New Vice-President for SDCL announced
Karen L. Pennington selected; takes over position in January

By Timothy M. Casey
Editor-In-Chief

Dr. Karen L. Pennington has been named Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life for Montclair State University, said interim President Dr. Gregory L. Waters in an announcement of the appointment.

"I was attracted to MSU because it is such a progressive institution that is really moving into the future," said Pennington. "All of the people I have spoken to were very positive about MSU!"

Dr. Pennington is currently serving as the Vice President for Student and Campus Life at the State University of New York at Geneseo and regional vice president of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. She is scheduled to begin at MSU on January 17, 1998.

Pennington interviewed for the position in October. "It was the most organized search process I have ever been involved in," said Pennington.

The Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life oversees the offices of Admissions, Campus Safety and Security, the Dean of Students, Financial Aid, the Academic Success Center, Residence Life, and the Student Center. These offices include the New Student Experience, Wellness Center, Child Care Center, student activities, intramural sports and recreation, and student support services.

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Floyd Hall Ice arena to open
First of two rinks to open after Thanksgiving

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

The Floyd Hall Ice Arena will be opening shortly after Thanksgiving, pending a final inspection, according to Associate Director of Facilities Planning, David Yen, on November 18.

"State inspectors will very soon be checking over the ice arena to open for compliance with electrical codes, fire safety laws, and handicap regulations. If all goes well as expected, we'll be able to open rink number one to the public in early 1998.

Yen said construction on rink number one has been completed, and will shortly undergo a final review.

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International

More US warplanes on way to Iraq

WASHINGTON — U.S. warplanes, newly ordered to the Persian Gulf region, began heading that way on Wednesday after the Pentagon warned that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has his air defense forces on a heightened state of alert and may be trying to set surface-to-air missile "traps" for American pilots.

Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon cited the concern on Tuesday as one reason President Clinton was expanding U.S. air power in the region — dispatching six F-117 stealth fighters and six B-52 strategic bombers. The president also authorized Gen. Anthony Zinni, commander of the U.S. Central Command, which operates all U.S. forces in the Gulf area, to send 32 other Air Force warplanes to Bahrain if he decides they are needed.

US schemes against Castro revealed

WASHINGTON — In the early 1960s, U.S. military strategists offered their bosses a bagful of dirty tricks to harass or humiliate Cuban leader Fidel Castro. The schemes ranged from flooding Cuba with faked photos of an overweight communist leader "with two beauties," to simulating the sinking of a U.S. warship in an exercise intended to provoke a war.

About 1,500 pages of newly-released Defense Department documents show that the Pentagon even considered squeezing anti-Cuba propaganda from a space disaster.

Swiss fund repaying Holocaust survivors

RIGA, Latvia — Riva Shefer, a 75-year-old Jewish survivor of a Nazi labor camp in Latvia, on Tuesday became the first recipient of money from a $200 million Swiss fund set up for Holocaust survivors. "I feel a great sense of responsibility ... I represent all of the surviving Jews," Shefer said after she received a check for $400, the first installment of a $1,000 payment.

Eighty elderly Holocaust victims in Latvia received payments from the fund, set up six months ago.

National

Iowa woman gives "miracle" birth

DES MOINES, Iowa — An Iowa woman gave birth to septuplets Wednesday, a delivery described by one of the attending doctors as "a miracle."

"This is a very unique situation. I would consider this a miracle. All the babies are so well-grown, so well-developed," said Dr. Paula Mahone.

The mother, 29-year-old Bobbi McCaughey, of Carlisle, Iowa, developed none of the medical conditions that can occur with multiple births, said Mahone, who delivered the seven babies along with Dr. Karen Drake at Iowa Methodist Medical Center.

"As we delivered and saw the nice size of the babies and how vigorous they were, we were all very, very happy," Mahone said.

FBI: No criminal involvement in Flight 800

NEW YORK — The FBI's conclusion that no criminal act caused the crash of TWA Flight 800 left open the question of exactly what kind of mechanical failure triggered the explosion that killed all 230 people aboard.

Determining the cause of the disaster is now up to the National Transportation Safety Board, which has scheduled public hearings about the crash for next month.

Investigators have not determined precisely what mechanical catastrophe caused the Paris-bound jet to blow up over the Atlantic Ocean shortly after takeoff from Kennedy International Airport on July 17, 1996. But they know the explosion was sparked in the plane's center fuel tank.

