Tuition hike for Fall approved by BOT

By Paula Laosa
Staff Writer

On Thursday, April 10, the Board of Trustees voted to raise tuition 5% for the '97 summer semester and 9.3% for the Fall '97 and Spring '98 semesters if they were not fully restored the negotiated salary increases and funds for the attrition program by the state, causing students to walk out of the meeting in protest.

Students attending the meeting in Student Center Room 411 were armed with signs displaying their disapproval of the tuition hike. SGA President, Amy Fisher spoke to the board and President Irvin Reid in opposition to the increase.

Fisher invited the board to join students at the protest on April 15, in sending a message to the state that affordable education needs to be prioritized.

"However," she said,"as long as you continue to propose such an unreasonable tuition increase and neglect your responsibilities as administrators of this university you remain part of the problem and not the solution.

Fisher also questioned the amount of the tuition increase. She said after receiving the same amount from the state as last year and cutting every department by 2%, the BOT should not have to increase tuition almost 10%, when the cost of living increase is only 2.9%.

Fisher then asked Reid to pledge that the increase would not exceed 4% for the 97-98 academic year but he refused.

"You have made our next move for us," Fisher said, (the student walkout on April 15). At this point all of the students attending the meeting walked out in a symbolic protest.

Reid explained that with the obligations the university has to fulfill and the commitment it has to the state, 4% would simply not address these issues.

Dr. Catherine Becker, head of the teachers union also spoke to the board regarding the tuition increase. She ex-Continued on p. 3

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International

Netanyahu may be indicted after investigation

Israeli police investigating an influence-trading scandal in the Israeli government have recommended that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu be indicted, according to his attorney.

Attorney Yaakov Weinstein confirmed reports on Israeli television this evening that police made the recommendation after concluding a 12-week investigation Tuesday.

According to the Channel One television story republished by the same journalist who originally broke the story in January, the investigators have recommended that Netanyahu be charged with fraud and breach of trust for his part in the appointment of an alleged political crank as attorney general.

Government officials allegedly appointed Roni Bar-On as Israel's top lawyer to gain favorable treatment of a political ally who faced corruption charges. The tradeoff was allegedly the support of the religious Shas Party for Israeli troop withdrawal from most of the West Bank town of Hebron.

Japan cracks down on nuclear plant

The Japanese government filed a criminal complaint Wednesday against its own nuclear development agency for filing a false report last month about a fire at a nuclear fuel reprocessing plant.

The Science and Technology Agency's action against the Power Reactor and Nuclear Fuel Development Corporation — Donen in Japanese — followed a series of accidents and cover-ups that enflamed public opinion. The complaint asks police to pursue charges against Donen.

"We have decided to take legal action against Donen and several of its officials," said the Science and Technology Agency's director, Riichiro Chikako.

The agency had a lot of support. Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto said he was "dissatisfied" with the nuclear power corporation and promised to "investigate them thoroughly and beat them into shape."

China criticizes US for selling fighter jets

China criticized the United States Wednesday, demanding that it turn back a decision to sell advanced fighter jets to Taiwan, the state-run Xinhua News Agency reported.

The United States on Tuesday delivered to Taiwan the first two of a batch of 150 of the F-16 planes, the first since agreeing to stop selling sophisticated weapons to Taiwan in 1982, three years after establishing diplomatic ties with China and withdrawing recognition from Taiwan.

The Bush administration agreed to the F-16 sale in 1992.

National

Clinton honors Robinson in ceremony

Standing in the infield at Shea Stadium, President Bill Clinton honored baseball pioneer Jackie Robinson Tuesday as a man who "changed the face of baseball and America" 50 years ago.

Clinton's appearance capped a 50th anniversary tribute to Major League baseball's first African-American player. Robinson broke the color barrier, overcoming a barrage of racist abuse, on April 15, 1947.

Assembling Commissioner Bud Selig announced that Robinson's number 42 would be retired and never worn again by any major league baseball player.

Also on hand was Robinson's widow, Rachel, and his grandson, Jesse Sims, who threw out the ceremonial first pitch before the game between the New York Mets and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

FBI labs produced inaccurate results

FBI crime lab agents produced inaccurate and scientifically flawed testimony in major cases but did not commit perjury or fabricate evidence, the Justice Department inspector general said Tuesday.

In a lengthy report, Inspector General Michael Bromwich recommended censure, transfer or other discipline for five agents, as well as chief whistleblower Dr. Frederic Whitehurst.

The whistleblower's most serious allegations "were not substantiated," Bromwich said.

Bromwich said Whitehurst should be transferred from the lab because his "inflammatory" allegations had poisoned his relations with others.

The inspector general also criticized the management of the lab and the scientific qualifications of agents in its explosives unit. He recommended that only scientists be employed in the explosives unit and endorsed the current effort to get outside professional accreditation of the lab for the first time.

Helicopter goes down in NY; kills one

A corporate helicopter crashed into the East River off midtown Manhattan seconds after taking off, killing a Colgate-Palmolive executive and injuring three other men.

Two pilots and two passengers were on board the Eurocopter BK 117 chopper when it slammed into the river Tuesday shortly after 5 p.m., rolled over and trapped its two passengers, police said.

The pilot and copilot got out on their own, while executives Craig Tate of New Canaan, Connecticut, and Jim Serafini of Stamford, Connecticut, were pulled from the helicopter by police divers, fire officials said.

Tate, 51, was killed in the crash. Serafini, pilot Edward Thorn and copilot Rick Bird were hospitalized. The chopper, owned by the New York-based Colgate-Palmolive Co., was headed toward White Plains, New York. Cause of the accident is under investigation.

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MSU professor appears on TV program

BY LAURA LOPEZ PUCCO STAFF WRITER

Dr. Bill Berlin, a professor of Political Science at Montclair State University, and step-dad of two children, appeared with his wife on "Families in Focus" to discuss the unique challenges facing step-families today. It was broadcast Apr. 7 and Apr. 13 on Caucus: New Jersey, which airs on channels Thirteen/WNET and NJN.

Caucus: New Jersey, an Emmy Award-winning public affairs program, has been broadcasting this family-related program for two years. The highly acclaimed series of programs examines the most crucial issues confronting the modern American family, and last week's episode focused on step-families.

Berlin, who has been a writer and producer for Caucus: New Jersey for 11 years, said that "Families in Focus" creates a comfortable atmosphere where people feel at ease and are encouraged to talk openly.

Caucus host Steve Adubato, who is a Montclair State alumus, said, "With all the difficulties facing the family unit today, it's essential that we create a forum for positive discussion and problem solving." "Families in Focus" involves families from a range of socio-economic groups, ethnic backgrounds, and family types. Each program in the series features these real people discussing the real challenges they face in their family lives, in hopes that families watching can relate, Adubato said.

"The experience that Dr. Berlin's wife has had as a clinical social worker, combined with their personal family experience, made them experts on the topic since they know the most effective ways to deal with these issues," producer Maryellen Murphy said.

Dr. Berlin has been a part of a step-family since he married Susan Isakoff Berlin 16 years ago. For both of them this was their second marriage, and Susan entered into it with two sons and Berlin with a daughter.

"Step-families are complicated because it's putting people together that don't have a history together, and so you have to develop that history," Berlin said.

Interestingly, his new family is doing well, and currently their children have very good relationships with each other and with both parents. "But some step-families can be hurtful for the child to accept or communicate with or his or her parent's new spouse," he said.

Naturally, many people want step-families to get along right away. However, a good step-family situation takes time to develop, said Berlin.

Two of the most important points in creating these types of positive family situations is through communication, and understanding the needs of the others, especially those of the children.

Dr. Berlin concluded with the following important advice concerning step-families. In a situation where all family members, including step-members, must gather together, the parents have to put aside their differences and make the children feel comfortable. One's feelings for his or her ex-spouse must not override the needs of the child. For they are of the utmost importance, stressed Berlin.

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d the debate.

The candidates were given a chance to make opening and closing statements, and answered questions from students in the audience, and a panel consisting of SGA President Amy Fisher, SGA President Pro-Temppore Fran Garcia, and Jean-Marie Navetta of the Montclarion. The debate was moderated by SGA Attorney General Greg MacSweeney.

Each candidate started off with an opening statement, and was then asked one question from each of the panel members, with an opportunity to rebut their opponent. The floor was then opened to questions from the audience, and then candidates were given an opportunity to ask each other a single question. This was followed up by a closing statement.

The debate started with the candidates for Board of Trustees Alternate, Sophomore, Economics major Vitaly Satanovskiy, and Sophomore, Early Childhood Education major Loren Fran Garcia. Then candidates for secretary, Jon Fagioli a Senior History major, and Recep Kaplan, Sophomore Marketing major.

“I’d like to bring a new face to it (SGA), and have more communication with students,” said Kaplan who is currently an SGA Legislator.

