Montclair shooting claims MSU student and children

BY KEVIN P. HANCOCK
NEWS EDITOR

DeFrances Bennett, a 38-year-old MSU student, and her three young daughters were found dead of gunshot wounds in their Montclair home yesterday morning.

Their bodies were found when the Montclair Police Department responded to the report of a fire at 127 North Fullerton ave. home. Upon arriving, the firefighters stumbled on to the scene of the multiple homicide in one of the home's bedrooms.

The three children, 9-year-old Adrian, 7-year-old Christian, and 5-year-old Britney were found shot, face down on a bed, two of them bound hand and foot. When the children's bodies were being removed from the scene, officials found their mothers body at the foot of the bed, with a gunshot wound to her head. The suspected murder weapon, was found resting on Bennett's chest.

The fire, which was thought to be a routine call, was apparently set in an attempt to cover up the murder scene. The fire was set to a sofa in one of the home's hallways and was only smoldering when firefighters arrived.

There were no signs of forced entry into the home found by police, however firefighters did have to force their way into the bedroom where the killings occurred.

The Montclair Police department stated that they are awaiting the results of an autopsy to determine the nature of the killings. It is possible that the murders were either a quadruple homicide or a murder/suicide committed by Bennett.

Montclair chief of police, Tom Russo, was scheduled to hold a news conference to release more information on the case, after this issue of the Montclarion was printed.

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Students serving students...pizza

BY JOHN BROST
STAFF WRITER

The Spring 1997 semester of the Student Government Association began last night with pizza and soda. Also, President Amy Fisher announced goals of the upcoming semester, some of which were outlined by the various cabinet members and other executive board members.

Fisher offered her views of the upcoming semester and expressed some of the concerns she had regarding different aspects of the SGA. Fisher announced that she reached a settlement with the former bookkeeper, who was fired over the summer. The firing was alleged to be a wrongful termination, and Fisher settled the ensuing lawsuit over the winter recess. Fisher also stated that she looked into giving control of Student Intramural Leisure Council to the administration of the University. After speaking with the executive board of the organization, however, she decided to leave the matter as it stands and continue to look into the matter.

Pizza was served at the meeting, as per a bill passed by the legislature last semester.

Vice President Lauren Pytleski announced that forty legislative petitions were taken out by students. One of these was turned in by Ihor Andruch, who was sworn in as the Spring 1997 semester's executive vice president, (Cont. on page 3)

Clove residents evicted after party

BY JOHN J. O'SULLIVAN
MANAGING EDITOR

Four residents of the Clove Road complex lost their apartment privileges for a party held on Homecoming Weekend. The residents appealed the eviction three times before they lost the apartment at the beginning of the semester.

On October 19, 1996, Gretchin Reyes Cseplo, Director of Clove Road, and Lori Tobias, Unit Manager, were investigating another party, when they noticed heavy traffic in the stairwell of 107C. They went to the room, and told Seth Taylor, a resident, that the music would have to be turned down, and to break down the party, due to high traffic, open alcohol, amplified noise, and over occupancy. Taylor broke up the party. She later reported that Taylor didn't completely comply with her order to have guests vacate the apartment. Cseplo later recommended that 107C's contract to be terminated, and to be put on Residence Life probation until May 31, 1997. “All of the conditions were met to qualify as an illegal alcohol party and the penalty...is immediate loss of Clove Road privileges,” said Cseplo.

Cseplo also suggested that the residents be made persona non grata to Clove Road, and that they would be arrested by campus police if they were found at Clove Road.

The residents on 107C, on the other hand, feel that Cseplo overreacted, and that the party was far from out of control.

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News from the outside world
The week in review
(compiled from USA Today and The Star-Ledger by Kevin P. Hancock)

International

Hostages Still Being Held in Peru
At the residence of the Japanese ambassador to Peru in Lima, the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement rebels are holding their hostages for the 35th straight day. The Marxist rebels are holding 73 hostages and are demanding the release of 400 jailed comrades from the Peruvian government in return for the safety of the hostages. President Alberto Fujimori of Peru has been steadfast in his refusal to grant the rebel's demands. Meanwhile, Peruvian special-forces continue to wait outside the residence hoping for a break in the situation.

Paris Bank Employees Take Bosses Hostage
For 5 days the employees of the 500 Credit Goncier de France have been peacefully detaining their bosses inside the bank. They are protesting a government streamlining plan that would cut thousands of jobs. France cited a bank loss of 2 billion dollars for the plan. A French government mediator was brought in to try to convince the employees to end their protest and release their hostages. His efforts have failed for now.

Bombings Continue in Algiers
Two car bombings in Algiers on Tuesday killed 7 people and injured about 54 bringing the death toll to more than 150 for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan. The bombings which are aimed at innocent people in Algiers, are being set by Islamic fundamentalists who are trying to send a message to Algiers president Liamine Zeroual. The bombings have continued since 1992 when the government had canceled elections that the opposition said it had won. The Islamic militants regard the month of Ramadan as a period of holy war against the military backed government.

National

Clinton Sworn in for 2nd Term
William Jefferson Clinton's 2nd term as President of the United States officially began on Monday, January 20th, as he took the oath of office in Washington D.C. In front of a crowd of hundreds of thousands, Clinton gave a short speech where he repeated points that he stressed during his campaign such as preventing gridlock with the Republican controlled Congress. The Clinton's then had lunch and participated in the traditional inaugural parade up Pennsylvania Avenue. The day's atmosphere was festive despite the constant controversy and rumors of scandal that are following the president.

Thousands Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Thousands gathered across the country to celebrate the anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr’s birth. Celebrations were held in Memphis, Dallas and Wichita, Kansas among other places, to remember King's accomplishments and what he did for Civil Rights in this country. Thousands of churchgoers listened to special speakers and singing in tribute of King. "It's nice that we can celebrate the real meaning of what Dr. King tried to get everyone to do, to unite us as one," said Claudia Robinson, at the Mason Temple in Memphis, Tennessee.

Cold Temperatures Damage Florida Crops
A weekend of freezing temperatures is being blamed for $100 million worth of damage to vegetable crops in Florida. State officials are asking that the state's southern growing regions be declared a federal disaster area. Florida supplies half of the United States winter crop of various vegetables bringing in over 1 billion dollars in sales for the state. State agriculture spokesman Terence McElroy said, "We'll still produce winter vegetables, but they'll be in shorter supply, and the prices will reflect that."

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Three new computer labs are set to open in Blanton, Bohn and Freeman Halls within the next week according to Charles Fraser of the Academic Computing and Technology Department.

