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Teacher's Union reacts to President Reid's pay increase

By Tom Boud
American Federation of Teachers (AFT) Local 1904
President Dr. Catherine Becker said MSU President Irvin Reid's salary adjustment outstripped faculty salary increases. Becker stated her protest in a letter mailed to the Montclarion on September 30.

According to the September 19 edition of the Montclarion, the MSU Board of Trustees (BOT) granted Reid two 5 1/4% raises effective June 1, 1995 and June 1, 1996 at their September meeting. However, Becker said the BOT actually approved Reid's raise on July 11. Becker's statement has been corroborated by the July 11 BOT minutes. Reid also confirmed Becker's statement in a September 26 interview at Public Telescope Night's lunar eclipse special. "It was in July that the board voted to raise my salary, but I ask you to please don't print a correction because we don't want to raise that issue again," Reid said.

Becker said Reid's raise did not reflect the university's current financial situation. "There are a number of concerns here. First, such a pay raise (as well as the pay raised for all managers) flies in the face of needed sensibilities given the state-wide climate of downsizing and the 0% pay raises for the vast majority of state workers. No one here believes that managers are any more or less productive than the rest of us and therefore, no more or less deserving of salary increases," she added.

Becker added that more public consensus is needed regarding presidential raises. "Secondly, there needs to be a more comprehensive evaluation for the campus' most prominent citizen," she said. "Appropriate constituencies should be involved in the process and thus have a voice and role to play. The present process is a mystery and as with all mysteries, encourages suspicion and rumor. President Reid deserves an open process where reasonable input from legitimate constituencies provide guidance for future improvements and present accountability."

As for other faculty reaction, many of the approximately 20 faculty interviewed either declined to speak or indicated their reluctance to do so.

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Dean's office extends hours

By Carrie Frei
The office of the Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences is extending its hours on Thursday nights to accommodate night students as well as day students. The dean's office decided to begin experimenting this past September by extending office hours on Thursday nights to 7 p.m., instead of closing at the usual hour of 4:30 p.m. All services available during the day will also be available in the evening.

"We want to be able to service more students, especially part time and nights students, who don't have the availability of services they should," said Carlos Ortiz, administrative assistant to the dean of the college of humanities and social sciences.

"We're trying this out to see if students make use of our services," Ortiz said. "I'm positive they will." continued on p. 4

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Board of Trustees welcomes two new members

by Geenie Feran
MSU president Dr. Irvin Reid welcomed two new members to the University's Board of Trustees: global business executive Dr. Lily K. Lai, and a former president of the Hispanic bar association, Carlos Ortiz, Esq., in a public announcement on September 18.

Lai comes to MSU with 25 years of global management experience working with companies that include AT&T, Pitney Bowes and U.S. West International. Among her numerous professional and civic appointments, she was the national president of the Organization of Chinese American Women for seven consecutive years and currently serves as an Advisory Board member to Pace University. Lai earned her doctorate in management at the University of Kentucky, respectively. Lai "has a true global vision, as demonstrated by her many accomplishments in telecommunications and other high-tech industries in Asia, Europe and North America," Reid said.

Ortiz is the general counsel of GOYA Foods, Inc., the nation's largest Hispanic-owned business, and he was named one of America's 100 most influential Hispanics by Hispanic Business magazine in 1992. "He is a marvelous addition to our Board of Trustees," Reid said. Among his professional and community activities, Ortiz sits on the board of the Puerto Rican Legal Defense & Education Fund, the New Jersey Corporate Counsel Association and the American Bar Association House of Delegates. Ortiz earned his law degree from Brooklyn Law School and a bachelor's degree in accounting from Herbert H. Lehman College of the City College of New York.

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Murray Cole, chairman of the Board of Trustees, congratulates Dr. Lily Lai after swearing her in to the Board of Directors.
National

Muggings Plague University of Pennsylvania

A string of armed robberies at students of the University of Pennsylvania has forced the school to bulk up security on the Philadelphia campus. Police have recorded 28 muggings and or robberies since Labor Day. The campus has add 10 armed security guards and 10 police officers to help settle the problems. Students worry as robberies continue after the arrest of suspects charged with 15 of the 28 crimes.

President Gets Tough on Deadbeat Parents

President Clinton has ordered federal agencies to begin taking steps to deny loans to parents who fail to pay child support. Clinton seeks to punish the deviant parents by withholding government loans and tax refunds until they pay their debts. One of Clinton's pet projects since being elected in 1992, child support collection has increased from 8 billion to $11.8 billion.

Ex-Con Shot in University Home Standoff

An 18-year-old ex-con was shot and killed by police after a hostage standoff at a Colorado University. Joseph Gallegos was pursued by police after killing 1 of his roommates and heading to the University of Northern Colorado to find his girlfriend. The girl, who had broken up with him two months earlier, was shot in the foot during the standoff.

U.N. Sanctions Removed from Yugoslavia

The UN's Security Council ended an imposed sanction placed on Yugoslavia in 1992, after being sanctioned for their role in the war among Bosnian Serbs and the Muslim-led government in Bosnia that went on for four years. The council has the option to re-impose the sanction if the Slavs fail to hold up their end of the peace accord.

Unabomb suspect charged with murder in New Jersey

Almost two years after advertising executive Thomas J. Mosser was killed by a letter bomb at his North Caldwell home, Theodore Kaczynski, the suspected Unabomber, has been charged with his murder. The charges, contained in a three-count indictment returned on Tuesday, October 1st by a federal grand jury in Newark will be tried in a federal courtroom in New Jersey after Kaczynski's federal murder case is concluded in the state of California.

International

Tunnel Dispute Disrupts Mideast Peace Process

Israeli and Palestinian forces exchanged gunfire along the West Bank leaving 5 Arabs dead and nearly 100 wounded. The opening of an archeological tunnel by the Israelis prompted rock throwing and protest from Palestinian youths. The tunnel runs through the area where the Al Aqsa Mosque lies, which is sacred to the Muslims. Yasir Arafat spoke for the country in saying that they fear "Judiazation of Jerusalem", the Palestinian capital. Violence began when some 1,000 Palestinian students moved toward an area controlled by Israelis. Rock throwing led to gunfire during the protest.

Euthanasia Becomes Legal in Australia

An Australian man was put to death under a new law permitting voluntary euthanasia. The man, whose name was withheld, suffered from prostate cancer and sought to end his struggle by the newly passed law. Dr. Philip Nitschke gave the man the lethal injection in his home near Darwin. Prime Minister John Howard leads the opposition of the law and seeks to appeal it.

Afghanistan Rebels Seize Capital City

Islamic rebels captured the Afghanistan capital Kabul and executed its former president. The rebel group called the Taliban raid the city and hung former president Najibullah. The group has taken control of the area and is enforcing a strict Islamic code demanding that women cover their faces in public, among other issues. Troops evacuated the area to prevent civilian death. Some look to the Taliban to end the fighting that has plagued the country for the past few years and take the lives of over 30,000 people.

Power Struggle Continues in Russia

Russian Security Adviser Aleksandr Lebed has asked Boris Yeltsin to step down from the presidency until he recovers from the his battle with heart problems. Lebed complaints that he is unclear who is in charge and Yeltsin's aides are taking advantage of the power. Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomydrin has control over the day-to-day management of the government and was granted power over the most important government departments in a decree signed by Yeltsin.

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New campus security booth efficiency under surveillance

by Jennifer Stagman

If you drive onto campus you may find yourself wondering what purpose the security booths serve.

As a reporter for the Montclarion, I observed a typical day on campus to determine whether or not these new booths, located at the entrances on Valley Road, Normal Avenue and Clove Road, are effective security measures. I soon found out that the plan to monitor all cars coming onto the campus is not being followed. A guard was observed ignoring over a dozen cars pulling into the lot as she read the morning paper at the Clove Road entrance. Only when a car slowed down on its own did she check it for a parking sticker.

The guard then boarded the College Hall bus, along with the students, to go on a break, leaving the booth unattended as the flow of cars continued to enter the lot. Montclair State student Beth Apcian has noticed this too. "I don't get stopped every time, so why are they doing it? I've frequently driven by College Avenue gate booth pictured unoccupied as a car enters campus.

The Valley Road entrance also had security problems, as I was either waved through before I had a chance to slow down, or was detained in a long line. Montclair State student Marco Riuato has experienced the same wait and said, "I think it causes chaos and traffic jams and makes you late for class."

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MSU student Shayne Spagnolo put it another way when he commented on the security booths. "They're more annoying than anything else, and the guards don't stop people who walk onto campus so anyone who really wants to get on campus can."

SGA News & Notes

by John Brot

Controversy over the strife among the Executive Board members was the main topic under discussion at the Student Government Association meeting last night. Legislator Tom Tracy brought up the matter of the troubled professional relationship between Secretary Jennifer Lynch and President Julio Marenco.

Tracy announced that there were rumors being circulated involving a number of issues, including the withholding of paychecks by Marenco for work performed over the summer, the lack of communication among the Executive Board, and Marenco's failure to invite Lynch to meetings of the Cabinet and the Executive Board.

Lynch immediately responded by saying that she had nothing to hide, and verified the rumors Tracy had mentioned. "I'm not informed of Cabinet meetings. I'm not informed of Executive Board meetings."

I have not received my paychecks, although I was promised them. I was doing OWL (Orienetation Workshop Leader) work and SGA work. There is a definite problem with communication among the Executive Board," Lynch said.

Marenco responded by saying that he could not speak to Lynch, as per a decision by the judge in their legal case regarding the alleged assault of Lynch by Marenco in the SGA office on July 22. He also stated that, in his opinion, Lynch had not performed her duties, especially when the office secretary was in the hospital for an operation. Marenco stated that it was not unusual for the SGA Secretary to assume the responsibilities of the office secretary in the event of her absence.

Marenco went on to say, "My mistake on holding off two paychecks (from Lynch) was that I didn't think to hand off more paychecks." Marenco alleges that Lynch was not performing her job during three specific weeks over the summer.

Lynch disagreed, arguing that she had been adequately performing her duties. She claimed that she had been in the SGA office during the time she was required to be, and stated she could prove so. "If you want documents, I've got them!" she announced to the legislators.

In other business, the Paralegal Association was given an appropriation for Law Day in the amount of $1,500 to help offset the costs of Law Day. This event, also funded by the Alumni Association, will bring representatives from numerous law schools to the MSU campus in order to provide information to students interested in attending law school.

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on record, or claimed they knew nothing about Reid's salary hike. The opinion of those few willing to speak on record was conveyed by English Professor Dr. Sharon Spencer. "I think this has to be seen in the light of a contract where the faculty did not get a raise. Not only did we not get a raise, but we now have to pay the difference between our HMO and the traditional cost of medical care," Spencer said.

