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SGA planning walkout to protest tuition increase

By Paula Laosa 
Staff Writer

The SGA is planning a series of rallies that will conclude with a student “walkout” on April 15, Tax Day, at 12 p.m. in the Student Center quad against the proposed tuition increase caused by a $2,795,000 budget gap, SGA President Amy Fisher said.

The first rally will be on March 25. Students concerned with the tuition increase will have a chance to speak in front of the Board of Trustees about how the increase will affect them. Fisher expressed her hope that a large group of students attend the rally so that their concerns are heard and taken seriously.

The second rally will be on April 8 at the next Board of Trustees meeting. Fisher said another large group of students with signs is needed at the rally to show the university asking them to be sympathetic to the students during the walkout. She realizes sacrifices will have to be made by the students and wants the penalties of the rally to be minimized.

“I think the rallies are a good idea, the only people who change things are those who speak up,” Jen Maillet, a speech communication major said.

The rallies are geared towards the state and the MSU administration. The SGA is also trying to organize a letter writing campaign to legislators to voice student concerns.

The state cut MSU’s managed attrition program almost $1/2 million, said Harry Schuckel, Executive Director of MSU’s Budget and Planning Office: In addition, the state did not give MSU the funds for negotiated salary increases which will cost MSU an estimated $2.3 million.

Matthew McDermott, a state treasurer spokesperson, said the reason for the reduced funds was due to research that showed NJ state schools have increased their fund balances, Continued on p. 5

English department proposes its own GER plan

By Kevin P. Hancock 
News Editor

The English department voted to publicly support one of the five proposals given by the University Senate’s General Education Requirement Committee, “with modifications”, yesterday.

“Though there was overwhelming support” among English faculty members to support the GER Committee’s “Model 5” which is closest to the GER program in use now, said Dr. Janet Cutler, Deputy Chair of the English department.

The department released it’s “Resolutions on General Education” in which it states it’s support for Model 5 with some additions, rejecting other models which propose more drastic changes in the program.

The proposal states, “we consider Model 5 the most balanced and academically sound of the models, we call upon faculty in all departments to support the adoption of Model 5 with modifications”.

Model 5 is one of the five proposals from the GER Committee, headed by chairperson Helen Roberts. The committee presented the results of their two and a half years of work at University Senate meeting on February 26.

The proposals are being distributed to faculty, administrators and librarians with questionnaires to get feedback on the proposals.

“I think that the department wanted to make a statement on the issue because we were concerned about the integrity of the General Education program,” said Cutler. “We wanted to take a stand because we think this is a serious issue.”

MSU professor passes away

By Alan Smith 
Staff Writer

A former Psychology department chair at Montclair State University, died on March 2, a department spokesperson said.

Professor John Seymour, 79, of Cedar Grove, suffered a heart attack, said Jesse Young, chairperson of the Psychology Department.

Seymour was employed at the college from 1967 to 1987 where his last eleven years were spent as chairperson of the Psychology department.

“He was a scholar, a gentleman, and a great administrator,” Young said.

The current department chairperson, David Townsend, said that the department expanded greatly under Seymour and added, “he was very influential in the current setting of the program”.

Robert Goggins, of Psychological services at the university, said that Seymour was a prominent psychologist throughout the state and was still practicing at the time of his death.

He was president of the New Jersey Academy of Psychology, the New Jersey Psychological Association, and the Essex County Psychological Association, at various times in his career.

Goggins described Seymour’s death as, “a great loss... he was always willing to give time and energy to others,” and added, “he continues to live inside us through his example”.

Seymour is survived by his wife, Charlotte, and daughter, Claire.
**International**

Japanese nuclear facility accident exposes 21 to radiation

Two fires broke out Tuesday at a nuclear waste facility in Tokai, Japan, northeast of Tokyo, officials said. At least 21 employees were exposed to small amounts of radiation when the first fire caused a leak. No one was in the facility during the second incident. No warnings were issued for the area around the plant, and officials said the only radioactivity observed was well within safe limits.

The second fire broke out with an explosive sound, said a spokesman for the state-run Power Reactor and Nuclear Fuel Development Corp.

Another spokesman said the cause of the fires was under investigation, and declined to speculate on what may have caused them or the explosion.

Bomb found outside Hong Kong's legislative building

Police detonated a suspicious package after a bomb scare outside Hong Kong's legislature on Wednesday just hours before a major session on the annual budget was due to get under way, a police officer at the scene said.

“The package was outside the building, not inside,” a guard working at the Legislative Council building said.

Police blocked off roads around the Legco building during the morning rush hour. A police officer said bomb disposal experts blew up the suspicious parcel with a robot. “The robot just moved to the back of the building. There was an explosion. There was no smoke, just a bang,” a witness said.

The incident occurred six hours before Financial Secretary Donald Tsang was due to present his annual budget to Legco, the last budget before China takes Hong Kong back from Britain on July 1.

U.S. rules out military intervention in Zaire crisis

The U.S. on Tuesday renewed its push for a political solution to Zaire’s crisis and continued to rule out an American role in a proposed military intervention force.

“We are not prepared right now to sign on to a multinational force,” State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns told reporters.

Burns said U.S. officials would continue to discuss the multinational force idea, which was put forward by U.N. Secretary General Kofi Annan and is backed by Paris. But he said Washington believes the political cause being pursued at the moment is the right one.

“We think that actually what’s being done is the best way to help the refugees and to stop the fighting, to pursue the cease-fire and to continue to encourage the United Nations to deliver this humanitarian assistance,” he said, adding, “We do not believe there is a military cause to the problems of Zaire.”

Rebels have captured a portion of eastern Zaire, driving Rwandan Hutu refugees before them, and now threaten the government stronghold of Kisangani. They announced other advances Tuesday.

**National**

Investigators still searching for cause of flight 800 disaster

Federal investigators in New York said on Tuesday that there is “no physical evidence” to support the claim that a missile brought down TWA flight 800.

The statements come a day after the FBI seized a videotape that may show an object speeding toward the jet seconds before it exploded.

The FBI has launched a criminal investigation into two people who claim they have government materials and crime scene evidence showing that a missile was responsible for the explosion, a top law enforcement source said.

Federal Investigators still have not ruled out the missile theory entirely.

Testifying before a House subcommittee, National Transportation Safety Board Chairman James Hall said three theories of how the plane crashed a missile, a bomb or mechanical failure, are still “on the table.”

Gunman kills three, wounds two in Detroit

Three people were killed and two were wounded when a gunman went on a random shooting spree in Detroit on Tuesday morning before being shot himself by police.

Detroit police say the incident began when Allen Lane Griffin, 21, approached a man on a city street and shot him in the face. He then stole a car and drove to a bank about a block away.

The gunman, who was wearing camouflage, entered the bank firing a shotgun. He ordered people inside the bank to lie on the floor and join him in reciting the Lord’s prayer as he shot people.

Two bank employees were killed and another wounded.

After a bank employee tripped an alarm, police say Griffin left the bank, grabbing a hostage on his way out. When he killed the hostage, police opened fire, shooting about 200 rounds at him.

Military thief convicted in Wisconsin

A military surplus dealer was convicted Tuesday in Madison, Wisconsin, of masterminding the largest ever theft of fighting equipment from a U.S. military base.

Among the $13 million worth of items Leo Anthony Piatz was accused of stealing from Fort McCoy in Wisconsin were a tank and 17 armored personnel carriers.

Piatz, 37, nicknamed “Tanker Tony,” was found guilty on charges of conspiracy, bribery and conversion of government property. He faces up to 125 years in prison and $2.75 million in fines at his sentencing next month. Five others charged in the scheme face trial in June.

Prosecutors said there was no evidence that any of the equipment ended up in the hands of extremist groups or hostile governments.

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Reid to address student concerns at residence halls

**SGA News & Notes by John Brost**

The latest meeting of the Student Government Association saw the passage of two Class One charters, the chartering of a new organization, and a re-chartering of a Class Four organization. In addition, money was granted to subsidize students on a trip to Montreal over Spring Break, and to bring a speaker to campus to discuss Palestinian-Israeli conditions in the Middle East.

Class One Concerts and the Montclarion were both granted Class One charters for the academic year 1997-1998. Class One Concerts has presented such groups as A Tribe Called Quest and Soft Parade, a tribute to the Doors, during the past academic year.

Class One concerts has already worked with Players, a improvisation troupe, and various faculty, students who had no place to go over the break, as their families lived in many different countries. In addition, it was pointed out that the event was open to all students and that the organization had raised much of the money for the trip, and was only asking the SGA to supplement funding for the trip.

In a bill for which debate began last week, the International Student Organization was granted $360 for a trip to Montreal, Canada, during Spring Break. Opponents of the bill claimed that it provided money to pay for a vacation for 15 students. Proponents of the bill argued that it benefited students who had no place to go over the break, as their families lived in many different countries. In addition, it was pointed out that the event was open to all students and that the organization had raised much of the money for the trip, and was only asking the SGA to supplement funding for the trip.

In a bill much like one passed a few weeks ago, the Muslim Student Association and Amnesty International, a Class III and Class II organization, respectively, were granted $150 to bring Dr. Norman Finkelstein to campus to discuss conditions in the Middle East. Money was originally granted on the condition that a speaker would be provided by the Jewish Student Union to debate with Finkelstein. Due to events beyond the control of the organization, this speaker was not able to make the event, scheduled for March 26, and a new bill was written to grant the money for Finkelstein to give an educational speech rather than engage in a debate.

Also at the meeting, Sigma Phi Rho was granted a Class IV Charter for the academic years 1997-1999.

Memorial to be held for MSU friend and professor

**by Kevin P. Hancock News Editor**

A memorial service for former MSU professor and Director of Residence Life Raymond M. Stover, Jr., will be held on Monday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in the Montclair State University Student Center Ballrooms.

Stover, of the Department of Counseling, Human Development, and Educational Leadership, died on Sunday, January 12, after a long battle with cancer.

Stover spent 17 years with Residence Life and then moved on as a professor in the Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership in Spring 1987. Stover was considered a wonderful and dedicated worker by his colleagues and students.

"The service will give faculty, staff and residents a chance to come and share in his memory," said Margaret Coleman-Carter, Director of Residence Life. The memorial for Stover, who was a member of a barbershop quartet, will include singing from a quartet, and various faculty, and student speakers who worked with the 30 year MSU veteran, said Coleman-Carter.