The labs, which will be placed in the Blanton Hall atrium, Bohn Hall's eleventh floor, and the third floor of Freeman hall, are scheduled to open as soon as the equipment is set up and the computers are on line.

"We are opening them up as quickly as we possibly can," said Fraser. "I think the Blanton Hall lab is scheduled to open within the next three days."

An announcement will be made before their opening to tell students about the lab locations and hours.

The new labs will offer more convenient and accessible computing services to the University's on-campus residents. The new labs will also offer some relief from the congestion found in the other computer labs on campus, such as the ones located in Richardson Hall and Sprague Library. The new labs will also be safe from non MSU students seeking to use the free computer service, which has reportedly been a problem with other labs located in easily accessible buildings.

SGA: Cont. from front page

A new negotiator at the meeting, Pytleski also said that applications for the SGA scholarships would be cut shortly.

Treasurer John Cvelic reported that he was working on finishing a financial review of the expenses accrued this year by the SGA. He hopes to have this report finished by next week. Cvelic is also working with Fisher in looking for a permanent financial advisor and stated that anyone who knows of a faculty member interested in the job should contact him.

The cabinet members also announced their goals for the semester. Such plans include voter registration, extending library and computer lab hours, paving the lot near the Clove Road apartments, and working on changing the rules governing the Judicial Branch.

Meanwhile, pizza was served at the meeting, as per a bill passed by the legislature last semester. That bill states that pizza is to be provided at all SGA meetings. The pizza, which was eaten by most of the Legislature, Cabinet, and Executive board and few students, was delivered approximately an hour into the meeting, which began at about 4:00. Pizza will also be served at the next meeting, which will be in the conference room on the fourth floor of the Student Center. All students are welcome.

Have news? Call the Montclarion Tip Line at 655-5169!!!
FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION 1997-98

FILING DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 1997

IT'S NEW - THE RENEWAL APPLICATION

If you filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 1996-97 academic year, you should receive in the mail a new kind of federal student aid application - the Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid, designed to simplify the application process for 1997-98. The form will allow you to update only the information which may have changed, rather than require you to fill out a whole new application.

WHAT DOES THE RENEWAL APPLICATION LOOK LIKE?

The Renewal Application looks a lot like the 1996-97 Student Aid Report (SAR) you received this year, but it will be printed on white paper. It will also include an instruction booklet and envelope for mailing it back to the processor.

NOW THAT IT'S HERE WHAT DO I DO WITH THE RENEWAL APPLICATION?

Essentially, you treat it like a new 1997-98 FAFSA. Carefully follow the instructions for completion, change those items which need updating, and leave the others as they are. You and your parents should copy the income and tax information from completed 1996 Federal Tax Returns or estimate the data required.

WHEN CAN I SUBMIT THE RENEWAL APPLICATION TO THE PROCESSOR?

Just like an original FAFSA, you may file this form any time after January 1, 1997. All students must file the Renewal Application by February 1, 1997 to ensure compliance with our “on time” deadline date.

WHAT IF I DIDN'T RECEIVE A RENEWAL APPLICATION BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1997?

Not to worry! If you have not received a Renewal Application by the end of the holiday break, come by the Financial Aid Office and pick up a regular 1997-98 FAFSA. The same applies if you misplace the one sent to you. Duplicate Renewal Applications are not available. The processor will accept either form. However, don’t send both in, just submit one or the other by the priority deadline date.

WHAT IF I DID NOT APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID IN 1996-97 BUT WANT TO APPLY FOR AID IN 1997-98?


*** SPECIAL NOTE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS ***

Proceed as described above and submit the “Institutional Application for Graduate Student Financial Aid - Academic Year 1997-98” by March 1, 1997. This form is available in the Financial Aid Office, College Hall, Room CO-321.

FILE THE FAFSA ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 1997

Applicants who fail to submit the FAFSA by the MSU deadline date are not guaranteed award notification in time for fall 1997 billing (about July 7, 1997) and must be prepared to pay the term bill in full from personal resources.
THEFT
12/24 - A female Bohn Hall resident reported a theft of her phone. She also reported unauthorized use of her phone code. A possible suspect has been reported.
1/8 - A library employee counted cash at the end of the business day, and reported a shortage.
1/15 - A female Blanton Hall resident reported a stolen hand truck from her locked dorm room during the winter break.
1/19 - A male parked his 1992 Lexus in Lot 23. Upon his return, he discovered the vehicle missing.

HARASSMENT
12/26 - A female Bohn Hall resident reported a theft of her phone. She also reported unauthorized use of her phone code. A possible suspect has been reported.
12/19 - A female Clove Road Apartment resident reported that her ex-boyfriend refused to leave her apartment. When the officers arrived, the suspect was found outside the complex and was told he would be arrested if he returned.
1/9 - A female working in the trainers’ room in Panzer Gym reported a male in the women’s locker room. The suspect fled the area when the officer arrived.
1/17 - A female Bohn Hall employee reported items moved around in her office while she was not present.
1/18 - A female Bohn Hall resident received three harassing phone calls.

MEDICAL
1/2 - A maintenance worker slipped on ice and injured his ankle. The victim was transported to the Health Center.
1/8 - A female suffered a diabetic seizure. The Montclair Ambulance Corps responded, treating her at the scene.
1/15 - A Bohn Hall front desk security officer reported a female with a laceration near her eye. The officer responded and administered first aid. A friend transported the victim to Mountainside Hospital. The victim reported that she slipped on an ice patch in lot 19.
1/17 - A male mail room employee fell in a snow-covered hole at the outside of the Clove Road Apartment complex, injuring his ankle. He was transported to Montclair Community Hospital.

FIRE/INTRUSION ALARMS
1/27 - A malfunction at the ATM machine in the Student Center caused the alarm to sound twice. Bank security and repair services were contacted and fixed the malfunction.
1/28 - Office responded to a fire alarm in Stone Hall to find no signs of smoke, fire, or audible alarms. The alarm was reported due to a malfunction.
1/8 - Officers responded to an alarm from the computer room at Richardson Hall. The lab assistant stated that the alarm was false.
1/8 - Officers responded to a Partridge Hall office to discover no signs of forced entry. The window was open.
1/14 - Contractors working on the sprinkler system in Blanton Hall caused the fire alarm to sound. The system was reset.
1/15 - Officers arrived at Chapin Hall on a report of a smell of smoke. They activated the fire alarm upon arrival after a heavy smell of smoke. Contractors welding inside basement tunnels caused the smoke. The Montclair Fire Department responded and directed workers to use exhaust fans to route the smoke out of the building.
1/19 - Officers responded to a 2nd floor fire alarm at Webster Hall, to find a resident frying chicken, which caused the alarm to sound. Little Falls Fire Department responded.

