Fights and Stabbings Mar Homecoming Weekend

by Genie Feron

Two students were stabbed and another suffered a head injury during a party sponsored by Lambda Tau Omega fraternity in the Student Center on October 18, according to MSU campus police.

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Beul Kil Giffith, 21, from Newark, suffered stab wounds and was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Paterson, and was released yesterday. The third student, Rodney Spencer was treated for a head wound at Mountainside Hospital.

Six people were arrested, including two juveniles and one non-student.

Jeremy Armstrong, 20, from East Orange, is a full-time Computer Science major in his junior year. He and a friend were among those injured in a separate fracas with campus police. "We stood at the corner of Bohn Hall by the mailboxes hanging out," he said, "and all of a sudden, 10 cops surrounded us. They slammed us into a wall and pulled us by our ankles."

"Campus police elbowed me in the head, and were beating on us. My friend and I were handcuffed, and I was kned in the head, hip, and ankles. I had scrapes on my wrists, swollen ankles, and bumps on my head," Armstrong said. "I didn't do anything. I wanted to press charges because the cops were using excessive and unnecessary force." Armstrong was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct by campus police. Also arrested and charged with disorderly conduct were Cecil Hall, 21, from Prospect Park, Charles Albrook II, 19, from Piscataway, and Teshan Johnson, 21, from Rahway. Of those charged, Johnson is the only individual who doesn't attend MSU, said Lt. Cell. Charges are pending against one of the victims, Fryson, according to Lt. Postaski of campus police.

The deejayed party was scheduled to begin at 9:00 p.m. By 9:30, wristbands designating admittance to the party were sold out due to the ballroom's maximum capacity allowance of 500 people. An estimated 200 people became angry upon learning that they wouldn't be admitted to the party and stormed through the glass doors outside the ballroom, gaining entrance and causing the door panel to collapse. Officer Frank Marino sustained injuries to his hand and wrist as he attempted to restrain people from entering the ballroom. "It was a shame," said Maya Santiago, Lambda Tau Omega's chapter president.

The crowd turnout was large partly because "Phi Beta Sigma is known for throwing good parties," said Santiago. The fraternity issued a statement through their lawyer that they could not comment on the situation pending an investigation into the matter. According to Lts. Cell and Postaski of campus police, routine safety procedures were in place Friday evening leading up to the event. "MSU is an open campus," said Philip Calitre, director of campus safety and security. "Visitors are issued a one-day permit authorizing access to the campus. There was no specific way of determining who was entering the campus for either the party or class. However, once it was determined that the party was sold out, booth attendants were immediately notified to advise incoming traffic that no one else would be admitted to the party."

A total of seven officers and security personnel were contracted by the two organizations Friday night; MSU's regulations regarding party security state that two officers should be in attendance per 100 people. Director Calitre stated that all security guidelines were "strictly adhered to."

Louis Anderson, director of the Student Center, said the situation was for the most part, under control. "In the Student Center, during the evening, everything seemed to be fine," he said. "There was an excess of people surrounding the Student Center. Everyone cooperated with

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Campus Security and Administration Answer Student Concerns in Open Forum Wednesday

by Joseph A. Cerqueira

A majority of students expressed outrage and disappointment with campus security and University administration regarding last Friday night's gift-party melee on campus.

Representing the administration was Associate Dean James Harris, and Dean of Students Helen Matsus-Ayon, who was the forum's moderator. Lt. Paul Cell of campus police and Maya Santiago, president of Lambda Tau Omega, rounded out the group assembled to listen to student questions and concerns. Santiago recorded comments and suggestions concerning the event and how to prevent the problems from recurring.

Among those in attendance was Andre Fryson, one of the stabbing victims who asked why no one from the administration had called him while he was in the hospital recovering from his injuries. "You have a very valid point," Dean Harris responded. Several speakers asked about the crowd outside the Student Center. "Whose job was it to disperse 200 people?," one speaker said. "There were no precautions." A second speaker said, "Don't let this rest. We let things go. We're angry with the way the situation was dealt with." Another speaker asked why police had maced students. Lt. Paul Cell's answer was, "Any case of police misconduct will be open to file. We will do an internal investigation."

According to Cell, the party sold out at 9:30 p.m. "There were large groups of people outside attempting to gain illegal entry," he said. "The handle from one of the doors was ripped off."

"As people left the patio doors, small fights started. People went to the rear of

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SGA News & Notes

by John Brost

The entire executive board of the Student Government Association was officially impeached at last night’s meeting, in response to charges of financial mismanagement. In addition, money was appropriated to three organizations and three charters were passed by the legislature.

Early in the meeting, a presentation was given by the SGA accountants, from the firm of Martin and Martin, in which the results of an audit for the months of June through September were given. This audit was conducted due to the lack of a bookkeeper and Financial Advisor during parts of the summer. Upon examination of all payroll checks for the months of June, July, and August, it was noted that an officer had not deposited or cashed her paycheck for three pay periods in July. The explanation given to the accountants by the SGA was that the officer in question did not work during those three pay periods and that another worker had to be hired to cover her responsibilities.

When asked if the officer in question who was revealed to be SGA Executive Secretary Jen Lynch got paid for those three pay periods, the accountant replied, “yes, we were notified that she had indeed been paid for those pay periods.”

Legislator Tom Tracy then asked the accountant if this meant that two people had gotten paid for doing the same job, to which the accountant replied, “yes, it would appear that way.”

Because of this apparent conflict, it was recommended by the accountants that all officers or workers who perform work over the summer be required to fill out a time sheet detailing the hours they worked and the type of work they performed. Other recommendations made by the accountants pertained to the functioning of the treasurer’s office on a day to day basis, and helping the new SGA bookkeeper become better informed on what her duties are.

The Judicial Branch reported that they were presented with the receipts and documents from the San Diego conference that the executive board attended, which had been subpoenaed last week, and that the suspension on the president and treasurer had been lifted. The presentation showed that the executive board had overspent on the trip. Receipts showed that the expenses included $1,600 in conference fees, $500 in Traveler’s Checks, and helping the new SGA bookkeeper on a day to day basis.

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Later that night, there were two separate fights during Homecoming float building that occurred at Lots 22 and 23. The first one involved Tau Phi Beta (“Bulls”) when a heated discussion escalated into a fight. Some of the people involved broke up the fight.

Jack Samuels, Coordinator of the Recreation Programs Program, witnessed a second brawl which was between Tau Phi Beta and Phi Alpha Psi (“Senates”) in Lots 22 and 23. He arrived at the lots with Charles Feiner, the director of Student Activities. Samuels said that he got out of his car, took a look at what happened, and summoned campus police.

“The Bulls did not win homecoming,” said Chuck Rio, president of C.L.U.B. “However, Sigma Delta Tau did win “Best Overall” on their own. They worked very hard to turn everything around after the Bulls were disqualified.”

Because of the impending storm, there was some confusion as to whether or not Homecoming would take place over the weekend. C.L.U.B. checked the weather report hourly and held a meeting at 12:30 p.m. Friday with representatives from all the organizations that had a float, and they unanimously agreed to have the float building take place.

“We canceled the parade Saturday morning, and contacted the judges. At 11:30 a.m., they judged the floats,” said Rio. “Delta Chi and Sigma Delta Phi both shared the award for “Best Float.” Whether we had the float building or not, people would have lost money because of the weather conditions.”

Marencos/Lynch Trial Postponed Again

by Mark Alpert

Judge G. Delph Corradino of Little Falls adjourned the case of the State vs. Marencos until both sides submit a brief declaring the facts in relation to the laws that constitute false imprisonment.

Marencos’ attorney, Victor Halinski, asked the judge to dismiss the false imprisonment charge against his client, claiming that it does not apply to the situation. The hearing to decide the fate of the false imprisonment charge will be decided on November 19 with the actual trial to take place sometime thereafter.

The argument on whether or not the false imprisonment charge will be dismissed went unrestrained as the opposing attorneys tried to determine if Marencos was wrong for holding Lynch until his property was returned.

The charges were brought against the SGA President Julio Marencos following an incident involving the taping of a conversation between Marencos and SGA Executive Secretary Jennifer Lynch. Lynch took the tape recorder when she realized that their conversation was being taped in one of the SGA offices. When Lynch refused to give up the tape, Marencos prevented her from leaving the office or using the phone. These facts were established in court by the prosecution who claims that the alleged assault followed Lynch’s detriment.

The defense will submit a plea of not guilty to the charge of civil assault.

ATTENTION:
The last day to withdraw from classes without failing is October 25.

President Reid reacts to disturbance

Disturbances on university campuses have been increasing in recent years and have left a number of institutions troubled about issues of safety, community, and civility. The origins of disturbance differ widely and the degree of violence has varied all the way from minor instances to all-out brawls that occurred over a period of time.

We can all view these with detachment and mild concern from afar, when such events occur on our own campus the impact is traumatizing, to say the least.

I am dismayed both about the iniquities to our students and the disorder on the campus following a party last weekend. Our students deserve to be able to enjoy campus life without concern about their safety. While the final investigation will require more time, I fully expect that we will come to know how this happened and I will insist on decisive action to address what is totally unacceptable either from our own students or from visitors to this campus.

Vice President Wilcox and Dean Matusow-Ayres are working with Campus Safety and Security and our student leadership to do everything possible to prevent this kind of incident from recurring. The plans put in place nearly two years ago to address campus safety will be evaluated thoroughly for their effectiveness. I intend to consult with the University Senate leadership and, if necessary, we will take more stringent precautions.

One of the enduring characteristics of universities is that they are special places that offer unique opportunities for discourse in pursuit of the civil resolution of conflict. Our overall goal remains the delivery of excellent educational, social, and cultural experiences for those who come to study here at Montclair State University. The safety of the students, faculty and staff is paramount. I request the diligence of all who make Montclair State University the outstanding campus it is in striving to keep it that way.