Supporting Yvonne

A senior Biology student suffered a brain aneurysm this Monday morning. Yvonne Collins, who is scheduled to graduate this year, currently rests in a coma. Her present condition and location was unavailable at press time. The following message, however, is offered by the Student Government, and her friends here at Montclair State to show their:

Supporting you in our thoughts...

We, friends and colleagues, would like Yvonne, her family, and her close friends to know that we hold them all in our thoughts during these trying circumstances.

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Reid to address student concerns at residence halls

**by Kevin P. Hancock News Editor**

President Irvin Reid announced that he will be holding a series of residence hall visits in April, where all students will be invited to come and express concerns about different aspects of the university, and what they believe can be done to improve the university in the future.

The visits are a part of a plan that Reid calls, "Vision 2008". Reid described Vision 2008 as "my goal of having a vision statement that's consentually arrived at on the university by consulting all of the different constituencies, faculty, students, staff and so on."

Reid's upcoming visits to speak with students are a part of a broader set of meetings that the president is conducting with people from all areas of the university, including faculty and staff.

"My goal is to find out from the students what they would like to see happen here at the university as we move into the next millennium," said Reid.

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-MSU President Irvin Reid

All students are encouraged to attend the visits, not just those living in the residence halls Reid said. He hopes to address a broad array of topics from what kind of residence halls we should have in the future to what the university should be doing for commuting students.

Reid expressed his hope that he will hear suggestions from students on how to improve MSU. "I want to hear what they think the students that follow will want from a university in the future," said Reid.

The same type of meetings the ones planned for April were last held two years ago when students were invited to Reid's home to express their concerns.

Next month's visits by Reid will take place at these places and times: Stone Hall main lounge, Thursday, April 3; Blanton Hall atrium, Wednesday, April 9; Bohn Hall main lounge, Wednesday, April 16; Freeman Hall main lounge, Thursday, April 17, and the Clove Road office on Wednesday, April 23. All meetings will take place at 7 p.m., except for the Freeman Hall meeting which will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Reid expressed his hope that all students will come out and express their concerns at the meetings.

Have a pleasant and safe Spring Break!

The Montclair State University Foundation is pleased to announce that applications are currently being accepted for the LEBOFF SCHOLARSHIP FOR MSU STUDENTS. This scholarship is available to full-time undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled at Montclair State University. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of academic ability and achievement.

Completed applications must be sent or delivered to the MSU Foundation at Montclair State University. The Foundation's offices are located in the Bond House, 848 Valley Road, Upper Montclair, New Jersey. The deadline for applications for the 1997 LeBoff Scholarship awards if April 11, 1997. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Aid.
Holocaust survivor speaks to MSU students

By Lakresha Harris
Staff Writer

Survivor of the Holocaust and now successful builder and developer Joseph Bukiet, spoke to a class of MSU journalism students last Friday, and revealed to them his experiences in a Nazi concentration camp, and how creative thinking helped him survive.

Joseph Bukiet, born in 1923, and his family were originally from Proszowice, Poland before being forced from their homes. Although he and his brother managed to survive, the rest of his family perished.

His mother was gassed, his father was starved to death and his brother and sister were also killed.

“The miracle of the Holocaust is not why we survived, but how we survived,” Bukiet told the students.

Bukiet remembered when he first got off the train in Auschwitz, an enormous death camp. He immediately yelled to the guards “twenty-two, carpenter, healthy,” because he knew only the strong would survive. Bukiet, then only 17 years old, became the youngest Jew in Auschwitz at that time. Anyone under this age was usually killed.

“I learned the ropes fast,” said Bukiet. “Everyday was fifty percent survival”.

One year when Yom Kippur passed, Bukiet fasted. Although they received very little food anyway, he wanted to prove to Hitler that he couldn’t take away his humanity.

Bukiet was liberated from the camp on May 8, 1945 by the Russian army. They bought food for the starving camp survivors. “We ate ourselves to death,” Bukiet told the students. Some people literally died after they ate because they had not eaten so much for so long.

While in Auschwitz, Bukiet tried to do everything possible to keep living one more day. He stole silk shirts that once belonged to the Jews killed in the camp and sold them to German soldiers for extra food. He also recalled the day he found a piece of a sweater covered with lice on the ground. At night he would sleep with it because the biting lice made him itch all night long. Bukiet said that they were so weak from starvation and excessive work that many had died in their sleep. That piece of sweater helped save his life.

Although Bukiet believes that God is guilty of being a bystander during the Holocaust, he doesn’t blame God for what the Nazi’s did. “Heaven was given to God. The earth was given to man. Good or bad is up to us, it has nothing to do with God.”

Bukiet came to America in 1948 after President Truman passed a law that allowed 100,000 refugees to enter the U.S. With only a seventh grade education, Bukiet found numerous jobs over the years before becoming the owner of Bukiet Building Management.

He has no animosity towards Germans born after the war. Even as he eagerly showed the students the tattooed number on his left arm, this short and stocky man with his round-rimmed glasses continuously found time to tell jokes.

Bukiet said that he is proud of the numbers tattooed on his arm. He is not ashamed of them because he didn’t do anything wrong. He is a survivor.

Bukiet was invited to speak to the students in a Holocaust and the American Press class taught by Professor Ron Hollander.

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full-time staff, and total spending but the enrollment of the students has declined or remained the same at schools.

"When school college budgets are cut the first thing schools do is raise the tuition, they don’t look for ways to make up the funds," McDermott said. "Schools can identify saving strategies to compensate for this reduction. It is the responsibility of the administration to do everything they can before they raise tuition."

MSU has two main sources, tuition and expenditure reduction of current operations, that are substantial enough to make a contribution to the deficit, said Schuckel.

"It will be a painful decision (to decide) where the reductions will be made," Schuckel said. The decision will be left to the individual operational offices.

The SGA wants the administration to realize students are tired of paying so much for a state funded institution, said Fisher. They are sympathetic for the cuts that the university has to endure, but feel students shouldn’t have to pay the price for the state’s cut. It can come from other areas, it doesn’t have to be tuition, Fisher said.

One of the SGA’s goals is to create a statement to President Irvin Reid stating that the students are not willing to make up the difference for the administration’s budget gap.

Reid said he will try to minimize the tuition increase. He will not know the percent of the increase until the Board of Trustees vote on the budget in July.

Fisher said she would love to have students present at this meeting in July, but attempts in the past have to have students meet in the summer have not been successful.

Fisher’s main objective is to have students make a strong statement against the tuition increase before the summer break.

Many students are voicing their displeasure with the impending tuition hike. Mia Diez, a theater major, said a majority of her sorority, Alpha Iota Chi, will be "walking out" on April 15.

Jason Wills, a theater major, said the tuition increase may be the difference whether he graduates or not.

"The institution does not have many choices other than to raise the tuition if they want to continue to serve the large number of students at MSU," Schuckel said.

Voicing concerns about the budget cut and tuition increases is a state wide effort that was started at Ramapo Valley College. Other schools asked to be involved are, Rowan College, William Paterson College, Kean College, Rutgers University, and the College of New Jersey.

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MSU faculty and students react to rapper’s murder

BY Nakia White
STAFF WRITER

The Hip-Hop community lost another artist when Christopher Wallace, better known as the Notorious B.I.G., was gunned down on Sunday, March 9, in Los Angeles.

Wallace was shot in an apparent drive by after leaving a party for VIBE magazine in honor of the 11th annual Soul Train Music Awards. "Biggie," as he was known to fans, was rushed to Cedars Sinai Hospital where he was pronounced dead upon arrival at 1:15 a.m. P.S.T. He was only 24 years old.

MSU faculty members and students expressed their opinions on the rapper’s murder and the recent murder of Hip-Hop artist Tupac Shakur, who was also gunned down in a drive by shooting on Sept. 9, 1996.

Dr. Leslie Wilson of the History department commented on the murders, "They are both individuals and no one’s life should be taken in that manner. I won’t be surprised if they don’t find any suspects and no one is arrested for the crime." He went on by saying, "These murders are a travesty and they are a reflection of a larger society, they show a total disregard for the lives of African American males."

Dr. Stephens, chair of the Music department did not want to judge the murder, because no one really knows or understands the issues behind them. He believes that in instances like this life does not or should not imitate art, "you don’t condemn the art because of the act of a person. One doesn’t know what motivated the killing, it would be presumptuous to say that the art form itself perpetuated the act," Stephens said.

When students on campus were asked how they felt about the murder of "Biggie Smalls" there were an array of comments.

Kenyatta Montgomery, who was upset about the murder of the artist said, "People need to get away from the so-called gangsta image, there are not too many people out there who are able to separate art from life."

William Young commented by saying, "I think it’s sad when anyone gets shot," and Jennifer Rogoshewski who heard about the death of Biggie from a news station said, "I was not surprised to hear about the shooting, not after Tupac, it didn’t strike me as odd."

Not too long ago the Hip-Hop community was morning the death of Death Row recording artist Tupac Shakur. Shakur was shot in Las Vegas, Nevada after a Mike Tyson fight. His murderer has still yet to be found.

Wallace, father of two was gunned down at the peak of his career. His first album “Ready to Die” went platinum, and his second long awaited album ironically entitled “Life After Death….. To Death Do Us Part” will be released on March 25th.
was brought to Campus Police for safe keeping. It was later returned to REM Vending.

3/10 - A Blanton Hall resident reported receiving a harassing phone call.

3/10 - A Bohn Hall resident found her room unlocked when she returned from a weekend visit home.

3/10 - A Professor reported an unruly student disrupting her class. She reported the problem to Dean Matusow-Ayres and Vice President Wilcox. The student was escorted from the class, and was advised to contact Dean Matusow-Ayres.

3/10 - A female student reported receiving a harassing E-Mail. The possible suspect was identified, but the student wants no further action at this time.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

3/6 - Persons unknown knocked over an art object in the Life Hall Art Gallery.

3/8 - Person(s) unknown damaged the tail-lights of three cars parked in Lot 23.

3/10 - Person(s) unknown damaged the wheelchair lift in a shuttle bus parked overnight on Heating Plant Way, since the rear door is unsecured. The maintenance director was notified.