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9/24 @ 6:00- Bohn Hall Quad - Victim had an altercation with another student, threw him on ground. Suspect fled and was never found.
9/28 in Bohn Hall an R.A. making rounds was checking a wing. She entered the stairwell. A black male allegedly threw her against the wall causing her to strike her head.

Criminal Mischief.
9/25 @ 2:45 am Lot 22- Someone smashed a windshield of a parked car with a barricade.
9/26 @ 8:15 p.m. Lot 28. A car (1989 Chevy) was dented and scratched.
9/27 - Criminal Mischief Room 52 Music Building. There was damage to a piano.
10/1 - Leaving the campus, someone drove their car into the gates on Quinn Road (off Valley Road) and fled.

Theft
9/25 Partridge Rm. 113 - Someone changing computer chips from expensive ones to inexpensive ones.
9/24 @ 11:00 p.m Lot 18- Breaklight and headlight covers were missing from a car.

Harassment
9/26 - Female reported her boyfriend was making terrorist threats to her. She did not wish to pursue it.

Theft of Motor Vehicle
9/27- Lot 23 - The fog lights from a 1993 Honda Civic were stolen.

Fire Alarm
9/27- Bohn Hall 11th floor B-wing smoke detector was activated by excessive steam in the bathroom.
9/26- Fire alarm on 4th floor of Freeman was activated due to detection of smoke.

Suspicious Activity
9/25 in Dickson Hall - A professor left her office locked and a computer unplugged. When she returned, her office was unlocked and her computer was plugged in.

Disorderly Conduct
10/1 in Sprague Library. A call that a woman had become irate and was screaming at a group of men who were haunting her and making noise.

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will since so many students work two to three jobs, and I find most make appointments after 4:30 p.m. “

To help Ortiz on Thursday nights, a student assistant, Philosophy and Religious Studies major Jessica Marck, will also be on hand.

Along with the dean’s office, the registrar’s office will be open on Thursday nights until 7 p.m. According to Ortiz, the registrar will remain open later because students seeking academic help bring in forms, such as for grade changes or grievances with faculty, and eventually find their way to the registrar’s office. In this way, students who cannot be on campus during the day will be able to get the services they need in the evening.

In addition to academic assistance, Ortiz will also be offering advising services. “Students do want to be able to get services on a more stable-ready basis in addition to faculty advisors,” he said.

Ortiz also made clear that his advising services would act as a back-up system, and students should always see their faculty advisors first. Students can either walk in, or can make an appointment by calling extension 4228.

Though this office is the first dean’s office to be open late hours on campus, it is not the first general office to have evening hours. The advising center began having evening hours on Mondays and Thursdays last year for those students who could not receive assistance during the day. “Students will receive the same services as they would during normal working hours,” said Herbert Harrison, director of academic advising. Students should still make appointments so they can fulfill their advising needs.

“Ultimately it would be wonderful if the whole campus was open on Thursday nights,” Ortiz said. “Maybe other offices will pick up on it if they see the need to.”

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At Theatres October 16
Lunar eclipse over MSU

By Tom Boud

Over 275 people attended Public Telescope Night’s lunar eclipse watch in front of Richardson Hall on September 26. MSU Astronomy professor Dr. Mary-Lou West hosted the event with the North Jersey Astronomical Group (NJAG). The NJAG also held an eclipse watch at Riker Hill Park in Livingston.

West described the historical significance of lunar eclipses. “By looking at lunar eclipses, Aristotle calculated that the Earth was 5 times bigger than moon. And keep in mind, this was way before the age of telescopes in 3200 B.C. when the only thing Aristotle had was a piece of papyrus,” West said.

Scarcely a dozen people were present when West set up the University’s eight-inch Celestron and seven-inch Questar telescopes at 8 p.m. However, the small cluster of onlookers quickly blossomed into a crowd. By the time the eclipse began at 9:12 p.m., both lines of spectators nearly stretched to the north side of Mallory Hall. Spectators also camped out on the grass halfway between Mallory Hall and the McEachern Music Building. Aspiring astronomers brought binoculars and small telescopes of their own.

NJAG Treasurer Ruth Koenig was amazed by the turnout. “This is the highest crowd since Astronomy Day ’95. I guess a lot of people showed up because they read about it in the Star Ledger. I don’t ever remember anything like this! This is the first time I’ve been to a telescope night where people are dancing,” Koenig said.

MSU President Irvin Reid was among the joyful crowd. “I like looking at the moon through my own telescope which has a magnification of four. The details are just fantastic, particularly on a clear night. Occasionally, I also like to look at comets and asteroids,” Reid said.

The crowd’s anticipation grew more vocal at about 10:20 p.m. when the lunar shadow covered the moon. However, an eclipse of a different kind occurred. “The eclipse was at least three-quarters when it disappeared due to the clouds. It was like Pac-Man!” Koenig said. Strangely enough, the clouds swallowed up the moon just as a string guitarist in the crowd was playing the popular Beatles hit Come Together.

MSU student Linda Rowser was not as enthusiastic about the eclipse as some. “Thanks to the usual sucky New Jersey weather, we have been disappointed once before,” she said, referring to the last lunar eclipse in March that was totally ruined by cloudy weather.

Beginning of eclipse on September 26, as seen above Bohn Hall.

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Women’s Center sponsors Sexual Assault Awareness Day

by Michele Ramirez and Sue Fergo

On Tuesday October 1, The Women’s Center presented the fourth annual “Sexual Assault and Violence Ended” program. The program began with the presentation of literature in the Student Center lobby. The main objective was to raise consciousness and offer educational approaches concerning the issue of sexual assault on the MSU campus.

Originated in 1972, the Women’s Center is designed to offer information and support for those affected by sexual assault, while discouraging further incidents. For the past five years, the program has been directed by Dr. Joan Ficke who continues to encourage awareness of the issue.

In addition to educating students with workshops, lectures, and programs, support is also offered to those who are trying to cope with the trauma associated with sexual assault. “We offer counseling and refer students to the Psychological Services department. We are also there to help women chase the path that is best for them, whether it be pursuing the issue legally or handling the situation through counseling,” Ficke said.

Many students stopped to receive information from the Women’s Center and the orange “Sexual Assault and Violence Ended” buttons were a prominent fixture on students around campus. This was very satisfying to those students involved directly with the program including senior Valerie Sprott. “I began working with the Women’s Center four years ago as part of the work study program. In the last four years, I have seen the progress that has been made from informing students. There are definitely more incidents when people learn of the problem early on,” Sprott said.

Overall, everyone involved with Sexual Assault Awareness Day felt the events ran efficiently and positively. Graduate Assistant Deniene Beales said “While we are glad that more students have become aware of the fact that sexual assault does occur on college campuses, we hope that someday all of this will not be necessary. It would be wonderful to end this violence completely.”

S.A.V.E. Program concludes with “When No Means No”

by Liz Vollmon

On Tuesday, MSU’s Women’s Center, along with the Women’s Centers of Rutgers, William Paterson, Seton Hall, Centenary, and Ramapo, recognized the fourth annual Sexual Assault Awareness Day. Three specific events were planned in order to raise awareness on campus.

The distribution of literature and supportive buttons, the video presentation on dating violence, and the interactive play concerning date rape were all scheduled for one reason: to encourage awareness about all of these problems,” said Dr. Joan Ficke, Director of the Women’s Center.

The interactive play “When No Means No” was performed by AWARE, Actively Working for Acquaintance Rape Education, a group who has performed at colleges nationwide to educate students about dating relationships, and rape. This group was founded five years ago at Tufts University in Boston by Mara Youdelman, who played one of the play’s main characters.

Statistics show that 85 percent of rapes are acquaintance rapes, which are the hardest to prove; and in 90 percent of these situations alcohol is involved. AWARE wants women to realize that this can happen to them and wants men to understand exactly what qualifies as date rape so there is no confusing the issue,” said Youdelman, AWARE’s Managing Director. “There’s so much miscommunication between the sexes and we’re trying to bridge the gap through performances such as this.”

The play was divided into three segments. In the first part, the main actors portrayed two classmates who decided to go on a first-time date to dinner and a party, but wound up back at his dorm room talking and drinking wine. Then, after she resists and, “no,” he proceeds to rape her. Later, she tells the story to her roommate, who convinces her to go to the hospital so that doctors could utilize a rape-kit to test her for sexually transmitted diseases and evidence of rape immediately.

In the second part, the two main actors remained “in character” and fielded the audience’s questions; these addressed concerns such as unprotected sex, why he didn’t stop when she said “no,” and how a case of on-campus date rape is more likely to receive a conviction than other types of rape cases.

During the third and final part of the play, there was an open discussion between the actors, the audience, and the members of the university staff who helped to sponsor this play and who are actively involved in helping women prevent or deal with being sexually violated. Some of the departments that were represented at this event were: the Women’s Center, the Dean of Students Office, the Office of Student Activities, Residence Life, Psychological Services, and Campus Police.

“The Women’s Center is committed to sponsoring events like these. By making this information available and giving students these types of skills and tools, they’ll be able to better deal with difficult situations, or perhaps avoid them altogether,” said Ficke.
Dear Career Services...

Q: What is the story with these employment agencies? Is it right to use them for job hunting?

A: When looking for work, we encourage students to use every avenue available, including employment agencies. However, use caution since these agencies make their money by placing people on jobs. You should not pay for job placement, since these agencies generally get paid by the employers they serve. You should also be sure that you have information on the agency you're working with, it is important to use an agency that is working with persons of your skill level and area of interest. Since the focus of the employment agencies is making the placements, there's a tendency to rush and place job seekers in inappropriate jobs in an attempt to fill an opening, satisfy employers and collect the fee.

Before using employment agencies, you should have a clear idea of your skills and career goals. The agency is not the place to try and figure out what skills you have or to do career exploration.

Try and use more than one agency in order to increase your chance of landing a good position.

Q: I have been considering the Peace Corps. Have any MSU graduates done that route? Would I be able to speak to some people about their experiences?

A: Between 1988 and 1994, twenty-one MSU graduates have become Peace Corps volunteers. They were posted to Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Honduras, Jamaica, Malaysia, Mali, Micronesia, Niger, Paraguay, the Philippines, Togo, and Zaire. These graduates worked as teachers or helped with small business development, community development, nutrition programs, fish farming, and forestry.

