Cvelic elected as SGA Treasurer; new cabinet members appointed

By John Brost

At the past two Student Government Association meetings, a new Treasurer was sworn in, two new Cabinet members were appointed, and a number of organizations were appropriated money. In addition, approval was granted to bring a Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) program to campus. Finally, a statute was passed to mandate the use of time sheets by the Executive Board during the summer.

On Wednesday, November 27, the election for SGA Treasurer ended. By a vote of 149-24-8, John Cvelic was elected to the office. Later that day, at the SGA meeting, he was sworn in by Attorney General Greg Satanovsky. When asked what his underlying goal as Treasurer would be, Cvelic said, "I want everyone to appreciate this campus as much as I do."

At the same meeting, Victor Cirilo was appointed as Director of Services. Director of Services is to make it known throughout the campus community that there are many services made available through the SGA.

In addition, Cirilo later promised to initiate an in-depth study of the services over the winter break, so that he could know what specifically needs to be improved. "I plan to make improvements in all the services, all the way down to the parking tokens and every stamp that passes through the SGA. My first goal, though, is to revamp the yearbook and eventually produce a more efficient product. We are in the process of looking for energetic people to take over this service," he announced.

Also during this meeting, an appropriation was given to the Caribbean Student Organization in order to hold their annual holiday dinner. This event will take place on December 7, and will include a speaker, a disc jockey, and decorations. In addition, Gallery 3 1/2 was appropriated $260 to cover the costs of a reception following a "gallery opening" in Calcia Hall on December 4. Finally, the Haitian Student Organization was given an appropriation to charter a bus for a trip to Atlantic City. This event, which is social in nature, will take place on December 5 and is open to all students.

As the meeting came to a close, the SGA turned its attention to campus improvement. "I plan to make improvements in all the services, all the way down to the parking tokens and every stamp that passes through the SGA. My first goal, though, is to revamp the yearbook and eventually produce a more efficient product. We are in the process of looking for energetic people to take over this service," he announced.

At the meeting last night, Joy Robbins was appointed the new Director of Programming. This cabinet member is in charge of overseeing the numerous Class I organizations of the SGA, including the Montclarion, College Life, and the Latin American Student Organization. Among Robbins' credentials are her experience as a legislator and as a member of CLUB.

Also, the Legislature passed an amendment to the statutes requiring all executive board members to submit time sheets for each week that they have worked over the summer. The purpose of the time sheets is to keep a record of the hours worked by each executive board member, and each time sheet is to be signed by the financial advisor or bookkeeper.

The Legislature also granted $199.99 to OSAU in order to buy a new bookshelf for their Kitabu library. This money comes out of a special reserve account, known as the capital equipment line, that is set aside for purchase equipment and supplies that cost more than $100 and which will be used for more than one year.

In addition, approval was granted for a ROTC unit to be established on campus. In order to be established on campus, the ROTC needs prior approval, the Legislature was told. The bill passed at the meeting would grant the SGA's approval, although the matter needs to be addressed by the administration before the program is established at Montclair State University.

Finally, a bill to purchase pizza for the Legislature during their meetings was brought to the floor. Authorized by Legislature ruled unconstitutional by MacSweeney, due to the fact that the SGA Constitution states that no official of the SGA can be given payment for the performance of his/her duties.

The next SGA meeting, on Wednesday, December 11, will be the last meeting of the semester.

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**International**

**Canada and U.S. Plan Aid to Zaire**
The United States has agreed to endorse a Canadian proposal to deliver food to Rwandan refugees in Zaire. Plans are not final, but they hope to use an airport in nearby Uganda. The proposal must first secure the approval of the Rwandan government and rebel leaders in Zaire who both strongly criticized the proposal. A large number of refugees have already returned to their homes and both groups concede that the number of remaining refugees is greatly exaggerated. President Clinton worries the food will be dropped to the wrong people or that there is a risk the plane will be shot down. Many officials feel that the situation in Zaire is improving too quickly for anyone to act on it.

**Croatian Officer Found Guilty of War Crimes**
An international tribunal on war crimes in what was formerly Yugoslavia gave its first verdict last week in the Hague. The tribunal found Croat Drazen Erdemovic, 25, guilty of crimes against humanity. The officer in the Bosnian Serb Army was sentenced to ten years in prison for his part in a massacre of Muslim civilians a year ago. Erdemovic confessed to 70 murders, execution style, claiming he was forced to choose between his own life and the lives of the people. Erdemovic pleaded guilty as to not involve a jury. The tribunal is the first of its kind since the Nuremberg trials following WWII, but has failed to make arrests of any senior military commanders.

**Mother Teresa in Delicate Condition**
Hospitalized in critical condition with lung and kidney problems, Mother Teresa underwent surgery to widen blocked coronary arteries. The nun was treated in B.M. Birla Heart Research Center in Calcutta as doctors performed an angioplasty to remove blockage in two arteries. Placed in stable condition following the surgery, doctors hoped all treatment was done, but Mother Teresa’s condition weakened soon thereafter. It marked the fourth time the 86-year-old has been hospitalized this year.

**U.N. Secretary General Position Will Be Filled by African**
Officials in Africa have been released from a promise to stand behind United Nations Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali. People are now free to nominate other Africans to keep the seat in their region. The chairman of the Organization of African Unity, Paul Biya, feels it is urgent for Africans to add to the list of candidates to keep the seat in Africa for a second term. By rotation, each region holds the Secretary General position for two consecutive terms. Most countries in the U.N. agreed to back an African candidate, but will not wait for a prolonged period of time.

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**National**

**Republican Request for Investigation is Denied**
A request made by senior Republican lawmakers to appoint an independent prosecutor to investigate Democratic fundraising was rejected by the Justice Department. A detailed letter from three top Republican senators led to the request for an investigation of alleged illegal fundraising by the Clinton administration. Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Mark M. Richard, for the criminal division of the Justice Department found no reason to investigate Clinton’s administration for its fundraising methods in this year’s campaign. The Democratic National Commission has already returned over $1 million in donations that came from questionable sources.

**Colin Powell Negates Nerve Gas Damage**
Retired General Colin L. Powell claims to know of no evidence proving U.S. troops exposure to harmful chemical weapons during the Persian Gulf War. Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in 1991, knew of the sounding of chemical detection alarms during the war, but the alarms were not confirmed and were assumed to be false. The ex-general support a wider range government investigation to resolve the claims. All main military officials have declined to be interviewed, though the Pentagon has revealed that thousands of troops were exposed to nerve gas when U.S. combat engineers blew up an ammunition depot following the war.

**Illegal Drugs Are Prescribed for Medical Purposes**
The Arizona electorate body has voted to allow doctors to prescribe marijuana, heroin, LSD, and metamphetamines for critically ill patients. Republican Senator Jon Kyl was outraged and claimed that supporters of the proposal were deceived by sponsors of it. The decision will confuse police as to whether or not they can confiscate illegal drugs found. If drugs are confiscated and can be proven to be used for medical reasons, officers will be guilty of illegal seizure of property. California passed a similar proposal making marijuana legal for cultivation and possession for medical use without a prescription.