Ohio abortion law ruled unconstitutional

CINCINNATI — Ohio's ban on certain late-term abortions — the first of many such laws enacted across the country — is unconstitutional and cannot be enforced, a federal appeals court has ruled.

U.S. District Judge Walter Rice of Dayton ruled in December 1995 that the law imposed unacceptable burdens on a woman's life, health and right to choose an abortion. His decision was upheld Tuesday in a 2-1 ruling by a three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.
Reid honored in portrait hung in College Hall

By Nicholas P. Clunn

News Editor

Closing the final chapter in Dr. Irvin Reid’s career, one MSU alumni committee recently commissioned and hung a portrait of the former president on the second floor of College Hall near the Office of the President. Although Reid’s new picture, which appears next to other former president’s pictures, continues the tradition, the artwork’s actual size does not. Even though the picture’s largeness appears boastful, the portrait’s painter Wendy Schrijuer claims responsibility for its size.

“There’s no comparison,” said Schrijuer, who through her time spent painting Reid, felt that he deserved such magnitude.

Schrijuer, residing in Manhattan’s upper east side, also relayed that she enjoys working on a larger scale. She admitted that, for the most part, she pushed for the picture’s existing size. The effort put into such a painting was equally as large as it required nine, four hour sittings and careful preparation.

Dr. Jeff Newman Dean of the School of the Arts was in charge of assembling the candidates, and collaborated on the technical aspects of the piece. Lisa Green, executive assistant to the president also assisted in the process. The final decisions, however, according to Newman, were made by Reid himself.

“The effort and discussion of people working on creating a history, something customized,” stated Schrijuer.

The portrait’s every detail was dealt with and discussed by Schrijuer and Reid, ensuring an accurate and precise depiction. The artist used a combination of oils and pastels because it gives the painting a dignified look as opposed to the effect of a different medium. The objects in the background are equally as important as the subject is. The painting on the right side is Reid’s favorite, while the globe is positioned so Detroit is shown, emphasizing Reid’s future and his new home at Wayne State University. Reid’s demeanor was also carefully considered.

“I wanted to convey boyishness with a missionary zeal,” said Schrijuer.

Schrijuer who paints professionally and who specializes in portraits added that with out Reid’s cooperation and patience, the portrait would not have been as successful.

“You build up a rapport when you paint someone and I found him to be very open and a very enthusiastic pleasant person,” said Schrijuer. “He is a phenomenal human being.”

College student eating disorders rampant nationwide

By Brandy Berry

College Press Service

The dreaded “freshman 15” is not a problem for some college students. That’s because some students will never be found at the student union eating pizza.

They will be found on the treadmills. They will be found purging.

Each year 16 percent of collegiate women in America and 7 million women overall show some signs of having an eating disorder, said Dr. Laurie Humphries, University of Kentucky Medical Center psychiatrist specializing in eating disorders. Two-thirds will battle the disease for a lifetime, while one-third will be cured through treatment and counseling.

Anorexia nervosa and bulimia are complex, life-threatening, psychological eating disorders whose victims constantly fight a battle between their mind and body, continually restricting food intake to the point of obsession and sometimes death.

“Eating disorders are extremely common in collegiate women,” Humphries said. “There are many more who are afflicted in a college population than in a high school population.”

The causes of anorexia nervosa and bulimia are as different as the diseases themselves. Humphries attributes the college atmosphere to exacerbating the diseases in some cases.

“If there is a sorority house with one or two who have eating disorders, they may influence others,” Humphries said, “Pretty soon, you have a ‘group phenomenon’ where everyone is severely restricting food intake.”

However, the cause of eating disorders is multifaceted.

“Those with low self-esteem and those under serious stress are susceptible,” Humphries said. Others may have personal problems such as with the family or a boyfriend, which can eventually progress into a disorder.

Anorexia victims typically compulsively exercise and restrictively calorie intake to the point of fasting for days at a time in some cases.

“Bulimics practice ‘binging and purging,’ which involves eating excessive amounts of food in a very small amount of time and then making themselves throw up,” Humphries said.

The problems associated with the diseases are not minor.

“Anorexia has the highest death rate of any psychiatric illness,” Humphries said. “The actual percentage of deaths associated with bulimia is not known, but the number is thought to be quite high.”