President Reid

REMEMBER:
THE LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW FROM CLASS IS
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Assault
10/21/96- A female student reported being struck by another female while they were building a float in lot 22 on 10/19/96. She also reported that two fraternities were engaged in fighting at the time of the assault. She could not identify her assailant. She suffered bruises to her hip, legs, and ribs.

Property Damage
10/21/96- A parking attendant reported observing a truck back into a building sign at the Bond House.

Fire Alarm
10/17/96- Officers responded to a fire alarm on the third floor of Webster Hall. There were no signs of fire or smoke and the system was reset.

Medical
10/17/96- Officers responded to a call of an unconscious female in Life Hall. Upon arrival the victim was alert. The victim was transported to the Health Center for treatment.

10/19/96- A female student fell while performing a dance routine in Panzer Gym. She was transported by ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital for treatment.

10/19/96- A female Bohn Hall resident slipped on a wet bathroom floor, striking her head. The victim suffered a bump on the head and was feeling faint. She was transported by ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital for treatment.

10/20/96- A Bohn Hall resident, while in College Hall, suffered pain related to her pregnancy. She was transported by ambulance to Wayne General Hospital for treatment.

10/21/96- A female Bohn Hall resident suffered stomach pains. The victim was transported by ambulance to Mountain Side Hospital.

Theft
10/17/96- A female professor in Finley Hall reported her keys missing from her desk during a class change.

10/17/96- A female reported that persons unknown removed one tire from her parked car in the Clove Road parking lot and replaced it with another flat tire. Her blinker light was also smashed.

10/22/96- A female student parked her 1990 Toyota Corolla in lot 26. Upon her return she discovered her front license plate and one wheel cover missing.

10/21/96- A female Bohn Hall resident reported being threatened by her roommate after a dispute involving the keeping of alcohol in the room. The dorm director was contacted, a criminal complaint was signed and a summons served. Their court date is set for 10/28/96 in Clifton Municipal Court.

10/22/96- A female student reported an unknown male allegedly following her and has tried to engage her in conversation. A suspect description was obtained. The matter is under investigation.

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10/21/96- A female reported that one of her tires was slashed on her 1987 Nissan Sentra parked in lot 22.

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Affirmative Action is addressed by commentator

by Jean-Marie Navetta

Author and political commentator Terry Eastland said affirmative action is just another term for discrimination and angered Americans to strive for a “color-blind law” in a speech Monday sponsored by MSU's Republican Club and the Young America's Foundation in the student center ballrooms.

Referring to the nature of affirmative action as “an aberration from our founding principles,” Eastland cited the Brown vs. Board of Education case in 1954 in which a black student was discriminated against because of her skin color and compared that to today's academic policy to exclude students that aren't of a specific race or ethnicity to certain programs, and is referred to as “affirmative action.”

Eastland began the lecture by observing that due to the controversial nature of the subject of affirmative action, unless “views are stated clearly and with civility, discourse on this topic is impossible.”

He suggested that people re-examine the principles stated by individuals such as Abraham Lincoln or those found in the Declaration of Independence to develop the ground for understanding why affirmative action is not beneficial to individuals.

Eastland then explained that “there is a fundamental contradiction at the heart of affirmative action” which is contrary to many of the intentions of Civil Rights legislation.

“Slavery was at odds with the fundamental teaching of the Declaration of Independence, that all men are created equal.” Eastland observed. “Race cannot matter in regard to the rights people have; government should not discriminate on the basis of race.” Consequently, he contended that Americans must now strive for “color-blind law” in which no one will be discriminated against based on race.

Eastland then went on to discuss the flaws in the arguments made to support affirmative action. He responded to the argument that affirmative action is benign to those that it favors by arguing that those who benefit from these programs often “fail to see its patronizing attitude.” He cited Supreme Court judge Clarence Thomas' opinion on the subject, that affirmative action implies that minorities cannot compete and it “gives them a badge of inferiority.” In response to the rationale of achieving diversity and fighting underrepresentation, Eastland asserted that such goals, “have no end in sight and require constant regulation.”

He concluded his presentation with a discussion of the question, “Why should we think that affirmative action is ending?” He explained that, “Americans of all ethnic backgrounds are realizing that discrimination for any reason is wrong... It is this conviction that will continue to be expressed in the courts.” Additionally, the California Civil Right Initiative which aims to end all preferences in state controlled public sector hiring, education, and contracting was cited as further evidence of the move towards color-blind law. "Preferences have never been subject to the sustained public scrutiny as they have been in California," he commented.

Following his presentation, Eastland took a number of questions from the audience of about 210. The questions ranged from making up for past discrimination to the question of government repARATION to blacks.

Republican Club President Paternoster said that, “I was very happy with the event from start to finish. I hope that it will serve as a catalyst for open debate on topics that have been kept out of the campus conversation for too long.”

The co-sponsors, Young America's Foundation, is based in Virginia and is dedicated to bringing conservative speakers to college campuses.

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Nader talked about "growing up corporate" with the corporate ideal. "Corporations are raising our kids. Companies own our government, run our jobs, control pensions, public lands, and public airwaves," he said. "Corporations are dangerous in any country and will run roughshod over people to make money." He urged people to organize against corporations by forming unions and consumer groups.

"IP Nader said that the two major candidates were not addressing the cities. "He said that they were engaged in "cowardly" talk about street crime but not corporate crime. "There is more damage done to America by corporate crime than street crime," Nader said, citing figures of damage done to America by corporate crime. "There is more damage done to America by corporate crime than street crime," Nader said, citing figures of damage done to America by corporate crime.

The event began with an introduction of SGA President Julio Marenco by Steve Welzer, editor of the Jersey Green Journal. Mr. Welzer said that the Green Party is "far more than just an environmental political party." He stated that the party had a "holistic vision to take humanity toward peace and justice." Welzer described Ralph Nader as a man whose "career is a crusade for social justice."

Candidate Nader stated that third party alternatives like the Green, Labor, and New Parties would be the answer to the current problems. He said that in the future we will not have Republicans or Democrats, but "one party, a Corporate Party." He characterized President Clinton as a man who "tramples on the rights of the weak, turns his back on students' rights, immigrants and poor children. He gets on his knees in front of every organized business."

In closing, Nader said that there's a lot people can do to change the system. "He said that "we should not have poverty. All of these problems that we read about in the headlines, we should not have. He implored, "if you want to be progressive vote Green on your ballot." He ended by telling the crowd that the slogan of this campaign "should not be 'Go Ralph Go!' but, 'Go, We Got!' A question and answer period followed the speech.

Annual Fund To Hold Phonathon

An estimated 75 percent of undergraduates receive financial aid, with the state providing less than 60 percent of the University's operating funds. These numbers make private support by alumni, faculty staff, parents and friends of MSU essential to students.

To raise funds for students, the MSU Annual Fund will hold its Foundation Phonathon from Oct. 28-30 through Nov. 4-7 at the Continuing Education House. Throughout these nights, student workers will call parents of students in order to request donations for the University.

Last semester, almost $40,000 was raised through two University Phonathons. The Alumni Phonathon, at which students, alumni, faculty, staff, and an MSU parent spent ten nights calling alumni of MSU, exceeded its goal by 30 percent. The Foundation Phonathon, at which student workers spent five nights calling parents of students, doubled its goal.

"Due to a boost in student recruitment, last semester's pledges from parents more than tripled those of the phonathon of the previous year," said Deborah Winger, Annual Giving coordinator, "and with the help of student workers and generous parents, the Annual Fund will hopefully have another successful Foundation Phonathon this fall."
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The MSU AIDS Memorial Quilt Display will be setting up a table for donations.
Sigma Delta Tau won first overall in the Homecoming competition

Some floats, like the Theta Xi Alpha Iota Chi float, survived the torrential rain.

The happy winners of the Homecoming King and Queen competition

Q &A with Service Learning: the community based learning lab

by Suzanne Feigie

Last semester, twenty-six students enrolled in the flagship Service Learning program. Due to the success of Service Learning, two new courses will be available next semester. In order to make students more aware of this new education alternative sponsored by the Cooperative Education, I recently spoke with its Director, Fredya Lazarus, Assistant Director, Reesa Greenwald, Dr. Mary Beth Henry of Human Ecology, and Dr. Kenneth Brook of Anthropology.

What exactly is Service Learning?

Fredya Lazarus: "The technical definition is a course-based, credit bearing educational experience for students to participate in an organized service activity that meets identified community needs. We established a partnership with the Montclair Board of Education and placed students as volunteers in the School/Community Tutorial Program. Students worked under the direction of certified teachers and provided many hours tutoring first to sixth grade students.

How does Service Learning integrate into a course?

Dr. Henry: "My class, Volunteer in the Community, met three times a week and then the students volunteered for two hours a week at their convenience. At each class session, we discussed the children and teacher evaluations. We also discussed how the program was effecting the community. Many topics were covered including taxes, social services, child care, and religious systems. We addressed problems within the community and possible solutions.

What were the students' reaction to the course and did interest continue throughout the semester?

Dr. Henry: "Actually, the students were extremely involved in the course. It was found to be an overwhelmingly positive setting for the students. Everyone worked extremely hard to maintain the requirements. In fact, I had one student who fell on the ice and broke his wrist. He was so concerned about missing time with the students that he went twice a week."

Dr. Brook, your course was titled "Anthropology of Multicultural America." How does Anthropology relate?

Dr. Brook: "From the Anthropological standpoint, many issues arose. We asked "Is there really something called American culture?" We looked for things that all people share in common, our dissimilarities, our ethics, ages, and age. We also looked at equality and fairness in our society. We all profess academic principles, but how do we live up to them? We reflected on what we do, how we think critically, how to make good choices, and fix problems."

What was the Board of Education's reaction to the program?

Reesa Greenwald: "The Board of Education has been an extremely enthusiastic partner. In fact, they are helping us to make changes to improve the program." If there was one thing that you could tell students who are picking courses for the spring semester, what would it be?