**$2 Billion Breast-Implant Fund Stirs Debate**
A plan by Dow Corning to lift itself out of bankruptcy and resolve thousands of lawsuits filed by women with silicone gel breast implants was denounced yesterday as unfair by layers for some of those women, who said the company was offering too little money, and objected to a trial controlled by scientific experts. The deadline for filing a claim is January 15.

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Students Campaign To Stop Annual College Rankings

by Colleen De Baise
College Press Service

A crusade launched by Stanford University students to stop the U.S. News and World Report's annual college rankings has mushroomed into a national movement.

In November, the University of California Student Association voted to join Stanford's "Forget U.S. News Coalition," a student group that is working to persuade the magazine's editors to drop its yearly listing of the best colleges. Coalition members complain the rankings are too misleading.

According to Stanford senior Nick Thompson, who started the coalition, the student governments at Wesleyan University, Rice University, Alton College, California Institute of Technology and the universities of Pennsylvania, Michigan and Pittsburgh already have joined.

"College education cannot and should not be quantified like a household appliance," he said.

The coalition is pressuring administrators not to give the magazine the utility that individuals get from a college education.

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Administrators say they will continue to send the data because the magazine can obtain that information elsewhere. But at least one administrator, Stanford chancellor Gerhard Casper, has sent a letter criticizing the rankings to U.S. News editor James Fallows.

"I hope I have the standing to persuade you that much about these rankings-particularly their specious formulas and spurious precision-is utterly misleading," he wrote. "I am extremely skeptical that the quality of a university-anymore than the quality of a magazine-can be measured statistically."

Also, the University of California Student Association says that substantive changes are needed "to give equity to private and public institutions."

In the 1997 U.S. News rankings, the only public universities to make the top 25 list were University of Michigan-Ann Arbor (24) and University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill (25). University of California-Berkeley was No. 27.

"A college education has a different value to each and every individual," said Fritz Burkart, a UC-Berkeley student. "The U.S. News formula clearly cannot calculate the utility that individuals get from a college education."

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The letter was sent two weeks after Stanford slipped from No. 4 to No. 6 in the rankings.

Meanwhile, U.S. News editors point out that readers are advised in an introductory paragraph that the rankings "are only one of the many criteria students should consider in choosing a college. Simply because a school is tops in it's category does not mean that it is the top choice for everyone."

In a letter to the coalition, Fallows said there is no evidence that students use only the U.S. News rankings in deciding on a school. A study done by a higher-education consulting group plays a relatively small role in college choice, he said.

"You are setting the rest of your peers short in...assuming that many students almost mindlessly follow our rankings in lockstep when choosing a school," he said.

Colleen Connors, media relations manager at U.S. News, said the magazine has consistently tried to improve the rankings since it began publishing them 10 years ago.

"They've evolved over the years," she said. "We're very open to constructive criticism."

The magazine might make some changes "based on a lot of the feedback we've gotten back from students," she said. "We have no problem with what the students are saying. They've made some very good points. However, we'd appreciate it if they examined our methodology in depth."

"Realize how seriously we take this," she said. "There are serious journalists here, and research experts."

As far as talks with the coalition are concerned, "there hasn't been any kind of appointment set up, but of course we'd be happy to meet with them," she said.

The Princeton Review

Correction

In the November 7 edition of the Montclarion, we incorrectly stated that George Bush won the state of New Jersey in the 1992 Presidential Election. Bill Clinton actually won the state's vote that year.

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DUCT
11/26 - A male Stone Hall
resident was engaged in a fight
with a visiting male dorm resi­
dent. Victim followed the male
outside, pushed for the door
release and missed. His arm
went through the door’s plate
glass window, causing injury to
his hand and arm.

THEFTS
11/28 - A Residence Life
staff member observed a male
leaving the Clove Road apartment
office. The male dropped a
book bag when confronted. A check of the office found no
signs of theft, but a check of the
book bag revealed four cas­
ette tapes missing. The sus­
pect left the area before offic­
ers arrived. A description of the
suspect and his vehicle were
obtained.

11/26 - A professor in the
Speech Building reported a set
of keys stolen. The keys had
been left in the door.

CRIMINAL MIS­
CHIEF
11/25 - An officer on pa­
trol discovered the hand set and
cord had been ripped from a
public pay phone in the lobby
of Blanton Hall.
11/30 - A male Clove
Road resident reported some­
one broke his apartment win­
don the outside. An un­
confirmed report by Resident
Life staff reported the window
was broken when two males

were fighting.

HARASSMENT/
THREATS
11/26 - A Stone Hall desk staff
member reported receiving multiple
hang up calls from an off-campus
location.
11/27 - A female student re­
ported her ex-boyfriend was harass­
ing her and her family. No com­
plaints were filed.
12/3 - The Montclair staff
reported receiving a message of a
threatening nature via the campus
electronic mail system. The mes­
 sage was directed at the Editorial
section of the paper.

MEDICAL
11/25 - A male Blanton Hall
resident was transported to the In­
firmary after complaining of flu-like
symptoms. Later in the evening
officers responded to a call from
Blanton Hall cafeteria, where the
victim was found incoherent, and
was transported to the Health Cen­
ter, and then to Mountainside
Hospital by ambulance.
11/26 - A female Bohn
Hall resident with an existing
heart problem suffered chest
pain and was transported by
ambulance to Mountainside
Hospital.

12/2 - A mother of a fe­
male Blanton Hall resident
stopped at the information
booth at College Avenue, and
reported that her daughter was
having an asthma attack. Offi­
cers responded to the Health
Center where they met the
victim and her mother. The
victim was taken to
Mountainside Hospital by
ambulance.

FIRE ALARMS
11/23 - Officers re­
sponded to the second floor
laundry area of Webster Hall,
and discovered burnt food
cause the fire alarm to go off.
The room and hallways were
vented and the alarm was re­
set.

11/24 - Officers re­
sponded to an alarm on the second
floor laundry room in
Bohn Hall, and found a clothes
dryer air vent pipe discon­
ected, causing the heat detec­
tor to set off the alarm. Clifton
Fire Department responded.
11/26 - Officers re­
sponded to a fire alarm in
Bohn Hall and discovered a faulty
smoke detector on the 15th
floor. Clifton Fire Department
responded, and the system was
reset.
NLRB to charge Yale with violating labor law

BY COLLEEN DE BAIE
COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

The National Labor Relations Board plans to file a complaint against Yale University for actions it took during a grade strike by teaching assistants earlier this year.

In January, the university threatened to take away the jobs of striking teaching students, maintaining that the TAs were students, not university employees.

The TAs, members of Yale’s Graduate Employees and Students Organization (GESO), argued that they had a right to unionize and bargain collectively for better working conditions, such as higher pay and lower health-insurance costs.