“Three or four years ago the entire legislature as a whole was visible across campus and any student who had a problem knew who to go to, it was a matter of pride to be an SGA legislator, that is what I want to emphasize,” said Fagioli, a former Greek Council Secretary.

Next followed the presidential debates. Things got heated when presidential candidate George Calle, Senior, History major, asked that his opponent Karen Cardell, an undeclared Sophomore, step down from the race.

“With all due respect to my opponent, there has never been a more qualified candidate for this position than me,” said Calle. “I ask my opponent today to abandon her bid for SGA president.”

Calle sighted Cardell’s lack of SGA experience, “You really do need a little bit more than three and a half weeks time on the legislature to be able to run this organization,” said Calle. “You’re diminishing the value of this position.”

Cardell declined Calle’s offer and went on to state some of her goals. “I’ve spent the last three months speaking to administrators about what we can do to improve programming on campus,” said Cardell, current Operations Manager of WMSC. “One of my major concerns in having a 24 hour Student Center,” she said. “I really care about what’s going to happen here when I’m going to have to be here for the next 4 years.”

Calle, a former Editor-In-Chief of the Montclarion, also listed his qualifications and goals. “I’ve had 6 years of experience serving the students, I need no time for transition into this job,” he said. “As soon as I’m elected I can start working for all of us. We’ll have the best year of programming and student satisfaction, I guarantee it.”

The debates concluded with the candidates for vice-president, Junior, Jennifer Lynch, a Political Science and History major, and John Brost a Sophomore, Political Science major.

SGA elections started yesterday, and will continue through April 23. Polls will be open in the Student Center, Dickson Hall, and Blanton Hall during various times until then.
College Bowl National Championship Tournament this weekend at MSU

Upper Montclair, N.J. - Harvard University is coming to New Jersey. So is Ohio State University. So is Stanford University.

They will be joined by teams from 13 other universities for this year's College Bowl National Championship Tournament, which will be held at Montclair State University on April 18-20, according to Charles Feiner, Director of Student Activities at MSU and host director for the tournament.

The national championship is the culmination of a year's play at 300 campuses across the United States. It features 15 regional champions plus a 16th wild card team.

Contestants for this year's round-robin tournament at MSU are Harvard University, Cornell University, Princeton University, Johns Hopkins University, the University of Virginia, the University of Florida, Ohio State University, the University of Chicago, Indiana University, the University of Iowa, the University of Oklahoma, the University of Texas/Dallas, the University of Utah, the University of Washington, Stanford University and the University of Illinois/Chicago.

All activities, to be held in MSU's Student Center, are free and open to the public. Contest hours are: Friday, April 18, 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, April 19, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; and Sunday, April 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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SGA Executive Board

Candidates for President

George Calle
Major: History
Year: Senior
GPA: 3.7

**Experience**
Campus activities and affiliations: Montclarion Editor-in-Chief, Chief Justice of Judicial Branch of SGA, Legislator- 4 years, Chief of Staff 96-97 for SGA President Amy Fisher.

**Goals**
"To increase programming." He also would like to "bring back the students and re-establish the credibility and effectiveness of the SGA by using the office of the president as the powerful voice it should be on campus." He adds that there "should be no surrender when dealing with student's needs."
"If nothing else, my six years here have shown me what not to do as SGA President. I can fully start my job on June 1st. I do not need a transition period to learn."

"There should be no surrender when dealing with students' needs."

Karen Cardell
Major: Undeclared
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 3.27

**Experience**
Campus activities and affiliations: MSU's Radio Station Manager, SGA legislator, member of Appropriations committee, public relations committee, welfar and internal committee, food service committee

**Goals**
"I want to be a strong leader to allow the student body to work towards their goals and a better MSU. Some of the plans I have are for a 24-hour student center with a 24-hour computer lab in it, extended meal hours from food services. She would also like to "work with all organizations to streamline their operations and promote better programming and tighter relations with MSU alumni."
"As president of the SGA, I would best fill the position by having both a strong drive to work for the student body and the respect and responsibility to listen to students and be their voice."

"I would fill position with strong drive to work for student body."

Candidates for Vice-President

John Brost
Major: Political Sci.
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 3.7

**Experience**
Campus activities and affiliations: 2 year legislator, 2 year committee chair, (Government and Administration, Academic Affairs), former acting Attorney General, Treasurer of Theta Xi, Greek Council Representative, Co-founded a Class III Organization, Constitutional Review, Government & Administration, Welfare & Internal, External Affairs, Appropriations, Academic Affairs, Judicial Ad-Hoc Committees, Class I involvement.

**Goals**
"Improve programming by having SGA unite organizations, work to keep tuition down starting from day one, EMS service, have committees and legislature work more efficiently."

"I want the SGA to get back to its purpose of serving the students."

Jenn Lynch
Major: Hist./ Poly Sci.
Year: Junior
GPA: 2.56

**Experience**
SGA Executive Secretary, SGA legislator, Greek Council Representative, Orientation Workshop Leader, SGA Scholarship Fund, Inc. Treasurer, sister of Alpha Iota Chi.

**Goals**
"To help organizations through chartering & re-chartering processes, not just hand over paperwork." She would like to establish a "committee chair meeting to help aid committees in need an extra push, to run an effective meeting, to make the SGA leadership conference as valuable as possible to attendees." "Take steps to bring 24hr. multi-purpose lab and 24-hour library. Just bethere to help make the SGA the best it can be."

"I just want to be there to make the SGA the best it can be."
Candidates for Board of Trustee Alternate

Loren Crimaldi
Major: Early Childhood Ed.
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 2.6

**Experience**

Campus activities and affiliations: member of Delta Phi Epsilon sorority for 2 years. Executive board position 1 yr. SGA legislator Spring '97.

**Goals**

“I am a very objective leader. I believe in working with people to come up with the best possible solution. As a board member I will work 150%. I am eager and capable to raise the standard as a student representative of the Board of Trustees.”

“As a Board of Trustees member, I will work 150%.”

Vitaly Satanovsky
Major: Economics
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 2.9

**Experience**

Campus activities and affiliations: Greek Council Treasurer, SGA legislator for two years, Chairman of Appropriations, Chairman of External Affairs, Montclarion columnist, Director of Finance Committee for Greek Council.

**Goals**

He would like to see “24-hour computer lab, multi-level parking garage, 24-hour library hours during finals, cut administrators and lower tuition.”

He will also work for “more communication between the SGA and the administration.” Another goal is “Greek housing.”

“$28 million is being spent on administrators and only $25 million is being spent on professors. I’m looking to change this.”

“I would like to see more communication between SGA and administration.”

Candidates for Secretary

Recep Kaplan
Major: Marketing
GPA: 3.95

**Experience**

SGA legislator, Baruch College CUNY, SGA legislator, MSU, Appropriations Committee, International Students Organization Secretary, Phi Chi Beta Fraternity, Greek Council Rep., Marketing Club, Turkish Student Organization Treasurer.

**Goals**

“As an open door policy where there will be someone to answer the students in SGA. Publicize SGA services and the SGA, work with the legislators to serve students better. Better communication with Class II’s and III’s.”

John Fagioli
Major: History
GPA: 3.45

**Experience**

Greek Council Secretary, SGA Legislator, Greek Council Representative, Theta Xi Scholarship Chair, Resident Assistant, Greek Council Membership Chair.

**Goals**

“To make the SGA a more proactive group on this campus via open forums, increased advertisement, & personal contact between the legislators and the student body. I would like to allow legislators to creatively earn legislative hours.”

Candidate for Treasurer

John Zailepka
Major: Bus. Fin. and Mgmt.
GPA: 3.67

**Experience**

Pi Kappa Alpha: Founding Father, Assistant Treasurer, Fundraising Chairman, Economins & Finance Society: SGA Representative, Mgmt. Club Vice-President, SGA legislator, External Affairs Committee, Residence Life Committee.

**Goals**

“Better communication between Class I’s and SGA. Appropriations Committee to vote on Class II & III financial bills. Look into cutting SGA expense account to perhaps provide for Class II budgets and increase in Class III appropriations.”
At 8:20 p.m., about 2 hours after the meeting began, the SGA representatives emerged from the meeting. Protesters could sense the bad news coming as a disappointed looking Fisher spoke to the crowd.

"First of all I would like to start off by thanking all of you for your support today," said Fisher. "I'm going to start with the tuition increase, Reid could not pledge to the students of Montclair State that our tuition would not exceed a 4 percent increase. He suggested that we start directing our attention towards the state legislation." Fisher continued, "we went in there knowing that we weren't going to get 4 percent, but we were negotiable, we had suggestions, and he was unresponsive to each and every one of those suggestions that we made."

Fisher and Levine were visibly shaken as tears streamed from their eyes while making the announcement. "I'm a little discouraged right now," said Lynch, who was also too upset to comment further.