Dr. Henry: "I can't stress enough that this is not a course restricted to education majors. It is an opportunity for anyone who would like to learn outside the campus. I like to call this a Community Based Learning Lab. We are eager to produce an educated person with a civic understanding. This gives students a responsibility for their own education and a sense of ownership. One definite learns better by doing. Next semester, we will be offering "Volunteer in the Community" and "Contemporary Practical Anthropology" both offer a great opportunity for those students who want to learn outside of the classroom and take their education one step further."

Coming next week: Two student reactions to Service Learning
The Real World
Produced by students of the Co-operative Education Program

by Adolfo Lechler

"As we approach the new millennium, our future is unsure. This all too familiar phrase has circulated the college campuses nationwide. So, how do we Montclairians get a leg-up on the competition and prepare for such a future? The solution: Cooperative Education.

During the fall semester last year, I was doing what most students do in their second to last year of graduating; anxiously wondering what I'd be doing after graduation. I had just come back from basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia, and I was still contemplating the direction I wanted my life to take. Enlisting in the NJ Army National Guard provided me with confidence and determination, but there was still a missing link in my transition from student to professional.

While aimlessly walking around campus, a flyer had called my name as if to say, "Read Me!" It was an advertisement for "The Washington Center," an internship program that places students in internships in and around our nation's capital. Right away, I thought of all the aspects of Washington DC I had yet to experience. The adventurous spirit in me lit up and I decided to pursue a scholarship opportunity.

I secured a fellowship through the Washington Center's Minority Leaders Fellowship Program for the 1996 Spring semester. It included the cost of the program, plus it paid for an apartment. My internship placement was with The United States Conference of Mayors (USCM), a non-profit organization that serves the member mayors of cities.

My position was as an assistant to the Director of Special Projects. The duties included corresponding with congressmen and women, mayors, and various other government officials. I also covered congressional hearings for the USCM and attended many conferences, receptions, and after-parties. Before I knew it, I was turning out press releases in the morning, having a personal call to the Mayor of Guaynabo, Puerto Rico before my lunch break, and being treated to lunch by a CNN correspondent, who one day would serve as a role model to me. Finally, I rushed home to prepare for a reception at the White House hosted by vice-president Al Gore.

I learned the customs of the corporate culture and more about the direction that I wanted to head in. I rubbed elbows with the "big boys and girls," which was a bit nerve-racking at first, but grew accustomed to it after a couple of weeks. Soon, I was introducing myself to Senator Lautenberg with a firm handshake and a business card. Signs of a seasoned "networker" were apparent.

I will definitely pursue a career as exciting as my internship in Washington DC. I felt the work I was doing was actually helping people. Being in our nation's capital put me in the action and I often got involved in extracurricular activities, whether it be marches, political leadership seminars or fund-raisers for prominent Latino leaders and organizations.

And so, my senior year has arrived and I feel assured of what I want to do with my life. I am currently applying to graduate schools to pursue a master's in Urban Planning with a concentration in community development. My experience in Washington, DC has afforded me with increased qualifications and marketability. My senior year has arrived and I feel assured of what I want to do with my life. I am currently applying to graduate schools to pursue a master's in Urban Planning with a concentration in community development.

Terracciano lecture explains banking to students

by Jodi Danzinger

The President and CEO of First Union Bank gave a lecture last Thursday hosted by MSU's School of Business Advisory Council. The topic of the lecture was "Banking: The Logic of Consolidation." This lecture was free and open to the public in Dickson Hall's Brand Lecture Hall. Anthony Terracciano became President of First Union in January after a merger between First Union and First Federal Bank. First Union was ranked the 66th largest bank in the world by the Wall Street Journal. On bank consolidations, Terracciano said, "There is a logic to what's going on." When asked about the future of careers in banking, he said, "The kinds of careers in banks are going to be the same as they've always been, the problem is there aren't to be as many banks."

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Just when you thought it couldn’t get any worse, I found Anthony’s Annoying Pages, http://www.interpov.net/~anthony/annoying.html. Evidently all his life Anthony has been really annoying and now that he is on the web nothing has changed. The site background resembles pink plastic bubble-wrap. This man definitely knows annoying. Way to go, Ant. And he even selects the Annoying Site of the Week (you mean there’s more like this?).


Looking for your old pals from high school? They’re at another university! In Timbuktu? No problem. Most schools have email and web sites. (If they don’t, no one wants to go there anyway.) If you know the school your friend attends, you can probably find him/her. Try http://www.clas.ufl.edu/CLAS/american-universities.html, for a listing of US colleges, plus links to Canadian, international, and community colleges. Like they said you can run but you can’t hide. Search around for the Student Directory. Sometimes it’s right up front, other places like to bury it. Surprise someone with an email! And who has the BEST university home pages! Due to some unforgivable oversight MSU did not make the winners list at http://www.mit.edu:8001/people/cd/memello/results.html. There’s always next year.

What kind of money do jobs pay? Find out from Jobsmart’s Profession Specific Salary Surveys, http://jobsmart.org/tools/salary-conf-prof.htm. Search twenty-one different fields, including the university salary database of the National Teaching and Learning Forum, http://www.ed.asu.edu/august/ntlf.html. You can even compare up to twenty-four different schools at once! Yes, MSU is in the database. I want to be a princess, think I will go check out that salary range.CULBR.
A conversation with political author Terry Eastland

by Jean-Marie Novello and Joseph Potemski

The following is an interview with Terry Eastland, author of Ending Affirmative Action: The Case for Colorblind Justice. Mr. Eastland gave a lecture on Monday, and then sat down with us for this exchange.

Q: Why should affirmative action end?
A: The first reason to get rid of affirmative action is because it is unjust to make race or gender a source of advancement in this context. Race cannot define what is essential about us as people. It creates a hierarchy of racialism.

The second reason is that affirmative action can do more harm than good for those who are benefited by it. These programs can create a stigma that goes with them. The fundamental ideal was not to judge by race, affirmative action contradicts that.

Q: Opponents of the OCR (California Civil Rights Initiative) claim that it will force college enrollment of minorities to drop and diversity to suffer. Are these true? How do you respond to these arguments?
A: The California system has three levels of higher education: community college, for which all one needs is a high school diploma; the state system, which is the next level, and the elite University of California system, of which UC Berkeley and UCLA are the best.

The evidence shows that if this year there were no preferences 40-50 percent of blacks and Hispanics would not have been enrolled, and Asian enrollment would have gone up. There would be an immediate impact at the two toughest schools, but those students would be able to get in if not UC Riverside, then San Diego State University. There would still be higher education opportunities for these people. And whose to say that after five years of the same standards we wouldn't see more blacks and Hispanics there? Have we lost faith in American ability?

Q: How do you think that the admissions process should be altered to ensure equal opportunity?
A: We can't have different rule for different races and ethnic groups. We should not say that if you're black or Mexican-American that you'll be judged by a different admissions standard. All such admissions policies should be removed. Also, don't let race be "smuggled in"-we need to do away with the idea of awarding points for race and ethnicity. These changes would vary according to the size of the school. If you're not going to admit people purely on their GPA, high school record, or SAT score, you have to be careful. If we move to a socioeconomic based affirmative action, I am skeptical that it will be a means of doing the same thing in a sanitized way.

I would be open to trying to look into changing applications to see if there is a way that demonstrates character of the student-for example, if the student overcame a broken home, poverty, or racial discrimination. If we can't do that, then use the standard academic yardstick.

Q: If a black student and a white student apply to the same university and have equal qualifications, but only one can be admitted, which one should it be?
A: It never happens. If that's what affirmative action was, there would be no problem with it. The best way to choose would be a coin flip or some other race-neutral means. No one should be fooled though, at UC Berkeley Asians score 280-300 more points than blacks, so the example you gave is not the norm.

Q: Do you think that affirmative action would be acceptable if it was based on need rather than race or gender?
A: It would win more acceptance, but it must be watched and observed. We should ask ourselves what would help kids before they reach the last year of high school. Doctors and scientists have told us that nutrition is important to the quality of education from K-12. We need to find out what works, and what works.

Q: Do you think that gerrymandering to ensure that a minority voice and minority concerns are represented in Congress is acceptable?
A: As a matter of law, it is less acceptable today than it was...It's been a bad policy, and I've been opposed to it all along. I'm glad that the supreme court is against redistricting. This election will be a test to see if blacks with a more moderate agendas will be able to win. We're much better off when people have to reach across and take more concerns into account.

Dear Career Services....

Q. Is it too early to start looking for a job if I’m graduating in May?
A. It may seem to early to think about the job hunt, but it's not. The "On-Campus Recruitment Program" is one way Career Services helps seniors from all majors find jobs. On November 4, forty-two employers will be coming to campus.

These recruiters want to interview seniors graduating next January and May for full-time jobs such as: financial trainees, inventory analysts, information services associates, underwriters, accountants, management trainees, and stockbroker trainees.

Recruiters are seeking candidates from any major with an interest in their organization. Those candidates who are competitive at interviews present themselves confidently, and speak of the skills that they possess to qualify for the position. The competencies are what will sell you to employers.

Also, Career Services receives thousands of job notices each year. These are in every category and for all majors. When you register with Career Services, you will be put on our database. Last year, seniors who registered with Career Services were mailed notices, or had their resumes sent to employers.

For more information, stop by the Career Services office located in the Student Center Annex.
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(considering the horrible weather conditions)

Another thank you goes out to the Homecoming Committee, the Alumni Association, the Athletic Dept., Campus Police, Montclair Police, Bill Valardes, Maintenance, WMSC, Greek Council, SGA, our honorable judges, our Grand Marshal Fr. Art Humphrey, and all the organizations which participated in Homecoming. All the hard work in preparation and execution of Homecoming is very much appreciated.

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Finally, a HUGE thank you to EVERYONE involved with Homecoming for being so understanding and flexible with the presentation of this event due to the horrible weather conditions.

-- Homecoming Chair
Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition decorates MSU campus

by Michiko Kuprow

Is Montclair State University campus the hot, new place to go to see the greatest number of outdoor sculptures in all of Essex county? According to a recent visitor from the Smithsonian Museum, it is so, explained Dr. Geoffrey Newman, Dean of the School of Arts at MSU on October 14th at the opening reception for the Permanent Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition.