The labor board, which regulates collective bargaining in the private sector, recently announced that it would charge the university with violating federal labor law unless it settles with the GESO.

Yale spokesperson Tom Conroy said the university would not change its position. “We don’t agree with the charge,” he said. “We want the process to go to a hearing.”

The case then would be heard by a federal administrative law judge. If the judge were to side with the NLRB, the case could set a national precedent and make it easier for teaching assistants at other private universities to unionize.

In the past, the labor board has sided with private universities, even allowing them to punish students-who engage in job actions. The standard has been to treat graduate teaching assistants as students, not employees.

“We are witnessing labor history in the making,” said David Montgomery, a Yale history professor. “Universities across the country have come to rely more and more on both teaching assistants and adjunct professors as part-time workers carrying out more and more of the teaching responsibilities.”

GESO Chair Robin Brown said last winter Yale University threatened TAs with negative letters of recommendation and expulsion in order to force the strike to end.

“We’re elated,” said Brown. “This is a tremendous vindication for our members who stood up to unprecedented threats in order to demand the most basic rights.”

Meanwhile, at three University of California campuses, hundreds of student employees also walked off the job, demanding that the university recognize their collective bargaining efforts.

The protest followed a decision by the University of California-Los Angeles to appeal a court order that would have forced it to recognize student employees as a union.

UCLA’s Student Association of Graduate Employees (SAGE) threatened to keep out of classrooms and laboratories for an entire week. Student employees at Berkeley and UC-San Diego walked off their job in support of SAGE.

The UCLA administration has said it would agree to recognize the union if its appeal fails.

At Yale, Conroy said the university would challenge an order to recognize an order to recognize the GESO.

“Presumably we would appeal that decision,” he said. “They would be students until some authority says ‘Yale, you must recognize them as employees.’”
Grealy reflects on “Autobiography of a Face” to students

BY SAM ORO
STAFF WRITER


MSU students had the privilege on Wednesday to listen as Grealy discussed her book and address the questions regarding her psychological and physical scars. Grealy’s story is one of triumph in the face of adversity. Her story is unique because not only was she subjected to five years of intense therapy but she also lost one third of her jaw. In lieu of this she also carries a constant reminder of her mistreatment in the form of scar which runs along the right side of her face from her eye to the bottom of her chin.

In her book she states “It was the pain from feeling ugly, that I always viewed as the great tragedy of my life. The fact that I had cancer seemed minor in comparison.”

While her autobiography tells a morbid story full of cruelty and despair, her presentation told a different more uplifting story.

Grealy was very candid in answering any and all questions asked by the surprisingly large audience. In fact, at least one professor made Grealy’s lecture part of curriculum.

Many students were impressed with Grealy’s easy going, optimistic attitude. Eric Powell a junior, English major stated “her presentation can be seen as an awesome source of inspiration.” While Grealy did more than just inspire students she also sent a strong message of inner strength. Her ability to convert a traumatic experience into a positive one is uncanny.

Another insightful quote came from Jenny Myers “If I was presented with a similar situation, I would have reacted in a totally negative manner. It takes a lot of courage to let the entire world in on such a personal matter.”

The English Department presented both an informative and uplifting lecture to conclude the Visiting Writer Lecture Series for this semester.

Zinsser lecture inspires young writers

BY MICHÈLE ROMAINE
ASST. CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

This past Monday, December 2, we had the privilege of having a renowned writer visit our campus. William Zinsser is not only a writer, but he is also an historian. He has worked at such prominent places as The New York Tribune and has taught at Yale University. His work range from traveling experiences to learning texts that are used right here in our classrooms.

“On Writing Well” teaches students useful ideas on how to expand their literary craft. One of his success strategies is to write a story, while creatively inserting the main message into it.

This, of course, is a great challenge for all those who are trying to master it. Zinsser’s advice “Trust your own deep passions”. He was extremely reassuring in saying that if we attempt to do things that are interesting to us, it will be inevitable for the finished product to be great.

Zinsser discussed one of his most enjoyable works, “American Places”. He was fascinated by the mystery of what drove millions of people each year to some of the U.S.’s top tourist attractions. So, he headed out on a journey to explore this paradox.

At these heavily touristed spots, he interviewed the ground workers and tour guides, along with other permanent observers. These people witnessed other people’s reactions to these famous monuments. He was curious as to what the places represented to all of America. His mission was to figure out what emotion got tapped, upon exposure to such sights as the Grand Canyon, Pearl Harbor, and Disneyland. The main goal of the book was to reconnect to ideas that have shaped American for decades.

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I found this man to be one of the most informative and insightful people that I have come in contact with on this campus. He explains that writers need to write out of themselves. This idea can be applied to all aspects of our lives. I think, perhaps, if we remain true to our instincts, real inspiration will guide us through.

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The Real World
Produced by students of the Co-operative Education Program

BY KELVIN R. GIL
STAFF WRITER

I am currently working as a Paralegal Assistant at the Community Health Law Project in Bloomfield, New Jersey. The length of this co-op is one semester, yet my supervising attorney has already suggested that I continue working for the next semester. My minor is in Paralegal Studies, and so I am required to complete one semester of co-op.

Had this not been a requirement, I probably would not have enrolled in a co-op this semester. However, the valuable knowledge and collective experience I have gained since September, will probably serve as one of the most crucial steps I've taken in manifesting a career in the field of Law.

The most remarkable aspect about the co-op program is it not only fulfills its promise to "bridge the gap between education and work," but it will expose a student to professionals who are currently involved in what he/she is studying for. We don't realize as undergraduates how close the "future" really is. We never really know the career that we have chosen to spend our academic lives studying for really the one we belong in.

I have always wanted to be a lawyer, nevertheless, my enthusiasm for going to Law School has grown so much stronger after many insightful conversations with a Rutgers Law School Graduate who recently joined the Community Health Law Project. The job market is very competitive and it is sad to realize after you've been hired for a position, how much more education is necessary to succeed.

I would recommend anyone to learn about the co-op program. If their experience is half as beneficial as mine, I guarantee they will be more certain about their dreams, goals, and most of all, themselves.

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NJ Community Water Watch sponsors water testing

BY BILL GUARDINO
STAFF WRITER

On Thursday, November 21, Americorp members and student volunteers gathered together at Great Falls Park, along the Passaic River to begin testing the water for pollution. As part of the New Jersey Community Water Watch, both students and Americorp volunteers will be testing sites along New Jersey's waterways.

Water Watch will conduct a variety of different tests on the water in order to learn more about our waterways. Tests will range from a simple temperature reading to Macroinvertebrate testing. By taking a look at what animals live along and in the Passaic River, it is able to determine the general water quality.

Perhaps the most important of these tests is the heavy metals test, done in conjunction with the Institute of Marine and Coastal Sciences. These tests will determine the levels of Lead, Mercury, Cadmium, Chromium, Copper, and Zinc.

