

Dear Mr. Nice Demon Sir:

Sssh sssh sssh, nice demon. You must be mistaken, I won the homecoming king election, yeah. I won; there’s pictures of it in the paper...yeah. Now just put down that meat cleaver and I’ll get you a nice cup of tea...I Quick readers, HELP ME! Mr. Wee Wee O’Brien, I’m sorry, I’ll help you in any way, just get this guy away from me!!!!! Call an exorcist, do anything, HELP!!!!

John J. O’Sullivan just got killed by some psycho with a meat cleaver.
The wake will be on Wednesday.

SNOW HANDLING TIPS

TOBY BOUD

Wish all this snow would just go? Don’t feel low! Here’s all you need to know! Let’s have a shoveful of fun with THE TEN BEST WAYS TO HANDLE DRIVEWAY SNOW. Drum Roll, Admiral Byrd!

1. Always warm up with Jack Daniels before heading outside.
2. Forget snow parkas. Wrap yourself up in the fur of the Tasmanian sea orange.
3. Don’t want to do it yourself? Get Roboshovel!
5. Shovels and snowblowers are no match for a nice, firey flamethrower.!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
6. Just crush all that snow and ice with a Sherman tank.
7. Or just shovel the snow and leave the ice for a “home” game between the NJ Devils and the Pittsburgh Penguins.
8. Got a big driveway? Get it all done quick by having a F-111 bomber do a napalm job.
9. Have the Starship Enterprise wipe it all out with a phaser strike.
10. AND NOW THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE DRIVEWAY SNOW!

1. Just take it easy on the French Riviera until it all melts!

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Adventures in Love

Answers to Super Crossword

Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) You provide living proof of the existence of UFOs when you’re impressed by hooting Venetians.

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20) Pull yourself out of the dolebrumes this week by making your usual passages with tons.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) The rip of the moon suggests you’ll contract Black Death this week.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) No one could mistake you for a green thumb since the only plant you can keep alive is a shower curtain.

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Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Because you refuse to signal your lane changes, fellow commuters will run your car off the road into a drainage ditch, leaving you for dead.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Refrain from being too overzealous. Performing emergency on-choke deaths is appropriate only on choking victims.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You’ll know the blind date is going well when the conversation nano to animal husbandry halfway through dinner.

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Cultural Idiocy Quiz Answers

1. Madison Square Garden
2. Chicago
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4. New York City
5. The Empire State Building
6. Central Park
7. The Statue of Liberty
8. Ellis Island
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A SERVICE OF THE S.G.A.
MSU swimmers hold their own in recent meets

by Nick Gantoft

Over Winter break, the MSU men's and women's swimming teams have had great success due to the contributions of Billy Blomn (Clifton) and Mo Morlando (Eatontown).

Blomn is among the men's leaders of top times in the 100, 200, 500, and 1000 yard freestyle and in the 200 IM. On January 11, MSU fell to Rowan 106-86, but rebounded against Kings Point on January 15, 124-105. Blomn once again showed that he is one of the best as he was victorious in the 200 IM, the 200 yard butterfly, and also in the 100 meter butterfly against United States Merchant Marine Academy. This past Saturday, the Red Hawks swim teams took on Stony Brook and defeated the Sailhawks 112-88. Leading the way for the MSU was Blomn who took the gold in the 200 yard freestyle, 100 meter butterfly and was a member of the winning medley relay. Mark Arnold (Annandale), made an NCAA “B” cut against Kings Point in the 100 yard backstroke (53.08) and the 200 yard backstroke (154.60). Arnold was also a winner in the 50 yard freestyle, the 100 yard backstroke and the medley relay.

Over winter vacation, the Red Hawks returned to school with a 1-2 record as one of their losses came to the Pros of Rowan College 97-79. On January 17, the women's swim team defeated Kings Point 107-73 while Morlando finished first in the 50 yard freestyle and Jen Mench (Union) won the 50 and the 100 yard freestyle.

The women's team has enjoyed the addition of a new member to their squad, sophomore Karen Currie (Nutley). Currie was named the NJAC Female Swimmer of the Week last week for adding her talent in defeating Kings Point by winning the 200 yard IM and the 200 yard butterfly. Currie also won the 50 yard freestyle and the 100 yard butterfly in the loss to Stony Brook.

Next up for the Red Hawks is Kutztown on Saturday at home at 2 PM.