The exhibition brought together participants involved in the outdoor sculpture at MSU after more than one and a half years of conceiving, planning, judging, and creating. Dr. Lorenzo Pace, the gallery director, who was also at the opening, spoke of his dream of creating a university community surrounded with works of art, just as in the city of Paris where he visited when he was 20-years-old. The project is only in its first year, yet three sculptures sprang up this September, signaling the exciting possibilities in New Jersey for the quality of art on this campus.

The artists selected for this project from the original proposal, and a maquette competition one year, had a year to complete their life-scale sculptures. I was one of those artists. I proposed “Flying Cloth,” and completed a colorful, uplifting, ten foot tall sculpture in front of the library.

In my original proposal, I described “Flying Cloth” as flying out of an architectural structure as a symbol of artistic freedom at MSU, implying my concerns about the censorship of arts in this country by the Federal Congress and the Senate over recent years.

The sculpture is made of 24 aluminum triangle plates, connected with links, which hang from an orange, steel structure. I have long been fascinated by the origami artist who worked with the space program and created a structure which unfolded in space. With my interest in alternative construction methods, I came up with an aluminum cloth, which bends and flexes in the air.

Robert Minervini created, “Destination Infinity,” which can be seen in front of Life Hall. The work is made of a large, stainless-steel, round table which holds up a stainless-steel ball at one end. It is supported by one green, asymmetrical leg at the other end. From a distance, this

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HBO’s “If These Walls Could Talk,” deserving attention

by Jodi Kasfel

Debuting this month on HBO is the original movie, If These Walls Could Talk, starring Demi Moore, Sissy Spacek, and Cher. Produced by Suzanne Todd and Moore, the film addresses the issue of abortion in a generation-spanning, trilogy of vignettes, occurring in the same house.

The first story, “1952,” features Moore as a pregnant single woman, in a time when abortions were still illegal. Directed by Nancy Savoca, Moore is unusually understated as a recently widowed nurse. A particularly shocking and vivid scene depicts Moore attempting to perform the abortion herself with knitting needles while squatting on the bathroom floor.

In “1974,” also directed by Savoca, Spacek is married with four children. Finally deciding to return to school to get her degree, Spacek finds herself unexpectedly pregnant again. Spacek delivers the most compelling and believable performance, perhaps because her character is the most “proper” woman (wife, mother, student) of the three.

“1996,” focusing on the highly volatile arena of demonstration that has become the abortion clinic, showcases both the acting and directorial talents of Cher. Cher, as a gynecologist, plays opposite willowy Anne Heche, a single college student pregnant by her married professor. Jada Pinkett portrays her best friend, a pro-life leaner who decides to support her friend, regardless of her choice.

The supporting cast includes Eileen Brennan, Lindsay Crouse, Joanna Gleason, CCH Pounder, and Rita Wilson.

While the film isn’t overly preachy, the pro-life characters are scripted as caricatures of a religious right stereotype. If These Walls Could Talk seems a bit forced at times, but the topic of abortion deserves a prime time, mass market presentation.

“Opening for the Dead was the biggest thrill. Out of everything we’ve done, that means the most. Whether it was your first Dead show or your 1000th, I think you were changed forever.”

—Chris Robinson, singer, Black Crowes

“Flying Cloth,” (steel, aluminum) on view in front of Sprague Library

while exhibiting other works simultaneously at the University, Gallery One. The gallery exhibition will be open through Friday, October 28th.
Springsteen and Steinbeck have a lot in common

by College Press Service

Apparently, Bruce Springsteen is a "Grapes of Wrath" fan. The New Jersey rocker will perform an Oct. 26 benefit concert at San Jose State University to raise money for the university's John Steinbeck Research Center.

His latest album also is named, "The Ghost of Tom Joad," after the dogged protagonist in Steinbeck's classic novel. According to the research center, a member of the late author's family met up with Springsteen after a New York show and persuaded him to crown at

San Jose State. Proceeds will go to the 25-year-old research center, which holds a major collection of signed first works, manuscripts of short stories, film posters and letters written by Steinbeck.

Recording the Satellites includes fourteen new tracks including "Angels of the Silences," an upbeat song already released as a single. Many people may remember from August and Everything After, Counting Crows is at their best when they play music with a lively beat. Songs such as "Mr. Jones," "Murder of One," and "Rain King" were very popular a few years ago, as well as the slower song "Round Here." Recovering the Satellites offers the same selection of fast and slow songs. "Daylight Fading" and "Have You Seen Me Lately?" are comparable to the fast, upbeat songs that made Counting Crows popular.

Counting Crows plays many slow, moody songs that may or may not suit your taste, depending on your musical preference, or mood at the time. In general, Recovering the Satellites is a

Recovering the Satellites, Cover Photography by Sarah Moon

Recovering the Satellites

by Timothy Casey

Counting Crows released their long-awaited second album last Wednesday. Recovering the Satellites (Ofenon Records) is a continuation of the sometimes emotional, sometimes lively sound produced on their first album, August and Everything After. The album was recorded during the winter of 1996 in Hollywood, California, by J. Bradley Cook, and produced by Gil Norton. Counting Crows offer their own unique sound because of the variety of instruments they include
Rebuffing Madam Ant’s “lack of understanding”

What a great shame that Madam Ant can only associate the Irish with IRA terrorism. What all British people hate is the terror of the IRA, not the Irish. What I determine to be “savage” and “uncivilized” is the terrorist attacks the IRA continue to perpetrate, not the Irish. That Ant confuses the two shows her lack of understanding.

Many Irish people choose to come and work in Britain, just as they choose to come to America (only without the hassle of visas and green cards). Would they do this if they were so oppressed by the British? Michael Collins himself did the same thing. He worked in London for the British civil service for ten years. Perhaps Ant forgets a period in American history when the Irish were ostracized here. Remember the “NINA” signs?

Far from being an anti-Irish bias in the American media, I have found just the opposite. Look at the exposure an IRA mouthpiece like Martin Galvin gets here. Ant complains in one paragraph that the British press represent the film as aimed at Irish Americans who “have given money to murder gangs in Ireland” and then goes on to say that the “IRA certainly would not compromise their American financial support.” What do you not like about the British press view? Is it the fact that it is correct? This wise woman may not “s” where she eats, but pigs do. I draw no parallels as it would be unfair to the porcine population.

If the most loathsome anti-Irish news item that Madam Ant can come up with, is linking the IRA to the bombing of Pan Am 103, then she has obviously not seen enough of the IRA’s handy work to define the loathsome. It is an interesting and unfortunate example for Ant to pick as the suspected terrorists who blew that plane up were armed and trained by the Gaddafi, who happens to provide the same services for the IRA.

It seems that Ant supports terrorism as long as it does not affect Americans. I can’t support a terrorist who explodes a 2,000 pound bomb at 11 am on a Saturday morning in a crowded city shopping center. It could have killed Irish Catholics Republicans, who make up significant minority of the city. It could have killed German, Italian, or Russian football fans enjoying a tournament. Maybe it even could have killed a visiting American tourist; a martyr for the cause perhaps. However, the bombers of my hometown do not discriminate, even for Americans.

I haven’t had a chance to see Michael Collins yet, but I will soon. I am curious to see how it represents him. He was a fighter for what he believed in, but also a man of compromise who was willing to accept the Irish Free State, short of total independence. For this he was killed by Irish men, during an Irish civil war, in Ireland. It seems Madam Ant would continue her 800 year old conflict that Collins tried to end.

Matthew Connolly
Technology major

Affirmative action identified as the “heart and soul of racism”

Is everyone familiar with the million dollar check people are supposed to get when they’re born white? Mine must be stuck in the mail, and judging from the number of white kids that have jobs all around the country, I’m not alone.

So who says white people are supposed to be born into wealth and opportunity? Nobody would dare say they believe this, it would discrediting them immediately. My point is: many Americans act like this is what they believe, it would discredit them immediately. When my great-grandfather came to this great country of ours about a century ago, he was greeted by signs that read “No dogs or Irish need apply.” Don’t get me wrong, this is still the greatest country in the history of the world. My point is, my ancestors were oppressed by the same people, generally British Protestants that oppressed everyone. I don’t demand that anybody with British Protestant ancestry suffer for the sins of their grandfathers, and neither should anyone else. Furthermore, if my ancestors had owned slaves or committed some other racist crime, why should I be punished for it? If my grandfather killed someone would I get the death penalty? Not in any rational society. One of my favorite parts of the lecture last Monday was when a young black gentleman got up and said, “I’ve been oppressed for 400 years.” Well if he’s reading this I’d like to tell him that he looked great for someone who’s 400 years old. Stop complaining about suffering that wasn’t yours. And stop looking for revenge on innocent people while you at it.

I hope this article retorted some of the outrageous claims made by the quotas and preferences crowd at the lecture last Monday. We should all stop looking at each other as African-Americans, Mexican Americans, or Testosteroney Challenged Americans. (That’s women for those of you who don’t speak politically correct.) Let’s all just be Americans for a change and stop sticking up for institutional policies that are the heart and soul of racism today. And if anybody sees my check, please mail it to me.

James Falstrom, Political science

When it rains it pours

This weekend, Montclair State University took a beating. It started with Mother Nature, who decided to literally rain on our (homecoming) parade. Due to the inclement weather, most of the pre-parade parties were canceled or moved and the floats did not receive admiration that they deserve. But these things were beyond our control; the rest of the wounds were self-inflicted.

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Dole’s economic plan called “frightening”

Yes, Mr. Paternoster, we have seen the Bob Dole economic plan, have you? Tax rates in this country are already low by world standards. While it may be agreed upon that tax burdens on lower middle and working class families should be reduced, lowering taxes across the board would be regressive and unjust.

The value of each dollar earned in a low income household is far greater than that of each dollar earned by a middle or upper income household. This is common economic sense.

Can you demonstrate that a reduction in the capital gains tax will stimulate growth? The period of growth in the American economy was tremendous in the 30 years following World War II and this growth was accompanied by higher taxes. How would such cuts affect the savings of the majority of capital poor Americans? I guess if we sold our houses, we could just bank the money.