ARRESTS

3/8 - Officers responded to a fight between a male and female in Bohn Hall. The assailants were identified as Michael Green of Port Norris, and Nadion Burton of Paterson. Burton had a visible injury. Green was arrested on the scene and was transported to Campus Police headquarters. Green, however, signed criminal complaints against Burton. Burton, on the other hand, signed an additional criminal complaint of terroristic threats. After further investigation, Green was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance, possession of a hypodermic needle, and two counts of possession of a weapon (knives). Green’s bail was set at $5,000, and was transported to Clifton Municipal Jail. Burton was released on her own recognizance.

3/12 - Jerome Armstrong of East Orange was arrested at his dorm room in Bohn Hall on a warrant from Little Falls Municipal Court. Bail was set at $500. Armstrong was unable to post bail, and was incarcerated in the Passaic County Jail.

OTHER

3/5 - Officer respond to the Blanton Hall loading dock, where they saw a car stuck in the mud after driving across the lawn. The driver was issued summons for careless driving, destruction of property, and improper parking.

3/10 - A Stone Hall resident reported that he was threatened by a female desk assistant at Stone Hall. The director of Stone Hall was notified.
Schroeder delivers keynote speech

BY Suzzanne Feigle

CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

The role of women in history and their gaining recognition in today's society were just two of the topics former Congresswoman Pat Schroeder discussed Thursday night as the Keynote Speaker for Women's History Month. After welcomes from both University President Dr. Irvin D. Reid and Director of the Women's Center Dr. Joan Ficke, Schroeder took the podium joking, "With all these doctors here, you almost think you're in an HMO!" She then began with a joke from one of her colleagues at Princeton University where she is currently a visiting professor. "I was told today that Congress just passed a new law. It is now a federal crime to clone Newt Gingrich.

After the audience settled, Schroeder spoke on the various women who have been overlooked in most history textbooks. "We are taught that the men came over here on dangerous ships and that women arrived on cruise ships, relaxing while having their hair and nails done. But this was not the case. Anne Hutchinson started the first colony in Rhode Island and during the revolutionary days, Martha Washington spent three winters keeping the Continental Army going. Unfortunately, these things are overlooked. Harriet Tubman possessed one of the greatest military minds of all time when working on the Underground Railroad, but we are hardly taught any of these things."

Schroeder then discussed how to this day, women are treated unfairly in Washington. In 1921, a statue was placed at the base of the Capital Dome signifying the beginning of Women's Suffrage. Three days later it was put in the basement because "the men of Washington didn't think she was pretty enough," she said. Now, seventy six years later, the statue still is in the basement. "If you want to use good looks as a criteria, I could do a whole lot of housecleaning, let me tell you. Some of the statues we have are ugly! We have statues of everything--buffaloes, you name it, yet no women! What's wrong here?"

While Schroeder pointed out many of the negatives women faced, she remained positive, "I am so glad to be living today, I'm 56 years old. If I was an average woman in the past century, I'd be dead, since women only lived to about 49. And if I lived overseas, my life would be worse because it most likely would be spent in jail. At least now I'm free and lose to express my opinions." Schroeder said.

Schroeder stressed the importance of sending out a clear message to our young women. "I come from a state [Colorado] where we are putting high heals and mascara on a five year old. I know that we are sending out a mixed message. First we tell girls to be doctors, then we tell them to marry doctors. We, as women, have to decide what we want," she said.

She also discussed two books that will be coming out in the spring that address the topic of discrimination against women. One is a study that although women control much of the spending, many of today's retail merchants do not have women in high positions. The other, entitled Taxing Women, looks at our unfair tax codes. When football tickets can be written off as a business expense and child care is not, I continued on p. 8

Dr. Joan Ficke: a feminist, a humanist

BY Liz Voltman

STAFF WRITER

As I reach the fourth floor of the Student Center, I'm greeted by the familiar smile of Deb Corasio, the Women's Center's Program Assistant. We are both heading for the office of Dr. Joan Ficke, Director of MSU's Women's Center. Inside, Dr. Ficke awaits my arrival.

"You can tell March is here," Ficke says, bearing with anticipation and pride as Women's History Month gets underway. It's so satisfying after all the months of planning and preparation to see everything coming together.

She first modestly sums up some of her impressive achievements. "This marks the fifth year that I have been working for MSU's Women's Center, though my affiliation with the institution spans about thirty years," says Ficke. "One of my friends calls me a 'lifer' and that's fine with me," she says.

Ficke received her undergraduate degree in Physical Education and Health from NYU, and though she received her master's degree and doctorate from the School of Health and Public Health from NYU, she kept her roots at MSU by coaching the women's basketball team. Then, about twenty years ago, she became an MSU faculty member in the Department of Health Professions.

During these two decades, she has held a variety of interesting positions. For example, she has taught GE courses and major courses concerning Health Professions, has been a supervisor for the Cooperative Education program, has been involved with graduate course work, and is Vice President of the American Federation of Teachers, Local 1904. "I've touched upon most of the pieces you can get yourself involved with in academics, and I really enjoy the stimulation and challenges that these options bring," says Ficke. "And since I tend to be an advocate, the Women's Center in particular gives me the platform to articulate the ideas and values that I live by in my day to day life as a feminist. This is important to me."

Of all the strides Ficke has made at the Women's Center, one that she is most proud of is the hand she had in developing the first annual Sexual Assault Awareness Day, Oct. 1, during only her second month on the job. Raising awareness concerning this issue is one of her most passionate convictions. She explains, "Until women have equity in all spheres of life, they're going to be disadvantaged and this gratuitous violence will continue. But good faith efforts and communication are ways to work towards neutralizing this gender inequity."

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When she's not busting about campus, Ficke, an athletic ethele, is sure to be engaging in fitness and well-being activities such as jogging and meditation. "I know the value of being quiet and centered," she says. She also enjoys walking with her husband of eleven years, Dr. Joseph Moore.

"Joan is a woman with strong convictions. She has such a wide range of interests and the talents to match them. We have a lot of common values and share everything. I've been a feminist for twenty-five years."

Dr. Ficke is a longtime respected figure on MSU's campus. "I admire her for her strength and devotion to MSU. She is committed to empowering many of the individuals that make up the University to be the best they can be, which in turn, makes the University the best it can be," says Corasio, who works most closely with Dr. Ficke.

Dr. Linda Levine, who heads the Women's Studies Department, works on several programs with the Women's Center. "Joan is just an incredible person who generates such tremendous enthusiasm and energy concerning women's issues. She's a joy to work with," says Levine.

While Schroeder pointed out many of the negatives women faced, she remained positive, "I am so glad to be living today, I'm 56 years old. If I was an average woman in the past century, I'd be dead, since women only lived to about 49. And if I lived overseas, my life would be worse because it most likely would be spent in jail. At least now I'm free and lose to express my opinions." Schroeder said.

Schroeder stressed the importance of sending out a clear message to our young women. "I come from a state [Colorado] where we are putting high heals and mascara on a five year old. I know that we are sending out a mixed message. First we tell girls to be doctors, then we tell them to marry doctors. We, as women, have to decide what we want," she said.

She also discussed two books that will be coming out in the spring that address the topic of discrimination against women. One is a study that although women control much of the spending, many of today's retail merchants do not have women in high positions. The other, entitled Taxing Women, looks at our unfair tax codes. When football tickets can be written off as a business expense and child care is not, I continued on p. 8
Dear Career Services... Q&A

Q Is there any information on the World Wide Web for biology students seeking information on careers, and also, are there ways to find actual job openings on the Web? There are some very interesting and informative sites for biologists and biology majors on the Web. One such site is the Wadsworth Biology Resource Center at http://www.tiac.net:80/users/zelda.thomson.com/rcenters/biology/biology.html offers information on major areas of the field such as general biology, molecular and cell biology, oceanography/marine science, microbiology and even environmental science. This website is an extension of the Wadsworth Publishing Company's Resource books in the biology area so you can be sure the content is compiled by experts. There are online textbooks for all the major areas of biology and links to other biology related sites. There is an excellent "Career Center" designed for undergraduates considering a career in the biology field and lots of links and information about how to go about searching for a job when you graduate (or even before).

Another useful page is the Cell and Molecular Biology Online page at http://www.w3i.ac-net:80/users/pngannon/ although this one is more specifically oriented fro that area of the biology field. However, it has some nice links for professional societies and organizations, electronic journals, and a fascinating section on current research with links to many prestigious research sites - a great way to get a feel for your field! This page also has a career resources link including resources for undergraduates.

A page written by a recent medical school graduate has lots of relevant information for those studying biology with a view to medical school. It's called "Erick's Guide to Medical School Admissions" and can be found at http://www.seas.upenn.edu:80/santos/Medguide.html. This page is written by a seventh year medical school student who is experienced with the admissions process to medical school having spent two years as a student interviewing applicants to University of Pennsylvania MD/PhD program. There is some very solid advice on this page with a personal touch too.

Also, for intensive job searching there is the Montclair State University Career Services Home Page with lots of links to Internet resources for finding what jobs are out there on the Internet, plus lots of advice on the job application process, from resumes to cover letters to interviews. It's at http://www.montclair.edu/Pages/CareerServices/Career.html. Good luck with your job search!

Q I hear people mention jobs in non-profit and don't really understand the term. What does it mean and how can I find out about jobs?

A A nonprofit organization is one whose mission is not financial. The main purpose of a nonprofit is to carry out some good work or to advance a particular cause. Unlike the private sector of the economy which exists to create goods and services and make a profit, nonprofits are precluded by law from making a profit. This sector of the economy includes public education, public libraries, social service agencies, foundations, health care facilities, religious organizations, and artistic, cultural, historical and community organizations. Each of these areas can be further broken down into other areas. If you think that working in the nonprofit area may be what you are after, come to the Career Library to read more about this area in general and about specific jobs.

As to specific job listings, Career Services subscribes to a number of job banks in the arts, recreation, communication, social service, the environment, higher education and more. Come into the office to review these jobs. Also visit Career Services on the Internet at http://www.montclair.edu/Pages/CareerServices/Career.html where you will find listings worldwide.