Campus police blocked off the area near Reid's office and let through a side entrance in College Hall.

Despite the meeting's outcome students decided to stay and continue to sit-in College Hall's hallways and lobby.

"I expected it," said student Board of Trustees representative Paola Ciappina. "I definitely knew he wasn't going for 4 percent. I don't think the students should be discouraged by this, I think they should keep going." Students who stayed were treated to music and comedians through the night. Some still announced their displeasure with the increase, however the crowd of students staying grew smaller and smaller as the night went on. Some brought sleeping bags and camped out, while other brought playing cards and games to keep entertained through the night.

The remaining students were eventually asked to leave by Campus Police and maintenance at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday morning.

A view of the quad at 12 noon shows the beginning of the protest this past Tuesday.
Trooper Kevin Green lectures to administration class

By Jean-Marie Navetta
Editorial Editor

Attitude. That was the one word answer Trooper Kevin Green gave to an inquiry by a student during the Q & A section of his lecture in Dr. George Zilbergeld's Public Personnel Administration class on Tuesday.

The lecture was given to provide students with background material and information about becoming one of the 2600 New Jersey State Troopers. Green began with a personal history, pointing out the differences between working on a task force in Newark and dealing with murders, robberies, etc., and working somewhere like Flemmington where, according to Trooper Green, “(they) took over local police problems.” He told about working in Camden to clean up the inner cities. Trooper Green has met Presidents Reagan, Bush, and Clinton, and “had the distinct pleasure of escorting Coretta Scott King” in New Jersey. He now works in the affirmative action office for the New Jersey State Police.

The introduction was followed by an overview of the trooper selection process, which is “more difficult than some may think,” according to Trooper Green. All applicants must have a bachelor’s degree. The first part of the selection process is the written exam which covers vocabulary, memory recall, and an autobiographical data section. Next is the physical agility test. The scores of the first two exams are combined, divided by two, and that score is used to advance to the third step of the process, the background check.

The applicants with the top 500 test scores will have a background investigation done on them, which takes about two months. Trooper Green stated that the check is extremely thorough and will go back as far as the fourth grade and covers every stop in between, including talking to teachers, employees, and even ex-wives.

The background check is followed by an appearance before an oral interview board with a medical and psychological evaluation. Applicants who pass this portion of the test (about 150 of the 500) will enter the academy. The academy training is five months long and is residential, meaning that recruits live there Monday through Friday. While in the academy, recruits will endure physical and academic training. This training is “90 percent academic and 10 percent physical because we want a sound mind and body,” commented Green.

Recruits also endure boxing competitions, swimming, and other tests that “manufacture stress to see how you’ll react.” According to Trooper Green, this is important because if things get tough an officer can’t “roll up the windows and lock the doors.”

Trooper Green then covered the benefits that State Troopers receive. “We are the best paid troopers in the nation,” he stated. Also, the in-car troopers work three days and get three days off with a guarantee of two weekends off a month.

The lecture closed with a Q & A session. Most of the questions were, as one would expect, about speeding. And the question that received the answer at the opening of this story was, “On what basis do you [the troopers] give tickets to one person or another?” Don’t forget that even in being ticketed, according to Trooper Green, attitude is everything.
Menopause Lecture concludes series

BY VICTORIA TENGELICS
ASSISTANT CAMPUS LIFE EDITOR

Standing in an elevator all of a sudden a wave of heat overwhelms your body starting at the neck and spreading, this is a hot flash (do not worry men this only affects women). Menopause is a “reproductive landmark very much associated with aging” said Dr. Marcia Flint of the Department of Anthropology. Flint spoke about alternative treatments for menopause on Wednesday, April 16th at the last of the Spring LuncheOn Lecture Series sponsored by the Women’s Center.

Flint has been studying the effects of menopause for the past twenty-five years. Flint also established the North American Menopause Society in 1989 with two other professionals. The North American Menopause Society provides non-biased information on menopause and menopausal problems, checkout their website on the internet.

During menopause and after, women experience estrogen loss. Estrogen protects against cardiovascular disease and osteoporosis. Although for many years men were thought to be the most susceptible to heart disease, women and men have almost equal rates.

Women, however, do not always know that they are at risk because of Syndrome X; a form of heart disease that affects women which has no symptoms until the heart attack strikes. Osteoporosis is a loss of bone mass that occurs in post menopausal women and can be offset by estrogen replacement.

Estrogen replacement can also relieve the symptoms of menopause. Sever­-­ity Five percent of women suffer from mid range hot flashes, ten percent have severe hot flashes and fifteen percent report no hot flashes. Many women in other parts of the world report less severe or even no symptoms of menopause, this may be due to diet or culture.

The most common menopause treatments are Estrogen Replacement Therapy (ERT) and Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT). Women who have had their uterus removed usually are given ERT. HRT is a combination of estrogen and progesterin, this is given to women who still have their uterus because estrogen has been linked to can­
cer of the uterus and progesterin serves to counteract this.

Due to the conflicting reports that hormone therapy has been linked to breast cancer women are scared to try these treatments even when prescribed by a doctor. Studies have shown that 52 percent of women who are prescribed HRT do not fill the prescription and 35 percent of those who do, quit taking them within a few months. This leaves them at risk for the side effects of estrogen loss.

Flint addressed the need for alternatives that would enable women to stay healthy while not taking the replacement drugs. She recommends eating foods that are high in phytoestrogen-plant estrogen that does not cause cancer or the side effects associated with estrogen and proges­tin. In China, where women have reported mild to no symptoms women, eat a lot of foods that contain soy.

Other foods that contain phytoestrogens include: ginseng, yams that have red skin and deep orange color in the middle, and carica papaya (not the yellow kind you get in the supermarket but the orange-red kind you can find in a health food store). If you are going to buy dried papaya be sure that there is no added sugar.

There are phytoestrogenic foods that are already regular parts of American diets including: apples, carrots, green beans, peas, potatoes, red beans, brown rice, whole wheat, rye, sesame seeds, flax seeds and hemp seeds.

Taking good care of yourself, including a fitness and diet plan, is also suggested. Aerobic exercise increases metabolic rates, regulates body temperature, reduces anxiety and can help with weight control. Any kind of aerobic exercise is good but the most beneficial type is weight bearing exercises which encompasses walking, running and stair master.

Eating a low fat diet, avoiding foods that contain caffeine (that means no more sodas), minimize intake of dairy products and quit smoking. Smoking causes the body to age faster and women to start menopause at an earlier age. For acute hot flashes acupuncture and acupressure have been proven to reduce severity.

Menopause can be a very happy period in a woman’s life, a time after she has accomplished most of her dreams and can create new ones. It also can be a stressful time for those taking care of aging parents while they are still taking caring of their children.

We need a Features’ Editor for next year. It’s fun, it looks good on a resume, it will impress your parents, and absolutely no experience is necessary. Call x 5216, ask for Sue, and get involved!!!
In case you haven’t noticed, the computer labs have recently begun the procedure of checking your ID on the way in the door. This means that you must bring in your I.D. next time you want to use a computer. If you forget your I.D., the lab assistant will ask you to log into alpha as proof that you are a student. If that doesn’t work, please bring your 1997 tax return with you and a blood sample...just kidding.

While this policy isn’t really a big hassle, I fear the larger underlying problems it represents. Cliff Gillman, head of Academic Computing and Technology, had no choice but to bow to the wishes of the SGA and faculty. Their concerns revolved around the obvious overcrowding of the computer labs every day around noon. Their conclusion is that too many non-MSU students were coming up here, using the machines we paid for, and basically laughing at all of the students who actually pay to have these services. I will not argue that that isn’t true. It is.

Anyone who has ever come up here over spring break will obviously notice the new faces in the labs. Students from other colleges, home for vacation, see our school as “free computer services”. Lab assistants often report that during regular school days they get calls from non-MSU students who want to use our labs. All this is true. So I bet you’re wondering, “Why is Louis complaining?”

I’m complaining about the assertion that the reason the labs are overcrowded is due to non-MSU students. There are many reasons the labs are overcrowded. Here are a few:

1. There are simply not enough machines. There are roughly 150 computers open to students (not counting departmental labs). That works out to about 100 people per computer. Other colleges, according to research conducted by Michael Roessner (the hunky lab assistant), Rowan College’s ratio is 34 students per computer and Trenton State’s ratio is ten students per computer. We simply lack the resources.

2. Inconsiderate students. Look, I’m no paragon of virtue over there, but honestly, this IS a school, and obviously schoolwork should come first. Anyone who has walked in a lab and seen 20 people surfing the net (whether it be looking at the school’s own home pages or checking out what made those Heaven’s Gate people so nutty), knows exactly what I’m talking about. It is very frustrating to wait for someone to finish printing out this week’s Dilbert strip when you have to type a paper. The overcrowding would be easier considerably if people tried to abstain from non-academic computer use during the peak hours of the day (say, 11am till 4pm).