Give some respect to the NJAC

The NJAC may not be the Big East or the Big Ten conference but it sure is a competitive division considering it's own Division III level. That word Division III sounds silly, at least in big time colleges and Universities who are playing big time major schedules and opponents. Over the years the NJAC has featured an array of impressive athletes that could probably match up with and play with Division I and II athletes, in fact they are among the nation's best on the Division III level. Trenton State has top ranked teams in almost all their sporting programs and they continue to add to their talent every year. There have been times when TSC has had number one rankings in more than one sport. Why should the Division I and II programs offer scholarships along with some Division II programs and the Division III programs be left in the dark? Why can't the Division III level have a system so that some kind of funding can be given to athletes for athletic purposes? MSU has been a University for nearly two years now, so why are we still considered a Division III school?

MSU's baseball team is an exceptional program and has been for some time. William Paterson College also has a great baseball team that has captured a National Championship along with MSU in the 90's. It's apparent that NJAC baseball is one of the best in the nation. Many of its athletes go on to the professional level.

At one time MSU wrestling was one of the best programs in the nation, and despite their losing seasons in the last few years, they will eventually come back to stardom in the near future. Let's not forget, MSU wrestling has had 69 All-Americans in the history of the school and we also have 1980 graduate Sam Mills who now plays for the Carolina Panthers in the NFL.

Could it be possible that one day MSU baseball will be considered a Division I level? At the rate the program is going along, and with some of our competitive opponents in the NJAC, I see no reason why not. Enjoy the Cowboys in a blowout.

The day of the Knight

When some people think of Bobby Knight, they conjure up images of chairs flying, insults being blurted and obscenities said at officials. True, a lot of the time these people's ideas are correct, but my expertise sees through all the hub-bub, hub.

When I think of Bobby Knight, one word comes to my mind. You may ask, "Bobby, Bobby, what is this so-called one word that you are telling us about? Please, tell us! It is unfair for you to be holding out on us. Just tell us the word!" At this point, I would feel pity for you and since you are groveling so good, I would tell you. The one word that comes to my mind is: respect.

Here's a guy that put Indiana University on the map, no questions asked. So what if he throws chairs and curses at refs. This shouldn't overshadow the fact that he is a great coach. The discipline he puts his players through is unmatched at any other program, except maybe for the Army or the Navy.

There were only two incidents that Knight was involved in that kind of taked me. A.) The time when he headbutted his own player, and B.) The time when he belted that security officer. Even though they were kind of funny, I still feel that they were wrong.

Many times in his coaching career, Knight has done many things that may have upset people. However, I would like to stress one point. He will not let his players act the way he does. He enforces a "Do as I say, not as I do" regimen.

For instance, he kicked starting guard Sherron Villkerson off the team and made it clear that he would revoke the sophomore's scholarship. The reason is that Villkerson was charged with battering his girlfriend. Bloomington police say that she had a swollen lip, bloody mouth, a bruise under her chin and-get this-bitc marks on the back of her neck. Villkerson's excuse of, "I was hungry" did not go well with the police.

For all of you peeping tom's out there who like to stare at pretty girls' window, now you have a good reason. Look for special messages on the outside of Bohn Hall, compliments of two vivacious babes, whose names will not be mentioned for security reasons.
**Super Bowl XXX Picks**

**BOB CZECHOWICZ:** DALLAS COWBOYS 42-31
“I’m having an affair with Troy Aikman’s wife, and he plays better when he’s mad.”

**DAN QUINONES:** DALLAS COWBOYS 38-20
“Deion knows I won’t spank him after the game if they lose.”

**TOM TRACY:** DALLAS COWBOYS 31-24
“Dallas was a great television show.”

**JAY ALDERS:** PITTSBURGH STEELERS 17-2
“Pittsburgh will win in overtime on penalty kicks”

**CHRIS HINCK:** BUFFALO BILLS 24-21
“I’m sorry. I thought Buffalo was in the Super Bowl every year.”

**GREG MACSWEENEY:** DALLAS COWBOYS 35-24
“I hate to do it.”

**MIKE ROESSNER:** DALLAS COWBOYS 40-3-2
“I have a stain on my Cowboys’ sweatshirt.”

**NICK GANTAIFIS:** DALLAS COWBOYS 42-14
“They got too many weapons, man”

**JEAN-MARIE NAVETTA:** PITTSBURGH STEELERS 31-4
“Joe won’t speak to me after the loss.”

**JEN COLE:** PITTSBURGH STEELERS 40-15
“I hate the Cowboys.”

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**Red Hawk Happenings**

Last Saturday, the wrestling team went 1-2 in a tri-meet at Southern Connecticut, losing its first two matches to Southern Connecticut, 27-21 and Plymouth State 31-12 before rebounding against the Coast Guard Academy 28-21 for its first dual victory of the season.