According to Ellen Stiefvater an Americorp member with NJCWW, "The Passaic River is one of the most degraded rivers in New Jersey and doing this type of metals testing will allow us to determine the extent of the pollution problem."

Run by New Jersey PIRG (Public Interest Research Group) NJCWW has nine sites throughout the state, including a group based out of MSU. Among other things, the group plans to stream walk up and down the river to find the sources of the pollution. Sgt. Docker of the New Jersey State Marine Law Enforcement Bureau who was in attendance, noted "Citizen efforts like this one are valuable to the community because of the extent of water pollution in New Jersey. NJCWW exemplifies efforts nationwide to watchdog our waterways."

James Park and Ellen Stiefvater testing Passaic River for toxic chemicals.

Republican Club meeting. 12 and 3 p.m. Dixon room 261, every Thursday.

"International Education in Hungary." 3:30 p.m. Global Education, 22 Normal Ave.

Computer Class. "Intro to PowerPoint 4.0." 10a.m. College Lounge hall room 317.

Sun - Mass. 11am Dickson Hall room 178; 6:30p.m. Newman Catholic Center

C.L.U.B. General membership meeting, 8p.m. SC room 417.

Conservation Club meeting. 2p.m. SC room 120

Montclair State Diabetic Organization presents "Nutrition & Legislation" Dickson Hall Lounge. 7-8p.m.

Amnesty International Meeting. 11a.m. Student Center room 408.

WSO meeting. 2 p.m. Student Center room 420.

PRIDE meeting 5-30p.m. SC room 418

chi Alpha Christian Fellowship. 7:30p.m. SC room 412.
Bet you didn’t know that I was psychic. Surprised me, too! A couple of columns ago I mentioned Kelley’s Blue Book was on the web. You can check out what your car is worth. Well, I had to make use of it last week! My current vehicle needed expensive repairs, I thought it a better idea to just buy a new car than to keep sinking money into this one. Did a lot of my car research online, of course. Found local dealers, option lists, models, colors, etc. Very helpful. Did the test drive in person, however.

How about a complex solution to a simple problem? No, we’re not talking Congress here. It’s Dimbulb, http://www.dimbulb.com, doing a spoof of the world of high-tech. Includes Endless Loop Hardware, UNIX for Eumuchs, plus quizzes to determine what kind of computer support you need—technical, emotional, moral or athletic.

Thinking about buying a computer for Christmas? Do you want a pc or a Mac? What will you be using in your chosen field? If you haven’t used both types of computers, take a test drive in the lab. There are only pcs in Dickson and Partridge, both pcs and Macs in Richardson and Sprague, and Macs only in Chapin. Try to go at a slow time.

Check out CNET Central’s buying tips, http://www.cnet.com/Content/Reviews/Compare/Pc10Ass03.html. You can also go to the Yahoo search engine, http://www.yahoo.com; choose Computers and the Internet, then personal computers, then a type of computer or pick magazines for more reviews and info. Ask friends what they like and don’t like about their computers. My advice? Go for the best/fastest system you can afford.

One of my all-time favorite sites is the Internet Movie Database, http://us.imdb.com/search. This has everything, and I do mean everything, you ever wanted to know about films. Not only can you search by title or actor, you can look for genre, country locations, cast/crew names, production company, soundtracks, and Academy Awards. IMDb holds a weekly ballot for your favorite movies. See the top 250, http://us.imdb.com/top_250_films. Feel free to vote.

Chanukah begins today, December 5th at sundown. If you are not familiar with the story of Chanukah, it’s time to expand your multicultural horizons at http://www.jewishpost.com/chanukah/. Don’t have a dreidel to spin? No problem, spin that virtual dreidel at http://www.jcn18.com/spin-ms.htm.

If you are not a local resident you may not even know about the existence of the Montclair Art Museum. This treasure is also on line, http://www.interactive.net/~upper/mam.html. The Newark Museum’s Dreyfuss Planetarium is also on the web compliments of Rutgers - http://info.rutgers.edu/newark/MUSEUM/dreyfuss.html. I’d better take my eyes off of the stars and onto these projects! CUL8R.

Paper trouble? Check out the Writing Workshop

BY BARBARA BUZ
STAFF WRITER

My basic composition professor was the first person to mention the Writing Workshop to me. She found my first essay very interesting, except for my use of grammar that got in the way of my writing. Many of my ideas were hiding within a shadow, which made them seem unclear. She suggested that I go to the Writing Workshop to learn how to identify problem areas and to find solutions to them.

I was hesitant at first, but after another writing assignment didn’t improve, I went to check it out. My essays were lacking a clear focus, and my grammatical errors weren’t helping. So again, my teacher suggested for me to attend a workshop. I’m glad that I did. My tutor and I began to go over the essay.

Among many things, he taught me how to stay focused. This helped me out a lot. I ended up writing an awesome piece. My teacher told me that it was one of the best that a student had ever written; ever since I have been going to the Workshop for help.

Because I keep a regular appointment, the Workshop is a great benefit. Writing is a skill that we all need to learn. The only way we can improve is to practice. Although I didn’t get immediate results, I feel as though I have improved considerably.

The Writing Workshop is open to all students. Anyone may drop in to work on an assignment. If a tutor is not available right away, students can refer to the schedule that is located on the board, for the next available drop-in hour. Drop-in hours are on a first come, first serve basis.

However, you can also make a regular appointment. This prevents any frustration when an assignment is due the next morning and there is no one available to help you.

The Writing Workshop is located in Dickinson Hall, room 285. It is a free service provided to all students of MSU.

MSU Students get confirmed

BY TOM TRACY
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Three MSU students were confirmed on Sunday Dec. 1 at the Newman Center here on campus.

The ceremony was presided over by Bishop Dominic A. Marconi of Newark, and Father Albert J. Bernet of the Newman Center. During the evening ceremony, Xenia Calderon, Jessica Margolies, and Kimberly Kuiken were confirmed.

The Newman Center offers confirmation classes each semester which consist of sessions each week during which students become educated about their faith before receiving confirmation.

For further information about the Newman Center and its planned activities, you can contact them at 746-2323.
Arts &
Entertainment
Thursday, Dec. 5, 1996

Gallery 3 1/2 printmaking show, MSU’s talents shine

By Erin Perry
Arts Editor

Gallery 3 1/2 held an open reception yesterday, Dec. 4, for “Recent Works by the Calcia Fine Arts Print Department.”

This is the first group show in Gallery 3 1/2, and features printmaking art pieces from 18 MSU students. Under classroom direction, students were instructed to re-create such images as landscapes and personal experiences. Then, featured students’ works were juried and selected for display by Prof. Catherine Bebout, Coordinator for Printmaking of the Fine Arts Dept., and the Gallery 3 1/2 staff members on the basis of aesthetics, impact, content, technique, and unfortunately, the limited amount of space in the gallery.