3. People who seem to make bad use of their time. Since you guys know when there’s going to be a crowd at the lab, maybe you should try coming at a less busy time, say a.m. Before you start flaming me, it was a suggestion, not a edict.

4. Teacher’s who give out assignments like, “Get an alpha account” or “Find three web sites on blah, blah, blah.” We all deserve Sean Richardson and they won’t go to the lab assistant to call another computer. I’ll spare them the embarrassment by not naming them.

Hey, teachers! Listen up! The labs are not here for teaching. If you want a class to find three web sites, you should have reserved a lab and shown them how to do it first. That way, they wouldn’t be taking up space in the lab trying to understand what the internet even is.

5. Get the dorm labs open at a time of day when they will be able to help with this problem. They do provide some good things (they are open later at night), but they ultimately don’t do much else. First of all, they are WAY TOO SMALL. Eight computers don’t do diddly. Second, they don’t open until after the congested hours in the day. If these labs were open all day, it would save at least a few residents from walking over to the open labs.

6. Don’t be so lazy. There are six non-dorm labs. Yet many students go straight to the library or Richardson and they won’t go to another lab if those are already full. To those that aren’t lazy: if you walk in to the lab and it is full, please ask the lab assistant to call another computer lab to see if they have open computers.

Don’t think these suggestions for improvement are too extreme. I hope that some of you will heed my advice and have many happy hours of computing. Also, if you get the chance, pass this on to your friendly neighborhood faculty or SGA member. That way, when they complain, they’ll know what they should be complaining about.

Next week: Intro to the labs. I’ll tell you the dreaded list rules, a tour of the dungeon where we throw all those who don’t follow the rules, and complete information on each lab. See you!
G Love and Special Sauce groove MSU students

by Jodi Kastel
Assistant Arts Editor

Class One Concerts' Outdoor Jam on Sunday was marked by erratic weather, sound problems, and lackluster turnout, but those in attendance didn't let anything spoil the day.

People were hacky-sackying on the “grassy knoll” by College Hall, while others were staking out the area by the hot dog vendors.

Jah Pickney started off the afternoon. Winners of CIC's Battle of the Bands two weeks ago, Jah Pickney's smooth hip-hop, reggae-flavored music spread a positive vibe throughout the amphitheater. Though I only caught the last half hour of their set, I heard the live debut of “You Are the One,” the politically-charged “Just Us,” “War,” originally recorded by Bob Marley, and “Sunshine.” Lead vocalist Exodus is backed by Noel (lyricist, spoken-word artist), Ed (bass), Gray, a.k.a. “The Grizza” (guitar), Claude (saxophone), Vidio (drums), and MSU alumnus Bernie (percussion). Absent from their line-up was Allen, a professional soccer player who is currently on tour with that endeavor.

Boston's Buffalo Tom took the stage next, preceded by a short speech by SGA Presidential candidate Karen Cardell. Buffalo Tom has been a constant presence in the alternative music scene since the 1989 release of their eponymous album on SST Records. They also received notoriety with their performance on the Claire Danes' springboard, My So Called Life. Fronted by Bill Janowitz, Buffalo Tom is Chris Colbourne on bass and vocals and Tom Maginnis on a very green set of drums.

Battling with technical difficulties, Buffalo

Art in Nature at Gallery One

by Erin Perry
Arts Editor

Gallery One held an opening reception for Anna C. Pai’s Art in Nature last Monday. Pai’s unique exhibit is a combination of photography and the art of Bonsai, reminiscent of her birthplace and early childhood in China.

Pai's work in photography covers every aspect of nature from animals and various vegetation, to landscapes. Pai describes her emergence into photography as, “The appreciation that I have for nature is what propelled me into a career in science, and it is the same force that also led me to photography. I had always considered photography as my favorite form of art, other than Bonsai. Perhaps because I see so much beauty in nature, I have not ventured out of “straight shooting” and into more abstract photography, something I intend to explore along with digital imaging.”

Art in Nature also features six Bonsai tree displays. Pai explained the importance of Bonsai and her passion for the art as, “I can best describe what Bonsai means to the peoples of Asia with the Japanese legend that a poor scholar demonstrated the depth of his filial piety to his ailing parent by burning his Bonsai to warm his home... My plantings are created in the Japanese style of Bonsai, which is more formal and stylized than the Chinese.”

Dr. Anna C. Pai is retiring after twenty-eight years at MSU. She offers her exhibit as a gesture of farewell to my students and colleagues in the Biology Department. The exhibit is also dedicated to Mr. Yoshimura, to the memory of Al Stein, and to the memory of her brother, Dr. Solan Chao. Art in Nature is on view at Gallery One until April 25.
By Erin Perry
Arts Editor

This past Saturday, the Tibetan Buddhist monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery made a stop on their international tour, "Sacred Music and Sacred Dance for World Healing," at Memorial Auditorium.

The performance is designed as a development of the traditional sacred spiritual festivals, with attention paid to authenticity and purpose of the individual aspects of the celebrations from the lands of snow in Tibet. The ritual features multiphonic singing, in which the monks simultaneously intone three notes of a chord, and traditional instruments such as a ten-foot-long dunchen trumpets, bells, drums, cymbals, and galing horns. A Tibetan flag, the General Flag of Buddhism and brocade costumes completed the decor of this exotic event.

The goals of the tour are to make a contribution to world healing and peace movements; to generate a greater awareness of Tibetan civilization; and to raise support for the refugee community in India. An interpreter explained the specifics of the ritual which is composed of twelve parts:

1. Nyen-sen: Invocation of the Forces of Goodness. In a tapestry of instrumental and vocal sounds, the monks invoke creative awareness within themselves and the audience.

2. Tong-nyi Nyaro: Sounds of the Void. In the multiphonic tradition, the monks intone a song of wisdom, reflecting the point at which the ultimate and conventional realities merge, and pointing out the nature of the Great Void.

3. Sha-nak Gar-cham: Dance of the Black Hat Masters. This ancient dance for the elimination of negative energies and hindrances is in the style known as drak-po, or "wrathful." The implements held by the dancers symbolize the transcendence of false ego-identification on the outer (the environment), inner (the emotions), and the secret (the subtle body-mind link) levels. Their movements symbolize the joy and freedom of seeing reality in its nakedness.

4. Man-del: Purifying the Universe. As they sing in the multiphonic style typical of Drepung Loseling's dominant role at the annual Monlam Chenmo Festival, the monks create a world seen through the eyes of inner perfection. This is an offering for world healing and is symbolized by raising a silver base on which mounds of rice are poured in a geometric pattern.

5. Kha-dro Ten-shug Gar-cham: Dance of the Celestial Travelers. Five dancers, symbolizing the five elements and five wisdoms, together with three musicians, invoke the sounds and movements of the Celestial Travelers, the mystical beings from another world whose blessings strengthen the forces of life and light.


7. Yak-cham: The Yak Dance. When the human world enters into a mode of balanced and wholesome living, all life forms rejoice, including those of the animal kingdom.

8. Dak-zin Tsar-chod: A Melody to Sever the Ego Syndrome. Descending in a lineage from Pa-dam-pa Sanggay and the eleventh-century female mystic Ma-chik Lab-don, this tradition of meditative music is considered amongst the most hauntingly beautiful to emanate from the Lands of Snows. Its purpose is to release the mind from the ego-clinging habit.

9. Dur-dak Gar-cham: Dance of the Skeleton Lords. To remind the world of the ephemeral nature of all things, and of the liberating and balancing impact of an awareness of this reality, two monks appear as the forces of goodness manifest as Cemetery Lords.

10. Ten-trul Yul-tra: Purifying the Environment and Its Inhabitants. Chanting in the multiphonic tradition, the monks hold up a mirror and draw into it the reflection of the world and its living beings. They then purify these through sound and meditation, as symbolized by the act of pouring waters from a sacred wisdom vase over the mirror.

11. Seng-geh Gar-cham: The Snow Lion Dance. In Tibet the snow lion symbolized the fearless and elegant quality of the enlightened mind.

The home of about 10,000 Buddhist monks, the Drepung Loseling Monastery was established in 1416. With the Chinese Communist invasion in the 1950s, only 250 monks managed to escape and seek refuge in India where the Drepung Monastery has grown to 2,500.

The "Sacred Music and Sacred Dance for World Healing" tour is growing in popularity. The monks have performed with Paul Simon, Natalie Merchant, and the Grateful Dead's Mickey Hart. The performance was an extremely enlightening experience. I now have a new found interest in Buddhism and a respect for their cause. If you would like more information on how you can help write to the representative in America: Losel Shedrup Ling, Suite 56473, 2625 Piedmont Rd., Atlanta, GA 30324.