Senior 118 pounder Mike DeLuca (Lyndhurst) took two out of three matches raising his overall record to 13-4, by defeating his opponent from Plymouth by decision and pinning his Coast Guard opponent in 2:52. Dan Geleta (Clifton) and Chris Rea (Weehawken) also were 2-3 for the day as Geleta’s overall record improved to 5-2 at 150 and Rea’s to 11-4 at 190.

Sophomore 177 pounder Scott Stepe (Wanaque) is a perfect 5-0 in dual meets and boasts an 11-2 overall record. Heavyweight freshman Barrett Cervetto (West Creek) has also been impressive as his record stands at 8-2 and his three pins are tied for first with Stepe.

As a team, the Red Hawks have an overall 60-47 combined record among individual performances. They have 10 total team pins, 38 decisions and seven technical falls.

Up next for MSU is the WNEC Tournament on Saturday, followed by the Super 6 at Trenton State College on February 3.

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**LOVE PUMPS.**
Women's basketball loses a heartbreaker to Trenton State

Last night the women's basketball team (10-5, 8-2) lost a heartbreaking overtime game at Trenton State College by a score of 73-75. For the Lions of Trenton State, it was their fifth consecutive win and for the Red Hawks, it was their third loss in their last four games.

The end of the first half looked good for MSU, as they went into the locker room with a 27-20 lead. Junior guard Heidi Klingert (Linwood) sparked the Red Hawks with three consecutive three pointers to open the second half. Late in the second half the game was extremely tight, and with 2:31 remaining, the game remained tied. Poor free throw shooting throughout the game allowed the two teams to remain tied. Poor free throw shooting throughout the second half the game was extremely tight, and with 2:31 remaining, the game remained tied. Poor free throw shooting throughout the game allowed the two teams to remain tied.

Junior guard Alexi Ili (West Milford) was the last Red Hawk in double-figure scoring with 12. Sophomore guard Shelley Brown made her presence known in the second half as she scored a game high 28 points and 14 rebounds. The Lions held on in overtime to secure a second straight “double-double” with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

MSU track teams continue to stand out

by Bob Carchiotti

The MSU Men’s and Women’s Indoor Track teams have already had many great individual performances this season. On the women’s side, Catherine Gostevan (Keamy) qualified for the NCAA and ECAC Championships in the mile run with a time of 5:13:33 at the New Balance Games in New York on January 13th. Another qualifier for the ECAC Championships was Katie Hongen in the 55 meters (6.90), the long jump (16’6 1/2") and the high jump (5’0”).

On the men’s side, Kevin Gilb placed third at the New Balance Games and at the Reebok games in the 55 meters (6.60). Teammate Mike Scott (Newark) placed second in the long jump (21’7 3/4”) and sixth in the 55 meters (6.75).

Men’s basketball continues to struggle

by Nick Gentefski

Poor first half shooting resulted in another loss for the MSU men’s basketball team (7-10, 4-7) as they fell to the Lions of Trenton State 62-51.

The Red Hawks hit only nine shots in 32 attempts in the first half, digging a hole for themselves which they never were able to get out of. Leading the way for MSU was Rohan Sutherland (Miami, FL.) who poured in 14 points while teammate Ymani Jones (Tinton Falls) contributed with 8 points. Things aren’t looking too good for the Red Hawks as chances of making the NJAC play-offs look dim.

The men’s basketball team dropped to seventh place in the conference with a home loss to the Roadrunners of Ramapo College 64-45 last Saturday afternoon.

The second half proved to be the killer for the Red Hawks as they allowed the Roadrunners to go on a 24-15 run, giving themselves a 17 point lead with a little over ten minutes remaining in the game. MSU’s shooting touch was missing, as they shot a poor six of 33 in the second half and a season low 24.6 percent for the game.

The Red Hawks seem to miss junior center Aijam Earl (Hackensack) who has been with an ankle injury sustained in the Clark University victory on December 30th. In that game, Earl hit for 20 points, 13 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

Inside:

Stat of the Week:

Billy Blomw won the gold medal in the 200yd. freestyle, 100 meter butterfly and was part of the winning medley relay against Stone Brook.