To qualify for the Peace Corps you must be a US citizen, at least 18 years old, in good health, and must have a skill that is requested by one of the countries the Peace Corps serves. Most assignments require a bachelor's degree and some ask for at least a year of leadership experience or community involvement. The most requested degrees are: any agricultural field, botany, business administration, environmental science, chemistry, physics, math, elementary or secondary education, special education, health, nutrition, and engineering. If students are majoring in an area not in demand, they can make themselves more competitive by assuming leadership roles on campus and being actively involved with community projects, such as literary programs or homeless shelters.

For more information, stop by the Career Services office.

Fall 1996 Self Defense Seminar update

by Ion Boud

Over 40 Students and nearly 1/4 of the Department of Campus Safety and Security (DSS) attended the first session of the Fall 96 Self Defense Seminar on September 30. The seminar was headed by Campus Police Lt. Paul Giardino, Frank Marino, and Vincent Roberson.

Cell said perpetrators take advantage of subliminal clues given off by fear. "Criminals can actually tell when people are ready to be victimized. When people are in fear, they tend to touch where they keep their money. Guys do this the most. I bet if a followed a guy around for a half hour, I probably could tell you where he carries his money. I'm not talking about when he has five dollars, but when he has a lot of money."

Cell discussed some robbery prevention measures. "Use common sense. First of all, don't carry huge sums of money and don't carry anything important on you. This is definitely not true. Crime happens up here on campus," said Cell.

Cell touched upon one of MSU's most persistent crime problems. "We have a lot of thefts up here. What kills me is that people come into headquarters and say, 'I don't care that they took my money or credit cards, but they took my only picture of my mother who died five years ago.'" Cell said. "I can't emphasize it enough. Please don't carry anything important with you. I'm also saying this for your safety because, in an attack situation, your focus will be on resisting instead of trying to get away." Cell said alertness is the key for minimizing your chances of being attacked. "There are two types of people who are more likely to be attacked; the scared person and the clueless person. The criminal is more likely to attack if he senses you are scared. The clueless person is not going to know where the attack is coming from because they are not going to be aware of their surroundings."

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Sigma Delta Tau (ΣΔΤ) Inducted 12 new members on October 10.
Q and A with Horizons International Studies Program

by Michele Komoine

Have you ever dreamt about doing your assignments somewhere other than at home or in your local library? How about taking a history class in the country where the events being studied actually occurred? Or, fulfilling your language requirement somewhere much more exotic for a change of scenery during study time, you’ll be happy to know—you can!

I did some personal investigating into the Study Abroad Programs available through Montclair State University and found there are extensive possibilities for everyone. I met with the Director of International Studies, Dr. Benjamin Hadis, along with the Program Assistant, Ms. Tracy Hogan. Each of them spent time explaining to me how the programs run.

With your major in mind, you select classes accordingly, to meet with your requirements; or, you can use your remaining electives to receive free reign. After narrowing down your areas of study, the fun part begins (just imagine being in your local travel agency, planning your next adventure). You will receive information on which Universities offer those courses, and precisely where they are located. As the list was read off to me, I became thrilled with the idea of expanding my cultural horizons. The challenge, of course, is to attain academic credits while doing so.

Study Abroad promises to be one of the most life-changing experiences you can have, both inside and outside the classroom. By incorporating yourself into another culture, you learn to open your mind towards unfamiliar environments. In turn, you gain valuable knowledge about a society other than our own. Anyone who travels, knows there’s a wide world out there. Now you know that it can become a part of you! For more of the specifics, contact the Global Education Center at 655-4253.

Q. Who is eligible to Study Abroad?
A. Anyone who has been enrolled for two consecutive semesters at MSU, prior to the one abroad. You must also hold a minimum G.P.A. of 2.5 during them. Certain programs though, require a minimum of 3.0.

Q. What can Study Abroad offer students?
A. The opportunities offered through the Office of International Studies at MSU, span the globe with over 100 programs in 45 different countries. Whether you want to learn a language, study history, see works of art, or take part in other special programs, the Office can provide you with all the details needed for a successful learning endeavor.

Q. Can this program be done through Montclair State University?
A. Yes! MSU is the headquarters for the New Jersey College Council for International Education (NJCCIE), along with a Exchange Student Program. These organizations consist of more than 150 United States accredited schools, which collaborate, to offer a wide selection of study options.

Q. What do these programs cost?
A. Cost varies, depending on each program, exchange rate, and cost of living in the particular country. The Office of International Studies can meet with the individual student to estimate the approximate cost. But, there are financial aid possibilities, if needed.

Q. Who should be contacted if interested in studying abroad and have questions?
A. Call Dr. Hadis or Ms. Tracy Hogan of the Global Education Center at 655-4253.

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Guess who’s running for homecoming king...again. Turn to page 23 to find out.
**Log On @ MSU**

This week: Juno, Dilbert, and life on Mars!

by Mila Bronnenkant

I am well aware of how stressful it can be to fight with a computer. The computer generally wins. Last week I mentioned the free email service from Juno. The procedure has been that you need their disk to log on. Now someone has put the Juno software on the web for downloading. Do NOT download into the hard drive of a campus lab pc. Go to http://www.wideweb.com/juno/. The Juno software is a very user-friendly Windows interface. This is for use with a modem. And the reason there are rarely any busy signals (I still haven’t hit one) is that you read incoming mail and compose outgoing mail online.

The program logs on, downloads and uploads, then logs off. Is it within the realm of possibility for the Alpha email that is accessed via modem to be read and composed off-line? This would enable more people to use the system without monopolizing it. I defer the research and answer to this suggestion to our hardworking tech people. I would just like them to think about our system in a new way.

In keeping with the spirit of shameless self-promotion I will now plug my own home page. Hey, what good is having a column if you can’t do this! Find me at http://www.dhs.montclair.edu/leclair/LS/rita.html.

There are sound file links, but you may only be able to hear them at home. The sound is disabled in most of the labs. Can’t imagine why. Where it is accessible, you need headphones. You need to ask the lab assistant if dancing is allowed. It wasn’t covered in Guidelines for Responsible Computing. Naturally, I have links to the Student Email Directory, Faculty Directory, Alpha Help, computer lab schedules, plus Les Websites du Jour, and Links to Lists of Links. From here you can find people at colleges all over the world (wide web).

Did you ever wonder how much Montclair State pays the faculty? Well, feel free to find out at the Interactive Faculty Salary Database from the National Teaching and Learning Forum, http://tlfk.unb.ca/ajay/. No, you cannot look up by faculty names, but you can search by institution.

Unfortunately, the database does not include adjuncts, but then we don’t pay them enough to want that information out in public. Those faculty who are dismayed to find out that Harvard pays more than MSU, you know who to email.

My thanks to John J. O’Sullivan for adding the “Dilbert” comic strip to the Montclair. Dilbert is not only computer humor, but insightful social commentary on corporate culture. (You guessed I’m a sociology major?) Of course Dilbert is on the web, http://www.unitedmedia.com/comics/dilbert/. There are tons of Dilbert sites, but this is an official one. That is of vital importance when dealing with copyright issues.

A couple of weeks ago the government announced that there is life on Mars. Well, there is a religion to go with it. The Trans-National Church of Life on Mars, http://www.com/marschurch/.

Have any questions or comments about the Campus Life Section? E-Mail them to FEIGLES on the Alpha E-Mail System.

Food Focus: Choosing a Cereal and Making Homemade Ice Cream

by Iara Monico

Have you ever walked down the supermarket cereal aisle and not known what to choose?

You are not alone. Today’s cereal boxes take up more than half of one grocery aisle. The selection is enormous. Everyone wants to know what kind of cereal is the most nutritious and doesn’t taste like a tree.

When most people buy a cereal, they usually look for a brand that is low fat or fat free. Unfortunately, many of these products are high in sugar. For example, Kellogg’s Frosted Flakes is a fat free cereal, but one serving provides 1 gram of sugar, the equivalence of more than three teaspoons. That is more than most of us expected to eat in on setting.

The best way to purchase a nutritious low fat, low sugar cereal is by studying the label. You want to make sure it provides everything that you want and nothing you don’t. Some important factors to look for are very easy to find.

According to a Tufts University study (Vol. 13, No. 7, Sept 1995) an ideal cereal will have no more than 4 grams of sugar and 2 grams of fat. It will also supply at least 2 grams of fiber per serving. Some examples of cereals that fit this description are Post Grape Nuts, Cheerios, Nabisco Shredded Wheat, and Kellogg’s Raisin Bran.

Another factor you might want to consider when purchasing a nutritious cereal is that it is fortified. Most cereals are, by the way, fortified. This helps provide your daily diet with all the vitamins that it needs.

You may be asking yourself how does this guy know what to do? Is he the guy behind the chocolate chip cookie dough and Chunky Monkey ice cream? Of course not. But I have read Ben and Jerry’s ice cream making book, borrowed a friend’s ice cream maker and made roughly 20 quarts of ice cream.

The true secret to making rich, thick ice cream is freezing three fourths of the container with the ingredients. Broyers contains 50% air which explains the difference in price and texture. 50% air happens to be the legal limit. Ben and Jerry’s uses only 20% air.

I can foresee the headlines of the Star Ledger “Montclair State University/ The Ice Cream Capital of the World.” Please give it a try. You can impress everyone. If you live in a dorm think of all the people that would anxiously be waiting to taste your very own ice cream. Bring your girlfriend out to eat and skip dessert. Then invite her to your place for some homemade ice cream and whatever else you can think of. Set up a stand in front of your house in the middle of winter. Put up a sign that reads “Hot Ice Cream.” You’ll have everyone curious. Don’t forget.

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A Tribe Called Quest, “Beats, Rhymes and Life, The College Tour”

by Gerry Doey

“We mean peace. We mean peace,” Phife urged on the crowd to chant. In a single voice, the crowd eagerly responded, “Peace.” Is this the beginning of the death of Gangsta Rap? Is A Tribe Called Quest on a crusade against Gangsta Rap? “We want to be the master tool. We want to be the master carpenter,” Q-tip says.

With the death of Tupac Shakur, the Rap industry, especially Gangsta Rap, has been on trial in the Media. Gerald Rivera had a whole show dedicated on the image of some rappers are projecting. Rappers themselves are now criticizing their industry for allowing some individuals to corrupt what was in the beginning, a way to project positivity into the Ghetto.