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Sunday, April 20
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Bands play for protest

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Mo' Funk (Left), a group of MSU student musicians performed a variety of songs, including a few Stevie Wonder hits. Mo' Funk was led by Russell Marsh (Below) on vocals and keyboards. The bands played in the Strike the Hike protest as a result of placing in the Battle of the Bands competition last week.

Mo' Funk and other bands set an energetic tone for the entire day of protesting the proposed tuition increase. In addition to supplying a musical complement for the protest, the bands attracted many students to the scene.

Attention!
The Montclarion still has editorial positions open for the fall semester. Interested? Of course you are! Come down to the Student Center Annex, rm 113 or call x5169.
**Students would not make good secretaries**

Tom Tracy is wrong (Montclarion, April 10) to attack secretaries as a means of solving MSU’s budget problems. His claim that “Every secretary has a secretary,” is ridiculous. The argument that students could take on their jobs is more absurd. Secretaries maintain vast stores of knowledge about the running of offices, including how to operate increasingly complex computer software, how to order supplies (not as easy as you might think), and many department secretaries do a fair amount of unpaid student advising for the convenience of students who somehow can’t make faculty office hours.

Like faculty, secretaries at MSU have gone for two years without a raise and have suffered the same cuts in health benefits that, taken together, amount to about an 8% wage decline. This year’s Whitman “bonus” of $250 only adds insult and shows the Governor’s complete lack of interest in higher education in New Jersey. Instead of attacking and insulting secretaries, we need to respect all segments of the campus community. This will help us build a united movement against tuition hikes and the other attacks of the present administration in Trenton against us all.

Richard W. Franke, Professor of Anthropology

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**Calling all MSU students: We want you to get involved on your campus now!**

If you are reading this paper, it most likely means that you are an MSU student, alumni, faculty member, (or person we had a strike against). If this is so, I’d like to ask you a question: Where have you been?

If you are a member of the MSU family that is constantly involved with one activity after another, then you are dismissed and can go read “Dilbert” now you can go figure out the crossword puzzle. If you are better off apart. Thank you for your time, and no you that much easier. So get involved. No organization is going to come to your door and have a meeting and take a walk across campus. If that’s too much for you, maybe both the organizations and you are better off apart. Thank you for your time, and now you can go figure out the crossword puzzle.

Sean Patrick Hale
English

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**Here’s to you Mr. Robinson**

On April 15, 1947, Jackie Roosevelt Robinson became the first black man to play for a Major League Baseball team. On Tuesday, April 15, 1997, Major League Baseball bestowed an unprecedented and well-deserved honor upon the man who broke its color barrier. During the Dodgers-Mets game at the Stadium, Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig announced that Robinson’s number 42 will be retired by Major League Baseball. This move means that all players currently using the number may keep it, but after those players retire, it may never be worn again. Jackie Robinson’s 42 will be immortalized for all time.

The reason this first-ever honor is bestowed upon Robinson is simple: his dedication, perseverance, and abilities changed not only the face and attitude of baseball — but of all of America.

Jackie Robinson withstood racial slurs and death threats, and was prevented from responding to anything. He knew the importance of his opportunity, and he was dedicated to giving it his best. Robinson was so good that he was awarded baseball’s first Rookie of the Year award, which was named after him.

Jackie Robinson also forced Americans to judge people based on their merits, and not on their race, ethnicity, or any other factor. The fruits of Robinson’s labor were not realized right away in society — but he set the tone for the future. And in baseball, he did see the results of his dedication, as five of the recent National League Rookies of the Year were black players. Robinson forced America to deal with its bigotry and hatred and, slowly but surely, we are better for it.

Jackie Robinson also sent a message to America — that one man can make a difference. That message was reinforced at MSU on April 15th, as the students made their voices heard to President Reid. Reid may have said no to every request made by the students, but the message was still there — that we will stand for the injustice of a 9.3 percent tuition increase. And it was Jackie Robinson who showed us that we can make a difference.

Jackie Robinson also sent a message to all black Americans who, because of racism and segregation, believed that they could not compete with white Americans. Every time Jackie got a hit or stole home plate, he was sending another message to America, “We can compete with you.” The effects of that can be seen today: More and more individuals of all races, ethnicities, etc. are running for executive positions, becoming legislators, and starting organizations. Jackie Robinson was the first man on a national stage to show all Americans that this was possible.

So why should we make a big deal, outside of baseball, about what Jackie Robinson did in 1947? Simple. Jackie’s impact reaches from baseball diamonds to board rooms, and touches us here at MSU. Jackie Robinson was more than just a baseball player; he was the man who, simply by doing his job, was the catalyst to lift America out of the crippling effect of its racist ideology. Jackie showed us the power of one man, Jackie showed us that if you walk softly, and swinging a big stick, you will FORCE people to see the truth. Even though there is still work to be done today, the message is just as clear today as it was then.

Immortalizing Jackie Robinson’s number 42 in baseball history is the right thing to do, but it doesn’t begin to repay the debt of gratitude that we owe him. So here’s to you, Mr. Robinson. Thank you for teaching us that as our Constitution states, all men really are created equal. Of course, it’s just another home run for an American hero — Jackie Roosevelt Robinson.
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The Examined Life
by Jean-Marie Navetta

My favorite philosopher, Ayn Rand, wrote that “Great men can’t be ruled.” And on April 15th when the students of MSU decided to “Strike the Hike,” this statement was once again proven true. In a move which defied the odds of apathy, students learned the facts, marched to College Hall, and demanded that the administration accept our demands.

The unfortunate part about this whole day was that the administration could have cared less.

I was a member of the team which met with President Reid to discuss our demands. I’m grateful for the opportunity, and I think that it’s time to let everyone know what happened in there.

The first demand that was made was that President Reid would not increase tuition more than 4 percent. He would not meet this demand. He claimed that the increase was entirely dependent on how much money the state gives him. However, this is not the whole truth. Reid and his friends were unresponsive to many of the suggestions we made for cutting the increase, such as using a small percentage of the $11 million endowment that the Montclair Foundation has, or charging user fees for some services, such as library late fees.

The second demand we made was that students be given a full explanation of where their tuition money goes. This too was denied, despite the fact that as a public institution, they are required to give disclosure of financial records.

Of course, a “justification” for this lack of disclosure was given to us by President Reid who said that they can’t “find a dollar for dollar audit trail of where the money went.” Well, I’m sure that gives us all a lot of confidence in the financial management of MSU.

Finally, the students requested a guaranteed meeting dialogue between the students and the BOT. This too was an impossibility. Reid suggested that it might be able to happen in the future, but the next time the BOT meets to talk tuition, it’s going to be when they approve our tuition hike sans explanation to us. Funny how they can demand the cash, but we can’t even demand justification from their own mouths.

Sure, President Reid made a big offering to us: we can see the “Institutional Priorities” list which details where the administration intends to spend your money and give him input on it. But it won’t be available until May 21st. And he even admitted that our inputs is just that – if we veto a project and he thinks we need it, it’s going to happen. What a very nice symbolic gesture on his part.

And Harry Schuckel, who was also present at this meeting commented, “We have this list of priorities which, if someone gave us $50 million endowment tomorrow, we still couldn’t meet.” Hmm. If $50 million won’t cover what the administration plans on doing here, then how can the students possibly foot the bill? How much more will they squeeze out of students before they can meet the goals that, as of yet, we don’t even know?

The administration needs to recognize two things. First, it took us 100 years to become a university – we can’t become Ivy League in five. There has to be a pace to improvement, and it’s a lot slower than what they think we can handle. Second, we know the facts now. Telling the students of MSU that the issues are “too complicated” for us to understand is not going to work anymore. We marched to College Hall once, and we’ll do it again.

But this can’t be the end. Parents need to know what kind of lies have been told by the administration, and see how adverse they are to the goal of quality at MSU – a quality that comes not from more money, but self-improvement of staff and definitely of the administration.

As I said, the students of MSU proved that Ayn Rand was right. She recognized the value of the individual’s mind and ability to rationally think and constantly improve themselves. What a novel idea. Maybe we should send some copies of her books down to College Hall so the administrators can take the hint and think rationally about tuition. We are willing to pay a portion of the money that is needed, they are only willing to take. Ayn Rand would say that is irrational – and we couldn’t agree more.

State of the World
by Tom Tracy

I must admit that I was proud to be an MSU student this past Tuesday. This was to be the day that the students of MSU rallied together against that administration and the state government in a show of force against proposed tuition increases for next year. I am probably one of the most jaded people on this campus when it comes to student involvement which is probably why I still cannot get over the sight that I saw at 12 noon that day.

I wanted the best view possible to estimate the size of the crowd. So Tom Casey and I went to the fourth floor of the Student Center to catch a glimpse of the would-be protesters. The area in front of the Student Center was covered with students. There was probably about 1,200 people out there, and it was amazing. To get 1,200 students on this campus to do something without the presence of alcohol is astonishing.