This impressive collection is composed mostly of monoprints, but each piece reflects original individuality. Prof. Bebout explained the artistic process: “Printmaking is very exciting. It incorporates multi-media, texture transfer, painting techniques, xerography, relief, and collage. Mixing these processes, the students arrive at the final result.”

Graduate student Michele Palmisano’s Untitled is intensely bold and realistic. The artist described her creative process: We had to work with the theme of reclamation, something from our past, something relevant to our life. The work that I do for my masters is all based on the Holocaust and how it affected my mother’s family. I tried to reclaim my family’s history. I got a scholarship from LeBoff, it was because of their generosity that I had the opportunity to travel to Poland and Germany, twice a year, for research. The printmaking process is very satisfying.

One of my favorites, Crooked Fall by junior Pasqualino Palmieri, is brilliantly colorful and playful. I just started printmaking. It opened new doors for me. It’s a totally different medium. Crooked Fall was inspired by the colors of fall and is my first oil,” Palmieri said. What I found amazing was that Crooked Fall only took the artist two to three hours to create.

One of the most unique and beautifully designed pieces is Untitled Nature 2 by junior Jeannine Schroeder is another eye-catcher and cleverly mastered, it is filled with natural shades of green and brown. Schroeder explained, “I dealt with the theme of nature, things you would try to catch when you’re little...frogs and stuff.” In addition to this inspiring exhibit are several artists’ books of linocuts by the Beginning Print class, entitled, “Endangered.” Fine Arts adjunct Catherine LeCleire stated, “The beauty of the book is that it is a bands on experience. It becomes a one on one intimacy.”

The goal of these projects is further described in one of the books on display:

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Players presents an evening of triple action entertainment

By Michelle Folger
Staff Writer

Players will open their one acts, So This Is Hell, Red Carnations, and When Shakespeare’s Ladies Meet, tonight, Dec. 5.

So This Is Hell, written by MSU alumni student, Michele Ferraiolo and directed by Robert Duane starts off the three one-act plays presented. In this first one-act play set in the Purgatory Pub, the patrons “do a lot of waiting around” for their destinations to be decided. You’ll have to see this one-act for yourself to find out where Duane (Jason Wills) and the comedic rubber mouthed Lane (Craig Klein) end up.

In the second one-act, two Smiths wait in the corner park to meet the Queen of Sheba in Glen Hughes’ Red Carnations. Co-directed by Ian J. Antonoff and Will Coles, the older Mr. Smith, (Glen J. Karpowich) waits as does the young Mr. Smith (played by 90210 looking Ian Penny) to meet with the girl behind the mask. Enter the girl, (played by the pretty and charismatic Valerie Eurell,) What ensues is a conversational puzzle that only the Queen of Sheba can solve. Will the real Mr. Smith please stand up?

Finally, “Here’s to the ladies who lunch!” In Charles George’s, When Shakespeare’s Ladies Meet, six wonderfully cast women salute Shakespeare in their polished portrayals of Shakespeare’s leading ladies. This swift moving one-act, directed by Celestina Prochilo, flows with the cleverly written dialogue of Shakespeare’s quotations and the titles of almost every play he has written.

Portia, played by Stefanie Cummings, delivers with intelligence and pairs up well with the comedic talent of Michelle Haselmann’s portrayal of Katherine, or dare I say, “Kate?” Hamlet’s Ophelia, played by Sarah Gilbert, steals moments with her subtle madness. Othello’s Desdemona, played by the beautiful and poised Jennifer Weaver, delivers a professional performance, as does Catherine Farrell’s dramatic portrayal of Juliet.

The costumes managed by Tracy Costa add tremendous production value, as does the musical interludes performed by the talented guitarist/vocalist Robert Oakes.

As Juliet says, “All’s well that ends well.” And so it does in the Players presentation of these three entertaining one-act plays. Performances run Thursday, Dec. 5 through Saturday, Dec. 7.
Paramount’s Star Trek: First Contact, more Borg for the buck

BY JEAN-MARIE AND CHRISTOPHER NAVETTA
EDITORIAL EDITOR & BORG #3

“Watch your futures end.” These are hauntingly serious words, especially when coming from the lips of the Queen the Borg, a race of automation cybernetic beings with the power to make good on their promises. These half-humanoid, half-mechanical entities are the villains in the eighth installment in the Star Trek screen voyages, Star Trek: First Contact, produced by Rick Berman.

Starring the entire Next Generation cast, as well as some dazzling performances by the likes of James Cromwell (Cochrane), Alfre Woodard (Lily), and Alice Krige (the Borg Queen), it appears that the Trek seems to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crews to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-venture. This time the crew travels to be back on course with this latest adventure. This time the crew travels to the past to the day of Earth’s first warp-ventur

**Making sense of Shakespeare**

BY KERRY ROIG
ARTS WRITER

Montclair State University was privileged to host literary critic Helen Vendler on Thursday, November 21, in Brandt Lecture Hall. Vendler is the author of over 300 articles and a dozen books and holds the A. Kingsly Porter Professorship at Harvard University, defined by James B. Conant as, “A title bestowed on only the most distinguished scholar available.”

The title of Vendler’s talk was “Ideas Into Forms: Shakespeare’s Sonnets.” Through a close reading, a technique infrequently employed in the study of literature in the face of more popular critical theories, Vendler explicates Sonnets 30, 55, 60, 66, and 73. She revealed how the form of each sonnet points directly to the content, therefore making each poem more approachable and understandable. Shakespeare’s sonnets, as observed by Stephen Booth, are not easy ones to comprehend. Many are intimidated by the language of Shakespeare, the meaning being overshadowed by the Old English dialect. In a combination of exquisite, musical readings of the poems, and unpretentious discussions of each, Vendler led the audience to understand them like each of us were Harvard professors ourselves.

**All World, “don’t call it a comeback”**

BY JODI KASTEL
ASSISTANT ARTS EDITOR

LL Cool J’s outspoken style helped develop rap music from a street art into its own musical genre. According to a Mercury Records press release, he was the first Def Jam artist to release a single (“I Need a Beat”), the first to release an album (Radio), and the first rap artist to hit #1 on Billboard’s Black Singles Chart (“I Need Love”). LL Cool J was also the first rap artist to amass six consecutive platinum-plus selling albums, seven gold singles, over 13 million worldwide album sales, and the first rap artist to go acoustic on “MTV Unplugged.”


Other gems on All World include the brass-laden “Going Back to Cali,” from the Less Than Zero Soundtrack, and my favorite LL song from the ‘80s, “I’m Bad,” off the Bigger and Deffer album, that features a Batman-themed bass line and classic lyrics like “Forget Ores, eat Cool J Cookies!”