Tax exempt savings for education and expanded IRA allowances are grand ideas, but you need some savable income to enjoy such programs. For most Americans living hand-to-mouth even with two incomes, this hardly seems possible.

For workers displaced from manufacturing jobs, job training and education are important, but offering incentives to corporations who need retrained workers is hard to argue. The rate of technological change prevents corporations from reaping the benefits of retrained workers.

Urinal flyer is another setback for women

What would you think if you saw a picture of a woman, propped up between two urinals in the men’s bathroom, her legs spread wide open, leaning back as if to say “Come do what you want to me”? How do you react when you find that this woman is running for Homecoming Queen and her sorority letters are proudly placed on the image? How are any of us supposed to feel, being reminded every time we pass these flyers, of how truly worthless women can appear? It seems that no matter how far we have come, we just can’t seem to catch up.

We address this letter to the attention of all women, especially those involved in sorority activities. We are calling for consciousness. How can we possibly move ahead as a gender or as a people, when pictures of women suggesting to be urinated upon are accepted by women themselves? It seems that no matter how far we think we’ve come, we find we are really no closer to actually arriving, then we left. We need to open our eyes in order to start understanding ourselves and our struggle to break free of the restrictions, to spit out the gas. The battle begins when you attempt to question your own thoughts and views.

Until you finally realize what you are, you’ll continue to get hurt, because you settle for being perceived as an object. We can close the gap between womankind, set aside past clinging to power at the expense of our future and our children’s futures. Let us make our own future.

Harold Lewis, Economics major

When it comes to Israel and Palestine, people should tell it like it is

This is a response to Ribbi Huzien’s letter from October 17, 1996, regarding Israel and Palestine.

There is no argument that the Palestinian people are oppressed. The argument is why they are oppressed and by whom. Prior to 1948, Palestine was a protectorate of Great Britain. When Britain decided to abandon Palestine, the United Nations voted on and approved the partition of the territory creating separate states of Palestine and Israel in 1948. When Britain left, it left its arms and ammunitions to the Arabs who immediately attacked the new State of Israel.

Israel rebuffed the Arabs, and, in several succeeding wars, continued to ward off the Arab invaders and succeeded in winning more territory. The Israelis could have deported all of the Palestinians, or worse. Why should it have been the Israelis problem what would happen to all of them? But they did not. Instead, the Israelis gave them access to health care and education, and allowed many of them to hold jobs in their midst. Some few of them choose to hold Israeli citizenship and serve in the Israeli army. Others do not.

So, who is oppressing them?

Regarding the “opening of the tunnel” in Jerusalem, the tunnel was, and has been, open for many years. The problem was the opening of the exit door into the Arab sector of the Old City.

If he wishes to “educate” Alonso and the campus community about Israel and Palestine, in the least, Ribbi Huzien should tell it like it really is.

Miriam Cartine, Undecided
The B-Boy’s Perspective
by Joshua Stalsworth

As I reported two weeks ago, Louis Farrakahn held his world day of atonement in New York City last Wednesday. Once again there was controversy. It seems that no matter what this man does to try and bridge the gap between all of the peoples of this great nation of ours, it goes vastly unappreciated.

The controversy begins with the day’s head count. New York City officials state that there were 30,000 people out for the occasion, while event organizers say that there were 200,000 men, women, and children out for the day. I don’t know how many people were actually out there, but I do remember the same problem last year at the Million Man March. Last October 16th, national park rangers claim that there were 400,000 men in attendance. On the other side of the coin, Nation of Islam leaders state that there were well over a million men in Washington, DC for the event. It was later determined through an aerial photograph and computer technology that there were about 2.2 million people at the first march.

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Farrakahn’s help is “unappreciated”
by Russell Marsh

We’re all different, but not by much

I believe there is a lack of understanding with so many people on this campus. Some people don’t realize that we all come from different backgrounds. It’s sad how students walk around this campus like they are the only ones who count. Or they are the only ones that matter. It’s no one’s fault that they were raised in a homogeneous environment. But you are at fault if you don’t interact with someone who’s not the same religion or race as you.

For example a friend of mine said she felt uncomfortable going into the Bohn Hall lounge because she was the only white person in the place. Not to sound like an ass, but now she knows how I feel to be the only "chip in the cookie" in class. Being the only white person in the bunch shouldn’t be intimidating, it should be an invitation to know about us. We should all embrace another culture.

Once I went to a new school and I was the only black kid in the music department – which was ok. Most of the people treated me like a person. Then there were some people who stereotyped me. Some people walked up to me with some ridiculous street slang and I would think to myself “Is this person on crack?” I don’t walk around on campus cussing and saying “Yo” this and “Yo” that. All the black kids I can speak English. So where are people getting this crap? On the flip side, not all white people say “Dude” this and “Dude” that. They aren’t rich, they are just as poor as everyone else. We’re all poor, struggling college students!

I know this is a redundant topic but I’m tired of all the separation and ignorance going on from all parties involved. That’s why we can’t get anywhere in America now because of separation and pure ignorance.

It’s Greek to Me
by Wendy Hollenbeck

At the Greek Council meeting Tuesday, October 1st, Dean Harris spoke to the Greek Community regarding its composition on campus. He explained that the actions of some Greeks, whether it be as individuals or organizations reflect on the Greek System as a whole. Apparently, administrators and “non-Greeks” (or as I like to refer to them – potential Greeks) generally did not understand the difference between one set of letters and another. Assuming that Dean Harris is correct, I want to address this issue.

There are, for the most part, three different types of Fraternal organizations: social, professional, and service. Social organizations can either be local or national. Local means that they have established themselves firmly on this campus and do not have a National Advisor to establish and move them also. National organizations have chapters all over the world. Both participate in similar activities such as homecoming, philanthropies, formals, mixers, Greek Week, and many other charitable events.

Professional organizations are established and continued through a common interest such as business, law, music, etc. Their activities are, for the most part, geared to the objective of furthering their performance or knowledge in that particular area. They are often coed and national.

The third main subdivision is the service organization. This includes many Latino based organization and coed fraternities. Their main objective is to provide service to the chapter, campus, community, and country. Their activities include, but are not limited to, all blood drives, phoneathons, campus clean-ups, and other helpful doing.

All Greek organizations stress the promotion of leadership and establishment of lifelong friendships; and we all remember one thing: Whatever the letter, we’re all Greek together.

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Have an opinion about anything in this section? E-mail us with your letters! Our address is: navetta@alpha.montclair.edu.
Antics in the Forbidden Zone

By Madam Ant

With so many ancient traditional cultures lost to civilization, it is refreshing to hear of an indigenous people preserving and perpetuating their aboriginal rights of passage. Or at least it should be. Case in point, Female Genital Mutilation euphemistically called "female circumcision" as practiced in much of Africa and some Arab nations.

"FGM," isn't news to those of us who have spent time on women's issues. Unfortunately, most of Western society is ignorant to the plight of these victims - and some who are familiar with the practice are quick to dismiss it as a part of a strange, primitive culture.

The Fall 1996 edition of On the Issues ran an article about FGM, featuring the photographs of Stephanie Welsh, taken at the "circumcision" of a 16-year-old Kenyan girl named Seita Lengila. I don't think I've ever seen more disturbing images.

The following description of FGM is graphic, gruesome, and if you are weak of stomach, then please move on to a less inflammatory article. However, as unsettling as it is, I beseech everyone - male as well as female - to read on.

According to On the Issues, FGM involves drastic pseudosurgical techniques such as the removal of the clitoris, labia minora, and parts of the labia majora. The sometimes fatal procedures are not performed in the sterile environment of the modern surgical theater by a doctor, but by the girl's mother under inexpert, unsterile conditions in a ceremonial mud hut. The only "surgical" tool used is a common razor blade. No anesthetic is offered. During the cutting, Seita is held down by other women as she screams out in agony. After it is over, she is shown standing in a pool of her own blood and pieces of flesh. Great fat is applied to her wound as a coagulant, and no other medicine - traditional or natural - is used. She stumbles away to examine herself and if the cutting wasn't successful, the agonizing "surgery" must be repeated.

UNICEF approximates that as many as two million girls each year are subjected to this barbaric ritual, and the rest of the world seems loathe to challenge the practice. Some defend it as a means to preserve tribal roots in a modern world, claiming that those who would halt the practice wish to annihilate tribes of indigenous peoples. My ancestors practiced human sacrifice, and though it was abandoned centuries ago, our culture is still very much alive, so to use the "you're just trying to get rid of our culture" line is pointless.

Imagine the outrage in this country if an isolated sect implemented such an abhorrent practice on their teenaged daughters, or if doctors performed these mutilations on American women without their consent. We simply would not tolerate it. As members of the global village, we must not sanction such blatant human rights violations against people merely because they are of a different culture. For further information on these Hitler-esque atrocities, read Possessing the Secret Joy by Alice Walker, and Gyn/Ecology by Mary Daly. Write to human rights groups for information on how you can help end this abomination. I know you good people can write eloquent condemnations. If there ever was a topic worthy of your passionate letters of protest, this is it.

The truth about Bob Dole and education

Joseph Paternoster

"This column is for those of you who care about what politicians will do and have done in regard to education. There have been a lot of claims made against Bob Dole and the 104th Congress by the President, but are they true?"

"And the budget I vetoed last year would have cut Pell grant scholarships for hundreds of thousands of students for the first time ever." This statement was made by President Clinton on December 21, 1995. Unfortunately, it is not true. The Balanced Budget Act (BBA) of 1995 (which the President was talking about) did not cut Pell grants, because Pell grants were not in the BBA of 1995 at all. Education funding is appropriated each year in the Labor/Health and Human Services/Education Appropriations bill. The fact is that for Fiscal Year (FY) 1996 and 1997, the Republicans increased the maximum award granted to $2,470 and $2,700, respectively. And from FY 96 to FY 97 they have increased the amount available for Pell grants by 15.95 percent again. The President and his fellow Democrats have told outright lies to America's college students and their parents.