I made my way back down through the crowd toward the stage and watched the different types of people enjoying music, food and great weather. I wondered to myself how many of these people might not be able to be here next year if tuition is raised the proposed 9.3%. This was the true travesty that was being defied.

At 12:30, the speakers began. Several students went up and talked about their personal stories – how the tuition hike would affect them, or just how happy they were to see so many students outside. By 1:00, the crowd was at its largest and ready to take action.

A cry came out to go to College Hall to continue our peaceful demonstration outside the president’s office. I couldn’t believe what I was watching. Even Student Government President Amy Fisher looked surprised. Everyone hoped that this protest would make its way to the other end of the campus, but I do not believe that anyone thought it would involve this many people. The crowd started to move in rows six, seven across toward College Hall. The line of students stretched from behind the library all the way back to the quad. We made our way into College Hall, and lined the hallway of the second floor from end to end. The secretaries in the business and registrar offices looked surprised, to say the least.

It was time to focus on the media. I and my other half Greg MacSweeney ran (literally) back to the SGA office and after we nearly threw up, called all the major media outlets. The protest was in full-effect.

By 3:00, reporters from The Montclarion Times, The Record, The Star Ledger, and Channel 2 News were all on the scene talking to students. I got interviewed by Channel 2 and actually appeared on the 5:00 newscast. 30 seconds of fame down, 14 minutes, 30 seconds to go. Things were going well. We were told that President Reid was out of town, but would be back at 6:30, at which time he would meet with five chosen students. What a guy.

By 6:00, the crowd had thinned out considerably. There were still about 80-100 students left as we awaited the arrival of President Reid. At 6:15, I was sitting behind College Hall talking to a reporter from The Star Ledger. I heard a lot of commotion inside and knew who had shown up. The crowd of students was now directly outside Reid’s office chanting and letting him know why we had been here all day. Reid started to speak, but could barely be heard above the screaming students. He said he would now meet with five student representatives as he had promised.

I am a realistic person, and knew that not much would come out of the meeting. But the way things had been going all day, nothing would have surprised me. For an hour and a half, the crowd of 70 stood in the hallway making speeches and chanting various phrases, some printable and some not. By 7:30, I was beginning to wonder for the sanity of the remaining students if the meeting would ever end.

Finally at 8:00, the meeting ended and the combatants emerged. President Reid was quickly ushered out a side door, and I could tell by the look on Amy’s face that things did not go well. She handled the difficult task of telling the students that every one of our demands were rejected like a champ, and it was time to regroup and pick up the pieces.

Several students decided they were going to sleep in College Hall, as a way to continue the protest and show the administration how serious they were. Cameron Polinco said they would keep the building open all night as long as the demonstration remained peaceful.

There were about 50-60 people there. These people had been in College Hall for over eight hours. Personally, I was sick of the building. I hadn’t spent eight hours there in the four years I have been here. I finally called it a night at 1:30 in the morning.

What did we accomplish? We made the three aforementioned newspapers in this article and were featured on the Channel 2 and 9 newscasts. President Reid does not like negative publicity for the school. Also, awareness was raised among many students on campus. Even if they did not join the actual protest, they were made aware of what was going on. In the end, the major triumph was that about 500 students joined together to demonstrate to President Reid and anyone else who would listen that we will not accept a 9.3% tuition increase.

I know President Reid is not deaf, and I know he heard the messages, but did he listen to them? Only time will tell. The protest cannot stop now, it must be continued every day until we get what we want. And if the commitment that was shown on Tuesday was any evidence, someday, we will get what we want and deserve. Thanks to everyone for a memorable experience.
The Nonconformist

by William J. Gibbs, Jr.

A s someone who has about four years of experience in the field of editorial journalism (I also wrote for Rampages at Overbrook Regional High), I have never responded to criticism—until now.

I read both responses that I received in last week’s issue thoroughly and repeatedly. The reason I read it repeatedly was because of disbelief of what was written by Bill Guardino and Lauren Pytleski (I listed Mr. Guardino first for alphabetic purposes, not because of 1950’s gender roles). I did not see much written about what I wrote in the April 3 article. Instead, I saw a barrage of attacks on my character. When I wrote that initial article, I did not have the intention of attacking anyone personally. Instead, I was just trying to open the eyes of those that see that the SGA is not necessarily living up to its pledge of cleaning up its public image. I am all about doing great things for this campus, and I am also all about seeing that things get run properly and efficiently. According to Mr. Guardino I have “not voted down a single request from an organization for money.” I have for your information Billy Boy voted down money requests for feasibility.

And as for Ms. Pytleski, who says that the SGA is “the student government which would imply that politics would be involved.” But Madame Vice-President, or should I say “Executive Vice-President” (pronounced in a Shakespearean accent while bowed on one knee), the personal stuff such as the cliques and blocs should not be brought into the legislature. It is to be left out.

I have a strong grasp of Robert’s Rules as well as Parliamentary Procedure, not because of reading about them but also enacting them. A little known thing about me is that I was in the YMCA New Jersey Youth and Government program for three years. In that three years, I was a two time Chaplain for both the Assembly and the Senate. I was also selected for feasibility.

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A response to criticism from the SGA: He ain’t heavy, he’s my Jabberwocky

Jeremy Bentham was a wise man—animals should not suffer for science

Dogs and humans don’t have the same bones or even a remotely similar body construction. As close as we are to apedom, apes were not used, they’re too expensive. Dogs could be bought on the cheap from brokers who bought the condemned puppies for next to nothing from dog pounds. Thus, thousands and thousands of dogs were killed or badly maimed unnecessarily.

LD-40 tests (LD is short for Lethal Dose) involve force-feeding a group of animals a given non-food substance until 40% of the group die. What are they given? It can be anything from shaving cream to deodorant to laundry detergent. “Where’s the point in that?” you might ask. Well, I don’t know. I certainly know better than to eat anything that’s not meant to be eaten, don’t you? That’s why animal testing is cruel, unnecessary, and rejected by companies with a conscience.

But what about all those “wonder drugs” that were tested on animals that are safe for human consumption? There isn’t one that wasn’t tested on human volunteers before gaining FDA approval—not even Salk’s polio vaccine. Nothing goes from animal to market, so why bother with animal testing at all?

So during this coming week, take a moment to remember the animals who live in misery in labs and die in agony for no good reason. Buy Cruelty-Free products, educate a friend, spay/neuter your pet, and raise a glass to Jeremy Bentham.
And the Montclarion endorses...

President

Karen Cardell

The key reason for our endorsement of Karen Cardell is the need for fresh blood in the SGA. Where she might be lacking in experience at MSU, Karen has the enthusiasm and the ability to communicate with students that the SGA needs to renew itself. Hopefully, while in the position of President she will use the resources in the legislature to gain the knowledge she needs to work effectively and bring the SGA back to the job of “students serving students.”

Vice-President

No Endorsement

Due to the fact that one of the candidates running for this position is a member of the Montclarion, the Editorial Board of the newspaper has decided that it poses a conflict of interest and therefore we should not make an endorsement. We wish both candidates luck in this election.

Secretary

John Fagioli

The decision to support John Fagioli came down to a question of experience. As an active member of Theta Xi and with experience in the SGA, John can offer a lot of knowledge about the campus to the students. He is extremely motivated for being in this position and his enthusiasm will hopefully carry on beyond the election and into the next school year.

Treasurer

John Zalepka

John’s qualifications seem to make him a competent candidate for this position. His emphasis on the need to develop better communication between Class I’s and the SGA is a good position and we hope that he accomplishes this end. While his other ideas regarding Class II and III budgets are enterprising, we also hope that this does not give way to indiscriminate spending on programming.

BOT Alternate

Vitaly Satanovsky

Considering the importance of influencing the BOT when it comes to determining our tuition levels, we saw it as very important that the BOT alternate be knowledgeable about the campus, the student government, and the economic issues which are dealt with in the meetings. Because of this, we chose to endorse Vitaly, and hope that when he has to confront the BOT and represent the students, he has the strength to do so and fulfill his responsibilities.

SGA Election Poll Hours:

Thursday, April 17th: Dickson Lobby, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
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Workin’ is for Idiots

by Edward Flannery
I Am That Idiot

I hate work. I do not consider myself to be a lazy person (even though I am pathetically lazy), but it just seems to me that I can never seem to find employment that is meaningful and fruitful.

My first job ever was as a basketball camp counselor. Because I was a High School player, it was illegal for me to be paid in money for my services at the camp. In exchange for the money I agreed to a deal in which I would receive as much mayonnaise as I could carry without using a bucket or anything.