This album documents LL Cool J’s maturity. The early hits are either sexist or just pure self-promotion, but the later hits focus more on sensitivity and romance. The misogynist lyrics of tracks like “Back Seat,” and “Big Ole’ Butt” (“Tina got a big ole’ butt, I know I said that I’d be true, Tina got a big ole’ butt, so I’m leaving you.”) are a taste that should not be acquired, and I’m glad to see that LL’s style is evolving. “All World” chronicles not only just LL Cool J’s discography, but the ever-changing genre of rap. B-
Social Distortion returns to the Roseland

**BY TAM MORGAN  
STAFF WRITER**

Social Distortion performed in concert on Wednesday, November 27, to a packed house at the Roseland Ballroom. It must have been a nice NYC homecoming for the band after they dropped out of sight to spend a year in the studio to work on their current album, White Light, White Heat, White Trash.

Social Distortion is Mike Ness, the heavily tattooed lead vocalist who helped form the band in 1978, Dennis Danell on guitar, John Maurer on bass, and Chuck Biscuits (ex-DOA/Circle Jerks/Black Flag) on drums. The band disappeared almost completely from the punk rock music scene in 1984 because of Mike Ness’ serious drug problems, but Ness looked great on Wednesday as he ran onstage and blew away the audience with a cover of the Rolling Stones’ favorite song from this CD would have been, “When the Angels Sing,” which Ness wrote about the death of his grandmother, with lines:

> ...when the angel of death comes lookin’ for me, hear the angels sing I hope I was everything I was supposed to be, when the angels sing there’s gotta be a Heaven, ’cause I’ve already done my time in Hell and a little baby’s born when it all comes down hear the angels sing...

Ness had this to say about the song:

> The alienation and frustrations I felt as a teenager, I still have a lot of times, that is me. And I’ve felt the loss of loved ones: my grandmother, my mother’s mother, passed away in December ’93. She was the pillar of the family, the strong one, and her death came out of nowhere. “When the Angels Sing” is about that loss. My feelings came out more in that song than what I felt at the actual funeral.

You can pick up Social Distortion’s new CD, White Light, White Heat, White Trash at stores everywhere.

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A message to smokers: 
The earth isn’t your ashtray

The bans on smoking in public places are increasing, as a result smokers feel that their life, liberty and pursuit of happiness are being infringed upon. However, when does ones’ life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness impinge on that of another? Anywhere there is a lit cigarette and a nonsmoker occupying the same space. For example, since smoking is prohibited inside campus facilities, smokers congregate in front of building entrances in order to get a fix. If having to pass through the second hand smoke of this socially accepted ritual were not enough, what is most appalling is witnessing cigarette butt after cigarette butt being put out on the ground inches away from ashtrays and garbage dispensers. It is disheartening to view individuals in a “university” setting, where a higher level of consciousness is sought, act so thoughtlessly and irresponsibly.

I have heard some smokers proclaim that it is somehow their right to litter, since they pay exorbitant tuition fees. Well, so does everyone else. It does not mean that the earth is anyone’s personal ashtray. Before smokers get frustrated at what they are not permitted to do, they should take some responsibility for their actions.

Shandeh Varasten, Anthropology

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Antics in the Forbidden Zone

by Madam Ant

I had never seen the AIDS Quilt before. Sure, I had seen it on television and in magazines, and always thought it was a lovely and poignant way to remember the victims of this devastating disease, but I was truly taken aback at the sight of the panels on display here on campus last week, and truly surprised by my reaction to it.

I’ve lost a few acquaintances to AIDS over the years, two men in particular, and while they weren’t great friends of mine, they left an indelible impression on my heart.

One was an eccentric performer and model who went by the name of John Sex who was a fixture of the downtown club scene in Manhattan during the 1980’s. His stage show consisted of John, in all his outrageous glory, as a “sleazy” lounge singer who wore a silver lamé suit with flashing lights on the jacket and his platinum blonde hair sprayed into an impossible quaff that towered a foot high. His backup singers were two equally outrageous women stuffed into strapless gowns three sizes too small with huge, Parmstonesque platinum blonde wigs, who were dubbed, “The Bodacious Ta-Tas.” They truly were a sight to behold.

Offstage, John was one of the sweetest, shyest, most down-to-earth people I ever met. I found out he was stricken with AIDS about six years ago, and by then was no longer in touch with the person who was our mutual friend. I hadn’t seen John since 1985 and I felt it would be an intrusion into his privacy to visit him, as he didn’t want anyone to see him deteriorating. I found out last year on my birthday that he had died two years earlier. Even though he wasn’t a close friend, I felt a great sadness upon hearing the news of his passing.

Oddly enough, the friend who told me of John’s passing told me that same night of the passing, a few months before, of her great friend and my casual acquaintance, Teddy Idol, to the same horrible blight on the nation’s colleges and universities. However, the Quilt would actually bring me to tears, as it did when I saw the panel for Freddie Mercury, the angelic-voiced singer of Queen. It just suddenly brought it all home to me — how many bright, loving, talented people have died from this...disease.

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It's Greek to Me
by Wendy Hollenbeck

The advantages that Greek life has to offer extends beyond the years spent in college. Many organizations have established career networks that are helpful in finding jobs for members after their time on campus is over. My sorority has a program called Tradewinds. It is set up with a series of codes that are designated to different areas of business. These codes are linked through the National Headquarters that connects the member with an alumnae who has already established herself in that field. Tradewinds was established so that members could have connections in corporations all over the world.

Tradewinds is the system that my sorority uses. Some groups may use alumni references through the affiliated associations established for that purpose. Other fraternal organizations use the benefits of technology through the World Wide Web.

As an active collegiate member in Greek life, I encourage members to participate fully in their organizations. I held a chair on the Executive Board; the knowledge acquired through experience is invaluable. The use of Parliamentary procedure and the mediations skills I have procured as an active Greek will serve me for the rest of my life.

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The professional side is not the only facet where alumnae relations can be useful. A remark to illustrate this was made in the Formal Rush pamphlets of the past few years. It said: Who knows? Someday you may get pulled over and the cop may be your sister.

Polyester: The threads of nostalgia

The story in a recent fashion magazine read “Polyester is back!” Gee, I didn’t know it was gone. I thought that everybody who lived through the 1970’s kept their bukapoo shirts in a garment bag in the basement. If you didn’t, you’ve made the fashion faux pas equivalent to your mother’s abandonment of her Joan Crawford shoulder-paded suits.

While Christmas shopping this past weekend, I noticed that this marvel of all fabrics is everywhere and remarkably similar in colors and designs to its 20 year old counterparts. The polyester lobbyists say that it is durable, doesn’t wrinkle or shrink, and fits the retro mindset of the forever growing-for-straws designers. Its opponents argue that it is not a natural fiber, isn’t ecologically sound, doesn’t breathe. “And don’t you realize how many baby polyesters it took to make that suit?”

My nineteen year old daughter isn’t concerned with the politics of polyester. Neither are the millions of other teenagers that shop at the malls. All they want to know is, will they look good? The answer, of course, is yes.

We did, didn’t we?