OTHER
1/2 - Two faculty/staff members had their cars damaged by a malfunctioning parking gate in lot 4.
1/3 - A female responded to an injured cat in the roadway near College Hall. The cat was taken to a shelter.
1/13 - An employee at the computer center in College Hall reported a strong smell of gas or fuel. Maintenance workers responded to a report of a chemical spill inside the computer center. Montclair Fire Dept., a Nutley HAZMAT team, and the DEP responded. The area was evacuated, the spill was cleaned, and samples were taken for testing. The cause of the spill is under investigation.
1/14 - A female Clove Road resident reported two males behind the Clove Road Apt. 200 building. Responding officers IDed two MSU students who said they had been out for a walk.
1/15 - An officer on patrol discovered a smashed window on a 1986 Buick parked in Lot 23.
1/16 - Officers responded to a suspicious odor reported in Panzer Gym. A ceiling mounted heater motor burnt out, causing the smell. The maintenance department shut off the unit until repairs could be made.
1/16 - Person(s) unknown damaged a painting in a hallway in Life Hall by cutting the canvas.

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UCLA Survey: Today’s freshmen smoke more, drink less

BY COLLEEN DEBASE

Los Angeles—They drink less beer but smoke more cigarettes. And they worry more than ever about how they’ll pay for their education.

That’s the profile of today’s college freshmen, according to an annual survey by UCLA researchers.

In addition, college freshmen they don’t believe in casual sex and have little passion for politics. Yet while today’s college freshmen are less likely to be card-carrying members of any political party, a record 72 percent reported some type of volunteer activity in the past year.

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And in a dramatic change from the “free-love” era of the 1960s, a majority of college freshmen voiced their disapproval of casual sex.

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Log On MSU by Rita Bronnenkant

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There isn’t anyone in America who has not heard about the gruesome murder of JonBenet Ramsey out in Colorado. I came across this web site http://www.ryanblewitt.com/ramsey/1-11-97.htm. Curious to find out who Rowan and Blewitt are, I chopped down the URL and went to their home page. Guess what? These guys are the spin doctors pardon me, I mean Issue and Crisis Management Firm hired by the child’s parents! R&B are obviously a savvy outfit, working the Internet to help sway the court of public opinion. The story isn’t finished yet.

Laura may not be able to afford hotshot consultants, but she still has a home page, http://www.geocities.com/RainForest/2248/. Who’s Laura? She’s a 14 year old elephant who lives at Ivory Haven. Laura wants to be the ambassador for all elephants. There’s a sound file of an elephant greeting. Make sure your speakers aren’t on too loud! Laura apparently sends out email, too. I wonder if she uses the mouse?


And if you feel it’s too cold to trot into NYC, check out TV-Guide, http://www.tvguide.com! This is a terrific site! I am very impressed! The listings cover broadcast, cable and pay-per-view stations in 120 US local TV regions. Create a username and password. They need your zip code so they can provide the appropriate TV schedule. There’s even a search engine and a planner. I don’t watch TV often, but now I know how to find the program listings when the paper copy has vanished!

We all use search engines if we use the web. Published author Duncan Long has created his Tool Page, http://www.kansas.net/~duncan/lists.html?. You can search in 13 different search engines right from this site! Plus links to other helpful resources.

And if you’re a sci-fi buff, don’t miss Duncan’s links and his own work! Nice job, Duncan! Thanks for sharing! Think I’ll check his weather links and find out when the temperature is going to warm up around here!

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Women’s Center focuses on academic and gender issues

BY ERIN PERRY
ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Sixty two percent of the students at MSU are female. Catering to the issues and concerns of this population is MSU’s Women’s Center, located in the Student Center, rooms 420-422.

The Women’s Center at MSU was founded by the late Dr. Connie Walker, in 1972, before many surrounding colleges and universities recognized the need for such an organization.

The director of the Women’s Center is Dr. Joan C. Ficke, who is also a faculty member at MSU and hopes to bridge the gap between academic issues and the center. “We want to create an equality of experience. We want the students of this campus to know that they have a place to go with their questions and concerns, whether they be career oriented or dealing with more serious issues such as sexual harassment or rape...We are an organization trying to balance the services we provide on a day to day basis and the programming we offer, to educate the public on the issues of gender equality, issues which effect everyone,” Ficke explained.

The services the Women’s Center provides for MSU undergraduate and graduate students consist of a referral service consisting of hotline and assistance numbers; a library resource center featuring booklets, pamphlets, and informative materials dealing with various questions of interest to women; as well as various workshops, conferences, plays, discussion groups, interactive programs, and a luncheon lecture series.

Specifically, the programming offered by the Women’s Center deals with issues such as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Sexual Assault Awareness and the upcoming Women’s History Month, which begins March 3rd, with the Flag Raising Ceremony and the President’s Proclamation in the Student Center Quad.

This year’s programming also features “An Evening with Bell Hooks” on March 4, “Equity- The Elusive Target” by keynote speaker, Patricia Schroeder on March 6, Latina Day, “Compassion, Imagination, and Fiction” by Dr. Helena Viramontes on March 10, “Equity In The Workplace,” presented by the women of MSU on March 11, and Current Issues in Athletics & Implications for Women’s Sports Programs,” a panel on women and social change on March 25.

The Women’s Center is also looking for student involvement, ranging from volunteer work with the center and programs, participation in the Women Student Organization, or ideas and suggestions. Call x5114 for more information.

Did you know?

by Garry Doxy

It is 1997. A new year. Just three more years and it would be the beginning of a new era, a new time. According to the conflicting predictions of politicians, religious groups, psychics, and prophets alike, the 21st century will be “the best of times and the worst of times.” I guess we’ll have to wait and see.

I would like, however, to start my column by relating to you, readers, an empirical observation of the concept of “time” I had on New Year’s Eve.

For months, I planned to take a trip on the 30th of December, destination: Germany. Due to weather, the flight was canceled. It was rescheduled to the 31st at 6:05 p.m. Mind you, the flight takes about nine hours. So there I was on a plane in a pressurized, artificial, man-made environment.

Gradually, the sense of time disappeared. Seconds became minutes and minutes became hours. I crossed time zones after time zones. In a relatively short period of time I was racing toward my future and leaving fast my past. I was between times. I felt unanchored, dizzy.