Positivity, indeed, was what was projected at last night’s show in the smoky Memorial Auditorium, sponsored by Class One Concerts. As with past concerts, the couple hundred impatient fans, who had to wait almost a half-hour, stood enthralled in the electric atmosphere during the entire show. They agreed to and sang all of the lyrical rhythms with the masters of the Quest, Q-tip and Phife. They even imitated the musical cadences of the Tribe. They stood mesmerized. They felt all the singing sensations of the words of weapons of the masters of hip-hop. To the dismay of the riveted crowd, the transcendent songs like, “Kick it” and “nice Again,” suffered a stop. It seems that the auditorium’s electrical power wasn’t strong enough to supply the Tribe with the amps they needed for the dispensation of beats and rhymes. Despite these technical difficulties, a fan said, “It was fat, man!” While I’m no expert on hip-hop, I found myself moving and tapping my foot to almost every song.

It should be mentioned that Too Slimmers was the best introductory band of the night. Special J., J. Guerrera and the obscene A.J. “Stumpy” Johnson advocated through their music a good time and social responsibility. They told me in an interview that they want their fans to break social barriers and to get along with each other. Was the kick off show of A Tribe Called Quest a success? By the enthusiasm of last night’s crowd, I think so.

Above: A Tribe Called Quest backstage. Below: A Tribe Called Quest on stage.

The Miss Firecracker Contest, exploding with laughter

by Jodi Kasfel & Erin Perry

MSU’s Theatre Series will open its fall ’96 semester tonight at 8 p.m. in the Studio Theatre with Beth Henley’s American comedy, The Miss Firecracker Contest. The production is directed by Dan Boulos; costume design by Leslie Littell; stage manager, Meredith Handerhan; and with the set and lighting design by John Figola.

Combined with blaring national anthems, the atmosphere of the play is overly patriotic and takes place in the red, white, and blue colored living room of the Williams family in Brookhaven, Mississippi. The plot displays the problems of the crazy characters, which prove to be to outlandish for the small town they live in.

Jessica Schappert plays the perky and ambitious 25-year-old Carnelle Scott with a natural flair. Carnelle has her heart set on winning the Miss Firecracker Contest to leave the town in a “crimson blaze of glory” and dispel her reputation as a “hot tamale,” which is the basis of the entire play. While rehearsing her talent act for the contest, complete with flaming red hair, roman candles and sparklers, and preparing her loud costume, she hires the seamstress, Popeye Jackson (Danielle Lanzerotti), who is hysterical.

Perhaps the most amusing character in the play, Popeye, is comically dressed in “earbobs” and a patchwork housedress and uses a huge magnifying glass to see. Lanzerotti’s portrayal of the flirty character who claims that she “hears voices in her eyes” is convincing. Popeye’s complex personality shifts from sympathetic and selfless, to rambunctious and just plain wacky.

An impromptu family reunion forms when Carnelle’s cousins Ellen Rutledge (Susanne Furda) and Delmount Williams (Mike Mintz) drop in unexpectedly. Ellen and Delmount are the children of Carnelle’s deceased Aunt Ronelle, a cancer victim who received a pituitary gland transplant from a monkey and started to grow long black hair. Reoccurring monkey jokes referring to their mother as, “an angel in ape’s clothing,” and accusing that she “turned herself into a monkey just to get us mad,” spice up the dialog throughout the play.

Elain has just left her husband, Franklin, and two children, and has chosen her mother’s house as her hideout. Delmount, a ladies’ man with a “checkered past,” is broke and wants to sell the house. Delmount is furious with Ellen because she could have gotten him out of a mental institution by agreeing to be his guardian but refused to help. Replying to his angry accusations, Elain explains that it was the most expensive asylum.

Furda is credible as the outspoken, high class Elain, a former Miss Firecracker. Mintz is believable as the unstable and tormented Delmount, who tried to kill Carnelle’s father: “I just wanted to shut him up, he was boring me to death.” While the character of Delmount was entertaining, at times it was difficult to understand Mintz’s lines.

The second act introduces Mac Sam (Jason Wills), is Carnelle’s ex-boyfriend who wanders onto the carnivorous grounds, and Tessy Mahoney (Kimberly Wasserman),

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“Abstractions in Photography” by Billy Casalino

On Thursday, September 26, 1 had the pleasure of attending a lecture and reception at Life Hall’s Art Gallery. It was titled, “Abstractions in Photography” by Brian Petersen. The event was run by the curator, Lorenzo Pace, who asked the artist some crucial questions. According to Petersen, the process of making art takes a great deal of commitment and it also has some risks. It is a journey taken without a necessary destination.

Petersen, early in his career, dealt with difficulties and confusion because he wanted primarily to be a music composer of classical composition. When he was young, he had a hard time being successful with creativity; thus, he dropped out of school, and held a number of lowly jobs. So when he began his career, he tried to use his work to put himself in contact with the things he loved; such as the wooded park areas of Philadelphia. He started taking pictures in these woods and created his favorite picture of sunlight shining down between the trees of a beaten path. He believes this represents the “Path of Life.”

Petersen takes all of his photography in black and white film because he believes that this medium conveys the more poetic side of a photo. He broadened his horizons when he went to graduate school, which he felt was rewarding with different types of cameras. A camera he purchased was “in a zone,” and intuitively responded by taking many pictures. Petersen then experimented with fairly long exposure times to capture abstract pictures of water. He feels that the longer he stays in the photography field, the more rebellious he will get due to his “rule breaker” attitude.

Brian recently began experimenting with different types of cameras. A camera with a bellows was used to take close-up pictures of blades of grass. When using a small, cheap plastic toy camera, Petersen achieved possibly the most abstract aspect of all his work. He shot action photos of his wife and created the illusion of ghostly figures and a fantasy world mist with spiritual, transcendental ideas.

In closing, Petersen compared the creative process of photography to such things as surfing, mining, gardening, and dancing. He related most with the dancing comparison in which he describes a silent partner inside. Sometimes it leads you, other times, you lead it.

Pearl Jam concerts rock Randall’s Island

By Billy Casalino & Tom Tracy

On Sunday afternoon I took my chances and made the trip out to Downing Stadium in a desperate attempt to somehow gain entrance to the heavily anticipated Pearl Jam concert.

I guess Sunday was my lucky day. Before I had even parked my car, a scalper approached me and asked how many tickets I needed. My friends and I were happily surprised to hear that he was asking only $40 for each ticket. Rumors had it that people were paying in excess of $100 for tickets, so I used my extra cash to pick up a couple concert shirts from T-shirt hawkers.

With a packed house waiting in anticipation, the band entered the candle-riddled stage and lead singer Eddie Vedder exclaimed, “Get comfortable, this is gonna be as good a show as you will ever see by Pearl Jam.” I couldn’t agree with you more, Eddie. Pearl Jam occupied the stage for three hours of intense jamming. They played a wide variety of tracks from all four of their released albums: Ten, Vs., Vitalogy, and No Code.

They performed about five or six songs off the new album including “Who Are You,” “Mankind,” and “Hail Hail.” They surprisingly played an enormous portion of their Vitalogy collaboration. Titles such as “Tremor Christ,” “Immortality,” “Last Exit,” “Not for You,” “Spin the Black Circle,” and “Better Man” sent waves of energy throughout the electrified crowd.

In the middle of the song, “Animal,” Vedder stopped singing to politely ask the crowd to move a few feet back from the stage. He assured the rest of the crowd that all dead time would be later made up with extra songs. Pearl Jam went on to finish “Animal” and also played “Daughter,” “Go,” “Rats,” and “Jeremy,” “Black,” and “Porch.” During “Porch,” I saw the security guards lifting people over the fence which separated the fans from the stage, so I figured I had nothing to lose. After being picked, I got to walk across the front part of the stage in front of over 50,000 people and got within about ten feet of Vedder and company before another guard suggested that I keep walking. What a rush it was to get that close to such a massive band.

Fortunately for me, my luck in this area has been good over the past few weeks. Two weeks ago, when I went to Madison Square Garden to see smashing Pumpkins, I spotted the new drummer from Filter hanging out on the sidewalk an hour before show time.

Eddie Vedder couldn’t have been anymore accurate when he said it would be a great show. Pearl Jam appropriately ended with an awesome performance of “Yellow Ledbetter.” I will now leave you all with a quote by Vedder which poked fun at President Clinton. Vedder joked, “Yeah, I smoked pot. But I didn’t EXHALE.”

Perhaps the Sunday show was so extraordinary to make up for Saturday’s performance. Amid a torrential downpour, Vedder & Co. played for only 1 hour and 50 minutes, far less than they did on Sunday. It appeared at times that Vedder was annoyed at the lukadadaial crowd, that

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KO Drops show, a knockout

by Robert Oakes

On last Friday night, a friend and I took a drive over to the Hoboken waterfront to check out the Maxwell's appearance of a terrific new band called Knockout Drops. Nickel's debut CD, Nowadays, happily came into my hands just a week before the show. It was my first introduction to this group, who apparently have been making quite an impression on record company execs and audiences alike. After listening to the CD and taking in a show, I can understand why.

When we arrived at Maxwell's, the band was already well into the first song of the set, Nowadays. As I took my place in the audience, I smiled, because the happy and excited mood in the room was infectious. People were dancing and laughing and kicking balloons around in the audience. On-stage, KO Drops were offering a very upbeat and positive sound, performing with what seemed to me to be true enjoyment and comfort.

Lead singer and lyricist Chris Campion seemed perfectly at ease behind the mic, and his on-stage antics were a lot of fun to watch. He humped himself with the mic cable, swung his hips like Elvis, joked with the audience, pulled himself around by his own shirt collar, and danced a waltz by his own shirt collar, and danced a waltz. And, oh yes, he sang his lyrics with a powerful and gritty voice, sometimes combined with silly accents, puns, and even a few pops of the lips.

Guitarist Tom Licameli kept a calm, cool and collected attitude throughout the show, but his excellent guitar work made his presence known. His sound was often very clear and bright, with resounding sharp chords that reminded me of The Byrds (the Rickenbacker guitar may have had something to do with this) or Irish folk-rock. Even when he added the distortion and played his solos, the notes rang true and distinct.

The foundation of the KO Drops, drummer John Mazzei and bassist Phil Mastrangelo, were firm the night through. Together, the two of them kept a solid background of powerful deep tones and driving drum beats, upon which Licameli and Campion were able to build the melodies, which fell refreshingly upon my ears.

Courageous" in which Mazzei did some really nice snare rolls and cymbal work. Another thing this band had going for them was their excellent vocal harmonies, which fell over Campion's leads like waterfalls. And like water, their harmonies fell refreshingly upon my ears.

After the set ended, the band took to the audience floor and mingled in with the crowd, like guests at any house party. I got a chance to talk briefly with Campion and at greater length with Licameli. I found them to be very approachable and serious about their music in a light-hearted way. Licameli explained a bit about their song "Kid Dies. My interest in the drums was especially piqued during a song called, "Kid Courageous" in which Mazzei did some really nice snare rolls and cymbal work.