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The refreshing facts about coffee

BY ROY KENNEY
STAFF WRITER

In the March edition of Men's Health there was an interesting article on coffee. Somehow the not-so-good for you addiction turns out to be a favorable one. "The studies concerning the ill effects of coffee on blood cholesterol levels were conducted without using coffee filters. Researchers have learned that 'filterless' coffee reaps havoc for the body. 'It's very hard to come up with anything damning about coffee,' says Harvey Wolinsky, M.D., Ph.D., cardiologist, internist and professor of medicine at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York City. Coffee does cause heart palpitations in a small percentage of the population, which is why it's not recommended for heart arrhythmia patients."

If coffee has one great drawback, it's the fact that caffeine creates a physical dependence, according to Roland Griffiths, Ph.D., professor in the departments of psychiatry and neuroscience at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. "People who consume caffeine on a daily basis may experience headaches, muscle aches and fatigue if they quit it abruptly," he says. Just going overnight without coffee can be long enough to induce mild caffeine withdrawal symptoms, though most people start to feel crummy after about 18 caffeine-free hours. It doesn't matter how much coffee you consume per day-one, three, five cups-you can still become physically dependent on the stuff.

Roasting brings out the flavor of the coffee beans. And the longer they're roasted, the darker the beans, the richer the flavor of the coffee. We can't tell you which is the best roast, but we can tell you that American roast is the lightest (or weakest) and that espresso roast is the darkest (or most bitter). But strong taste doesn't equal higher caffeine content; in fact, a shot of espresso has less caffeine than a cup of regular drip coffee.

To keep your coffee from tasting stale, store your beans in the fridge and not the freezer. You could freeze away some of the bean's oils, which will make for dull ice. (Men's Health February '97)"

Ficke, cont. from p. 7

years, which makes us a great fit," says Moore, who teaches history at MSU. "As our conversation closes, Dr. Ficke concludes with her timeless piece of homegrown advice for all women. "Value your own merits and respect yourself. Make choices in life that you wish to make, not what you think others and the culture expect of you. Never, ever let your gender limit your choices," she says.
Log On @ MSU
by Rita Bronnenkant

Using the Web as a library

Just in case you haven’t yet had your fill on the subject of cloning, there’s the International Cloning Society. Really. Can’t imagine what goes on at their meetings. Check them out at http://wyattweb.com/freepage/a/adafferty@msn.com/home.shtml. New Scientist - Planet Science is interested in what you think on this subject. Visit them at http://www.newscientist.com/clone/ and scroll down to the BioEthics Forum.

You don’t have to be a bookworm to appreciate the Librarian’s Index to the Internet, http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/InternetIndex/. I was particularly impressed with their collections of links for cultures of the world, law, organizations, and people. For those who think they know it all, check out the Notable Citizens of Planet Earth biographical dictionary, http://www.tiac.net/users/parallax/. Search the database of over 18,000 names of people from ancient times to the present by name, keyword, date, or combination of these. It’s a handy quick reference.

Now there is NO excuse for being lost - on the road, at least - ever again. Map it out before you go by logging on to Yahoo! Maps, http://www.vicinity.com/yahoo/. After you have made your map, you can also get point-to-point driving directions, http://www.vicinity.com.yt.hm?FAM=3Dy. Enter the starting location info, then the destination info. Voila! Written directions, instantly! It doesn’t get any easier, folks.

World peace is something we can all help to create. At the PeaceNet site, http://www.igc.org/igc/peace net/, you can explore information and work for positive social change in the areas of peace, social and economic justice, human rights, and the struggle against racism.

PeaceNet also claims to be the only unionized Internet service provider in the U.S. The Graduate Student Newsletter, http://www.tgsa.com/altpages/tgsawww.html, provides tips on conducting research on the net and looking for a research topic. How is this for grad school? Duke University has the Global Executive MBA Program, http://www.fsqua.duke.edu/programs/gemb/index.htm. Most of it is done via computer from wherever you are! Before you race to send in your application be aware that a requirement for admission is eight years experience in a managerial capacity. I expect to see some MSU alumni there in the not too distant future!

Do you get junk email? I do and the amount seems to be increasing. Well, the Nevada state senate has introduced a bill that would make sending unsolicited ads directly to email accounts a misdemeanor! The bill is modeled on prior legislation that bans unsolicited advertising over fax machines. Since NJ has no such law, I still have to go clean out my email box!

SCHROEDER, Cont. from p. 7. there is definitely something wrong. Women are paying into Social Security, and aren’t getting anything back. Things are wrong and I’m just too tired to wait much longer for a change. If they [the federal government] are gonna tax us the same way, we should get the same treatment," said Schroeder.

After speaking, Schroeder answered questions from the audience.

“What was the one thing that you were not able to accomplish in Congress and that could empower," an audience member asked. “We could not get our colleagues to get involved. It was almost as if they believed people would think they were a quart low on testosterone if they supported us. Tonight, I am so happy to see the ballrooms filled and almost half of the audience are men. It shows that things are changing and I am very happy," Schroeder answered.

Schroeder’s message for the evening was very clear “Women have to learn politics, watch the media, and when they have a problem-Shout!”

The Real World by students of the Cooperative Education Program

BY CHRISTINE MARIE SCHIFTER
STAFF WRITER

My current co-op position is as a Mental Health Assistant at the Community Mental Health Services in Belleville, N.J. This program deals with adult clients as part of a day care program. It seems simple enough, but these adults are suffering from chronic mental illnesses ranging from bi-polar disorder to anti-social personality disorder to schizophrenia. All or most have been hospitalized at some point in such places as Essex County Hospital or Marlboro Psychiatric Hospital.

I was greeted by some of these clients on my very first day. When one mentions the phrase “mentally ill," the image of a breaded teeth, clawing hands and violent behavior comes to mind. However, this is a total corruption. The people who I work with each day are warm and inviting.

I was hired to this position in order to help them, yet they were the ones who welcomed me to this new environment and, in many ways, their second home.

The partial care program offers a social setting in which clients gain precocial training. This enables them to re-enter their individual communities.

They participate in shop, clerical, and food service groups in the morning, in which the lunches, paper work and maintenance of the program work is both monitored and maintained. In the afternoon, clients attend various enrichment groups including personal care skills, co-ed issues, money management and continuing education. They are both encouraged to participate and led to learn.

As a Cooperative Education intern, I run my own afternoon group Current Events, in which we discuss the existing state of the world in reference to pressing issues and sensitive topics.

I also supervise the morning Food Service group. But the most exciting component of this internship is the fact that I have the opportunity to work one on one with certain clients. I will soon carry a caseload of 5-6 clients which I will meet and document case management services. It will be a very educational component of my time spent at partial care.

I cannot say that entering this position was stress free. I am dealing with previously uncharted populations, but I do love it. I knew when I sat there during my interview for this co-op that this was where I belonged. I have and will learn so much from my time at the partial care program.

I am briefly touching the lives of these clients. But, more importantly, each of them will bless me with their presence and leave with a permanent mark on my life. It has proved to be a very rewarding experience.

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**C1C brings The Police and The Doors to MSU**

**BY ERIN PERRY**

**ARTS EDITOR**

**Thursday, March 13, 1997**

Tuesday was cover band night in the Ratt, an event sponsored by Class One Concerts. Featuring the music of The Police and The Doors, this was a record sold out show for C1C, with audience members totaling five hundred music lovers.

The opening act of The Rent-A-Cops, a.k.a. Ply, Judy Aron, lead vocals, drums, electric guitar; John Mazzarella, guitar; Andrew Harding, bass; Dan Pataki, drums) who has frequented the MSU concert scene, rejuvenated the Police album, Singles (“in order”). Playing such tunes as “Can’t Stand Losing You,” “Many Miles Away,” the ballad, “Every Breath You Take,” and a remix version of “Don’t Stand So Close To Me,” The Rent-A-Cops sounded great. Aron picked up her electric blue guitar for “Walking on the Moon,” and even played some drums for “Message in a Bottle.”

A band member explained that no one in the band was extremely partial to The Police, they felt it would be an easy set to throw together. Ply, who has been playing together for almost a year now, didn’t sound “thrown together,” but rather illustrated a promising future. You can catch them on March 26, at The Lion’s Den in NYC.

Headlining the night, The Soft Parade (Joe Russo, lead vocals, tambourine, maracas; Joseph Bilotti, guitar; Ryan Daily, organ, Roy Weinberger, drums) then took the stage, greeted by an extremely eager audience. Twenty-six years after the legendary Jim Morrison’s death, The Soft Parade brought to life the famed eric and psychedelic sounds of The Doors with what seemed like little effort. Playing such classic tunes as “Backdoor Man,” “Break On Through,” “People Are Strange,” “Love Her Madly,” “20th Century Fox,” “Spanish Caravan,” “Who Do You Love,” “Summer’s Almost Gone,” “Love Street,” “Love Me Two Times,” “Indian Summer,” and “Gloria,” the Ratt was teleported back to 1968 and the audience loved it. The only problem was during “Riders on the Storm,” in which the band experienced some technical difficulties.

**Art Educators exhibit; prove worthy of their field**

**BY ERIN PERRY**

**ARTS EDITOR**

University Gallery held an open reception last Thursday, for “Art Educators of New Jersey Making Art,” curated by Dorothy Heard, artist and art educator who heads the Art Education Program here at MSU.

The quality and variety of this show is extremely diverse. The exhibit covers a wide range of media, techniques, and subject matter among them, oil paint, computer graphics, the use of fragmented ready-made materials, etching, stitchery, a focus on landscapes as a metaphor for personal expression, experimenting with light and dark and their shifting dynamics as well as a focus on people as subject matter to bridge conversation between artist and viewer.

Natalie Zimmer of Montclair, participating artist and retired art educator in Montville public schools, stated, “This is a wonderful thing to show students that art educators are able to produce a good quality of work.” Zimmer’s three-piece contributions to the show, Trees, (acrylic on canvas, 1996) Early Autumn, (acrylic on canvas, 1996) and Morning at Stone Harbor, (acrylic on canvas, 1996) prove her dedication to art is not limited to education and illustrate her talent in the field.

Participating artist Cheryl O’Halloran Mcleod is a member of Union County’s Catalyst organization which focuses on the relationship between artists and residents with teachers. Emphasizing the role of art education while incorporating a concept called “the multiple intelligences,” Mcleod stated, “This transforms the teacher by recognizing the intertwining worlds of education. Children learn through spatial and other mediums instead of a focus on linear education to learn such events as the Civil War or even how a calculator works.” Classifying herself as a realist, Mcleod’s contributions to the exhibit are Carved in Stone, (pastel, 1995) Crangord Boat, (pastel, 1995) and Corn II, Early Shadows, (pastel, 1995).