Between stuffing my pockets, socks, mouth, armpits, and hands, I was able to gamer two and a half gallons of mayo. I may not have impeccable hygiene, but that put me over the top. My car still smells, but I was able to eat so much egg salad. Shortly thereafter, I realized that wasn't a very good idea either.

I used to work at a warehouse. Let me give you the one piece of advice that I learned there. When someone tells you that an area contains explosives, DO NOT attempt to fire up a barbecue near it on your lunchbreak. My ears have still not grown back completely.

I worked at a baseball stadium over the summer as an usher. Although that sound pretty neat, it just so happens that my section was directly under the preferred place for pigeons to do their “business”. If I could have thought of something productive to do with forty pounds of pigeon poop a day, I would have been a rich man. Instead, I just used it as raw material for a statue of my hero. Let me be the first to say that when the sun is just right, there is no way that you could deny the majestic beauty of a thirty foot Super Mario.

I presently work at a pizzaria in my hometown. Actually, I’m the only person that works there. Everybody else just tells me what to do. They tell me that it is the latest rage in management philosophies. I tell them that its unfair. That’s when they bust out the electric cattle prods. I am slowly learning to keep my opinions to myself.

All too often, I find myself being told to do certain tasks the hard way. For instance, I think there must be a better way to keep supplied with meat than the present system of sending me out at four in the morning to collect roadkill. However, I highly recommend the rabbit sausage and the highway fresh chipmunk tortellini.

I realize that cleanliness is important, but I do not think it is necessary for me to the dishes single day. Give me a break. How dangerous can a little mold and bacteria really be. Personally, I think that it makes the food prettier by adding a lovely variety of colors.

I hate when I am used to test how hot the ovens are. Any fool could tell how they are simply by reading the thermometer. I also disagree with them testing how sharp the knives are when I try to crawl out of the oven.

I can’t wait until I graduate so I can get a real job. Wait, I go to Montclair State. I might as well give up now.
The horo, the horo will not be seen, since he is recovering from a really bad psychic hangover. He will return next week, or not, depending if he feels like shedding his container tonight.

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Dorks on the Scene

by John J. O'Sullivan

(Flashback from two weeks ago: Aliens started invading Earth. The Zygorthian X-15s, using their trademark weapon, The Annoyance Ray™, the aliens made the Statue of Liberty moon New York City, and the skies rained cats and dogs. Robert wondered if he was insured for falling cats and dogs, since he wasn’t sure if this was an act of God, or of life humming him out. He stepped outside, and got knocked unconscious by a falling Rottweiler for a few hours.)

The aliens were gaining on the humans. Televisions played annoying sitcoms from the 1980s. Strange pocket-protector clad men walked around trying to pick up women, using horrible pick-up lines. Fiercely armed mimes started performing in people’s living rooms, refusing to leave by making annoying hand gestures. That “Duh Huh, Duh Huh” song was the only thing that radio stations were able to broadcast. Mass chaos ensued. Not suprisingly, lawyers tried to sue.

A consortium of 482 lawyers from New York banded together to press a class-action suit against the aliens from disrupting Earth’s natural flow of television, reality, and stuff. Using that weird “Close Encounters of the Third Kind” light-board thing, they sent a subpoena up to the alien spacecrafts. The aliens turned the lawyers into GI-JOE™ action figures. In an opinion poll conducted by the Poofier Institute of Public Opinion, 80% of most Americans felt that this was a good move, 10% felt it was a tragedy, and 10% felt that they didn’t like GI-JOE™ action figures.

At the bar, Robert was passed out. Peek-Freen Tarretta was still passed out, although she was having strange dreams involving her, Rush Limbaugh, and a toaster. Well, everyone was either passed out or inebriated. During this time, Bob Tracy, a local beer farmer, and Perin Erey, world-famous professional wrestler, avoided the falling domesticated animals, and went in the bar. When they realized that the bar was open, and the bartender was passed out, they realized that it was Miller Time. Bob Tracy did kegstands of Bass Ale, while Perin Erey randomly drank bottles of hard liquor. Another patron, Victoria Caldron, walked into the bar while Bob and Perin were drinking, and pestered them for a drink. Bob, by luck, found a copy of the book “Don’t Bludgeon Your Fellow Man,” and chucked it at her head. It knocked her unconscious (her last words, “I can’t believe he hit me”), which allowed Bob and Perin to drink without disruption, which they did... until the aliens beamed both of their drunken arses up to their mothership.

The transporter whirled their atoms into the Zygorthian X-15 mothership, where three of the Elite Polyester Guard watched over them with annoyance ray-guns, making sure that they didn’t try anything foolish. “Hey duderz, don’t try anything foolish,” one of them said. “Aaaaath bith me,” Perin said in an alcoholic stupor. “No dudette, but I’ll be your sugar daddy.” “aaAath no, bith me,” she countered.

Another alien, this one wearing a strange clown-like hat walked into the transporter room. “Dudez, calm down. I am the supreme commander of this fleet, and will make all of you my slaves. So how are you feeling,” the alien announced.

Bob Tracy was perplexed at this whole scene. He asked, “Um, correct me if I’m wrong, Pointdexter, but we’re on a spaceship?” “Yes, and soon your world will belong to us.” He seemed really confident and smug.

To m...o o o p s Bob...hiccuped, and replied. “And who, pray please do tell, ‘cause I’m dying to know, are you?” Tom didn’t lose any of his rapier wit to any liquor.

“We are...THE DORKS ON THE SCENE” (insert creepy sci-fi music here.)

I love it when the title of a serial is mentioned in the story line. More to follow next week.

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Did you ever walk down the street and step in it? So did the creators of the dog poo web page! Go and “step on it on the web” at http://www.l.hond.net/~7Ekeith/mmain.html! They have a collection of amazing dog poo topics, such as: “cooking with feces,” “the art of dog poo,” and “the dog poo photo album.” There’s even tips on how to get that gosh darn poop off of your clothing or shoes! This web stinks...literally. Ha ha ha, I kill myself!

You know, I just hate those blue M&Ms! I ate a whole case of M&Ms for dinner yesterday, and all of my hair fell out, and I was in the bathroom for most of the day today! Of course, it had to do with the blue M&Ms! I finally found somebody who agrees with me with the evil that blue M&Ms do, at http://www.mines.edu/students/lbeckrr/mm! Read on how the blue M&Ms have been destroying the healthy and good tan M&Ms and wrecking havoc across the country! It will make you get up and say “DEATH TO THE BLUES!” Well, maybe I did, but that’s cause I never really was all that good in social situations. I’m sort of ashamed to mention it, but I really like beige. My car is beige, my clothing is beige...hell, I painted my office all white, but I made a beige accent wall, just so I can stare at my favorite color when I’m not staring at Internet porn! Get the inside scoop on the “color of the 90s” at http://www.geocities.com/Paris/9386. You’ll learn of beige’s neat-O creation, and how the color will take over the world. There’s even something about the Mark of the Beast. Jeppers!

Beam me up Scotty! That Heaven’s Gate thing was cool. Of course, I was a member, but I left because they didn’t allow me to stare at Internet Porn™. But I wish I went on that UFO, that sounded cool. They probably met Ensign Chekov! You can too, at http://www.geocities.com/Hollywood/Hills/6132. You can learn everything about the Russian with the terrible Russian accent on this site, along with a lot of other great information about Chekov! “Where are the nuclear vessels.” HAHHAHAHAHAHAAA! Trek rules.

When I went to a computer fair in Arizona, I actually left my house and went on an airplane! It was great, until I turned on my laptop halfway through, screwed up the navigational equipment, and nearly crashed the plane! The captain was a little upset with me, and called me a lot of different bad names. I was so upset I had to use a barf bag to relieve myself. If you like looking at barf bags, go on the Air Sickness Bag website at http://www.pv.unitt.no/~bt/spypose/. You’ll see ‘barf bags of the world,’ from the most complex Korean Airlines models, to the more
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Wednesday, April 23rd
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12 p.m. - 1 p.m. in Student Center, Room 418

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Men’s tennis beats ESU

**BY CHRIS LEPRE STAFF WRITER**

The MSU men’s tennis team improved their record to 4-5 last Monday by defeating East Stroudsburg University 7-0.

In singles, senior Pete Beckus (Scotch Plains) won in straight sets 6-0, 6-1, upping his personal to 3-5. Juniors Rob Jelinek (Czech Republic) and Keith Suchodolsky (Wall) both won in straight sets 6-1, 6-1 and 6-0, 6-0, respectively.

Jelinek improved his individual record to 4-1, which is the team’s best, and Suchodolsky improved to 4-5. The underclassmen then took over with sophomore Will Tepfenhardt (Clifton) winning 6-0, 6-1 and freshman Jim Smith (Emerson) winning by default.

The team then swept their doubles matches in straight sets. Beckus and Lawson won their match 8-3 and Suchodolsky and Tepfenhardt won 9-8.