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The Flirtations appearing at benefit concert for AIDS Memorial Quilt Display

by Erin Perry

According to the Office of Public Information, the Office of Student Activities and Arts Programming will hold a benefit concert on Friday, October 4th, at 8 p.m., for "Handmade and Heartfelt," a NAMES Project for the Montclair AIDS Memorial Quilt Display.

The concert features the lesbian and gay cappella group, The Flirtations, who, "...have been thrilling their audiences with their unique blend of gay politics, music, artistry, and outrageous humor since 1988...Fans have been raving about the group's new incarnation since 1995 when pop jazz vocalist Suede began singing with the formerly all-male group. Together with baritone Jon Artterson, whose vision created The Flirts' back in 1987, and tenor Jimmy Rutland, the group is hotter than ever.

The concert will feature songs from the group's new album, Three, including, 'Time after Time,' 'Think,' 'Miss Celie's Blues,' and 'Mister Sandman.'

The goal of the benefit concert is to raise money to bring the AIDS Memorial Quilt to MSU. About 304 of the 48,000 panels will be on display November 23-26 in the Student Center ballrooms. Additional proceeds will be distributed among local HIV/AIDS direct-service organizations.

"Handmade and Heartfelt" is a project intended to unite the university and the Township of Montclair in an effort to prevent and relieve the pain of the AIDS epidemic. Actress Olympia Dukakis, who makes Montclair her home, is the Honorary Chairperson, along with President Irvin D. Reif. Other organizations included in sponsoring the event are the Women's Center, Lambda Tau Omega, Lambda Theta Alpha, Sigma Psi Phi, the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependency, North Jersey Inc.'s Teen Institute of the Garden State, the Montclair Health Department, the Montclair Art Museum, and the American Red Cross, Montclair Chapter.

Anyone interested in helping with the project or need ticket information can contact the Office of Student Activities at 655-4413.
**“You’re Either On The Bus Or You’re Off The Bus.”**

Thursday, Oct. 3
MSU Theatre Series presents, The Miss Firecracker Contest, Studio Theatre, 8 p.m. call 655-5112 for show times and future dates.

Friday, Oct. 4
The Flirtations Benefit concert for AIDS Memorial Quilt Display, Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m. student admission, $15.

Saturday, Oct. 5
Underground Renaissance Productions presents, Robert Oakes and Friends, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, 8 p.m. more info? 284-1548.

Sunday, Oct. 6
NJ Chamber Music Society presents, New Jersey’s Prize: A Toast to Dr. George Walker at Bloomfield College’s Robert V. Van Fossen Theatre, 3 p.m. student admission, $12, more info? 746-6068.

For more info, contact Erin or Jodi at x5169.

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an ex-girlfriend of Delmount and the pageant director. Wills and Wasserman are only briefly in the spotlight, but compliment and complicate the situation. Mac is a drinking, smoking beatnik with a nasty cough. Tessy, who is still in love with Delmount (we told you it’s complicated!), tries to lure him with her gaudy arrangement.

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currently working out the particulars of that arrangement.

I topped off the evening at Maxwell’s with a pint of Guinness and a few laughs with my friend out in the bar. KO Drops left my spirits high and helped to make my Friday night an altogether enjoyable one.

**Upcoming CD Releases...**

| Oct. 1, Nirvana, From the Muddy Banks of Wishkah | Oct. 15, Counting Crows, Recovering the Satellites |
| Oct. 8, Marilyn Manson, Antichrist Superstar | Oct. 15, Dr. Dre, The Aftermath |
| Oct. 8, Chris Isaak, Baja Sessions | Oct. 15, Lemonheads, Car Button Cloth |
| Oct. 15, Korn, Life Is Peachy | Oct. 15, Phish, Billy Breathes |
| Oct. 22, Rustled Root, Remember | Oct. 22, Van Halen, Best of, Volume 1 |
| | Oct. 29, Joni Mitchell, Hits and Misses |
| | Nov. 5, Madonna, Evita |
| | Nov. 5, Presidents of the USA, Presidents of the USA: II |
| | Nov. 5, Reba McEntire, What If It’s You |
| | Nov. 5, Snoop Doggy Dog, Tha Doggfather |
| | Nov. 12, Smashing Pumpkins, As Yet Untitled |
| | Nov. 12, Tony Toni Tone, House of Music |
Wishes for the families and the victims of violence in Middle East conflicts

Last Wednesday, violence erupted in the occupied territories of Palestine over the opening of a tunnel near Jerusalem's Al Aqsa Mosque. I do not see this as an isolated incident from far away. It is as close to me as the very town I live in. Over the past few days, members of my family have been visiting others to give their condolences for the loved ones they have lost in the fighting. It is a tragedy to see the blood of any individual shed in any type of conflict.

Most of the individuals that have been killed were young; just beginning their lives. They each have their own dreams and aspirations. There was a boy from a neighbor's village who was shot after prayers on Friday, as he was leaving the Al Aqsa Mosque. He and his friend were both killed and his mother heard of his death when she returned home from delivering invitations for his wedding, which was next Friday. Trying to picture the reaction of his mother and, not to mention, his fiancee, was too painful for me. So I tried to find some kind of goodness amidst these events. In doing so, I remembered the old saying “That which does not kill us makes us stronger”. I think those living in the occupied territories of Palestine have witnessed and endured a great deal more than some of us can even fathom. They are strong individuals and I do believe that God is with them.

My mother has just returned from visiting another neighbor who has lost a young member of her family. The 18 year old man went to a demonstration in Ramallah last Thursday and didn’t return. On Saturday his father and uncle set out to look for him. They went to a hospital in Ramallah, then to one in Jerusalem and asked to see those who were wounded or killed in the demonstrations. They looked at all of the bodies and were unable to identify him. The next day the young man’s mother ventured out with them and returned with her son’s body.

May God be with those who have lost someone close to them in these trying times, and may God guide us to a more peaceful tomorrow.

Wafa Mustafa
Molecular Biology

Clinton called “disgrace to the Presidency”

Many people on campus say they have not yet made up their minds about whom to vote for in the 1996 Presidential election. Whether you have or haven’t, consider this question: What kind of person is Bill Clinton?

On Wednesday, September 25th, Clinton snubbed the Election Committee’s originally selected date for the first of three presidential debates and instead held a fundraiser in Philadelphia, netting nearly two million dollars. While the Clinton wailer undoubtedly benefited from the millions, wouldn’t the voters have benefited more from the additional presidential debate?

But that is nothing compared to what Bill Clinton did on Sunday, August 18th, the day before he turned 50 years old. Clinton and his retinue flew from their summer vacation hideaway in homey Jackson Hole, Wyoming to New York, where he pulled in nearly $10 million at a gala birthday bash thrown from him by the Hollywood crowd at Radio City Music Hall and the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. But back in Wyoming, an Air Force C-130 aircraft, flying one of Clinton’s limousines to New York, crashed shortly after takeoff, killing all nine people aboard. As Bill and Hillary stuffed their pockets with millions from the likes of Tom Hanks, Rosie O’Donnell, Barbara Streisand, and Bryant Gumbel, back on a desolate mountain near Jackson Hole, the bodies of the eight members of the Air Force crew and one Secret Service agent still lay broken and unrecovered.

What kind of person is Bill Clinton? A disgrace to the American presidency.

Dr. Paul Scipione
Professor of Marketing
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Professor defends Glick from “attack”

A moment of nonsensical whimsy is one thing. A violent personal attack is another. Robert Glick’s off-handed reference to the efficiency of the Campus Police is the former, the scurrilous letter from the delegate to the New Jersey State Policemen’s Benevolent Association (Montclarion, Sept. 26) is the latter and has no place in a useful discussion of campus issues. I’m disappointed that our campus newspaper chose to print it.

It is easy to understand why Mr. Tarras should be irritated at hearing his colleagues and friends referred to with disparagement, but to offer accusations of improper sexual conduct, lack of courage, and outmoded preparation for teaching (“a teaching certificate issued God knows when”) is a crude, grotesque, and utterly unfounded assault on a highly regarded member of the faculty.

Last year’s controversy over the arming of our Campus Police gave strong evidence of severe public relations difficulties on the part of our local security forces. Whether the images of rudeness and insensitivity are justified or not (I personally have never found them so) is beside the point – the images persist. Unfortunately, Mr. Tarras’s tirade only worsens them.

Jack Sacher
Music department

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Columnist is accused of ignorance and narrow-mindedness in telling Tupac story

This article is mainly addressed to those who do not consider themselves part of the hip-hop community. Please do not be led astray by “Madam Ant’s” ignorance and narrow-mindedness. Any intelligent reader of the Montclarion can see that Ant does not know what the hell she is talking about. The bottom line is that a man died. No one asked Anonymous Ant to mourn anyone, but please have the decency to respect the dead! Since when does a person die and all one has to say is negative? We don’t recall after the death of Miss Nicole Brown Simpson, Mysterious Ant writing an article calling her promiscuous, a drug abuser, or diminishing her character.

Please do not mistake us for condoning any of the wrongdoings of Tupac Shakur, but he was a man. We know we’re only sophomores in college, but the last time we checked, man was not perfect. We also realize that we are in no position to judge any man. We will leave that up to Tupac’s creator (who, as far as we know is not Madam Ant). We also think that God will be interested in finding out that He doesn’t have to work so hard. After all, He has Madam Ant to point out all the people who are not acting like Christians.

We also feel that Madam Ant has great difficulty in differentiating between fiction and reality. As an actor and an artist Mr. Shakur had a certain image to uphold. He was born and raised in a world of hard times, he tried to convey that to the world via his music. He did not try to recruit anyone into the so-called “gangsta lifestyle”. Instead, he told those of us who aren’t born with silver spoons in our mouths to “keep our heads up”. Is that a bad message, also? So what if his music was violent. So is the world today.

Natasha Wright and Tiffany Stallings, Psychology

What’s Madam Ant spelled backwards?

I would like to address Madam Ant’s article concerning Tupac Shakur, may peace be with his soul. She obviously had no idea what she was talking about when she was referring to Mr. Shakur. She just seems to be part of the masses of the dumb, deaf, and blind in this country who are easily swayed by a biased media. Her blissful ignorance shines through with a clumsy contradiction.

She says that her column would not be a dis-fest, but just before that she said that she would not mourn a “dope”. Excuse me, but who sounds dopey now?