I know now why we members of Generation X are so uninspired (so the grown-ups say). We are between times. Our future is ever increasingly approaching with the speed of light, while our ideas of our past were just illusions.

The battle between science and nature is at its apogee. We would like to think that we are dominating nature; it seems that the planet is getting smaller and smaller; we are covering every corner with our telecommunication technology with its microwave antennas; but as everyone would agree, we feel something...a catastrophe is eminent.

We, members of Generation X carry the doom in our soul. We feel it in our bones. We are unanchored, dizzy. We are between times.
Dear Career Services... Q & A

Q How is the job market for computer science majors? What are entry level salaries like?

A Demand for the services of computer science majors is strong and continues to grow steadily as the workplace becomes increasingly dependent on technology. Employers looking to hire programmers, systems analysts, software developers or technical experts are finding graduates in short supply. That is because since 1986 the numbers of bachelor’s degrees conferred in computer science has steadily declined. Almost 42,000 degrees were earned in 1986 while only 24,000 were awarded in 1994. As you can see the pool of candidates is shrinking while the need is ever increasing.

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers’ Salary Survey, the September 1996, report, computer science majors earned an average starting salary of $35,222. In addition, these graduates can expect that their pay checks will grow sizably as competition for their services drives salaries upward.

Q I need to write a resume but I’m having a hard time getting started. Any suggestions?

A Getting started with your resume is the hardest part, but there is a process you can use that will make writing an effective resume easier. Since your resume is going to support a specific objective, you need to include information about the paid or unpaid, full- or part-time, work or school related experiences you’ve had that provide the supporting evidence for that objective. Title separate sheets of paper with the names of each of those experiences, then develop a list of all the tasks you performed and, more importantly, what you accomplished that made you stand out from others in that position. After reviewing each sheet and indicating the activities which most clearly relate to your career objective, you’ll be all set to organize your information into a first draft of your resume.

Career Services has many resources available to assist you in producing a resume that gets results in today’s job market, including ten resume writing workshops each semester, resume critiquing either during drop-in hours or by leaving your rough draft at the reception desk, and a computerized resume writing lab equipped to help you produce professional quality resumes.

In addition, A Guide to Career Planning and Job Hunting, an excellent source of information about resume writing and all aspects of the job hunt, can be purchased for a nominal charge. A number of resume writing and cover letter books are also available in the career library. To find out about any of these resources, call Career Services at 655-5194 or stop by the office in the Student Center Annex, room 104.

If you would like to see your event in the calendar, send all info. to Feigles@alpha. Thanks!
**Healthy Living**

Should marijuana be used for medical purposes?

By Rob Kenney

WEED are you for or against it? In the January 20th edition of the Record the following article was written. Before I discuss the article, I want to mention a poll I intend to take on whether marijuana should be legalized for medical use. People could simply answer yes or no and continue on their way. (Hopefully not to buy the illegal substance or use it).

Jim Miller remembers when he chopped up some marijuana for his wife and put it in a salad. Miller wasn’t even sure how to give the marijuana to his wife, who had never taken illegal drugs before. Cheryl Miller has multiple sclerosis. Her spastic limbs turn inward, painfully. She can no longer walk. Physical therapists said her muscles are too taut and spastic to benefit much from rehabilitation. The couple wanted to try something. Anything. And they heard marijuana might help.

“I must say I was not prepared for the results,” recalls Miller, of Silverton in Ocean County. “After the salad, Cheryl’s muscles became loose and spasticity free. But marijuana is illegal and expensive. It was like giving a thirsty person one drink of water.”

As the federal government cracks down on initiatives to legalize medical uses of marijuana, some chronically ill people and their advocates are pushing for legal access to the drug. The Mills are among them.

Some people with cancer, AIDS, and other diseases say marijuana helps relieve symptoms such as nausea and weight loss. Some say the drug relieves the illegal drug.” AIDS sufferers often experience wasting syndrome, or anorexia.

Miller can say only that the few times she has used marijuana, the tension and spasticity in her muscles declined markedly. She would use the drug more often, but does not want her husband to take the risk of obtaining an illegal substance for her. She said she has experienced no “high” from the small amounts of marijuana she has eaten in salads and brownies.

“My muscles are so tense, so it [marijuana] really helps me. I think it’s a shame people like me can’t have access to this. There should be some studies,” she said. I has been a long, hard road,” she said. “I can’t get out of bed without a lift.” Her weight has gone as low as 86 pounds, and the marijuana also seems to help reduce nausea, she added. Her husband, a carpenter, has organized a small organization to push the National Multiple Sclerosis Society to study marijuana’s effects on people with the disease, he said.

Dr. Stephen Reingold, vice president for research at the Multiple Sclerosis Society, said the society has studied marijuana and found no clinical data to support any benefits. He said objective examinations did not find improvement, although patients in some studies did report feeling better.

One study, meanwhile, found a worsening of balance among patients who used marijuana, he said. Some patients have reported that spasticity declines with marijuana, although Reingold said medications exist that also help with spasticity, the tightening of muscles that can devastate some multiple sclerosis sufferers.

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**The Real World**

by students of the Cooperative Education Program

By Rosemary Gutierrez

My co-op experiences changed my life. Although it sounds like a cliché, it is absolutely true. Before I worked at my first co-op I had only a glimpse of what a career would entail. Now I’ve seen the hour to hour responsibilities and pressures that a career professional has to contend with.

The co-op experience has opened my eyes that mediocrity will not propel you up the corporate ladder. I’m now a Junior as an English major and a journalism minor. I began my first co-op at a public relations agency approximately two years ago. Thanks to Reesa Greenwald, co-op assistant director and counselor, I learned all about the company, about dedication and about what it takes to gain experience. The first thing Reesa said to me, before she set up my interviews was, “make sure you really want to do this”. Well, I realized that knowing that you want to do something is a prerequisite to learning.

My two co-ops have given me a clear idea of what skills will be necessary to make it in the real world: experience, enthusiasm, curiosity, and hard work.

When I started my first co-op, I knew nothing about the field of public relations. However, because of the partnership MSU has with employers, I received a one-of-a-kind education and walked away with a clear idea of what public relations is all about. From day one, I actively searched out and read all about public relations and past client accounts to help me to understand the goal of the agency. Then, I asked question upon question.

At each step, it was up to me to prove myself competent and to pursue more opportunities for learning. In addition to the research, I could not forget the perhaps brainless duties such as copying and updating media lists that I learned were part of the foundations of the business. I had to learn to prioritize and organize those tasks in order to have time for special projects.