Actually, we looked fabulous at the local Disco City with our poly-knit clingy dresses that swung around just enough during the hustle. We were well prepared, can of hair spray in hand, to get rid of that winter static cling (dryer sheets hadn’t been invented yet). And the scads of young men at the dance floor’s edge, in their unbuttoned quiana finery, panted in anticipation of a chance to display their prowess under the revolving strobe. Ah, yes, we looked good and we knew it.

Polyester may be back in the mind of Madison Avenue; it may be new to the eyes of our youth; but polyester has never gone far from the photo-perfect memories of those of us who are in the basement right now dusting off and polishing our platform shoes, and copying “Saturday Night Fever” from beta to VHS.

On the lighter side of…civility

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LET ME DO THE TALKING WHEN WE MEET WITH YOUR BOSS.

AS YOU KNOW, ANY IDEA FROM THE POINTY-HAIRED WONDERS IS CRUD, BUT WHEN YOU ADD MY ABILITY, WHAT DO YOU HAVE?

CASUAL ABILITY?

AND GOOD LOOKS TOO!

YOUR FIRST DRAFT WAS EXCITING, SO I ADDED A BUNCH OF EXCLAMATION POINTS.

WOOF! THOSE EXCLAMATION POINTS MAKE THIS TECHNICAL DOCUMENT COME ALIVE!

I'M FLATTERED. BUT I CAN'T DATE YOU BECAUSE WE'RE DIFFERENT RELIGIONS.

YOU TWO WILL BE THE "HAPPINESS COMMITTEE. COME UP WITH SOME IDEAS TO IMPROVE MORALE.

WE MUST CHANGE OUR CULTURE OF CYNICISM AND NEGATIVISM.

WE GO FOR 3! RAISES! 3! RAISES!

WE FEEL MY CYNICISM MELTING AWAY ALREADY.

I'M NOT SURE. I HAVEN'T DONE THE PRE-COURSE READING YET.

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**Your “Sort-of” Real Horoscope**

Written by John J. O’Sullivan:
Psycho Killer: *Q’est-ce-que ce?*

Aries (March 21 to April 19)
Whatever you do, stay away from ducks.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)
A large Mack truck will crash into your house at 3:30 a.m. The driver, a kindly old man named “Mack” will give you a nice demissive of espresso before he bashes you brains in with a mango.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20)
You will find five million dollars in your underwear drawer today, but you will accidentally flush it down the toilet. Moron!

Cancer (June 21 to July 22)
While walking to your car, you will meet the ghost of Christmas future, who will tell you everything that you are getting this holiday season. He will effectively ruin any chance of getting surprised this Christmas. Punch him out...nobody likes a tale-tale!

Leo (July 23 to August 22)
Your computer will eat your slippers.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22)
A tree will fall on your hamster...wait...no. A bodler will fall from the sky and...wait, that doesn't work either. Okay, I got it! A large bird named “Fred” will pluck out your eyes while singing...drat, this damn crystal ball is broken again. Sorry.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21)
Your aunt Bernice will pinch your cheek this week. Punch her.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21)
The stars tell you to have sex with your S.O. in front of the Student Center...while wearing a chicken suit, of course.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19)
Spontaneous combustion is in your future. To give your final “bang” an added effect, carry around a can of gasoline this week!

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18)
A man wearing a leotard will tell you the Secret of the Universe. It will be this: “Buttafuoco.”

Pisces (February 19 to March 20)
Pink Floyd will come to your house and play an evening of their greatest hits. Your annoying elderly neighbor, Mrs. Whitters, will shoot David Gilmour with an Uzi™ submachine gun. You will be hatted by all Pink Floyd fans across the world. Have a nice day!
Personal Ad

I love the bloody plague and yet
I still type. You all owe me big
time!
- IJO’S

Chuck
Your dedication to CLUB is
greatly appreciated. Thank you for all
your hard work. Good
Luck!
Everyone from CLUB

To my Big Kristen (AIX)
Thanks for being there for me. We
definitely love to do some more
shopping together! I can’t wait til
Webster Big-Little Night!
Love, Kerri

To my twin Jen (AIX)
You’re the best—I don’t care if
everyone says you’re out of control
I love you anyway! Go Ps/!
Love, Kerri

P.s. Ps. My SisterZ (AIX)
Thanks for putting up with me. I
think you need to get drunk more
often girlfriend, it cleanses your
emotions.
Love, Ps Ps Ps SisterZ

Lil’ Jenn (Ps Ps)
Even though we didn’t get to skate,
I had fun but next time I’m not
driving!
—IPS L Beth

Donna and Marie (Ps Ps)
Congrats Ladies!
—IPS L Beth (Ps Ps)

Lil’ Jenn (Ps Ps)
We have to keep the Red Devils
away from the Big Ape!
—IPS L Beth

By (Ps)
Did we both have fun sitting on
kane bored over Thanksgiving? He
he. You are the best!
I love you, Koryn (Ps)

Katie
I finished my papers—aren’t you
excited? I won’t campin now
Yeah!
Love you, Phillips

College Life Union Board, get
involved!
Weaver
How’s Betty
Love, Koryn

Krag
Chasing an ice—what a hell we
have!
Koryn

SigmA
Sem was a blast!
Love you all Koryn

Allen (TX)
Thank you for coming with me to
my sem. Hope you had a good time!
Love ya, Koryn (Ps)

Joy Sarah and Kate,
Who is your secret
Santo? He he he
—Love, Koryn (Ps)

You did
an awesome job on the semi-formal!
—Love, Jen (Ps)

Peace, Love and Sigmo, Koryn

Posse (Ps)
Good luck with all of your work!
—Love you, Koryn (Ps)

Sisters of Phi Sig
With yellow feathers in her hair
and a dress cut down to there.
—Lil’ Jenn

Beth (Ps)
Thanks for getting me home. Red
Devils Rule!
—Lil’ Jenn

Fred & Nelson,
Sorry about Ice-skating! Next
time I’ll call
—Jenn AKA Red

Ed (TX)
Ha Ha I know your little spot!
Honeck (TX) — Thanks for spinin’
your guts the other night—you will
NOT like it down!
—Eric (TX) AKA Miracle Mox —
Wough said

Julie (TX)
I was you? Don’t
bragde! We must hang out! I
love you Lombardo baby!
Love, Joyful (aka Volare)

Alka BEC IS MINE!
Love, Joyful

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Loughoff 1996
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two are the best!
—Love, Joyful (Ps)

Alka (TX) and Dove (TX) —
Windows are to look out—not fold
out!
—Sigmo Detra Phi Semi-Formal
Who needs dinner??? What a
blast! Sisters. I never have any
much fun as when I’m with you
crazy clucks—I love you all more
and more
every day and thank
god for his sigmA and for
pledging Sigmo.
Best
decision I
EVER
made!
—Love
—Joyful

I’m O’Dell (My big sue—Sigmo)
Most likely to pick the best and
most appropriate party favors for
Semi! Congrats on a job splendidly
done! I love you!
—Love, Joyful (Ps)