She said that Tupac never divorced himself from the “gangsta” lifestyle that he portrayed in his lyrics. She doesn’t even know how ridiculous that sounds to those of us who know Tupac’s work. He didn’t rhyme about any gangs, colors, or underworld affiliations, things that a true gang-banger would talk about. If she really knew what she was talking about, she would know that the term “gangsta rap” was coined in 1988 by a Los Angeles-based record critic. This term means absolutely nothing in hip-hop, it was just invented by someone like her with a lack of understanding of a natural phenomenon like rap music.

Let’s say that Tupac did write rhymes about dope dealers killing thousands of retarded children in a church on Christmas Sunday. Who cares! Rap is a form of art and expression. Why can’t Tupac incorporate fiction in his music or tell a tale? Edgar Allen Poe died a drunk lunatic who wrote some of the most gruesome stories I was ever forced to read, and today his works are celebrated as classics. Was he a “gangsta writer” or just some guy with talent and imagination? I would really like her to think about that before she answers. Madam Ant seems to be a weak piece of clay which was easily molded by a corrupt media.

She also says that her heroes are not people who promote hatred, violence, or intolerance. Then who are her heroes? I would love to know. It’s probably some hypocrite like Madam Ant. After all, she said that she stays away from intolerance – but that is the whole premise of her argument. She was intolerant of Tupac, his friends, family, fans, and his artistry. But how can she not respect his work? Can she poetically flow to a 16 bar rhythmic beat for 4 minutes? If she can then please prove it, otherwise she should keep her ignorant rhetoric to herself.

On a final note, I would like to say that Tupac should be remembered as a man. No one has to like him, but they should respect him from a human perspective. How many more humans have to die in vain from senseless violence before we wake up and realize something very important? We will be here forever. Unfortunately, we are the only species on this great planet that practices genocide. But we are supposed to be a wise and intelligent race. However, with those like Madam Ant who have a cynical lack of compassion, we may never learn. That is a shame.

By the way, what’s Madam Ant spelled backwards? Tna Madam... big deal.

Joshua Stalsworth
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A note of thanks from the members of Alpha Phi Omega

Alpha Phi Omega would like to thank the sisters of Sigma Gamma Rho and the members of the Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship for their support of our food raiser. Their donations were greatly appreciated.

Thanks to their support, we were able to raise three boxes of non-perishable food items. We greatly appreciated the support and we would like to again thank them and let them know that the food will be donated to a local charity.

The members of Alpha Phi Omega

“Live so that when your children think of fairness, caring, and integrity, they think of you.” – H. Jackson Brown, Jr., Life’s Little Instruction Book
Apologist
by Nelson Alonso

The tunnel in old Jerusalem that sparked last week's Palestinian riots reawakened the Palestinian Intifeda to invade Israel. In a city at the crossroads of Muslim, Christian, and Hebrew cultures, Israeli officials knew the decision to resume construction would be controversial. The tunnel runs along the The Dome of the Rock and the El Aqsa Mosque compound, Islam's third holiest site. The tunnel links the Western Wall, Judaism's holiest site, to the Via Dolorosa, where Jesus walked before his Crucifixion.

Although the new opening of the tunnel is a quarter of a mile from Al Aqsa Mosque, Muslims have made a great outcry against the construction. As a result, several disturbing and illogical events have transpired. Israel has again been condemned by President Clinton and the countries which are members of the United Nations. Apparently, it is now easy to be openly anti-Semitic. An even worse effect is that militant Muslims will now have a more persuasive case for Israel to withdraw from the West Bank, the Golan Heights, and the Gaza Strip.

There was a hypocritical double standard manifested when President Clinton condemned Israel for her actions which constituted their internal security control. When the riots in the Watts district of Los Angeles took place, we hurled the local police and the National Guard into the area. Many black Americans were killed in that action. The mayor of Philadelphia ordered the bombing of a residence in that city which was suspected of drug activity. Force is constantly used to control rioters and those who disturb peace in the US. If people were to come into your neighborhood and start stoning you and your family, you would want the police to stop them, and, if necessary, use weapons. All of this is considered justified internal security control. Obviously, Mr. Clinton does not recognize the sovereignty of Israel and her right to do as she pleases within her own country.

If Clinton and the UN want to be consistent, maybe they should allow a UN team of observers and peace keepers to enter California to keep the peace. A UN team should also be rushed in to enter to the war zones of North Philadelphia and New York where violence, racism, and drug use are rampant. Canada should immediately accept a UN peace keeping team of observers at Oka, Quebec because of their harassment and misrepresentation of the native North Americans who only want to repossess the land that belonged to their ancestors and is rightfully theirs. Israel should give up the West Bank when Texas is returned to Mexico and when all who are not of native American ancestry retreat to the area of the original thirteen colonies, behind an internationally recognized "green line." Jerusalem should be taken away from Israel when Washington, DC becomes an internationalized city under UN control and supervision.

When these things happen, President Clinton and the UN will then have some authority to advise Israel on the West Bank, Golan Heights, Gaza Strip, and Jerusalem, but not before.

Clinton, Israel, and UN inconsistency

Tightrope
by Angela Daidone

Baseball playoffs save the day...again

It started.

Yeah sure, the leaves are changing colors, and there's that faint smell of furnace heat beginning to creep up in the morning. Pretty soon we'll be seeing Christmas trees in store windows, and my kids will huddle together and plan the winter break escape route to warmer climates.

But that's not what I mean. It's October and that only means one thing as far as I'm concerned: Baseball playoffs.

These games are the only things that help this summer baby get through the transition from shorts and bathing suits to gloves and scarves. For sure, it is exciting TV, which normally doesn't move or shake me. Only in October can I watch the creme de la creme of America's game swinging their Louisville sluggers and kicking mud out of their cleats every night with the excitement of a child. It doesn't even matter to me who's playing, as long as they're playing.

It's always been that way for me and baseball. As a kid I learned to slide head first because Pete Rose did it that way. (I altered my slide upon developing a more female figure. "Charlie Hustle" did not have to contend with a size 36B.) "Say Hey" Willie Mays showed me how to catch flyballs in the breadbasket, and we all kicked dirt and argued like Billy Martin. But my love of baseball went far beyond being a tomboy.

I learned all the rules and how to really keep score (backward Ks and all). I followed the trades and the player stats, clipped newspaper articles about my favorite players, and flipped baseball cards with the best of them. I can still flip 87 tails in a row if need be, the all-time St. Francis grammar school record which belongs to yours truly.

A few years ago, I found myself dancing with the very handsome Lee Mazzioli at a mutual friend's wedding. While my girlfriends were drooling, I was asking him what he thought of Cal Ripkin Jr.'s chances of breaking Gehrig's record. As it turned out, we were both right.

Anyway, at a time when I am preparing to face yet another cruel New Jersey winter, the baseball playoffs are riding into town to save the day. My portable TV is perched on the porch next to my chaise lounge for al fresco viewing, and Buds are in the frieze.

One word of caution: Don't try to reach me in the next few weeks. Unless, of course, you're on your way over with some peanuts, popcorn, or crack-jacks.

If you wrote for the Montclarion Editorial section, over 10,000 people would be reading your opinion right now.
To have and to hold: stalking, the law and the reason for a nom de plume

Stalking is a gender-neutral crime, having both male and female perpetrators and victims. In its 1993 Research Report, the National Institute of Justice defined stalking as the “willful, malicious, and repeated following and harassing of another person.” Thus is the reason I, Madam Ant, chose to use a nom de plume when I agreed to write this column for the Montclairian.

That’s right, kiddies, I am the victim of a stalker. He is an ex-boyfriend of mine and it would be catastrophic for me if he were to find out that I am a student here.

This person, who is a textbook sociopath, went to unbelievable extremes to abuse, torture, and harass me when things didn’t work out the way he planned. Among other things, he made a string of harassing phone calls to my home and attacked me when I attempted to call the police. He was charged with assault and harassment and while I waited the court date, he went to mutual friends of ours and told them that I had attacked him. That is the typical response of a guilty abused. However, he is over a foot taller than I am and outweighs me by nearly 100 pounds, so it was unlikely that I was the attacker.

Anyways, the judge was unsympathetic to my plight, dismissed the charges against him, and the stalker went unpunished. This was before there were anti-stalking statutes on the books in New Jersey. I couldn’t even get a restraining order against him in the county I lived in because he didn’t meet the required criteria of being a blood relative, spouse, or co-habiting lover. The law offered absolutely no protection for a single woman (or man) who lived alone.

So, I left my job, disconnected my phone, and moved to another county without a forwarding address, losing contact with a lot of people in the process. I felt I had no alternative because the laws of the day were impotent, and according to his father, this was typical of his behavior. He had stalked, harassed, and generally made life miserable for women in three other states. He also doesn’t quit. His dad also told me that his ex-girlfriends are filled into a false sense of security because years will go by without a word from him and then wham! He tracks one down and attempts to rekindle the relationship, and subsequently, the abuse.

It’s been several years since my case against him was dismissed and I had a few unexpected face-to-face encounters with him after that. It had been roughly two years since that last time and I was beginning to think maybe I was rid of him. But wouldn’t you know it - just as I was driving through Montclair the other day, making mental notes for this week’s column, there the son of a bitch was, standing in someone else’s yard. He looked right at my car but I don’t know if he saw me. It was most disquieting, to say the least.

So to all of you who responded to my article on Tupac Shakur (by the way, thanks for reading) and asked that I come forward and identify myself, I cannot. I am not afraid to face those who hold opinions different from mine. Everyone is entitled to their own opinion, including me. Also, I’m not Joe Paterno. I swear, I am a woman! It’s simply that I guard my privacy jealously and absolutely refuse to invite calamity by writing under my real name just to satisfy the curiosity of a few people.

Therefore, if you are so moved by something I’ve written that you feel compelled to confront me, I invite you to leave a message with the office of this paper and I will contact you personally. If that isn’t satisfactory, then you can “address the hand.” I don’t know what is to be gained by knowing who I am, anyway. I don’t know of any journalist who feels an obligation to so accommodate readers with differing views - that’s why we have the First Amendment and “Letters to the Editor” and many use pseudonyms to keep their identities private for multitudinous reasons. My reasons are quite sound and those of you who have been stalked understand how terrifying it can be. If you haven’t, may you never be.

Must it always be written in black and white?

I am fully aware that our society is plagued with the unfortunate stigma of racial bias. From the words of friends and loved ones who have grown up within our societal warfare, I have accepted that it is an experience that I will never fully comprehend. Policemen who viciously hate. An unfurtharing or uncaring or unsafe educational opportunity. Families broken apart by violence or crime. The fear that your children will be so poisoned by a sense of apathy and hopelessness that their chances for a happy future are weakened from the start. This is a world that I can only relate to through empathy.