The executives of the agency acknowledged my contributions to the company and invited me into planning meetings for new business, to observe and join in. If I hadn’t voiced my desire to learn, my co-op may have been a disappointment.

The co-op office offers students opportunities to explore different career options. I started a new co-op position this semester and it was a great move. While my first co-op taught me to organize and be outgoing, my new co-op utilizes both these skills but now I’m focusing on writing. When I graduate I’m confident that I will have the skills that corporate America looks for, because through the co-op program, I will have had many excellent chances to develop those skills.
Always Right
by John Brost

For those of you who don’t know, I am a legislator in the Student Government Association. In the SGA we love to talk about how much influence we have, all the money we can appropriate, and all the things we can accomplish to make life a little bit better at MSU. Occasionally, the SGA hears from students who have complaints and ask the SGA to act on their behalf. Much of the time, we can do something to remedy the situation. Every so often, however, there’s a problem that we just don’t have the power to solve.

A few weeks ago, I heard about some students who were facing one of these situations, a situation that a bill in the SGA wouldn’t solve. Four undergraduate students were facing disciplinary action from Residence Life, relating to an incident at their Clove Road apartment in October. The director of the Clove Road apartments, Gretchen Reyes-Cseplo, saw a door propped open leading into one of the apartments. Upon entering, she saw that there were a number of students (stranded on campus due to the Nor’easter occurring that day) in the apartment, celebrating Homecoming, which had taken place earlier that day.

Ms. Cseplo ordered those congregated to leave immediately. The crowd soon dispersed, and no complaint was ever issued by any other resident. The guests were members of the two organizations involved in a float and dance, as well as a select number of friends. Although there was alcohol present at the gathering, it is permitted at the apartments.

Shortly after this night, the residents were given word that they were to be placed on probation by Residence Life, which would mean their expulsion from the apartments at Clove Road. It was alleged that the party violated two rules: exceeding the maximum occupancy of the apartment and having excessive traffic in and out of the apartment. The four students immediately appealed, and appealed again and again as their sentence was upheld. Prior to this, all of the residents of the apartment had spotless records.

While appealing, the students rounded up letters from various members of the faculty of MSU, including a department chair, attesting to the exemplary behavior of these students. Also noted was their leadership in various facets of campus life. Nevertheless, their appeals were denied time and time again until, just recently, their final appeal was denied, meaning that they may no longer live at Clove. Three of the four students moved into rooms in dormitories on campus. The other student was so disgusted by Residence Life that he moved home.

No one denies that the students broke a rule. But a precedent had been set since the beginning of the semester that parties were allowed at Clove, as proven by the fact that a number of parties this year had already taken place at other apartments, without repercussion.

To prove this, the four reprimanded residents drew up a list of students who could attest to being at other parties. Residence Life, according to the residents, later admitted that other parties had taken place throughout the semester.

They, as well as those to whom the decision was appealed, nonetheless decided to ignore this precedent and instead decided to throw the book at the four residents. Other parties broken up that very same night, for essentially the same reasons, didn’t face disciplinary procedures; the residents of one apartment were used as an example to the rest of the Clove Road residents.

Before moving in, the residents of Clove Road realize that there will be some additional noise and activity near their apartments during the year. In exchange, though, it is expected that some additional freedom will be given to them, especially involving parties. In fact, it is more expensive, and more inconvenient, to live there, but it is worthwhile because of the lesser restrictive atmosphere. At least, it was, until this year.

Compromise, similar to what was granted in the past, is necessary. Without it, MSU will become even more of a suitcase college than it already is. It is impossible to hold most social gatherings in the dormitories, and the University is now enforcing obsolete rules that make it illegal to hold them at Clove, as the actions of Ms. Cseplo clearly illustrate.

Furthermore, the party policy of the Clove Road apartments needs to be reconsidered, as should the policy that residents of Clove must vacate their apartment if they are found to violate policies once. As it exists, the enforcement of these policies stifles the social atmosphere that has existed in previous years at Clove. A fairer, more realistic policy, such as one that allows for a probation period after one incident, should be instituted.

If the University is going to enforce rules, they should do so consistently. The selective enforcement of rules suggests favoritism and injustice; if one party violating a rule is dangerous, all parties violating that rule are dangerous and should be stopped. If they are not stopped, then those who violate the rule later should not face expulsion from their apartment.

Regarding the four students who were expelled from Clove Road, I plan to further research the matter. I will continue to observe how Clove is being run and whether the actions being taken, including the selective enforcement of rules as in this case were typical or not.

The party’s over – at least at Clove Road

Have an opinion about what you read here? Let us know! E-mail your letters to the Montclarion Mailbag at navettaj@alpha.montclair.edu.
Main Editorial

A settlement, but not settled

Hopefully this week the SGA put the lid on the previous E-Board's sins as their predecessors. Unfortunately, the SGA had to pay a $39,000 settlement to former bookkeeper Kathy Rodriguez for eliminating her position in Dec. of 1996. At a time when money is tight in the SGA, $39,000 might seem like a lot of money, but it was worth it. If the case had been carried out, and Rodriguez won, the court fees and reward would have cost the SGA in excess of $45,000. No mention that this litigation could have been left for future administrations to deal with if the ruling had been appealed or the trial was prolonged.

The SGA, knowing that Ms. Rodriguez was good at her job, tried to hire her back, but the two sides could not reach a settlement. Rodriguez was requesting, along with her reinstatement, an apology and a new contract which stated that if her position was eliminated again she would receive 12 months worth of severance pay. The SGA could not agree with those terms and decided to settle out of court with money that will be taken out of the investment pool. But now that this is behind them, the SGA has a lot of work to do.

As professional staff, the secretary and bookkeeper are the only stable positions in the SGA. They help to maintain order from the administration to the next and know what works and what doesn’t.

Currently there is someone in the bookkeeper’s position, but a permanent replacement must be found soon. The SGA has taken a step in the right direction by forming a committee to search for a replacement, but this group must act quickly. The chaos of last semester shows the need for a competent and reliable bookkeeper, especially with all of the plans the SGA has for this semester.

Hopefully, the SGA will not commit the same sins as their predecessors who believed they did not need a bookkeeper. It is in the best interests of the SGA, all organizations, and the students that this vital position as soon as possible.

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Folk singer Dar Williams restores meaning to alternative

BY ERIN PERRY
ARTS EDITOR

In the stereotyped "Generation X" world of music today, where teenage angst and alternative grunge seems to dominate the charts, it is refreshing to hear something that truly defines 90's alternative, while integrating nostalgic 60's folklore. Last Friday, a nearly full Memorial Auditorium was entertained by folk singer, Dar Williams.