The President has also demoted Bob Dole for opposing the government takeover of the student loan program, Clinton charges that government loans will be cheaper and more will be available to students then if they were left to the private sector. However, this is not the case. William D. Hansen, Assistant Secretary of Education in the Bush Administration, wrote in the New York Times on October 19, 1996 that, "...actually, the private sector usually offers lower interest rates and lower fees than his [the President's] direct loan program." Also, according to the Congressional Budget Office, the Clinton loan plan would waste $1.5 billion in paperwork and bureaucracy over the next seven years. In fact, the Education Bill of the budget that the President happily vetoed would have increased funding for student loans by almost 50 percent over the next seven years.

Another side of the Clinton proposal to take over the student loan program is loan forgiveness. According to Hansen, "The government forgives any loan after 25 years, but the Internal Revenue Service will treat the forgiven loan as taxable income." In other words, a student who borrows $50,000 could have a loan balance of $79,000 after 25 years. Once the loan is forgiven, he would have to pay $22,000, and the taxpayers would get stuck paying the rest. This is the way the government loan program currently works, and the President wants to give it more control. Under Bob Dole's plan, loans will be privatized, lowering interest rates. He will increase loans by 47 percent over the next seven years. So, once again the President is lying to college students.

The next area of contention for college students is the College Work Study (CWS) program. The President's main accomplishment in this area has been his Americorps "volunteer" program. It is, according to Hansen, "incredibly expensive and inefficient. Taxpayers pay $400 million to help only 25,000 students." That means Federal aid goes to only one out of every 750 college students. That doesn't exactly seem like the resounding service the President has painted it to be. It may be nice for the New Jersey Community Watch to support liberal causes that the money supports, but that $400 million could help a lot more people in need than just one in 750. Bob Dole has a plan to increase only those CWS programs that work, by over $200 million next fiscal year.

The President has also promised a $500 per child tax credit for every child under 18 (not college age), a $1,500 tax credit for the first two years of college, and a $10,000 tuition tax credit - all of which he is heralding as opening greater access for everyone to higher education. The only problem is that he is again lying. According to Hansen, "...it would give families no real purchasing power because colleges would have little incentive to hold down their prices." The colleges could, instead, just factor the credit into tuition. Also, Hansen says, "...the tax credit would do little for the nearly four million low-income students who receive Pell grants. Under the Clinton plan, they would not qualify for the tax credit." In other words, those most in need of the money, would not be allowed to receive it. This is in addition to the fact that the former director of the Congressional Budget Office wrote that the proposal, which could cost up to $34 billion over six years, is "bad tax policy and worse education policy." While in the Senate, Bob Dole proposed two educational reforms, a $2,500 tax deduction for student loan interest costs and penalty-free IRA withdrawals to cover college expenses. The President vetoed both of these measures.

Dole is committed to expanding educational opportunities through tax cuts and credits, including allowing families to setup Education Investment Accounts which will not be taxed.

The record is clear. Bob Dole and the Republicans are pro-education, Pell grants, and student loans. The President and the Democrats (who really cut Pell grants in Clinton's first two years) are lying to the American people. Some may wonder why this is so. Well, ask yourself two questions, which William Hansen asked in his column: When it comes to paying for college, are you better off from then they were four years ago? If the President is reelected, will you be better off four years from now? The answers to these questions are no and no. That's why anyone who cares about the ability to pay for their own and their children's college tuition should vote for Bob Dole in November.
The Examined Life

by Jean-Marie Navetta

I (along with a number of other people) have been saying for a long time that any significant dialogue regarding anything even remotely controversial is sorely lacking on this campus. We’ve been offered a one-sided politically correct account of everything under the sun, from sexism to racism, and every other social ill in-between. But some have worked to end this. There was a speaker who called for the end of affirmative action on campus this week. And last night there was what an allegedly “open forum” on the party Friday night. I applaud attempts such as these to get people to talk. But the fact is that students and administrators alike are paralyzed by the threat of being called a racist, bigot, or (God forbid) biased. So in the end, there really isn’t much of an open dialogue here after all.

At the time of this writing, I just left the “open forum” discussion in the Student Center. I thought that after being exposed to some 22 years of nightly atrocities on the evening news, I’d been somewhat hardened to hearing unpleasant reports. But what I’ve seen in the past was absolutely no preparation whatsoever for what happened in this alleged exchange of free thoughts.

Before I go on, allow me to clarify a few items. I was not at the party, nor was I on campus that night. I have heard a number of reports as to what transpired Friday evening, from a variety of sources which include people that were there, people working in the Residence Halls, administrators, and journalists. I recognize that there are conflicting stories and that there is undoubtedly culpability for what occurred that falls on a number of parties, and that this culpability will be determined as all involved work through the problems and determine what should have happened as opposed to what did happen.

There are a few things that need to be said that I found to be largely missing from the dialogue in this “open forum”. The first is on the issue of responsibility. Yes, it seems that campus police, along with all organizing bodies of parties or individuals who need to reexamine their policies for policing events. Yes, apparently some of the officers (from our campus or from off-campus) did not act appropriately in some situations and this should most definitely be investigated and dealt with.

But I find it deeply disturbing that no one there mentioned the issue of personal responsibility. What happened to civility? Since when is it acceptable for anyone, regardless of how disappointed he or she is that they did not get into a party, to attempt to break down doors or destroy MSU property. People can go on living as though everything that we say and do today won’t affect us in a week or a month – but it will. And that is why we all must be held accountable for how we handle this situation. It really did hurt more than the people physically and emotionally damaged. It hurt our ability to be honest to others and ourselves.

So go ahead. Call me all the names that seem appropriate at this time. I admit it, I’m guilty of not being PC. But I know better, and I’m not afraid to say it. And I think that the moment that people start being honest, they will too.

Attention all Editorial Columnists!

There will be no columns run in the October 31st issue of the Montclarion, since we will be running our special election pull-out issue. Regular columns will resume in the November 8th issue. If you have any questions, call Jean-Marie at x 7731.
The Clinton record proves that he is the great exaggerator

By examining President Clinton's Administration over the past four years, one will notice all the accomplishments the President has claimed from the economy to crime, and making our lives better in general. However, we do not often hear of the downsides since the President was elected such as drug use, doubling, taxes increasing, the gap between the rich and poor expanding, and the low paying jobs created in the past four years.

There are fallacies about and assumptions we make of politicians. Two of the most common assumptions we make are that all politicians are corrupt and all politicians lie. However, a politician can take advantage of these assumptions and claim he or she is just like all other politicians. If we do not differentiate between shady behavior and clear abuses of power, we invite alternatives to politicians having any integrity or honesty.

Let us begin by looking at statements made by President Clinton during his administration and on the campaign trail. First, the Republicans want to give a big tax break to the rich on the backs of the poor. According to an independent Congressional budget office, sixty one percent of the $245 billion tax cut proposed by Republicans in a seven year balanced budget would have gone directly to families making between $53,000 and $75,000 a year. This is hardly considered rich by most people.

Next, Republicans want deep cuts in Medicare to pay for tax cuts. During a speech by the President in 1993 to the American Association of Retired People, Clinton says, "Today Medicare and Medicare are going up at three times the rate of inflation. We propose to let it go up at two times the rate of inflation. That is not a Medicare or Medicare cut."

Two years later, the President began telling Americans he could not sign the balanced budget because of cuts in Medicare. However a letter from AARP to President Clinton reads, "Under the conference agreement, Congress would reduce the average annual rate of growth of Medicare benefits to seven percent a year. The President’s plan would reduce Medicare’s growth rate to seven point eight percent." In July, the President was asked by a CNN reporter why he had continued to refer to Medicare as cuts. "I only use it because the press uses it" the President replied.

Clinton claims that Republicans want to cut education and student loans. But under the Republican plan, federal spending for education, job training, and student loans will equal $140.8 billion over seven years. By comparison, under the last seven years of a Democrat-controlled congress, spending on education, training and student loans was just $315.1 billion.

Now we can look at the accomplishments the President claims. First, the President’s crime bill has allegedly added 100,000 new police on the street. According to the Washington Times (8/9/96), the cops program has delivered just 12,355 new police officers, an increase of less than 2 percent in the number of officers nationwide.

Next, the President is saying government jobs are at the lowest in 30 years. Yes 162,000 workers have been cut from the federal workforce but 147,000 worked for the military. With the end of the Cold War, such cutbacks were in store no matter what.

The President also told us that ten million new jobs have been created during his tenure. Clinton has produced an average of 2.7 million jobs per year. However, during the Reagan administration the economy averaged 3 million jobs a year from 1983 to 1989. During the Clinton’s tenure, there are twice as many temporary jobs as compared to the Reagan Administration. So jobs have been created but what kind of jobs are they?

The President stood up to the tobacco lobby while Dole opposed him. As far back as 1970, Dole has voted for a total ban on cigarette advertising on radio and TV and for a surgeon general’s warning label on all cigarette packages.

Finally, there is the tax issue. Bill Clinton’s TV ads are saying that Dole raised taxes $900 billion in his career. However, Clinton does not mention that Dole has also cut taxes 2.9 trillion. This is a net result of 2 trillion in tax cuts throughout his career.

Now let us look at the real Clinton record. Between 1993 and 1996, real weekly earnings (salaray increases measured by inflation) on the average worker fell by $624 on an annual basis, according to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Teenage drug use has doubled while funding for the Drug Clear’s office has been cut 89%. The gap between rich and poor has expanded after it narrowed during the Reagan administration. We were almost given a new national government-run healthcare system that would have created $70 billion more in taxes, 59 new government agencies, and 102,000 new government bureaucrats, (according to CBO). We were also promised a middle class tax cut. However Clinton raised gas taxes, income taxes, social security taxes, and taxes on small businesses. Now as President Clinton is running again, he is promising more tax cuts. Unfortunately, Clinton does not run for reelection more often. So who is Bill Clinton? The Great Exaggerator.