One percent of anorexics will die in their initial battle with the disease, but 18 to 30 percent of the victims who beat the first onset will die from recurring bouts by the age of 45.

Anorexics suffer from loss of hair, osteoporosis (decrease in bone density), problems with poor nutrition, and loss of a menstruation cycle for as long as they are restricting food intake.

Bulimics often suffer from electrolyte problems attributed to excessive purging, intestinal and throat tissue damage, and dental erosion.

“Of all the fads which have affected mankind, none seems more difficult to explain than the desire of American women for the barberpole figure,” Dr. Morris Fishbein, longtime editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association, once wrote.

“In many ways we have become a ‘celebrity culture’ where the emphasis is placed on thinness,” Humphries said. “Many of the models maintain an unhealthy body weight and image.”

When treating eating disorder victims, the medical problems, rather than the psychological ones are treated first. The first step is to ensure that the patient is not suicidal and then if the victim is depressed, anti-depressant medication and nutritional counseling are implemented.

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**NORTH JERSEY FEDERAL’S CREDIT UNION CORNER**

**BUDGETING TIPS FOR THE 90’S**

Living on a budget doesn’t necessarily mean having less - it can mean doing more with what you have. Here are some suggestions to help you design your own budget and avoid financial pitfalls.

- Use your Share Drafts (Checking) Account register or carbon copies to determine your expenses. Once you have this information, you’ll be able to zero in on trouble spots and adjust your spending habits.
- Set a savings goal. The cost of a vacation, new car or other major purchases will help you design your goal. Put enough money aside each pay period to meet your goal in a reasonable time period. If you’ve just paid off a loan, let your loan payment amount accumulate in your shares. Chances are, you won’t miss the money, but it will add up fast.
- Budget for entertainment. If your plan doesn’t make room for some fun, you may have trouble sticking with it.
- Keep your personal debt-to-income ratio under 20% of take-home pay for installment credit. When you include rent or mortgage payments, the ratio should be no more than 40% of your net pay.
- If you have trouble making monthly rent or mortgage payments, try putting aside half of your payment amount each payday if you are paid bi-weekly, or one-quarter if you are paid weekly.
- Save money by spending it. The funds you invest in continuing education can lead to a higher paying job. Money spent on home improvements can increase the value of your home. Buying a new, fuel-efficient car can help you save on gas and major repairs.

Remember, the first step in planning for your future is to budget now. Once you determine your expenses, you can make decisions that will help you save, invest or keep up to date on your current payments.

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**MSU POLICE REPORT**

**OBTAINED AND COMPILED BY KEVIN P. HANCOCK**

**11/12/97**

**FALSE DRIVER’S LICENSE**

Found wallet is turned in at police headquarters. Inventory reveals false driver’s license. Criminal charges pending.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at the Library. Upon arrival discover a system malfunction caused the alarm. Montclair Fire Dept. responded.

**MEDICAL**

Female Stone Hall resident slips and falls into her friends knee causing an injury to her cheek. Victim is treated with ice at the scene.

**DISORDERLY CONDUCT**

Unknown person(s) threw a mattress from an upper floor balcony into the Blanton Hall cafeteria.

11/13/97

**HARASSMENT**

Female Freeman Hall resident reports receiving 3-4 harassing phone calls in a two week period. Investigation continues.

**11/14/97**

**HARASSMENT**

Female reports receiving harassing E-mail. Suspect identified. Investigation continues.

**11/15/97**

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Female Clove Road resident reports she turned to her parked Jeep in lot 28 and discovered the canvas doors slashed.

**MEDICAL**

Football player injures his ribs.

Victim is transported from Sprague field to Mountainside Hospital by his parents.

**THREAT**

Male Blanton Hall resident reports being threatened with assault by another male for refusing to let him use the dorm room while he was out.

**HARASSMENT**

Female Bohn Hall resident reports receiving 5 harassing phone calls over a two day period. Investigation continues.

**11/16/97**

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Female Webster Hall resident returned to her parked car in lot 21 and discovered both tail lights smashed.

**MEDICAL**

Male Bohn Hall resident returns to his parked car and discovers the front passenger window smashed.