The team will face Vassar on Saturday, April 19, and Caldwell College on April 21.

**MSU SportsNote:**

Next home baseball game: Sat., April 19 @ 12 noon against Rowan!

Lacrosse geared to start four straight home games

**BY CHRIS LEPRE STAFF WRITER**

The MSU men’s lacrosse team lost 10-8 last Saturday at FDU-Madison. The team fell to 4-5 after bringing their record to .500 when they defeated Lycoming College 16-10 last Wednesday.

Freshman Brett Cerullo (Lincoln Park) led the team with 10 shots on goal, but was only able to put one of them in the net. Sophomore Steve Urbanowycz (Clifton) was second in assists with seven. He also added one goal. These two players combined for half of the Red Hawks’ shots on goal.

Otherwise the scoring for the Red Hawks was spread out, with six players scoring one goal, and midfielder Steve Reed (Boonton) scoring two.

The majority of the scoring for MSU was made in the first and fourth periods, and it appeared that MSU was making a run for the lead in the fourth. But FDU scored another late goal, increasing their lead to two and sealing the victory.

Freshman goalkeeper Dave Isidor (Montclair) stopped 14 shots and allowed 10 goals.

For the season, Isidor has 63 saves and 58 goals against for a .521 save percentage.

Offensively for the season, freshman attacker John Brutin (High Bridge) leads the team in points with 32, and assists with 17. Urbanowycz leads the team in goals with 16 and is second in points with 23.

The team starts an extended home stay on April 19 against Colorado College at 1 p.m. Their next three games will all be on Sprague Field.

LIKE SPORTS? WRITE SPORTS!
Women Lax Attack, drop to 0-4

by Chris Lepre

The MSU women’s lacrosse team lost to Wagner College 8-12 last Friday, perpetuating a four-game losing streak.

The team was led by sophomore center Kelly Larkin (Chatham) with six shots on goal and three scores. Larkin is second on the team in scoring with four goals. Freshman attacker Shannon Haban (Delran) scored two goals on five attempts. Team scoring leader freshman attacker Alana Shull (East Windsor) had six goals on nine attempts, including the game-winner.

Other MSU scores were Mike Webber of Allentown College on 4-6 with five works on the afternoon and senior Wendy Saladino (Mountainside) on 4-3 with five works.

Going into the bottom of the fifth, the Red Hawks were down 4-1 and in that inning sent 10 batters to the plate. Six of them scored, aided by four errors by the Lions. The Red Hawks tied the game on a no-out, two RBI single by junior catcher Jerry Acevedo (Long Plainfield) pitched eight innings and picked up her third-highest win of the season. Her outstanding record is 12-2. She gave up nine hits and no earned runs, as the Red Hawks committed two errors. Kubicka attributes Ormsbee’s success to her two new pitchers who picked up a curve-ball and a screwball.

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In addition to the two games last week, the Red Hawks had an 0-2 pitch, Warnock bunted their runner at second over to third and on an 0-2 pitch, Warnock came through with the game-winning RBI. The Red Hawks stunned the Lions, by winning 5-4 and snapping their 20-game win streak.

Left-hander Sharon Ormsbee (North Plainfield) pitched eight innings and picked up her twelfth win of the season. Her outstanding record is 12-2. Kubicka attributes Ormsbee’s success to her two new pitchers who picked up a curve-ball and a screwball.

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Senior right-hander Peggyann Coker (Gloucester) picked up her seventh victory of the season. She picked the entire five innings and gave up seven hits and just two earned runs.

In Monday’s sweep of the Navigators, the Red Hawks won one game 6-5 and game two 12-0. All-American, senior short-stop Ro Guzzi (Long Branch) was 4-6 with five RBI’s on the afternoon and senior Wendy Saladino (Mountainside) was 4-8 with five RBI’s, including the game winner in game one. Ormsbee picked up the win going the distance in game one, while Coker won game two in a one-hit performance.

April 17, the Red Hawks will play a double-header against St. Thomas Aquinas College at Quarry Field. Game one is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Next, the Red Hawks will play two double-headers on the road at Salisbury State College on Saturday and Wilmington College on Sunday. Finally, on Tuesday they will return to Quarry Field to take on Georgian Court at 3 p.m.

You bet your Bachelor’s degree
A new take on college athletes

by Rob Kantzwein

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I have come to realize in my years on this planet that my professional life is based on how well I market myself to the people, otherwise known as employers, who are willing to pay me for my services. If a college athlete decides that the time is right for him to begin to market himself to possible employers, he should do what is best for him and bring him the most happiness.

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In conclusion, I cannot, nor should anyone, fault any athlete who does what he thinks is in his best interest because I don’t feel that people can decide what is right for anyone but themselves. You bet your Bachelor’s degree that if I were given the opportunity to pass on my remaining undergraduate credits to take a job that would make me extremely happy and fulfill one of my dreams, I would take it. I hope that all people are willing to pay me for my services. If a college athlete decides that the time is right for him to begin to market himself to possible employers, he should do what is best for him and bring him the most happiness.
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As the weather warms up, so do the Red Hawks

**Softball sweeps number one Lions**

**BY JEFF EHRULICH**

SPORTS EDITOR

The MSU softball team had never swept The College of New Jersey before. But that was before Tuesday when the Red Hawks upset the number one team in the nation, with two come-from-behind wins, 5-4 and 7-4. Over 200 fans witnessed these two victories that had Head Coach Anita Kubicka, "a little taken back."

One day earlier, the Red Hawks rolled over the William Paterson College Pioneers in another doubleheader sweep, 6-5 and 12-0. Game one saw the Red Hawks come back from a five run deficit. The double-header was a make-up because the games, originally scheduled for Saturday afternoon, were rained out.

"After we showed up without our bats against Rowan [on Tuesday, April 8] and suffered a double-header sweep, I was impressed with how well we responded to the extended time off," said Kubicka referring to Monday's sweep of the Pioneers, "It really could have hurt us, but it didn't."

Following these four immense victories in two days, the Red Hawks improved their record to 23-4, (6-2 NJAC) and are sure to move up in the national rankings, probably knocking the Lions out of the number one spot. The Lions were on a 20 game win streak prior to Tuesday.

In game one of the sweep over the Lions, the Red Hawks were down 2-0 until the bottom of the fifth, when they scored three runs, two of a two-out RBI single by junior third-baseman Jamie Lascik (Runnemeade). MSU then pulled ahead 4-2 in the bottom of the sixth, but TCNJ knotted the game at four in the top of the seventh. The Red Hawks could not score in the bottom of the seventh, so the game went into extra innings.

Extra-innings in softball is played with the tie-breaker rule.

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**Track in the NJAC Championships**

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The New Jersey Athletic Conference Track and Field Championships were held on Friday, April 11 and Saturday, April 12 at The College of New Jersey. Rowan University won their fourth consecutive men's competition, with 242 points, while TCNJ won their fifth straight women's competition, with 236 points.

MSU, on the other hand, had a total of three points in the men's competition and 82 in the women's. The men finished last while the women were fourth.

MSU's Janice Brenner won the 100 meter hurdles with a time of 17.50 seconds and Cindy Kininski won the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.73 seconds. Other notables for MSU were Kyla Shanahan, who finished second in the 400 intermediate hurdles with a time of 1:13.05, and Katie Holmgren in the long jump, who finished second with a distance 4.52 meters. In the 4X100 relays, MSU finished fifth in the men's competition and third in the women's, while in the 4X400 relays, the women finished third and the men did not compete in the event.

On April 22-26 the track and field team will compete in the Penn Relays at a time to be announced and on April 27 the team will return home for the MSU Open.

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**Baseball wins four straight**

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After struggling through hard times and a 7-12-1 record, the Red Hawks have picked up the pace and now are 11-12-1 overall and, more importantly, are 4-2-1 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference, good for fourth place. Their confidence has been greatly increased, and it could not have happened at a better time because on Thursday they will travel to nationally ranked William Paterson College to renew the long standing rivalry. On Friday they will try to exact revenge on Rutgers-Newark by beating the Raiders, who tied the Red Hawks earlier in the season.

Then, on Saturday, the Rowan University Profs will head up to Pittser Field for a double-header starting at noon. Finally, the Red Hawks will play a rare Sunday afternoon game versus the Rutgers University Scarlet Knights in Piscataway, NJ.

Last Thursday the Red Hawks were triumphant against the 4-11 Ramapo College Roadrunners, as designated hitter C.B. Leon (Bogota) came through in a big way. He had three doubles and four RBI's in the 13-2 resounding victory.

Eight runs was more than enough to beat the Roadrunners and, in fact, the Red Hawks scored five more runs in the sixth and seventh innings for the 13-2 resounding victory. The Red Hawks had 12 hits in the game and committed three errors.

On Sunday the Red Hawks played a make up doubleheader for the rain outs.