Lea—Detour! Nice music-
Rock plays our favorite song!
Bathroom tokens?
—Love, Joyful

By By (Ps) I love you so
freakin’ much and I am so glad
you’re here! Sorry about your
dress but Leg Joe liked it!!!
—Love your baby, Joyful

Kerry (Ps)
—Nice dress little
car! Great minds think alike! YES!
I love you sweetie! YCJ Hot rules!
—Love, Joyful (Ps)

RaeAnn (Ps). You are the beat
and I am so glad you had fun
Thursday night. Never love I
ever had a desk light that is
possessed.
—Love you, Joyful (Ps)

Lisa (Ps) What’s that on your
neck? Kate, do I smell Chinese
food? I love you “sweet” notes!
—Love, Joyful

Fogal (TX)
Study Break!! What? We’re not
going to class? SNACKER!
—Love, Joyful

Seth (TX)
I can’t wait to have “exchange
of ideas” with you again
YOU ARE
THE BEST!
—Love, your favorite Sigmo

John I. (TX)
You are freakin’ awesome—typing all
these personals! It IS appreci-
atated!
—Love, Joyful

PS. What’s dinner?

Wherever b-b-b-b, whenever!

Carrots
You are the bestest! When will I
see your two since it’s Dance
again?
—Love, Peas

Maker (Ps)
How could I write personals without
going one to the best dance part-
ner in the world?? WE ROCK!
—Love, Joyful (Ps) :-)

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Red Hawks lose in final seconds to Ramapo, 60-59

BY DENNIS DEMERCURIO
SPORTS EDITOR

The MSU Men's Basketball team dropped to 2-3 as they lost to the Ramapo Road Runners in the final seconds of the game last night, 60-59.

On Saturday, the Red Hawks lost to Richard Stockton 64-59, with the highlight of the game being Greg Fowler (Plainfield) surpassing 1,000 career points. His 1,000th point came on a three-point basket late in the first half and he finished with a team high of 18-points. Fowler is the 18th player in MSU history to score over 1,000 points.

B.J. Reilly (Middlesex) had 14 points and eight assists against Stockton, while John Weipz (Waretown) added seven points. Raheem Rex (Atlantic City) and Rohan Sutherland (Miami) each scored six points. Rex also had 10 rebounds with the team high with 14 points. Weipz kept the pace going and ended with 13 points.

Maurice Mathis (Paterson) adding eight of his own.

Against Ramapo, the Red Hawks came out early with consistent scoring and solid defensive play. MSU led 30-21 at the half. Rex came out blazing early in the second half, finishing the game with 10 points, while Reilly had The Red Hawks maintained a 10 point lead through most of the second half. The Road Runners would not relent, and became a defensive giant with seven minutes remaining. Ramapo’s offense began scoring steadily, and with the help of some questionable referee calls, closed the gap within four with three minutes left.

The score was 59-57 soon after, and then 59-58 when Ramapo scored on a free throw. With just 2.8 seconds on the clock, the Road Runners took off by scoring the winning basket, leaving just 2.1 seconds in the game.

The Red Hawks gave it their all with Fowler shooting at the buzzer. His shot came up short, leaving him with 11 points for the game, Ramapo with the win, and the rest of the team in shock and disappointment.

Following the game, head coach Nick DelTufo had this to say:

“We gave the game away.”

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Red Hawk Notes

MSU's Track and Field set sights on NJAC Outdoor Championship

By Chris Lepre
Assistant Editor

The MSU men and women's Indoor Track and Field Team will begin their second season under the guidance of head coach Gerald Benson. The team will compete as an NCAA Division III, ECAC member, in the New Jersey Athletic Conference.

Coach Benson is looking forward to a competitive season, with hope that the men's team will win the NJAC title this year. The women's team will try to match the men's challenging goal, by finishing at least, in the top three of the conference.

The three key members who will add to the completion of these future goals are Katie Holmgren (Wayne), Donald Jones (Somerdale), and Ron Lewis (Asbury Park).

Holmgren, a sophomore, will bring leadership and a quality work ethic to a young team. She will try to repeat her top performance from last season as a multi-event competitor at the NJAC Outdoor Championship.

Jones, a junior transfer from FDU-Madison, will add experience and strength in the hurdle events. Lewis will solidify the long jump event by drawing from his experience in high school as one of New Jersey's top long jumpers.

Coach Benson's confidence in his teams is shown through his goal to finish first in the conference. "We are very deep on the men's team, which will give us a good shot at winning the NJAC, the women will be very young, but very talented."

The team next competes on Dec. 13, at the CTC-relays which will begin at 6:00pm.

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Red Hawks defeat Ramapo 73-51, now 4-1

BY DENNIS DEMERCURO
SPORTS EDITOR

The MSU Women’s Basketball team improved to 4-1 last night as they defeated the Ramapo Road Runners, 73-51.

Prior to their victory, the Red Hawks staved Richard Stockton’s late game surge to win 74-67 this past Saturday.

Freshman center Erin O’Reilly (Ramsey) scored 10 points, while senior guard Lisa Villalta (Harrison) scored 13 points, with seven assists and six steals. Tracy Singletary (Keasby) had 14 points with a game high 12 rebounds.

Against Ramapo, the Red Hawks led 25-21 at half-time. Playing an unrelentless zone defense, MSU held the Runners in check and coasted to victory.

About their weaknesses this early in the season, Coach Bradley said, “Hitting the boards is our weakness right now. They need to hit the boards consistently. Our guards are probably our best rebounders. Wykemia Kelly (Paterson), at 5’1’’ is our second leading rebounder, with 5.3 rebounds per game. That shouldn’t be.”

The MSU Men’s Wrestling pin their way to 2-0-1

BY CHRIS LEPRE
ASSISTANT EDITOR

There are few things that have stayed the same at MSU since 1975, and even fewer athletic coaches have remained. But Coach Steve Streller has remained a wrestling constant at MSU for the simple reason that he keeps winning. The most impressive statistic of his illustrious career is that the team leads the nation in NCAA National Champions with 22, the closest 1 is Princeton.

Injury also kept junior Heavyweight Barret Cerrevetto from going to the Nationals after finishing second in the conference. Look to Cerrevetto to again be one of the premier Heavyweights in this year’s conference.

All this talent has been reflected in the team’s performance to date, posting a 2-0-1 record. The team has won matches against NYU and Swarthmore, and tied Princeton.

The upperclassmen are not the sole reason for this early success, being a young team consisting of two seniors, two juniors, and the rest sophomores and freshmen. The hard work of the new recruits has contributed to the team’s success. PJ Rapp (Manalapan) and 134 lb. Justin Naddeo (Bergen Catholic) are just two of these young talents.

The future holds tough competition for the team, competing against numerous Division I schools in the Coast Guard Invitational Tournament on December 6-7. “Harder competition makes for better wrestling, I want to challenge my team,” says Coach Streller.

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