For some every day is a fight. However, this does not mean that everyone is to be fought. Not every issue needs to be viewed with a monochrome screen. I remember walking on campus when the Simpson verdict was announced. The resultant scream of victory deeply affected and saddened me. It is good to know that our court system can rule in favor of a black man, especially one that was accused of murdering a white woman. But the way we pick our heroes is sad. I remember watching Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher, one night when four of the Simpsons/Brown jurors were on the panel. Until that night, none of the four jurors had ever been informed that Simpson had physically assaulted Brown on a repeated basis. The horror that washed across one of the jurors’ faces when she was informed of this point displayed a moment of recognition on her part of the realization that the verdict might not have been as fair as she originally suspected.

Whether or not Simpson was innocent, the verdict was not a victory for the black community. All of America, and the world, watched a rich black man, far removed from the plights of the average African-American, escape the verdict of guilt. Without his wealth, he is unlikely that Simpson would have walked. That court case only served to set back the women’s movement; it did absolutely nothing for the black civil rights movement.

Over the past two weeks I have watched as letter after letter has come into the Montclairian office rebuking Madam Ant for her insensitive tirade against the deceased musician Tupac Shakur. I, too, was outraged after reading her column. My reaction to his piece was fueled by the way she wrote it, not what she wrote. I am not ready to hear anyone call the man evil, for he was human like the rest of us, with both strong and weak points. Nonetheless, just being black and wealthy did not necessarily make the man a strong candidate as a healthy role-model for black children. He did more than just tell about the war zone of America; Tupac rapped about death. Gangsta rap does not advocate peace or a solution. And the perpetuation of violence, through any medium, only adds to the problem.

Examples of this can also be seen a little closer to home, also. OSAU evidently viewed Leonard Jeffries as a speaker of some merit to invite the man onto campus a few years back to express his views. I mention this with a conscious avoidance of the issue of freedom of speech versus the right of a student organization to spend student money on a guest speaker with hateful ideology. My intent is to discuss the choice of role models solely based upon race and power. Jeffries is black and acclaimed. Jeffries is also an anti-Semite and a homophobe.

I seriously question the message we are sending by raising people like Jeffries and Tupac on a platform. Is the message that we want to send that if an individual is wealthy, popular, or in a position of power and black that he should be held up as a role model for the African American community – regardless of their ideology or behavior? Dr. Martin Luther King commented on current trends in race relations don’t encourage peace or a solution. And the perpetuation of violence, through any medium, only adds to the problem.

Dr. Martin Luther King commented that he hoped that someday a color-blind society would be reached. But current trends in race relations don’t seem to create the atmosphere in which his dream may be manifest. But still, I hope that (for everyone’s sake) that King’s dream had room for more than two colors.

Do you have an opinion about what you just read? Let us know! Send your comments to us by e-mail. Our address is navettaj@alpha.montclair.edu
Greeks must be aware of freshman needs

Well, here we go again. As I walk around campus, I see pledges, lots and lots of pledges. It made me think back to the days when I was pledging: walking around getting interviews, carrying a book, wearing a pin, and having people sign. It was cool - frustrating and tiring, but cool. I pledged a professional fraternity, but before I pledged I did a lot of research. I looked at these guys up on the Net and talked to different people around campus. I did all of this the summer before I pledged.

I love Greek life. And I speak from experience - I'm a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia. My only problem with it is that there are first semester freshmen who are pledging these Greek organizations without experiencing other opportunities that MSU has to offer. While I was pledging I helped run a segment of the radio station, I was a member of OSAU, and part of the gospel choir. I did all this and had 10 classes and at least 2 jobs. I got to experience college life because I was involved with more than one thing.

Freshmen come here right out of high school, some were stars on the field or on the stage; others weren't popular. Every student has a different situation that they come from, some of which can make them vulnerable to poor decisions. I think all Greek organizations should take that into consideration. We all know that pledging takes a lot out of you, it requires time, energy, sacrifice, and development of interpersonal relations. Can anyone honestly tell me that all first semester freshmen can handle classes, jobs, being away from home, and pledging, especially with the time commitment that homecoming requires?

During my probationary membership I became disciplined because I was a first semester freshman. My discipline consisted of having brothers help me out with homework at 6:00 in the morning. They helped me out a lot. I'm not saying that other Greeks don't do this, but my fraternity is an academic one.

A potential pledge can't possibly know about a fraternity after a party and only five weeks of school. I've known one fraternity for three years, and I've been a part of the gospel choir. I did all this without experiencing other opportunities that MSU requires?

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Always Right
by John Brosa

The success of the 104th Republican Congress

We all know about the Presidential election taking place this November, and that the candidates are Bob Dole and incumbent Bill Clinton and a few others who have no chance of winning. There are other races, though, that will also help determine the course America takes over the next few years, and those are for the numerous positions in the Senate and House of Representatives.

The current political trend is to blast the 104th Congress. We have seen all the negative ads attacking the first Republican Congress in forty years. We all have heard about Newt Gingrich and his "extremist" agenda. But have we heard the truth?

No one is going to deny that Gingrich, the current Speaker of the House, is conservative. A few of his ideas aren't favored by some Americans, especially in a state as diverse and liberal as New Jersey. But he is not what his critics claim.

The record of the 104th Congress is very good. The Republicans campaigned on their "Contract with America," and they upheld it after they were elected into the majority of both houses. The Republicans who were elected to Congress reacted to the needs of the nation and passed legislation to help the American people.

All we need to do is to take a look at their record in order to see the truth: welfare overhaul, long promised by others, was passed, limiting the length of time a person can collect benefits. Workers who change jobs will be guaranteed medical coverage for pre-existing conditions, and newborns and their mothers will be provided with at least 48 hours hospital care by their insurers.

The 104th Congress also gave to the President the line-item veto, the power to strike individual parts from a piece of legislation passed by Congress. The legislation for a balanced budget by the year 2002 was also passed.

Taxes were decreased in specific areas, including to cover adoption costs, for long-term health care, to help small businesses, and to help the self-employed afford health care. The minimum wage was also increased nationally from $4.25 to $5.15 an hour.

The 104th Congress also toughened penalties for violent crimes, limited the incessant appeals of death row inmates, increased funding for the war on drugs, passed laws to fight terrorism, and passed the national version of "Megan's Law," a law requiring the notification of neighbors when sexual offenders move into a community. Finally, legislation was passed that requires federal mandates to the states be accompanied by funding to pay for them, lessening the burden on state governments to pay for programs enacted by the federal government.

None of these laws (which the Democrats are currently campaigning on) were passed by Democrats, even though they controlled both Congress and the Presidency from 1993 through 1994. But when the Republicans took control of Congress in 1995, they passed the legislation America demanded. If this makes the Republicans "extremists" because they did what they promised and did what Americans wanted, so be it.

The Democrats managed to accomplish nothing during their years of controlling both the Executive and Legislative branches of the federal government in 1993 and 1994, except the passage of the same liberal policies that had failed again and again during the preceding forty years. And the same thing will happen if they regain control of Congress this November. The Republicans are promising to continue their string of accomplishments and to pass the legislation America wants. Your vote will help determine the direction America takes in the next two years. I'm voting Republican.

On the lighter side of...Bill Clinton

The gutter are clean. Need anything else? Must be an election year.

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If Bill Clinton says he’s against racism, then why does he support racists?

The Examined Life
by Jean-Marie Navetta

I’ve always had reservations about believing in President Clinton’s commitment to minority “causes.” Sure, he says that he’s for racial equality, and that he’ll fight to the end to defend the rights of the underrepresented. And he did say that he wanted to have an administration that “looks like America.” But the truth is that his administration, his actions, and his attitudes don’t look at all like America. They look like the same old stereotypical and damaging racism that all Americans, but particularly those who fall into the nebulous category of “minority,” have often been hurt by in the past. Sadly, to claim anything else would simply mean that a lot of people out there are in denial of the facts. Any examination of Mr. – and Mrs. – Clinton’s less-publicized civil rights catastrophes would prove this point.

In an interview on Black Entertainment Television (BET), Mr. Clinton made an interesting observation in reference to the television viewing habits of black Americans. He commented that, “African-Americans go home at night and watch the same news as ‘ordinary Americans.’” Now, it might just be me, but I consider African-Americans to be “ordinary Americans” and completely equal to everyone else. Apparently, Mr. Clinton sees some real difference between the black community and himself.

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Clinton has also made quite an act of claiming that his administration “looks like America” and that he aims to surround himself with like-minded individuals who hold his lofty goal of equality and respect for all in as high regard as he does. So what can we conclude when a Clinton-hired employee, Craig Livingstone, called black Congressman Floyd Blake a “dumbass nigger”? Or the fact that despite his anti-Semitic, sexist, and homophobic rhetoric, Mr. Clinton never publicly denounced Louis Farrakhan by name? Or, most recently, why did Mr. Clinton campaign for Senatorial candidate Victor Montes even though he called his challenger, Rep. Henry Bonilla, a “wanna-be-white” and a “coconut” (which means according to Montes, “white on the inside, brown on the outside”)? These are the people that Mr. Clinton has surrounded himself with over the past four years. Black conservative talk show host James Golden reviewed these examples of Mr. Clinton’s behavior and rightfully questioned, “Why does he [Clinton] stand proudly beside people who are so racist and divisive”? I would like to add to the question – since he is standing so proudly beside these people, why do Americans of any color continue to support him?

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Clinton’s legacy to gays: Broken promises, misguided actions, and tragic results

Native American
by Joseph Paternoster

“The Clinton White House has done more than any other to help gay and lesbian Americans.” This is a common claim that was included in The Advocate’s June 25th edition in which they interviewed President Clinton. The aforementioned statement is usually made with no proof to support it or challenge to its merit – until now.

In the beginning, there were the promises. According to The Advocate, “Tucked into the pages of his 1992, campaign manifesto were promises not only to lift the military’s gay ban, but also to back gay civil rights, to fight hate crimes, to distinguish between homosexual acts – sexual acts as well as sex acts – and non-homosexual acts, to support it or challenge to its merit – until now.

On lifting the ban against gays in the military, Clinton failed. According to the Washington Post, December 23, 1993, the Pentagon’s stance is as follows: “Attempts to distinguish between homosexual acts – sexual acts as well as statements about homosexuality – and homosexual status, will no longer be grounds for dismissal.” When asked for examples, the Pentagon said that “holding hands while off-duty” is grounds for investigation. So is “hanging around a gay bar” as long as it is “credible information” from a “credible source.”