Arnold Brown, who has worked in the Elizabeth middle school for about twenty years, stated, “This kind of exhibit exposes different types of art teachers as artists also, which is the root of the organization. Art is not just in the classroom.” Brown’s three pieces in the show were my favorite. Five Clarinets, (mixed media, 1996) Practice Room, (mixed media, 1996) and Miller’s Band (mixed media, 1996) are brightly colored jazz depictions mixed with lively musical images.

Another favorite of mine was Anne Van Blarcom Kurowski’s Naomi, (watercolor, 1996) which is a photographic quality depiction of a little girl engulfed in a tie-dyed, watercolored fantastic world. This painting was also won the A.A.P.L. Grand National 1996 Watermedia Peter Matulavage Memorial Award. Katherine Phillip’s My Biological Clock is Ticking IV, (monotype and pastel, 1994) was another one of my favorites. This colorful whirlwind of circles, sun rays, and shapes is a unique illustration, symbolic of the female reproduction cycle.

The sixteen contributing artists are members of the Artist/Teacher Network within the Art Educators of New Jersey (AENJ) whose purpose is to increase public awareness of the talents of educators and increase enrollment in school course work by actively exhibiting their own art works. “Members are
Nuyorican Soul; for the love of rhythm

BY JOHN J. O'SULLIVAN
MANAGING EDITOR

I love Latin Jazz. There, I've said it. I've been in the closet so far as Latin music goes, and I don't even know why. When many people are blasting their Oasis and their Pearl Jam, I'm envious. Try blasting a CD of Tito Puente's or Milton Nascimento's stuff, especially if you're some pasty Irish kid like myself.

Latin and Brazilian music is some of the most passionate, amazing, and the most rhythmically infectious music out there. Latin Jazz, with its layer upon layer of luscious rhythm, with conga, xylophone, mind-blowing trumpet work and drumming, is one of the most rewarding musical experiences to behold. The Brazilian Antonio Carlos Jobim, one of my musical idols/gods, has been one of the most influential musicians in modern music.

Nuyorican Soul's new self-titled album is a combination, a pasteiche rather than a blended amalgam. Produced by the two man team of 'Little' Louie Vega and Kenny 'Dope' Gonzalez, Nuyorican Soul is an excellent collection of music. Some of the songs are pure Salsa, with driving rhythms, excellent batterie, and amazing xylophone work. The personal is a who's who of Latin, Cuban, Afro-fusion, hip-hop, and scat-force jazz: Tito Puente, Roy Ayers, Dave Valentin, Peter Daou—there's an excellent assortment of musicians to listen to.

Some tracks to listen for: "Shoshana" is a great Salsa track. It's infectious—the kind of song you want to blast while driving down the Parkway in the evening, ready to go out for the night. Great layers of drumming with a dazzling xylophone performance by Cal Tjader make the song a wonder to behold.

"In a different vein "I am the Black Gold of the Sun," a great smooth hip-hop song rolls off the velvet tongue of Jocelyn Brown, who sounds a lot like Vanessa daou or Sade. "Gotta New Life," is a happy little jazz tune, with some excellent flute playing in the foreground by Dave Valentin, and gentle female scatting by Ms Jocelyn Brown and Lisa Fischer in the background. And then there's the great piano playing by Hilton Ruiz with just brings the song together.

And then, there's some disco tracks.

DISCO?

Yeah, that's what I thought. Granted, I'm not the greatest fan of disco, to say the least. I'm still plotting to blow up WKTU. And some of the songs are skip-worthy when it comes to the disco (such as "Runaway." Barf.). The one, however, that I liked was "Sweet Tears," which had the typical disco beat in the background, but with excellent vibraphone playing by Roy Ayers. It's a well crafted song, and worthy of a listen.

Let's not even mention "Jazzy Jeff"s entries into the album. Yeah, the "DJ" left his name. To gain credibility? Maybe. But perhaps he should gain some musical talent first, and then we'll talk about credibility later. He really provides a disservice to this album, and the two tracks where he's featured, "Nuyorican Soul Intro" and "Jazzy Jeff's Theme" are definitely skippers.

Although there are a few stinkers in this collection, the rest of the songs make up for them. If you top are a hidden Latin listener, pick it up...just program the CD to skip a few tracks.

"You're Either On The Bus Or You're Off The Bus."

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We’re Irish (Part I)

It’s that time of year again when the world (at least the United States) joins together in the mass condemnation of a people in an act loosely disguised as a celebration of the Irish. Yes, St. Patrick’s Day is fast approaching, and at no other time of the year is there such a concerted effort to negatively stereotype an ethnic group with approval of the masses.

I find it particularly offensive when a religious holiday, which has become a symbol of national pride to Irish worldwide, degenerates into a celebration of inebrication and debauchery. In Ireland, people celebrate St. Patrick’s Day fairly quietly by attending Mass and with small parades held in various cities and towns. It is certainly nothing remotely similar to the spectacle and outright degradation of the Irish people that goes on here, in the land of the free.

This is the only “ethnic” holiday I know of where one can purchase buttons, badges, and leg garters emblazoned with silly phrases such as, “Kiss me, I’m Irish,” “Patrick was a saint, I ain’t,” and so on. It completely offensive to me as an Irish woman that one can purchase Hallmark greeting cards for this holiday with messages that essentially say that it’s time for everyone to drink green beer until they vomit. Even those lovable icons of our childhood, Snoopy and Woodstock, are pressed into service, wearing green “leprechaun” hats with shamrocks on them, hoisting mugs of green beer and encouraging us to drink ourselves stupid. It’s inconceivable to me that the Irish community has not made a larger noise to these purveyors of anti-Irish propaganda that this is inappropriate, unacceptable, and won’t be tolerated.

Can you imagine the uproar in the Black community if, for Martin Luther King Day, Hallmark created a card with Snoopy and Woodstock in blackface, wielding fried chicken and watermelon, wishing one and all a “Happy Martin Lufer King Day”? Somehow, I don’t think any card company would have the bottle to market such a line of cards. They know it’s a racist stereotyping of an ethnic group that would be offensive to many and tolerated by none. Cards like that would never see the light of day, and rightly so. Nor will anyone ever see cards for other ethnic holidays, which depict the given ethnic group in such a negative light. So why is it okay to caric on the Irish, and why do the Irish tolerate that racist treatment?

The Irish have a long history of self-hatred and many make a concerted effort to live up to the negative stereotypes. I have known many Irish – both American and Irish-born – who drink to excess, offering the excuse, “I’m Irish, I’m supposed to drink a lot.”

The self-hatred stems from centuries of domination of the Irish by the British and constantly being told that their language, religion, culture, and ethnic identity are crap and should be done away with. Then, in the time-honored American tradition of toleration and welcome to the “huddled masses,” Irish searching for work were greeted with signs on the gates of factories which read, “No Irish Need Apply.” In fact, no other ethnic group in America, blacks included, have had such hostile refusal of jobs.

Loss of identity and pride is a sure-fire way to send someone crawling into a bottle, so to speak, and too often the Irish are too willing to perpetuate the stereotype than to rise up and fight it back. I know I’m not the lone voice crying out for justice and to tear down the image of the Irish that negative stereotyping fosters, but I wish the Irish would unify themselves to bring this travesty of racism into the harsh light of reality and demand respect – just as other ethnic groups have before us. There’s more to being Irish than getting drunk, painting our faces green, and singing “Danny Boy.”

There is a brilliant and honorable tradition of art, music, history, and language that could not be extinguished by our oppressors of the past eight hundred years. There’s much more to the Irish than meets the eye.

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All around campus are flyers thread; "April 15th...It's coming." But before April 15th comes there will be March 15th and April 10th. Both of these dates are as, if not more, significant than the April 15th. These are the days that you, the student body of MSU, will have an opportunity to have your voice heard by the Board of Trustees and other influential MSU decision makers.

March 25 will present an outstanding opportunity for concerned and active MSU students. There will be an open forum to speak to the BOT. Usually a student would have to get his name on a list in order to speak to the BOT, but not on the 25th. It is a great opportunity for students to have their everyday concerns expressed to those who usually don't hear from us. And it is an excellent opportunity to voice your opposition to the proposed tuition increase.

However, in order for the rallies to be effective two things are essential. First, all of the students of MSU must get involved. If you cannot attend, sign a petition, have your sister videotape your remarks and give the tape to the SGA or BOT, or write out your thoughts and give it to a fraternity brother. The point is that without your support, the complaints will fall on deaf ears. This campus has a poor track record of attending student rallies. Let's change that this year.

Second, education is essential. And college education is not limited to just classwork. Before you attend any of the rallies, call the governor's office and have a copy of the budget sent to you. Or if you're not ready yet, visit the internet site and read the budget on-line. Whatever way you choose to go about it, read the budget proposal. This way when you go to the BOT open forum you will have the facts on your side, and no one will be able to stop you.

This is an important issue that affects all of us, and not just here at MSU. Ramapo Valley College, Rowan College, William Paterson College, Kean, Rutgers University, and the College of New Jersey will be joining us to voice their concerns and dissatisfaction with proposed tuition hikes. And as MSU student Jason Wills put it, "If an increase may be the difference between whether or not I graduate." This is an important issue, and we must be heard.

Be in Student Center room 419 by 6pm on March 25 to have your voice heard. There is no excuse for not participation; tuition will be raised, and there will be too late to complain.

The Examined Life
by Jean-Marie Navetta

My special tribute to Women's History Month

My mom told me an interesting story this week. She stated that the school that she works in had an assembly to celebrate Women's History Month. When she entered the auditorium where the program was held, there were pictures of notable women on the stage. This collection included skater Kristi Yamaguchi, First Lady Hillary Clinton, and astronaut Sally Ride. Further, during the film presentation, even former vice-presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro was mentioned.

Mom, not exactly being a political activist, but hardly a pushover when it comes to being fair, was wondering why New Jersey Governor Christine Todd Whitman wasn't pictured on the stage or mentioned at any time during the presentation. After all, she is one of only two female governors in the United States. So after the program, she decided to pose the question to a few people standing outside of the auditorium. The security guard who was in the group looked at my mom and yelled, "But she's a Republican!" The teachers (according to mom) "looked at me like I had three heads."