Controversial? Decide for yourself, just the facts on partial birth abortions

Let me pose a scenario. Suppose you knew of something so hideous, so barbaric, that it stood against everything that you have ever stood for. What if very few people knew about this issue because those whose job it is to inform the public would rather protect its proponents, than expose the horrible truth. What would you think if you saw a respected news authority like Peter Jennings casually dismissing the subject as being merely "unusual behavior and clear abuses of power, we invite alternatives to politicians having any integrity or honesty.

First, it is important to understand what makes partial birth abortion different from other abortion procedures. It is the only form of abortion ever to come as close as it has to being banned in America. A bill outlawing the procedure passed both houses (including the Senate, which is rather liberal) of Congress, but missed overriding the President’s veto. The obvious question is, what would trigger traditionally pro-choice advocates like Dr. Pamela Smith. She testified before the Senate that, "There are absolutely no obstetrical situations encountered in this country which require a partially delivered human fetus to be destroyed to preserve the life of the mother." If there is no medical reasoning for this procedure, why put the baby through such a horrendous act?

Make no mistake, when pulled from the womb, many times the baby is viable. Brenda Shaffer, a registered nurse who described herself as "very pro-choice", until she witnessed this event in 1993. She later testified before Congress, stating, "The doctor delivered the baby’s body and arms, everything but his little head. The baby’s body was moving. His little fingers were clapping together. He was kicking his feet." Then as doctors inserted scissors into the back of the skull, "...the baby’s arms jerked out in a flinch, a startled reaction...Then the doctor opened the scissors up. Then he stuck the high-powered suction tube into the hole and sucked the baby’s brains out. Now the baby was completely limp."

If Brenda Shaffer’s testimony is shocking, the reality of knowing that this takes place is even worse. Americans would never allow a dog to be killed in such brutal fashion; little babies deserve better than to suffer this inhuman treatment.

Thanks to partial birth abortion, we are no longer arguing whether the fetus is part of the mother. The baby in this case is clearly separate from the mother, and yet this procedure has been allowed to continue in the name of choice. Dr. James McMahon, who has performed over 2,000 of these procedures, sums up an argument with a statement he made in an interview with American Medical News (July 1993). "I do have moral compulsions. And if I see that’s the case later, like after 20 weeks where it is frankly a child to me, I really agonize over it," but he added, "Who owns the child? It’s got to be the mother."
An obnoxiously short fairy tale
by John J. O'Sullivan

Once upon a time, there was a rock named George. George was happy as a rock. He didn't do very much, he got a great view of everything he needed to see, and sat by his best friend, Pierre the ragweed. Pierre and George would have huge discussions about the state of affairs in the world, tennis, and personal computing, even though Pierre and George never saw a PC.

One day Pierre and George were talking about Agasi. Trevor the Crow heard the conversation, and wanted to join in. He flew down to the spot where George and Pierre sat. He butted in on the conversation, and tried to overtake the rock and the ragweed's discussion. George and Pierre were getting annoyed, and wanted the crow to go away. Of course, they had little power on whether the crow stayed or went; Pierre was fastened to the ground, and George—well, George was a rock. They couldn't say at they had to go somewhere, and the excuse about feeding the dog just wouldn't work.

Trevor was warbling about his favorite tennis player for about three hours, and neither George nor Pierre were able to get a word in at all! Trevor kept going and going, without haste in his voice.

MORAL OF THE STORY: Don't ever be a domineering conversation. Somebody may throw a rock named George at your dog.

Carrot Safety Tip #12837: When eating carrots, please make sure to peel off the top layer with a carrot peeler. The top layer is where all of the germs, worms, lawyers, and politicians live.

Dilbert by Scott Adams

Personal ads are on page 25. There's a lot of them this week. My hands are still in pain.
Halloween Costume Party
Thursday, October 31st FREE ADMISSION!!!
$.50 domestic drafts • hot hors d'oeuvres
Grand prize for most original costume: trip for 2 to South Beach Miami, Fla.
Including airfare, hotel accommodations, trans. for airport to hotel!
Lauren • Ruby
Thanks for being so wild. You guys are crazy! We’re so happy we met our new entry little girl.
Laura Alexandris and Sarah

Leta (GSM 286)
I'm glad I've got to know you, a lot better. This semester. You're a great friend and awesome listener. We all love you in the apartment. (Thanks for everything)
Lara Mario

It's a shame you're homeless.

Lucy
Let's games begin—middle of the fourth week is upon us. Good luck to the Gamma Omegas.
Go see Psyco next Wednesday at 7:30 in Calico Hall Auditorium's big screen.
Seth (TX)
You will always be my true love. Last night was incredible.
Lara Tejal (SDFB)

JDTX (TX)
We know there will be great no matter what you cook—just on any day we can be with your sexy self.
Lara Zetto Beta

Make (SDL)
You are the BEST dance partner! We rocked!
Lara Tejal (SDFB)

CLUB
We love a situation.
Kotela/Kate Crote — You did an awesome job with Homecoming. We are so proud of you. So, please relax and have some of our special orange juice.
Lara Jay Korin and Sarah
TX Lamberts Bays
The stress is over, time to win again! We miss you!
Lara Zetto Beta

Raine (SDL)
I hate laundry! We are all so glad that you are so lovable.
Lara Ann (GSDM)

Ludio Gilbert (SDL)
Sorry about the mud. I love you as old woman.
Lara Tejal (SDFB)

To the Sisters of FEX
Thanks so much for all the fun and good times.
The Brothers of Theta Xi

To all the Brotkers of Theta Xi, we are so proud of all of you. We live in your legal Totto.

To the Brotkers of Theta Xi, how you have been such an awesome partner! You have been such a help to us. Love from your hearts.

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Just don't blabber on-—talk about kon as much as you want! JJO'S (Mother Him Big)
To the little Michelle JJO'S (Pledge) You are so special to me! Always remember that I am here whenever you need me. I LOVE YOU! You Big Jim
To the Pi Pledge Class of Sigma Delta Tau You guys are doing a great job. Keep smiling and stay strong! Lave, Gamma Xi U1
Kim (EX-A) and Lauren (AJO) I look so much fun with you guys at the pong wars! We have to get together more often! I love you guys! Jim (SDT)
Lao (SDT)
Thanks for always staying up with me and listening to my dumb stories. Happy 23rd birthday! I love you, Prep.
Sigma Delta Tau Pledge Class. We are family!
Sigma Delta Tau - Congrats guys, we locked our! Who needs men anymore? Laree and Sisterhood, Gamma Xi U1
Stacy (TkoKo)
HAPPY BIRTHDAY! I want to borrow your orange noodle today sometime soon. Lave; Call (TkoKo)
Monica (TkoKo)
I heard you burnt your finger and mouth at the same time. Lave, Call (TkoKo)
Stephanie C. (TkoKo)
I'm so happy you come to party last night. I had great time. Congrats on being the Captain of the safety patrol! Lave; Call (TkoKo)
"OMG! I'm going to pass myself!"
Perhaps you should use Dependab™ Undergarments. They are really absorbent. JJO'S
Rock& Roll Private Party 8pm-1am, another one weekend? How about another night of face painting and pong? The Roll in the Cape
We'll pass on the pong. But enough of that on Sunday. -JJO'S (drunk too much)
Jim (SDT)
I think I need to get a bit soacy! :D
Kleenex (EX-A)
You are the best! Thanks for being secretary! Kim (Pledge)
Sisters of (Pledge) Thanks for all the support girls! You guys are the best! Kim, C. (Pledge) AM 11:00
Jim (SDT)
You are awesome! I think you are a perfect 10! Kim, C. (Pledge)
Sonam (Pledge)
I love chicken! And you, of course! Lave, Your Big AM 1:00 (Pledge)
To the TiTi's Stay peppy! We'll support you. Lave, Your Big TiTi's
What the hell is going on this week? First urne, then midterms is coming. -JJO'S
To Tery
Stay Strong (argh, -argh-) only 7 more weeks. We love you! Anna
Mae
Please don't die.
Mae Mae long of dying.
Tad O'Sullivan, THE GREATEST PONY STAR OF ALL TIME. PLEASE OBJECTIFY HIM!
YEAH!
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MSU looks for upset win versus Stockton State

by Christopher Lepre

The women's soccer season has been a constant struggle, and the future is not going to get any easier. Their next game is against nationally ranked Stockton State, and Montclair's 1-9-1 record reflects the difficulties they've had so far. But the one thing that head coach Fernando Barboto is pleased with is the confident attitude the team has going into the game.

Senior captains Jen Polifrone (Lyndhurst) and Christian Bohan (West Caldwell) have both been playing despite injuries the entire season, and they continue to set examples for the rest of the team despite their ailments. Coach Barboto is more than satisfied with the attitude and hard work displayed by the younger members of the team, especially freshman midfielder Becky Bertrom (West Milford).

"She is a great player who works hard...we rotated her in during the beginning of the season, but she proved after a few games that she deserved to start," Bertrom said.

About her performance against Vassar, Barboto noted, "that was her best game so far. She scored the only goal of the game for us, and it was a really nice one."

Bertrom hails from West Milford, NJ, graduating from West Milford High School where she was a three year varsity letter winner in soccer.

"The biggest difference that I noticed between high school and college soccer is that everyone on the college level is good, while in high school you maybe had one or two good players on a team," Bertrom said.

One of the major concerns for a freshman is whether or not they will start or even play their first year. Bertrom says, "I was not concerned with, or counting on, starting my freshman year. But I have been playing soccer since I was five, and I have always been confident in my play, so it was nothing that I couldn't handle."

Bertrom, who has rather small stature, it would appear to have a disadvantage, but what she does not possess in height she makes up in speed and agility. She is able to out maneuver other players and beat them with her footwork, rather than gang bodies with them.

"Speed and quickness are definitely my strengths, but I have to become more aggressive," she says.

"Aggressiveness is something that will be gained with experience," Coach Barboto adds, "Becky is one to look out for in the coming years at Montclair."