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The Clinton Administration’s actions showed how hollow his promise of support was, too. In June of 1995, according to the Washington Post, before checking the bags of gay officials, “...at least four guards who check visitor’s handbags and the like at a White House entrance donned gloves, apparently out of concern about being infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.” I guess the most gay-friendly president in history didn’t tell his staff that AIDS is not spread by casual contact. It seems like the president doesn’t think that civil rights include common decency and respect.

The results of Bill Clinton’s policies towards gay Americans are obvious. He has lied, taken jobs from, humiliated, and used them. This is not a simple case of a politician breaking his promises. This is the cruelty of exploiting a community’s hopes. According to The Advocate, Gays opened up their pockets for the Clinton effort to the tune of $3.5 million, and on Election Day, polls show that Clinton got as much as 75 percent of the gay vote.” It is sad that, in the end, all of their support was for a few token appointments and a little extra money.

When it comes to gays, Bob Dole and Bill Clinton disagree on very little: both are on record against discrimination, both support the Defense of Marriage Act, neither will appoint Supreme Court justices who will overturn it, and both want their votes. The difference is that Bob Dole will not lie, hustle, or use the community to get what he wants – Clinton already has.

At a campaign rally in 1992 in Portland, a supporter of Bill Clinton’s held up a sign that read: Queers for Clinton... Thanks, we will hold you to your word. I hope that’s true, because if it is a lot of gay men and women will be voting for Bob Dole in November.
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Written by
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Vick's Vap-O-Rub™ is in your future.

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COUGH...oh, never mind.

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MSU shocks Rowan for the first time in six years

By Billy Casalino

This past week was a week to remember for the MSU field hockey team. On Saturday MSU defeated Rowan for the first time in six years when a goal by Kristin Eisele (Newton) broke the 2-2 tie in double overtime. This was the team’s second victory in a row and first win in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC).

On Tuesday night, the Red Hawks carried their momentum over to Kean shutting out the Cougars 2-0. The Red Hawks came into the game looking slow and flat, and registered only eight shots during the first half. Kean’s goalkeeper, Michele Swawola, made five saves in keeping MSU off the scoreboard in the first half. Montclair State goalie Lori Dempsey (Union) wasn’t tested much and needed only to make three saves in the first half. It looked to be an even matchup between the two teams. The Cougars boosted a 5-3 record (1-2 in NJAC) coming into the contest. Nevertheless, the game remained scoreless by halftime.

The Red Hawks stepped up their play in the second half and scored two goals. Both goals were scored by #13 Tammy Wenner (Oceanport). The first came at 22:41 on an assist by Andrea Eidman (Argentina). Head coach Andrea Whitcomb was “proud of her team for not letting up after the first goal was scored.” Tremendous pressure led to the Wenner’s second goal of the game, and fourth of the season. It came at the 25:30 mark and was assisted by Kristin Eisele (Newton). This would be all the Red Hawks needed behind a solid performance from Dempsey (7 saves), fine defensive play by Kristin McCloud (Toms River East), and an all-around well played game by Kelly Brandyberry (Union). The final score was MSU 2, Kean 0, and the Red Hawks improved to .500 with a 4-4 record in the NJAC. After the game, coach Whitcomb offered the following analysis: “The team’s record is indicative of their performance. They are coming along and there has been immense improvement on stick skills.” She attributed this improvement to the 25 minute shuttle drills the team performs every night. “It is hard work for the girls, but it pays off,” she said.

When asked about the team’s leaders, Whitcomb credited co-captains Wenner, Meredith Kane (Trenton), and Alysson Severino (S. Plainfield) for keeping the team together when they were without a coach. She also went on to say that the team has suffered growing pains during the last few weeks.

In an addition to the schedule, MSU will host C.W. Post tomorrow, October 4th at 8p.m. The team travels to Bloomsburg College on October 7th for another 8p.m contest.

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MSU defeats Rutgers-Newark
• second victory in fifteen years vs. school •

by Dennis L. DeMercuro

For the second time in fifteen years, the MSU women's tennis team defeated Rutgers/Newark, 9-0. Improving their record to 5-1 (2-0 NJAC), the women were eager to continue their streak against the College of New Jersey yesterday, but rainy weather has delayed their meeting for the second time. Last Wednesday, MSU beat Drew 8-1. Freshman Milagros Urbina (Peru) swept her Drew opponent in straight sets, 6-0, 6-0 and her Rutgers opponent 6-1, 6-4, bringing her undefeated recorded to 5-0. Junior Jenna Switzler (Chatham) shut out her Rutgers opponent 6-0, 6-0 continuing her unbeaten streak to 4-0 in singles and doubles.

Last weekend, MSU participated in the Rolex Tournament held at the College of New Jersey. Wendy Saladino (Mountainside) and Christel Jakober (Sparta) both finished 2-1, placing themselves within the top sixteen. In doubles, Jakober and Joanne Barcinella (Rockaway) also went 2-1, landing them in the top eight. Freshman Nicole Fredricks is following her upperclassmen's example by showing a 6-0 match record.

The Red Hawks will have to have their work cut out for them as they finish their season with six road games. Their next match is at Drew on October 5th and 6th for the New Jersey State Tournament.

Women’s Tennis Schedule

October

5/6th at Drew University
NJ State Tournament
TBA

7th at Kutztown
4:00 pm

9th at Kean College
3:30 pm

12th at W. Connecticut
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14th at New York U.
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Christel Jakober (Sparta) improves to 6-1 on the season

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Men’s soccer riding high after undefeated week

by Jeff Bellich

The MSU men’s soccer team went 2-0 in last week’s games recording a 1-0 shutout of NJAC rival Kean College on Wednesday September 25, and a 6-0 annihilation of Stevens Tech, last Sunday.

Sophomore Marlon Pollard (E. Orange) scored the only goal of the game to give the Red Hawks the victory last Wednesday in Union, their first since 1986. Goalkeeper Chris Mazurkiewicz (N. Arlington) had five saves to preserve the shutout.

On Sunday, at Sprague Field, Sebastian DiBello (Dover) scored three times to help give the Red Hawks their sixth win in eight games this season. DiBello, already with nine goals and one assist, is in the midst of a superb sophomore season. Ian Myles (Dover), Erik Meixner (Vernon), and Marcin Skrzypek (Garfield) scored the remaining three goals to give the Red Hawks the 6-0 triumph.

The Red Hawks are 2-0 in the NJAC and 6-2 overall. They are at the top of their game and expect nothing less than excellence. Their next game, an interconference match-up, is on Saturday October 5 vs. the Rowan College Profs at 2:00 p.m. on Sprague Field.
MSU defense and special teams lead to victory, 14-6

by Jeff Bleich

What a game for the Red Hawks and Anthony Frisco (Ranapo). Frisco, listed as a 6’3” 225 lb. tight end (TE), got to start in his first collegiate game last Saturday night in a 14-6 win vs. SUNY Brockport at Sprague Field. Yet he didn’t start at tight end, he started at quarterback (QB).

When Brian Cooney (N. Bergen), the regular starting QB, went down two Saturdays ago vs. University at Stony Brook, with a groin injury, Marc Roca (Lakeland), his backup, finished out the game at QB. However, Roca was in a car accident on the Sunday after the game and was unable to start last Saturday. That left the starting job to either Mike Nova (Bishop Ahr) or Frisco. The two of them competed for the job, and Frisco was told on Friday that he would be the starting QB.

Frisco, who’s hometown is Wycoff, used to play at Iona for two years. After his second year he chose to leave the school. He then attended Ramapo College, but the football program was dropped that semester. Wanting to play football, he worked full-time in construction until he was able to transfer to MSU, saying, “I didn’t want to be a construction worker for the rest of my life.” He made the football team as a backup tight end and emergency QB.

Frisco had played QB in high school, yet played backup halfback and slotback in the run-and-shoot offense at Iona. On Saturday night, he got his first collegiate start (at any position) on rain soaked Sprague Field.

Now 1-0 as a starting quarterback, Frisco was very modest about his victory in a post-game interview. Looking sincere, he said, “I know what my role is with this team. When Brian got hurt last week going to give me the start today. But I know that once Brian gets healthy, once his groin heals, he’ll be back because I know a guy can’t lose his starting position because of an injury. I agree with that, so I agree that when he comes back, he will be the starting quarterback.” Frisco is certainly glad that the coaches know that they have a quality backup.

Frisco then said, “Also, both starting tight ends are injured, so we were down to our third string quarterback and our third string tight end for tonight’s game.” Frisco hopes to continue to get more playing time.

Besides the excitement surrounding Frisco’s first start, in which he finished four of eight for 55 yards with no interceptions, the game proved to be an exciting one. On the opening kickoff, freshman Ron Lewis (Asbury Park) scampered 92 yards for a Red Hawk touchdown. The extra point attempt, however, failed.

Again like last week, the Red Hawks had a lead before the opposition even touched the ball. MSU was still leading the Golden Eagles by a score of 6-0 and it looked like the Red Hawks were going to win easily when a long snap to the Golden Eagles’ punter sailed over his head. He ran back to retrieve the ball, and was able to get the kick away just in time. To compound that, the ball took an extremely friendly Brockport bounce and the Red Hawk offense took over from their own 37 yard line.

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The Red Hawk defense was able to stop Brockport at the MSU one yard line. This time, though, the Golden Eagles were able to get the ball over the goal line. Brockport’s attempt at a two point conversion failed. That made the final score 14-6.

The Red Hawk defense held Brockport to only 159 yards of total offense. They registered four sacks, two by senior defensive end and All-America Jeff Bargiel (W. Paterson), one by senior co-captain tackle Jason Williams (Marlboro), and two halves by senior co-captain linebacker Dan Garrett (Clifton) and junior tackle Moses McKenzie (Paterson Eastside). Garrett added 13 tackles, senior linebacker John Fiore (W. Essex) added 11, and Bargiel added another nine.

After the game, amid a massive downpour Bargiel said this to say: “We played a great game, we needed that. The defense played a bell of a game, and the offense moved the ball really well too. That’s what we needed. The defensive stats will be all spread out because everyone played a great game. We didn’t punch it [the ball] in when we were close, but we needed

Women’s Volleyball streak at 6 with win over Kean

By Dennis L. LaVerce

After losing three straight matches at the Richard Stocktton tournament a week ago, the MSU women’s volleyball might have had the wind knocked out of them, but they didn’t go down. Instead, they rebounded with the intensity of a hive of bees that has been struck from its perch. Ramapo, Bloomfield, St. Elizabeth, USMMA, Dominican, and Kean all felt their sting. With the exception of one game against Bloomfield, MSU