I kind of see this as an interesting way to put Women's History Month in perspective. Let's get it clear from the outset - it's great that women are noted for their accomplishments in various fields. I only can hope that they're being applauded for their accomplishments because of what they've done and only coincidentally that they're women.

But apparently Women's History Month isn't for everyone, as the case from my mom's school proves. I've noticed a conspicuous lack of conservative women being honored during Women's History Month. Isn't it a little strange that Gov. Whitman hasn't been mentioned?

The Nonconformist
by William J. Gibbs, Jr.

How many of you out there love your car? Many of us have found that over time we have developed an attachment to our four wheeled friends. Those of you who can identify with this should listen up, because the cowardly art of hit and run and run is alive and well on campus, and no one is immune.

Take a student who we'll call John Doe. John is a student who owns a car he really loves. He spent lots of time and money restoring it, and just when it started taking shape, some heartless human being clips his car in the parking lot and does damage to his rear tail-light and bumper.

When he saw this, he was deeply upset. How could someone do such a thing to his beloved automobile? Even worse, how could they not be adult enough to own up to it?

There was also the story of another student, who we'll call Joe. He owned a fairly decent car. It wasn't in the greatest of shape, but it looked pretty good and ran nicely. Then he came out to the parking lot one day to get his car, and saw it had been hit broadside. The car was so damaged that he was unable to drive it. This was another case of hit and run.

These students filed reports with Campus Safety and Security. They also filed claims with the university in hopes of getting some compensation for the damages to their vehicles. But MSU has a stipulation in the parking agreement that releases them from any responsibility for damage done to student and faculty vehicles on campus. The representative that spoke to John said that he would only be able to collect compensatory damages if the damage to his vehicle was done by maintenance or if it was the fault of a parking gate or fallen debris. Since it was a hit and run in a student parking lot, he was out of luck.

The DMV manual advises that if you hit a parked car, you should search for the owner; if you do not find them, leave a note on the windshield. This note is to include the date, time, and what happened, your name, license plate number, and phone number, and the name of your auto insurance carrier and your policy number.

I'll offer an additional solution. MSU should be self-insured like the Township of Montclair. Any damage done to property of self is found to be a direct fault of the municipality is compensated. Claimants file a report detailing what occurred, what damage was done and estimates for repairs. Then, the paperwork is reviewed and compensated.

Also, campus security cameras should be more strategically placed so that these incidents can be recorded on video. To ensure that the film is visible, more lighting needs to be placed in trouble spots.

My final concern is for the parking agreement here at MSU. Why should they not be liable for the damages? After all, we take a chance parking here. We need our cars and we want them to be safe!

As for the students on campus, grow up! Pay for your mistakes. If you are too chicken-hearted to seek out the owner of the vehicle you damage, leave a note.

We as a campus community need to take responsibility for our actions. We cannot continue acting childish and helpless. Even in the bible it says, "...when I was a child I spoke as a child, when I grew up I put away my childish things..." The most childish thing that exists at MSU is negligence. Accept your responsibilities. That's what entering the real world is all about.
### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SGA Petitions for Executive Board and Justice Positions**

Petitions for Executive Board and Justice Positions will be available Monday March 10th in the SGA Office, Student Center Annex Room 103 and are due back April 2nd by 12 noon. For more information call 655-4202.

**CWS Workers Needed**

Contact the SGA Office for details at ext. 4202.

**Free Pizza!!**

Free pizza for MSU students every Wed. at SGA meetings 4 PM - S.C. 417

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Every Wednesday**

LASO presents a Salsa & Merengue Workshop at 5:00 P.M. outside the LASO office. Call Doug at x4440.

Call the WMSC Request line at 655-4256. They’ll play it all.

**Have an Awesome Spring Break!!!**

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### Tuition Increase

Voice concerns at the Board of Trustees open forum March 25th at 4 P.M. in Student Center Room 419.

To get your events posted, contact Jill Levine or Joy Robbins in the SGA Office.
My friend, God

By Edward Flannery IV
My Birthday is March 18th

I'd like to tell you about this particular friend of mine. No, really, I have a friend. In fact, I have lots of friends. Of course, I am in a Fraternity, so you might argue that I bought them, but I have them none-the-less.

Anyway, this friend of mine (we'll call him Tim Casey to protect his identity) swears to me that he is God. He is constantly telling me that he is an all-powerful force and I am merely one of his subservient and obeying creations. This is all pretty heavy philosophical theology, and it does raise some interesting questions, all of which I find too boring to mention here.

After further review of the whole situation, I conclude that if Tim is God, we are all in a lot of trouble. God, indeed, is a huge hassle. He is probably going to send a sissy like Tim is.

One time, he was preaching to me of omnipotence. I got pissed off so I punched him in the nuts. He is so pale that I couldn't tell where his belly button was. God has an inny.

Then I saw his belly button. God is so uncoordinated that he can't lift it. In this case, he made me stop. Apparently, he disagreed and went to walk away. He said that he wanted that, and once he had tired, I climbed off his chest and I was aero-dynamic. He is probably going to send me to hell. I hope the devil isn't a sissy like Tim is.

As embarrassed as he may be after he sees this article in the Montclarion, I am sure that he will cling to the belief that he will not let me write this article. Maybe he did, but I highly doubt it. I am going to go beat him up for a while now. He is probably going to send me to hell. I hope the devil isn't a sissy like Tim is.

My theory is that being naked draws your will to argue. After twenty yards, he put on a white towel. He is so pale that I couldn't tell where his belly button was. God has an inny.

He thought it would be funny if he turned on his two blacklights (God is invincible to UV rays) and attempted to wake up his roommate. He did so, and then he started to do the most horrible dance in the history of our lord, Tim. One time, a bunch of my friends (the ones that I pay for) made him aero-dynamic. He attempted to bolt out of the room. I tackled him after three steps and persisted to give him dozens of dead-legs. After I got tired, I climbed off his chest and I went to walk away. He said that he wanted that, and once he had enough, he made me stop. Apparently he was suffering for his creations or some shit like that.

I have a lot of problems with this whole scene. First off, I am a Grade A ninny. Tim is the only person I know that I can beat up. Second, it has long been pondered that if God is all-powerful, can he make a rock so heavy that he can not lift it? In this case, why would God make it so that ABSOLUTELY EVERYONE could kick the holy crap out of him? To me, it just doesn't add up.

Tim tries to tell me that is a matter of faith. I still don't get it.

As if that wasn't bad enough, this was a terrible moment in the history of our lord, Tim. One time, a bunch of my friends (the ones that I pay for) and I were going to a party. Tim had just gotten out of the shower and all he was wearing was a white towel. He is so pale that I couldn't tell where the towel began and ended until I saw his belly button. God has an inny.

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Dorks on the Scene

by John J. O’Sullivan

Microfluft Inc., the world’s most incredibly important computer company EVER was founded in and resides in beautiful Trowelsville, NJ. Microfluft’s founder, David C. Wyble Jr., created the ultimate operating system even Defenestration 97 in 1990 (ironically). Defenestration 97 started off as a program that made fun of one of his computer professors in college: Dr. Ernest Fluftenhoffer. It was an elaborate game, involving his professor, and several blunt objects that could be used to torture his professor. As he was writing this game, he realized that the game could provide a great backbone for an operating system. He made his anvils into dialog boxes, his bows and arrows into a control panel. The image of his professor, in digital form, knows exactly what you want to do before you do it, making Defenestration 97 the easiest operating system to use. He finished it, started marketing it, and named his company, “Microfluft,” honoring the professor that inspired the program’s creation.

Defen’97 was such an amazingly simple operating system to use, that it kicked Windows 95’s ass out of a window, killed UNIX with an AK-47, and made Macintosh’s System 7 cry for its mommy. Bill Gates ran out of money trying to run smear campaigns against it, with slogans like, “Defenestration 97: It sucks really bad.” Wyble’s company, Microfluft countered with ads like, “Windows 95: Why bother?” Microsoft couldn’t counter with a simple answer to the ad, and went bankrupt, trying to worm its way out of the dread question. Gates now flips burgers at “Casa del Burgers” in Whartzville, Arkansas.

Defen’97 now runs on 99.99999999999% of all computers, and Wyble, a struggling computer geek, is no longer struggling, and lives in a huge house off of Marbles Street in Upper Trowelsville. His company has more money than God. He could buy human beings with the money that he has stored away in his bank accounts. No other computer company can compete with him anymore: His operating system and his software, run nearly EVERY computer in the world, except for three or four.

Defen’97, however, is flawed with a few annoying bugs. One of the bugs destroys all of your word processing files, and replaces them with high scores lists from various video games. Another bug changes the wallpaper of the Defenestration 97 into a famous painting of dogs playing poker. Microfluft originally hired hundreds of people to answer phones to give advice on how to fix people’s computers. He had so many people working help desks, giving advice to cure bugs, that he had to build an office the size of three football fields put together to house them all. He kept the help lines in operation for about three months, having angry people call up, complaining that their 8,347 page thesis was replaced with the top ten players of “Pac Man.” After three months, Wyble, who was not only rich, but incredibly cheap, realized something. He thought: “Screw them. I run everything. They don’t need help.”

He fired the hundreds of people he hired originally, plowed under the help building and put up an amusement park, just for himself, and started to run offensive and annoying ads in campus newspapers berating his customers. You may think, “Gee, that’s bad business sense.” Granted, you may be right. But when you claim a virtual monopoly on a market, you can afford to change your slogan from “Computers helping people live” to “Screw You.”

Wyble now lays half dead on the floor of John’s Tavern, with a self-help book laying next to his head. Deja vu all over again? So it seems. Background information is better to crank out when the character you’re giving the description of has passed out. They don’t argue much. New that I’ve given you a damn good description of him, let me revive him for you... Wait...no space left. Drat. I guess you’ll have to wait to see “Mr. Personality” next week. Count yourself one of the lucky ones.

Welcome to the bizarre... by Chris Lundy

“THEY’RE TURNING US INTO CANNIBALS!!!!”
Spoons, spoons, everywhere, and not a spoon to eat soup with...

Hey Seth, I just got this huge ice cream sundae. You know, could I possibly borrow it? I don’t know, something to eat it with? Maybe a...