The show, co-sponsored by the Outpost in the Burbs coffeehouse, and MSU Student Activities, was opened by the folk act of Richard Shindell. Shindell played an array of original songs including, "The Ballad of Mary Magdalene," which recounts the fallen prostitute's encounter with Jesus Christ and seemed to hint that their ties were a bit more than the normal savior/sinner bonds. My favorite was the romantic, yet humorous, "Are You Happy Now?" where Shindell describes a Halloween breakup with lyrics; "You took the candy too." Shindell then played a song called, "Fishing," a tune the folk legend Joan Baez has decided to record. Closing his brief set with the sentiment, "Reunion Hill," and "Arrowhead," Shindell proved his lyrics are as strong as his acoustic talent.

Apologizing for having a cold, Dar Williams then took the stage and was greeted by an audience who seemed to already know the aspiring artist. Williams, despite her original sound, combining folk and innovative lyrics, has been classified by critics all over the country as being able to hold her own against such recording artists as Joni Mitchell, Joan Baez, Ani DiFranco, Joan Osborne, Natalie Merchant, Suzanne Vega, Tori Amos, and Sarah McLachlan.

Williams opened her set with "What Do You Hear In These Sounds?" a song she joked was inspired by her time in therapy. "The Babysitter's Here," recounts the artist's childhood memories of her hippie babysitter with lyrics, "And it's cool, yeah, please man, the babysitter's here." Williams also treated her eager audience with the first verse of a new song she is working on, "Teenagers Kick Our Butts," which she described as controversial.

My favorite song was the newly popular, "As Cool As I Am," which is Williams's feminist tune that she described as dealing with the market values of people and how women are considered a natural resource people take for granted. While the lyrics were powerful, "I will not hate women," I thought she played her guitar a bit faster than was needed. Another favorite of mine was "Southern California Wants to Be Western New York," a tune that describes soggy ceilings, rusty faucets, and wallpaper coming off the walls.

Shindell then joined Williams for a few closing original songs including, "If I Wrote You," "Nora," and "February." Both artists put on a great show and definitely deserve some attention from the "alternative" population.

Gallery One’s “In Vino Veritas” explores human condition

BY ERIN PERRY
ARTS EDITOR

Gallery One opened their Spring '97 semester with an open reception for Allison Fredericks and Jonathan Calm yesterday. The exhibit entitled, "In Vino Veritas," ("In Wine Comes Truth") originated from the artists, critiquing each other's work and trying to come up with a subject that related to both, while sipping wine.

Fredericks' five piece collection can be viewed separately or as a whole. Described by the artist as, "Having been raised with the traditional expectations of a woman I found it very difficult to develop and clarify my own voice... Throughout my artistic career I have explored the identification of woman. Only during the past year has this representation become autobiographical. The dialogue and discord seen here between the internal and the external is intended to expand beyond the 'frame' onto the viewer."

Fredericks' overlapping portraits, Between Ourselves #1, #2, and #3 (photography, mylar, acrylic, 1996) are extremely personal, displaying various moods and expressions, revealing insight into the self. Inspired by such artists as Deiter Appelt, Richard Avedon, and Arnulf Rainer, Fredericks integrates photography into her art work and reasoned, "Photography is the best way to have an instantaneous image of yourself, which can be manipulated at will."

Jonathan Calm's nine piece exhibit deals with such issues as masculinity, concealing secrets, and the fronts that people put up; emphasizing interior and exterior surfaces of people. Calm's statement is vague; "At present I am unable to construct written text for your reading insight. There has been a huge investment of self which went into the creation of these works before you. Instead of (ME) inventing text why not enjoy the show."

But Calm further explained, "This work is very new for me, a new direction. It is my first multimedia show, my previous work has been in sculpture, but it's not really about the materials, but rather the ideas." Calm's work is uncensored, raw, and honest.

Allison Fredericks has a BFA in fine arts from MSU with a concentration in figurative drawing. Fredericks has had four solo and fifteen group shows. Receiving numerous awards, the artist has also given lectures and workshops in papermaking. She is currently attending MSU for a graduate degree.

Jonathan Calm has a BFA in sculpture from MSU, with one of his creations on outdoor display on campus. Calm has featured his works in seven group shows. His work has acquired several awards and the artist has participated in various lectures and workshops.

"In Vino Veritas" is possibly the most unique show I have seen on this campus. It is on view at Gallery One until Jan. 31st, Don't miss it!
How many more bands are going to want to sound like Nirvana? This band sounds like every other bloody alternative/grunge band: the same grungy four bass riffs, same nasal “Green Day” lyrics and vocals, the same rapid and rapid-fast drum riffs; nothing is new. The only worthwhile song on the album is “Fireman,” which sounds exactly like Soundgarden’s “Spoonman.” Maybe they’re the same song—I don’t know. Their cover of Nirvana’s “Stain” sucked. Granted, interference can work to make a song a bit dark or mysterious, but it just doesn’t work in large doses. I doubt that they’re going to make it, since they have nothing to offer, but if they do, don’t waste the 15 bucks on the CD. In a word, Lit bit. * 1/2

Cinema Speedball Baby (MCA Fort Apache)
Demented rockabilly, jazz, 60s’ motorcycle movie kitsch-rock, dirty and grungy guitar, with alternative seasonings make Speedball Baby’s newest album something. Ron Ward’s voice sounds like a combination between a madman and a born-again preacher. The guitar work is droopy in the foreground and heavy and grungy in the background. The lyrics are bizarre. With songs names “Skull Poppin’,” “Skin Tastin’,” “Son of a Bitch,” and “Toss My Salad,” Speedball Baby mixes demented sexual imagery, with demented views of reality. This is not an album that you’ll put on at a party to dance to. This may not even be a CD to play amongst friends. It’s really weird. This is a CD you listen to by yourself, or with other demented people. If you like the demented musical stylings of King Missile (They’re the folks that brought you “Detachable Penis”), you may like this trip into the absurd. *** 1/2