Barboto is also looking towards the immediate future, altering his game plan for the upcoming game against Stockton, which will play on a grass field that is much wider then what they are used to. Barboto is switching his line arrangement to a 4-5-1 layout. He hopes this will spread out his team, allowing them to cover more territory.

Barboto is shifting the team to a defensive emphasis because they lack a key scorer (a total of 8 goals this season, with an average under 1 goal per game).

With the transfer of super scorer Renee Harraka, the Red Hawks were counting on Polifrone to step up, but an unfortunate injury has kept her from playing at her best.

The women play at Stockton on Oct. 24th, and then come home to play The College Of N.J. and FDU Madison.

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Red Hawk Notes

Men's soccer team ties Richard Stockton

by Jeff Eichrich

On Thursday October 17, versus Richard Stockton, the Red Hawks ended in a scoreless tie at Sprague Field. Goalkeeper Chris Mazurkiewicz (N. Arlington), who stopped eight shots on goal, was stellar in net. So far this season he has recorded four shutouts, unfortunately two of those shutouts have been 0-0 ties. Sophomore Marlon Pollard (E. Orange) had six of MSU's 15 shots on goal.

The Red Hawks registered a 2-1 triumph over Rutgers-Newark in Newark on Monday October 21. Scoring the game winning goal was senior Rob McMahon in Allentown, Pa on October 12. The Red Hawks will participate in the Gothic Knight Invitational at Jersey City State, beginning at 8:00 a.m. on October 26.

Field Hockey has win streak snapped

by Dennis L DeMecurio

The MSU field hockey team had its five game winning streak brought to an end as they were defeated by the College of New Jersey this past Saturday, 6-2. Goalie Lori Dempsey (Union) had 22 saves, third highest in MSU's history. Dempsey has over 100 saves this season. On Tuesday, the Red Hawks fell again, this time against Rowan College, 2-0. Andrea Edman (Argentina) has eight goals so far, and Tammy Wenner and Kristen Eisele both tally in with five each. Tonight is the last chance to watch the Red Hawks in action at home as they host FDU/Madison at 8:00 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL, Cont. from back cover

to meet the ball. The ball rebounded off Burton with such force that Campbell ducked for fear of being struck. This was the game winning point, too.

Lauren Matuszkiewicz (Queen of Peace) has proven to be a great all around player. Perhaps most important to Koshy and Gastelu's excellent numbers this season has been their setter, Edith Lubion (Irvington). Lubion always puts the ball exactly where her spikers want it.

The third game saw more defensive action by both sides, with MSU having the lead 8-6. The Red Hawks went on to win, 15-9.

"It was a good match," said head coach Sandy Sanchez-Lomheyda, "anything could've happened." With their winning streak now at 13, coach Sanchez-Lomheyda said, "You can't become overconfident no matter what your record is, and the girls have done really well with that."

The Red Hawks will participate in the Gothic Knight Invitational at Jersey City State, beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday.

MSU Bowling Team conference season begins

The MSU Bowling Team has began its season. The Red Hawks began the season at the Keystone Quaker Invitational in Allentown, Pa on October 12-13. The team was lead by Tom Walsh (Kearny) with a 191 average for 9 games. He was followed by Keith Dougherty (Landing) with a 192 average. Vinny Jerman (Lincoln Park/DePaul High) lead the team with a 245 high game. The team performed well under tough conditions in finishing in 17th place.

The MSU Conference Season began with a 1-5 record in the matches at Astro Bowl in Clifton. On October 20, the Red Hawk Bowlers defeated only Bryant College, while averaging 978 for the day. The team was lead by Dougherty with a 218 average, Jerman with 214 average and Walsh with a 202 average. High games for the Red Hawk Bowlers were 255 by Dougherty, 255 by Jerman, 234 by Walsh, 213 by Nick Kanoc (Passaic), 200 by Darrell Tucci (Hawthorne). Despite the record, the Red Hawks bowed well. Three of the losses were to the opponents high game for the day. The bowling team is still looking for members of any ability. Please contact Joe Cauvels, bowling coach, at 201-712-1137 for more information.

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Fearless Forecasts

TOM TRACY: EDITOR-IN-CHIEF (21-12)
GIANTS +10 OVER DETROIT. I'll keep pickin' em till they win.
GREEN BAY -17 1/2 OVER TAMPA BAY. B-U-C-S, Suck Suck Suck!
PITTSBURGH -5 OVER ATLANTA. Falcons should beg George back.
OHIO STATE -14 OVER IOWA. Pasadenahere we come....

GREG MacSWEENY: "I WAS SUPPOSED TO WORK TONIGHT?" (19-9)
DALLAS -3 OVER MIAMI. The boys will step it up.
PITTSBURGH -5 OVER ATLANTA. Only Braves win in Atlanta.
SAN FRAN. -7 OVER HOUSTON. Gold is better than Oil.
DETROIT -10 OVER GIANTS. Because Fyle will be at the game.

JEAN-MARIE NAVETTA: EDITORIAL EDITOR (22-7)
PITTSBURGH -5 OVER ATLANTA. Steelen are best in AFC.
DETROIT -10 OVER GIANTS. Local teams still suck.
GREEN BAY -17 1/2 OVER TAMPA BAY. Packers good. Meow.
ARIZONA -4 OVER JETS. Why do Jets keep playing?

OHIO STATE -14 OVER IOWA. The Bucs' rock! OH-IO!! Go Bucs!

GIANTS +10 OVER DETROIT. Tom said he would hang up if I didn't pick 'em.

GREEN BAY -17 1/2 OVER TAMPA BAY. Rested Packers win big! (Jim Rutka)
BUFFALO +4 OVER NEW ENGLAND. Collins is better than Kelly. (Jim Rutka)

BOWLING TEAM SCHEDULE

November:
9 - Dick Rinch Inv., Itbca, NY
17 - Conference Match, South Levittown Lanes, Levittown, NY

December:
8 - Conference Match, Circle Lanes, Fairfield, CT
27-28 - AC Challenge, Atlantic City or Mt. Laurel, NJ
29-30 - Brunswick NE Showdown, Turnersville, NJ

January:
25 - Conference Match, Providence RI

February:
8-9 - Conference Finals, Montvale Lanes, Montvale, NJ
15-16 - ACU-I, Garden City, LI

March:
1-2 - Buckeye Classic, Ohio State, Columbus, OH
15-16 - National Sectional Qualifier, Baltimore, MD

April:
9-13 - Intercollegiate Bowling Championships, Kansas City, MO
MSU was beating the William Paterson Pioneers by a score of 10-7 at halftime, but the Red Hawks, once again, outplayed their opponent in the second half. The Red Hawks outscored the Pioneers 28-14 in the half to win the game, their fourth consecutive win, by a final of 38-21. So far, through six games this season, MSU has scored 77 of their 120 points in the second half.

The third quarter opened with a quick scoring drive as MSU's offense marched 67 yards in six plays, capped by an 18-yard touchdown reception by wide receiver Ellis Allen (Norma) and a PAT by place-kicker Mike Stoehr (Iselin). Then on the Pioneers first play following the kickoff, Jason Bratcher (Bloomingfield) intercepted William Paterson's pass by a score of 10-7 at halftime, but the Red Hawks, once again, hit Allen on a 17-yard touchdown reception, and Stoehr added the extra point. These 14 points occurred within :59 seconds of each other and gave the Red Hawks a lead that the Pioneers could not overcome.

MSU added another two touchdowns in the fourth quarter on a 27-yard interception return by linebacker Keith Ibis (Cedar Grove) and a three-yard touchdown run by fullback Ralph Cinque (Clifton). The strong arm of Brian Cooney (Guttenberg) proved too much for the Pioneers, as Cooney threw for 131 yards while completing nine of 15 passes. The MSU offense accumulated 307 yards, the most so far this season.

Although the defense ceded 353 yards, although the defense ceded 353 yards, the second half of the game, MSU's defense came up big on third down. The MSU defense dominated the game, allowing only 11 first downs and 186 total yards. MSU's defense was led by linebacker Keith Ibis, who had 17 tackles, and Jeff Bargiel (West Paterson), who had 13 tackles and one sack. Bratcher had another outstanding game registering 17 tackles while Jeff Bargiel (West Paterson), enjoyed 13 tackles and one sack. Bratcher contributed with 10 tackles and is leading the team with three interceptions.

Koshy leads volleyball over WPC

In their final New Jersey Athletic Conference match against classic rival William Paterson College, the MSU women's volleyball improved their record to 17-5 as they beat WPC, 3-0. Led by NJAC Player of the Week, Dolly Koshy (Teaneck), the Red Hawks in a total team effort held off Michelle Campbell (North Arlington) and the rest of the WPC Pioneers.

Koshy, with 16 kills and eight aces against Rowan and Hunter last week, became MSU's all-time leader in kills with 232 this year and 488 during her three years here.

WPC came out strong, taking a 9-2 lead in the first game. After a MSU timeout, the Red Hawks came back to tie the game, 9-9. Jill Castelu (Rutherford), dominating at the net, continues to excel at her ability to spike the ball, and helped the team to take the lead 13-10. Christina Burnett (Bloomingfield), with her superb serving, won the game with an ace serve.

Head coach Rick Giancola said, "I was very pleased with the way we came out in Sunday's game and scored right away, but then I wasn't very happy with the way we approached the second half. We became inconsistent and complacent. In the second half, our approach was very good and we kept the tempo of the game in our favor. Overall, we played well, especially on defense, and the defense came up big on many occasions."

The game was scheduled for Saturday night, but was canceled due to rain. They played on Sunday afternoon at 2:00. Anyone who stayed home to watch the pathetic Giants play the Redskins missed a great game. Pro football in New Jersey is dead, college football in New Jersey is alive and well.

This Saturday the Red Hawks travel to Wilkes-Barre, PA to play the 5-1 Wilkes University Colonels. Support the Red Hawks at their next home game on Saturday November 2 when they take on the College of New Jersey (CNJ) in the annual 'Pride Bowl.' MSU and CNJ are tied for first place in the NJAC at 2-0.