Hey Seth, I just got this huge ice cream sundae. You know, could I possibly borrow it? I don’t know, something to eat it with? Maybe a...

I love you, always

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Sara, I can’t wait to spend some quality time with you. Hey, I can’t wait to spend any time with you. I miss you, and your hair, a lot. Can’t wait to see you tonight.

Love ya.

John

Doyle, O’Doyle rules!

Love, Mash and Swave

Love of the Religion and Philosophy Club

You are so very much loved by me!

Kristen (TrulaKX)

Did you know what happens when you mix whiskey and wine together? Or did you forget? I’m sure your “roommates” in Zeta will remember!

Love ya, Caileen (TrulaKX)

Cate

I love you, always

Love, Your Baby (SDPU)

Scott (Stuka)

I love wine!

Love ya, Kristen (Stuka)

Sigma Class of OSUPE

You’re doing great, girls. I love you, keep smiling!

Love ya, Kristen (Stuka)

To “The Man,” How’s it {longing}??

Mash & Swave (OSUPE + Dcu)

Bray it or the Spring Play! How does it feel to be number 2?

Love ya, Kristen and Scott

To Cristina - (Pi. Su)

I love you, thanks for everything. You’re the best big

Your older little, Stasj

Beth, Jackie (Pi. Su)

Hey look! It’s Jack Frost Mountain!

LJ Jenn

Crista (Pi. Su)

Next time don’t get caught sneaking people in or the rent-a-cop will follow you.

LJ Jenn

Michele (Pi. Su)

Congratulations on your TALL little!

How does it feel to wear letters?

Love ya little BIG

Jenn J. (Pi. Su)

Don’t let the IMY touch you to drive on the road?

LJ Jenn

Michele (Pi. Su)

Congratulations to the Delta Delta Delta Class!

Love, Sisters of Delta Xi

Delta

Ranoa

I love you little. You’re doing an awesome job! Stay strong!

Love your Big Kristen

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Men. I can't wait.

IRL, Cyndi

Stacy, Michele, Stephanie and Maria.
Congratulations! You did it! It was
easy wasn't it? Did you have fun
with the bomb?

IRL, Cyndi

Spoon

Steph, Beth, Ray, Hilary.
Hey restum! Snow, snow, snow
your OOS? your
Boulevard.

Love, Cyndi

WHAT??

Happy Early
21st B-Day to Vic
Circe.

Love, Becks

Vol is going to hell!

Delta Beta I love you!
Beck

Everyone be sure to look at JJO's
new nipple ring!

THEY!
Just don't pull on it 'cause it's still sore.

-JJO'S

Jim and Kristen (SDPA)
Congratulations and a kick ass job with
Delta Delta!

Love, Becks

Alba

It's been a while, old and we still
together! We are the old married
couple, and I'm always right.
I love you, Rebecca.

Wendy

Nothing is sadder than the end of
a great relationship—except a great
friendship.

Dennis

Spoon

Have a great Spring Break! Find
lots of cute boys and be safe! I
love you guys!

Beck

I love Atlantic City! The Red Road.

Lesa

I love you little! I'll miss you over
Spring Break!

Love, You Big

Spoon.

Steph

This is one of the best! We have the coolest
tree!

Love, your little Soror!

Lori

Thanks for all of your help. You
are the best! We have the coolest
tree!

Love, your little Soror

Kerry (SDPA)

I'm not psychic!

Soror

Tracy (SDPA)

Thanks for being such a sweetie!

Luv, Soror

Stacy (SDPA)

So what's our next step?

Soror (SDPA)

Joy (SDPA)

We think your t'wery big is hot!

Jess and Soror (SDPA)

Lesa

What happened to your face?

The Sisters of Sigma

Little Vol (SDPA)

You are such a little devil! You are
the best!

Luv, Soror (SDPA)

Beck

When was the last time you had an
orgasm?

Luv, Soror

I can't wait until semi-formal.
The coffee will rule not unlike
last year!

Gomma Mo 45

Karens
Thanks for analyzing life with me.

Kara

My God, don't you people
talk to one another???

Kristen and Jim (SDPA)

You did a great job. Thanks for
all of your time and dedication.

Luv, the Bigs of Delta

Hey Joan

How's your partner in crime? Hey!
Wanna go skiing this weekend? How
about a quick trip to Concord?
And what about the rose ke gave
me? What was his name again?
Enjoy the peeps!

Luv, Miss Mia

To the AIX pledge muffin,
You guys are doing so well! Stay
strong! It's all worth it! I promise! I love you!

Pam

Fish

I hate it when I can't remember!

Cheerorak

Dear AIX Sisters,
This might be a little late but I
just wanted to thank you guys for
putting up with me through all my
weeks of rehearsal and also for
coming to see the show! Even if
you weren't there physically I know
you were still supporting me all of
the way. I love you!

Luv, Mia

Cheen

I'm here to share your litter box!

Meow!

Cheerorak

" роллп "

Meow.

"CHEORAK/"

Have an awesome Spring Break
everybody.

Luv, Mia (AIX)

Spoon

Spoonman,
Collecting spoons if he can

Sara Kim,
His 15933729 spoons will hang
around.

[If small song known the SPT Spoon
collection]

Stamps such as so for os cataloging
things goes. If you want a real
challenge, try SPOON COL-
LECTING/ They're great to look
at, and you can use them as
deadly weapons. Collect spoons
today!

[Sponsored by the Seth R. Taylor
memorial spoon-collecting society]

Tommy Gunn (TX)

You wild bitch. EM.WOLFB: YETB Whippet.

Well everyone have a great Spring
Break and don't get too trashed
and don't cross a street before you
look both ways. Oh, and only you
can prevent forest fires. If your
clothing is on fire, stop, drop and
roll. If you have to have sex play
safe. It's '97! Do you know where
your children are? And watch out
for flying spoons.

Thank you, JJO'S
Classifieds... ...

- Help Wanted -


Quality Day Camp in Morris County looking for applicants in the following areas: General Counselors, Swim - LGT or WSI, Music, Drama, Photography, Sports, High Ropes, Roller Hockey, Mountain Bikes, Newspaper. Please call 201-895-3200 for more information.

Undeclared? Looking for exciting career opportunities? Come to COMMUNICATION DAY and learn about the limitless field of Communication Studies! April 4th. Contact the Speech Communications Department, 655-7471 by March 24th.


Driver wanted. Valid license needed. No car necessary. Available to drive mornings 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. & evenings 5 - 7 p.m. Some day shifts possible. Thru first week of April. $12 per hour. 201-257-8145.

Part-time Fitness Trainer $6.75/hr. 46 Fitness & Racquetball in Fairfield. Call Mike 227-4000.

Part-time front desk, evenings/weekends. $6.75/hr. 46 Fitness and Racquetball in Fairfield. Call Charlie/Denise 227-4800.

Weekly, $300-500, part-time. Are you enthusiastic, like to make money and have a good personality? Call Tom for an interview. 785-0300.

- Apartment for Rent -

- For Sale -

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Sports

Thursday, March 13, 1997

Softball pumped and prepared for new season

BY DENNIS L. DEMERCURIO
SPORTS EDITOR

For the second year in a row, the MSU Women’s Softball team came within one run of winning the NCAA Championship. Undaunted and more determined than ever, the team prepares for another winning season.

Head Coach Anita Kubicka, a graduate of Trenton State (now the College of New Jersey) is entering her seventh season as head coach for MSU. In her first season, she coached the team to the Eastern College Athletic Conference Finals, and has made it to the NCAA post-season every year since.

Coach Kubicka was an All-American second baseman at Trenton, and was part of the first team from that school to win the Division III NCAA Championship in 1983.

Heading to Orlando, Florida today to open up their season, Coach Kubicka took time out of her busy schedule to answer a few questions.

MONTCLARIAN: How will you prepare to overcome the shadow of last season’s loss in the final game?

Coach Kubicka: There’s a beginning, a middle, and an end. You don’t prepare for a regional tournament when you haven’t had your opening game yet. It’s the same basic philosophy in regards to the fundamental aspects of the game, by making the routine plays every single time that they’ve been drilled, since we began practicing since the end of January. Whether it’s the opening game in Florida, or the final game in the regional tournament, it’s all going to come down to the same basic routine plays that they have been making all year.

MONTCLARIAN: What is the difference between this year’s team from last year?

Kubicka: The difference from last year is that we have a very good hitting team and a solid defense. We lost a pitcher that did a majority of our throwing last year, our number one pitcher, Robyn Baron. She came in and got us out of some jams and won some huge games for us. We, as a team, worked on developing what I consider an experienced staff, but not a tournament experienced staff. I think that the development that Sharon Ormsbee has made, is going to show itself down in Florida. Denise Warnock, from her double surgery in her shoulder a year ago, is a new pitcher from last season. Susan McCarville had limited experience last year, but will get more this year. And with the addition of Peggy Anne Cocker, a transfer from Rowan College, of which she was an All-American and I think that enhances our staff. We are deeper, pitching wise. I think that’s a plus. Yes, we lost a very good pitcher, but with the development of pitchers and what we’ve gained can also be offset this year.

MONTCLARIAN: Have there been significant changes to the team?

Kubicka: We have some changes, as well as some new players. Tara Wiez is new, replacing our second baseman, who transferred from MSU. Marlena Narwot, who had some playing experience, almost more of a utility role last year, should be seeing some time in left field, on a steady basis. She is a senior member of the team. I’ve also got a couple of freshman outfielders that will see sometime out there in the outfield. It’s going to be dictated by who goes out and plays well in game situations.

MONTCLARIAN: Have you decided on this year’s starting line-up?

Kubicka: With regards to starting, what I normally do is see who we’re playing against before I decide who the starting pitcher is, for example, because I have 2 right and 2 left. Defensively, I’m assuming Marlena Narwot in left field, Jennifer Citarella in center field, Wendy Saladino in right field, Ro Guzzi at shortstop.

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Baseball 2-1 in Florida; score 30 runs in three games

BY JEFF EBILICH
ASS'T. SPORTS EDITOR

The MSU baseball team is in Florida for the beginning of the season, and as of Tuesday night they are 2-1. They blew out Barry University 17-3 for their first victory as senior pitcher Mike Orth (Linden) earned the win. The game was played on Sunday, March 9.