Radio Iodine (radioactive)
Alternative? Well, if you consider alternative alternative, you probably have been hiding in a cave for a couple of years. Radio Iodine seems to be yet another band in the misnamed alternative movement. They sound like Nine Inch Nails with a female singer. I bet if you turned on 92.3 right now, you’d hear all of the sounds and rhythms that Radio Iodine features on their self titled CD. The sampled bass, the sampled drums, the really rapid hip-hop rhythm sequencing that The Prodigy is using now. They’re not bad—Ellen Persyn’s voice is tortured, well ranged, and clear. The bass riffs are booming, in a Garage/Nine Inch Nails, sort of way. The guitar playing, however, is boring. The music is as alternative as everything else that considers itself alternative. If you need an alternative from all of this alternativesm, don’t go for this. If you like K-Rock, and don’t mind the lack of originality that seems to be prevalent nowadays, this CD isn’t bad. *****

Slow to Burn Vanessa Duou (MCA)
I put this CD on while I was writing the other reviews. Thank goodness I did—it’s the best one of the bunch. Her voice is reminiscent of Sade’s—sweet, soft, and sensual. The music is subdued, but has a great, slow beat to it. It’s a mixture of Seal, Miles Davis, and Antonio Carlos Jobim. It’s the kind of music that can either relax you through its mellow, slow beat... or it could lead you to thoughts of romantic evenings with candle lit dinners with your significant other, with “rip each other’s clothing off romancing” to follow. This is definitely a great album, and I certainly hope it becomes popular. Celene Dion’s reign of terror over the airwaves must end! ********

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Sunday, Jan. 26
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Dorks on the Scene

A new serial “dating story from hell” by John J. O’Sullivan

The Setup:
“Dorks on the Scene” is the story six different men’s foibles and mishaps on the dating scene. They, because of various physical and psychological flaws, have a rather hard time at it. But, they don’t know that yet, nor do they care. Nor do they know each other yet, although they may meet later on. I don’t know yet. Maybe I’ll put them together in a self-help group. Maybe they’ll all get into some sort of auto accident. My cruel fate-playing sensibilities will come up with something. This is going to be interactive. If you like this whole concept, send me some E-Mail, or come down to The Montclarion and say, “John, I like this. I’d like to see Erik do this, or Edgar do that.” If I dig the idea, I may use it. If you don’t like the story, tell me that too.

GIRLS: If you have a favorite “PICKUP LINE FROM HELL” that was thrust upon you, I want to know. If you don’t like the story, tell me that too.

Character Sketches:
Erik Sveningsson Swedish, excellent body, excellent hair, excellent clothes, poor grasp of the English language. Some ladies don’t seem to care that he can barely speak English, (“I would like to meet your goldfish” is one of his favorite lines) but some run away after the third or fourth Daliesque line that comes muttered off of his breath. Oh, and he’s gay. He just hasn’t figured it out yet. That too comes later on in the story...

Edgar Boobsbry A glasses-clad warrior of the club scene. Edgar is a bit over-confident in his ability to woo the ladies. With his 6 foot, 146 pound “body of burning love,” he sure as hell ain’t Fabio. He has a yen for making out of date clothing look even more out of date. He’s the kind of guy that will use crappy pick-up lines, and not only will they not work, they fail miserably, making people involuntarily smack their hand against their forehead. Edgar’s luck, however, will change half way through the story, but that’s something to think about later....

Erik Wyble A rich computer magnate who’s new computer operating system is starting to take over Gate’s powerful Windows empire, is also one of the most frugal people in the free world. He’ll steal sugar packets, half-and-half containers, barbecue sauce, toilet paper—you name it, he’ll take it, so he won’t have to buy it. Typical computer geek features—Coke bottle glasses, poor nutritive habits (i.e. Snickers for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snack) exercise habits (i.e. none), and a bit on the fat side. Well, okay, he’s really fat. Women—well, none of the women believe that he’s rich, since he’s usually too busy stealing coasters or talking cyber-crap than paying attention to them. He’d rather be surfing the web. Besides, with that body?? He’d be better off hitting on manatees in Sea World. Yet he still tries.

(Admiral) Kirk McDougal He thinks that Star Trek™ is real life. Actually, he thinks that he’s the reincarnation of James T. Kirk (or would it be the preincarnation, since it’s in the preincarnation, since it’s in the future...ahh, I don’t know. He thinks that he can win women with his smooth James T. Kirk demeanor, and his Star Trek™ uniform. It doesn’t work, but it’s fun to watch.

Mikey Ioossi He’s a slow. He’s a slow in his dressing habits, wearing the same clothes eight or nine times—hey, if there isn’t any dirt on it, it’s still clean! He doesn’t wash every day “Every other day or so is fine.” He’s a slow with his habits—he smokes, picks his nose in public, scratches himself in front of large rooms, keeps his hand in his pants, doing God only knows what with his private parts, and has the mouth of a garbage barge. Women usually are too busy retching from his slobby countenance than actually paying attention to his advances. He’ll find somebody just like him though, don’t worry. Maybe it is true that everyone has someone. He’s probably going to get Soft Serv™ as a bride.

Jack J. O’Conner A popular syndicated humor (or is it humour) writer for a leading press syndicate, who has a huge following, has tons of fan mail daily and still is painfully shy. His favorite line is “Uhhhhhhhhhh uhhhhhh, ummmmm, Hi.”

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**Sports**

**Thursday, January 16, 1997**

**Women's b-ball continued from cover**

assist and, two steals.

During the second half, MSU came out and matched Rowan's offensive attack, with both teams scoring 48 points. However, the Red Hawk's 21 point deficit from the first half cost them the victory.

Other notable mentions include Colette Canfield's (West Orange) all-around effort of six points, eight rebounds, three blocks, and two steals. Shielah Jennings (Newark) contributed six points and three rebounds and Jill Singletary (West Milford) tallied 10 points, eight points, and two steals. Shielah Schultz (West Orange) all-around effort of six points and four rebounds.

“MsU’s our leading rebounder,” said Coach Bradley, “shows what kind of night we were having.” Klingert, with 12 points, was the only player to break single digits in scoring. Felicia Ingram (S. Brunswick) was the close second, scoring nine points, as well as 10 rebounds, two assists, and four steals. Villalta’s five assists, three points and three steals, coupled with Lindsay Robinson’s (Shrewsbury) seven points and four rebounds was just not enough against a physical CNJ team.

“We’re pretty banged up. When we were 11-1, we weren’t tested. These last two games when we were tested, we failed miserably. But it’s early, and we can definitely rebound from these two losses,” Coach Bradley finished.

The Red Hawks host the second of three NJAC home games on Saturday against Ramapo College, followed by William Patterson next Wednesday.