They crushed Thomas Moore University 10-3 for their second triumph of the young season as senior pitcher Tom Fleming (Hawthorne) earned the win. He gave up seven hits over five-and-a-third innings, struck out three, and walked three. Sophomore first-baseman Shawn McCorkle (Newton) ripped two two-run singles and senior center-fielder Mike Mullane singled, doubled, tripled, drove in three runs, and scored twice.

MSU had 11 hits in the 10-3 win played on Monday.

On Tuesday MSU played Division I Florida Atlantic University and lost in the bottom of the ninth, 4-3 off an RBI single for Florida Atlantic. Orth suffered the loss, however A.J. Economou (Howell) started and gave up only seven hits over five innings. McCorkle was three for four with an RBI single.

The team has seven games remaining in Florida before they return north to Wilmington College-Delaware on Saturday, March 22. Their first home game is a 2 p.m start on Sunday, March 23 against Johns Hopkins University.

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ON BRIAN BLOMN

Senior Spotlight

BY DENNIS L. DEMERCURIO
SPORTS EDITOR

Four years of hard work has paid off for swim team captain Brian Blomn. He will compete in three events of the NCAA Division III Championships: the 200 yard freestyle, 500 yard freestyle and 200 yard butterfly.

Blomn currently holds the school records in both the 200 yard freestyle and 200 yard butterfly events.

Blomn, who is from Clifton, began swimming and competing, at the age of eight. Upon graduating from MSU with a degree in Physical Education, he hopes to coach a swim team of his own. He’d like to start as an assistant coach here at MSU.

“I have so many good memories of my time here, specifically when I was a freshman. I went to the nationals and placed sixth in the mile,” said Blomn.

When he leaves the team, he believes Kevin Quiones will dive into his lane.

“Definitely,” said Blomn.

The Championships will be held on March 18-20, at the University of Miami in Ohio.
Who will win the NCAA Div. I Championship and why?

Robert Stephens
Music Professor
Indiana, because my son is going there next fall.

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Men's basketball falls in first round of ECAC, 66-61

Fowler, Reilly named Honorable Mention All-Conference

BY JEFF EHRHICH
ASS, SPORTS EDITOR

The 1996-97 men’s basketball season came to an abrupt end last Wednesday, March 5 as they lost in the first round of the Eastern Collegiate

Athletic Conference Tournament to the Mt. Saint Mary College Blue Knights, 66-61. The heartbreaking loss was the final collegiate game for seniors Greg Fowler (Plainfield) and Rohan Sutherland (Miami, FL).

The game, played at Knights Arena in Newburgh, NY, saw four lead changes during the final three minutes and also saw the Red Hawks come back from an 11-point deficit. In fact, the Red Hawks first lead was not until Sutherland hit a three point shot with 3:23 remaining to make the score 58-57. Mt. St. Mary then took a one point lead off a jump shot by Tom Fuller followed by another lead change off a tip in by junior forward Raheem Rex (Atlantic City). The MSU lead was 60-59 until Fuller hit a three point shot to give the Blue Knights a 62-60 lead. Then, after a miss by Fowler, the Blue Knights grabbed the rebound and called a time out with 1:24 showing. After the time out the Blue Knights had their shot blocked by sophomore guard B.J. Reilly (Middlesex) who passed to Sutherland. Sutherland was then fouled and made one of two free throws to bring the Red Hawks to within one point of tying the game. After Mt. St. Mary hit a jumper to give them a three point lead, MSU called a time out with only 22 seconds left.

When play resumed Fowler missed a long jumper and Mt. St. Mary grabbed the rebound. The Red Hawks then had a huge break come their way after the Blue Knights were called on a five second lane violation. With the ball in MSU’s possession the Red Hawks quickly called a time out.

After the time out, the Red Hawks had the ball stolen and, since they had no time outs or fouls to give, Rex was forced to put Craig Newton on the line. Newton missed both free throws and gave the Blue Knights a five point lead that the industry long enough to realize that the hard work and preparation that you put in comes to fruition at some point. That’s what I have invested in this team. I have a lot of senior members on it that have been there (regional finals), that know it and hopefully have learned from it enough to go out and have the capability of changing the outcome.

Should the team apply the progress that has been made (since the fall.) We started with a week of conditioning which resulted in some torn or pulled muscles, due to some players lack of preparation, and others at the point of fatigue. But now we’re going down to Florida now very healthy, which I’m very excited about. They’ve worked hard for the past four weeks. They have absolutely made progression.

Sutherland finished with 11 points and four boards. Rex had eight points and five steals in his final game. Reilly had 13 points and seven boards.

MSU softball practicing run-downs between second and third bases.

by JEFF EHRHICH
ASS, SPORTS EDITOR

Softball, Cont. from p. 21
Cheryl Lopez at first, Tara Wiez at second, Jamie Liscik at third and JerriAnn Acevedo catching.

I may go into a rotation somewhat, but it’s dictated by the competition.

Montclair: What do you expect of your players?

Kubicka: What I always ask of my players is that they go out and give 100%, and play hard. Along with that, they are human, and there are going to be errors that happen. If we can minimize the physical ones and work on any mental errors that we have right away and we can grow from that.

Montclair: With the construction of a new playing field, the team has yet to conduct a full practice on grass. How is this going to affect the team?

Kubicka: I think we’re ready. The only thing I would have preferred is having a home field we could have practiced on. We have yet to field a ground ball on dirt. The outfield has had some time on grass and dirt, but the infield have not seen the clay at all. That’s a factor. That’s the biggest negative I can see right now, but I think we’re prepared.

Montclair: Has the team progressed since September?

Kubicka: There’s definitely a progression that has been made (since the fall.) We started with a week of conditioning which resulted in some torn or pulled muscles, due to some players lack of preparation, and others at the point of fatigue. But now we’re going down to Florida now very healthy, which I’m very excited about. They’ve worked hard for the past four weeks. They have absolutely made progression.

Red Hawks could not overcome. The final score was 66-61. This was one of those games that give players nightmares and make fans say, "Just wait till next year."

For the Red Hawks, Fowler had a team high 18 points, nine rebounds, and five steals in his final game. Reilly had 14 points, including 12 from behind the three point line, and four assists. Both of them were named as Honorable Mention All-Conference selections.

Sutherland finished with 11 points and four boards. Rex had eight points and seven boards, while John Weipz (Waretown) had six points and seven boards.

The Red Hawks final record was 12-13 (6-12 NJAC.) Fowler averaged a team high 15.6 points per game and 7.4 rebounds per game. Sutherland averaged 12.9 points per game and Wiepz averaged 10.4. Reilly averaged 13.3 points per game and led the conference in assists with 6.4 per game. Rex averaged 8.7 points per game and 7.1 rebounds per game.

The Red Hawks finished seventh in the conference and all but three players will be returning next year. Expect the Red Hawks to improve greatly on their conference record next year.

Women’s Basketball, Cont. from back page
watching Rutgers play Mt. St. Mary’s was helpful.

“We saw what they could do the day before against Rutgers, and we saw what Rutgers should have and could have done and applied it to our game,” she said.

The win was attributed to a strong defense, according to Coach Bradley.

“It was the little things that don’t show up on stat sheets, the details, that we did with confidence. We play with a purpose, and we were focused, and we just needed to have that to win,” said Coach Bradley, “Mt. St. Mary’s averaged 74 points a game and we kept them to 57. That shows what kind of outstanding defense we played.”

Freshman guard Wykemia Kelly said, “We came into the game not being scared and just played our game. Everybody stepped up, especially the seniors. They knew it was going to be their last game, and they were not going out with a loss. We needed the seniors to show leadership on the court, and that’s what they did.”

The victory was followed by more good news. On Tuesday as Klingsater was named to the 1st Team All-Conference and Villalta to the 2nd Team All-Conference.

Congratulations Red Hawks!
MSU WINS ECAC CHAMPIONSHIP!

by Dennis L. DeMercurio
Sports Editor

MSU entered the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III Metro New York/New Jersey Women's Basketball Championship as the second seed feeling somewhat bitter at not having been the top seed.

So, Head Coach Gloria Bradley and her Red Hawks took the top seed away from host Mount Saint Mary College by defeating them 61-57 in the final game held last Sunday.

MSU lost to Mt. St. Mary in the first round last year, and was determined not to let history repeat itself.

In the semifinal game on Saturday, MSU easily knocked off number three seeded Vassar College, 60-49. The Red Hawks then watched and cheered NJAC rival Rutgers/ Camden in vain as the Pioneers fell to Mt. St. Mary, 75-58. This had a positive influence on the team.

"They were fed a lot of motivation from watching Rutgers/Camden play Mt. St. Mary's. They really wanted to play against Mt. St. Mary, and not only win it for us, but for the New Jersey schools, the New Jersey Athletic Conference," said Coach Bradley.

During the final game against Mt. St. Mary, MSU were urged on by players from Rutgers/Camden, much to the delight of Coach Bradley.

"Rutgers could've gone home after they lost Saturday, " Coach Bradley said, "but stayed overnight and came out in full force to support us, which was outstanding."

The Red Hawks came out sluggish, but soon gained their composure.

"We came out in the first half flat, a couple points behind, until Jill Schultz (West Milford) hit a three-pointer. That eased the tension the team was feeling," said Coach Bradley.

Schultz, a junior guard, had 11 points and three steals.

"Jill Schultz was determined that we were not going to end the season with a loss. If she comes back next year with the same intensity she's had in the last five or six games, she's going to be a terror in the conference," Coach Bradley said.

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defense than she has played all season," Coach Bradley said, "Her game is offense and she's a good defensive player and she hasn't played bad defense this season, but she's played it well in spurts. She came off the bench and had a great defensive game."

The Red Hawk freshman were key at the boards, with Lindsay Robinson (Shrewsbury) having 11 rebounds and Collete Canfield having 14. Canfield added eight points as well. Forward Felicia Ingram (S. Brunswick) supplied eight points, too, and came down with 10 rebounds.

Senior forward Tracy Singletary (Keasby) had eight rebounds.

But the most crucial player of the game, so much so that she was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, was senior guard Lisa Villalta (Harrison). In the two games played, she had 27 points, 14 steals, eight rebounds, and six assists.

"Lisa had probably her best games of the season," said Coach Bradley, "She was very focused, no lapses, and at no point did she lose control."

Coach Bradley said