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**The Master Debate**

**by Dennis L. DeMercurio**

**Sports Editor**

Welcome to the Master Debate column! With this section, I intend to turn over its contents to the students for discussion of Sports related topics. Each week, a question shall be put forth here to be answered by you, the student. If a professional sports player is convicted of a crime or imposed a fine, should the player’s team be held accountable? Should MSU sports events be simulcast on WMSC? Should the Athletic Program be expanded? Each week, a question shall be put forth here to be answered by you, the student. If a professional sports player is convicted of a crime or imposed a fine, should the player’s team be held accountable? Should MSU sports events be simulcast on WMSC? Should the Athletic Program be expanded? For the answer to these and other questions, just remember to pick up the Montclarion following issue and one or more entries may be published.

This week’s topic:

**Should the NFL restore instant replay?**

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**Fearless Superbowl Forcasts**

**Tom Tracy: Editor-in-Chief**

Green Bay Packers 32, New England Patriots 10

“Reggie White will finally get well-deserved Superbowl ring”

**John J. O’Sullivan: Managing Editor**

New England Patriots +14 over Green Bay Packers

“I like Samuel Adams Boston Lager™”

**Dennis L. DeMercurio: Sports Editor**

New England Patriots +14 over Green Bay Packers

“The Big Tuna becomes King Fish!”

**Kevin P. Hancock: News Editor**

New England Patriots +14 over Green Bay Packers

“With the NFC winning 12 straight, the AFC gets lucky with #13!”

**Timothy M. Casey: Photo Editor**

Green Bay 29, New England 13 -my pick since September

“I’ll be watching the game at the Theta Xi Party, you should too!”

**Erin Perry: Arts Editor**

Green Bay Packers -14 over New England Patriots

“I just love a team that knows how to pack!”

**Jodi Kastel: Assistant Arts Editor**

Green Bay Packers +14 over New England Patriots

“Cause I like Cheese, though I’m lactose intolerant!”

**Andy Huntoon: Facial Piercing Supervisor**

Green Bay -14 over New England “ Green Day and Volvos suck”
Omar Polanco escapes from Delaware Valley wrestler on Saturday

Wrestling continued from back cover

won the 142 pound weight class by a 15-8 decision; Senior Scott Steepe (Lakeland Regional) won the 177 pound class by a 9-2 decision and sophomore Barrett Cervetto (Pinelands) won the heavyweight division.

But a strong Delaware Valley team combined with MSU forfeits put any ideas of victory to rest. MSU sacrificed the 167 pound, 190 pound, and the heavyweight classes, giving up 18 team points and increased Delaware Valley’s total team score to 39. The Red Hawks scored only nine points. They did have two victories, however, as Galeta decisioned his opponent in the 142 pound class to put up three team points, and Steepe pinned his opponent at 6:48 to add six team points.

The team then tried to recover on Tuesday night against Ursinus College, but again they were out-scored, 34-12. The MSU pins came from Cervetto and Steepe.

The Red Hawks try to rebound on January 25th when they head to Oswego, NY to play the 8-5 College of New Jersey Lions. The result was nearly identical to their previous game. Again the Red Hawks were unable to execute in the closing minutes of the game. With the game knotted at 61 and about four minutes showing, the Lions went on to score 17 points and the Red Hawks scored just seven points losing, 78-68.

The Red Hawks were just three of seven from the free throw line, which may indicate a lack of interior penetration by MSU.
Fowler shot 12 three pointers and made only three, though he had a respectable game scoring 23 points in 34 minutes. He shot nine for 25 from the field, while adding six assists and three steals. Reilly’s performance, adding just seven points, was one for seven from behind the arc. Reilly’s biggest contribution to the team was his nine assists. Sutherland added ten points while shooting four for ten from the field.

The front-court mates of Weipz and Rex both enjoyed great games. Wiepz scored 20 points on nine for 12 shooting and added five boards within 35 minutes. Rex netted six points and a whopping 12 boards. Next up is Ramapo College Saturday at 4:00pm at the Panzer Gymnasium.
Men’s and Women’s Basketball lose two straight

Women drop to 11-3, 5-3 NJAC

**By Dennis L. DeMercuro**
Sports Editor

The MSU Women’s basketball nine-game winning streak came to an end last Wednesday night as the Red Hawks fell to New Jersey Athletic Conference rival, Rowan College, 90-69.

On the loss, Head Coach Gloria Bradley said, “We came out timid and tentative. We didn’t stick to any of the elements of the game plan, which was to control the boards, control the ball, and run the offense.”

MSU’s first half was unproductive, scoring on only seven of 29 field goal attempts, while Rowan went 18 of 41. With the score 42-41 in Rowan’s favor at the half, the Red Hawks poor performance would come back to haunt them at the end of the game.

Lisa Villalta (Harrison) was five of 10, scoring 14 points, four assists, and had six steals. Tracy Singletary (Keasby) added 12 points, nine rebounds, and two assists while Heidi Klingert (Linwood) supplied 11 points, four rebounds, and two assists.

The Red Hawks were defeated 73-65 by the Rowan College Profs last Wednesday, January 15th. With the game tied at 61 and just four minutes remaining, the Red Hawks were unable to come through down the stretch, scoring just four more points. Additionally, the 12-0 Profs pulled down 13 more rebounds than the Red Hawks, who shot a dismal 31.4% from the field.

The Red Hawks are 12-2 in the 134-pound class tourney: in the 134-pound class was freshman Justin Naddeo (Bergen Catholic), who won by a 6-2 decision; Sophomore Dan Geleta (St. Benedict’s) contributed with points in 24 minutes and Felix Alicea continued on p. 23.

Wrestling falters, record now 3-5-1

**By Christopher Lepre**
Assistant Sports Editor

Posting a 3-3-1 record, the MSU wrestling team entered last Saturday’s dual meet against Delaware Valley with the hopes of surpassing their level of success that earned them third place in the Hunter Tournament on January 11th.

Delroy Meredith struggles for a pin against Delaware Valley

Out of ten schools invited, MSU scored 105 points, third only to SUNY Binghamton’s 143.5 points and Nassau Community College’s 147.5 points.

Four Red Hawks won their weight classes at the tournament: John Weipz (Waretown) contributed with four points in 24 minutes and Felix Alicea continued on p. 23.

Red Hawks win with 14 points

**Stat of the Week**

Pat Stat: New Englands’ 1995 record was 6-10. In 1980, the 49ers were 6-10 and won the Superbowl the next year.

Pack Stat: The last time Green Bay appeared in the Superbowl, they were also a 14-point favorite. The last team to be a 14-point favorite in New Orleans was Minnesota in Super Bowl IV. They lost to Kansas City.

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