**HARASSMENT**

Male reports leaving his wallet at a pay phone in the Student Center. Upon return the wallet was missing.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at the auto lab garage. Upon arrival discover construction workers were trying to heat the floor by building a fire in preparation for a concrete pour. Officers extinguish the fire.

**11/17/97**

**HARASSMENT**

Female Bohn Hall resident reports receiving a harassing phone call. Investigation continues.

**THEFT**

Female reports leaving his wallet at a pay phone in the Student Center. Upon return the wallet was missing.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Person(s) unknown threw a garbage can from the third floor balcony to the lobby floor in Blanton Hall.

**11/18/97**

**HARASSMENT**

Female Blanton Hall resident receives a threatening phone message. Suspect identified. Investigation continues.

**SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**

Clove Road guard reports a male removing a window screen from a first floor apartment. Responding officers identify resident who was locked out of his apartment and trying to get the attention of his roommates.

**11/19/97**

**HARASSMENT**

Female reports leaving her wallet at a pay phone in the Student Center. Upon return the wallet was missing.

**FIRE ALARM**

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Owned by Floyd Hall Enterprises until the university takes over ownership in the year 2037. In the meanwhile, it's going to attract a lot of high school hockey teams. I think the ice arena is a good way to attract students to MSU," Yen said.

"There will be 750 hours per year set aside for the benefit of the students. We don't know yet what hours the students can use the arena because the schedule still has yet to be worked out," Yen stated.

Lastly, a spokesperson from the MSU Department of Safety and Security (DSS), who insisted on anonymity, said the Floyd Hall Ice Arena will place additional strain on an already understaffed campus police force.

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Bulimics often abuse alcohol and drugs, so those problems will usually be treated before the actual eating disorder. Humphries said studies are being done to prove that genetics plays a role in eating disorders.

"It is interesting because just as there are different types of cancers which can be passed down from generation to generation, there are different ideologies regarding eating disorders as well," Humphries said.

"The studies are showing that the genetic link to anorexia has something to do with energy metabolism in victims."

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A graduate of the University of Scranton with a bachelor's degree in history, Dr. Pennington holds a master's degree in history from the University of Scranton, and an Ed.D in educational administration from SUNY Albany.

Dr. Pennington will be on campus on December 11 to meet with various departments in order to smooth the transition into her new position. Pennington will eventually move to New Jersey, but will be temporarily living on campus in Bohn Hall while she gets situated in a new home."

Dr. Pennington is replacing Dr. Lee Wilcox, who left MSU last spring for a position at Georgia Tech. Dr. Helen Matusow-Ayres has been serving as the interim Vice President in his place.

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AFT Local 1904 Wishes to Advise the MSU Campus Community Of The Following Resolution

WHEREAS the MSU Board of Trustees, in Murray Cole’s memo of October 6, 1997, has rejected the idea of Local 1904 representation on the Presidential search committee, and

WHEREAS consultation between the Union and the Senate, as proposed in that memo, does NOT constitute an offer of union representation, and

WHEREAS the absence of such representation undermines the ability of the search committee to properly conduct its activities, and

WHEREAS the absence of such representation deprives faculty, professional staff, and librarians of proper representation in matters of terms and conditions of work, and

WHEREAS the absence of such representation creates an atmosphere of unnecessary and counter-productive tensions and bad feelings on our campus,

WE THEREFORE

1. Strongly protest the failure of the MSU Board of Trustees to include union representation and urge an immediate rectification of this unwise policy.

2. Urge faculty, professional staff and librarians in the bargaining unit to boycott any elections or other search committee selection process until a proper search is set up.

3. Fully support reasonable processes to insure diversity among search committee members, including the appointment of additional committee members following any elections.
**OSAU celebrates 30th annual Harvest Ball**

By Rhoda Donat

**Staff Writer**

On November 16, 1997, the Organization for Students of African Unity (OSAU) held its 30th Annual Harvest Ball. The evening was filled with excitement, begun with Libations, which were poured by Karanja Carroll.

Libations are a way of paying homage to individuals, who lived in the past and made a positive impact on our lives. After the name of an individual was stated, water was poured from a cup onto elements of the earth, leaves, grass, etc., which symbolized giving back. Ashes were pronounced after the pouring of the water, which means we are in agreement.

Among the numerous achievers cited were Aska Muhammad, the great King of Songhay who implemented a dynasty of water, which means we are in agreement.

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**Health and Wellness Center holds Health Fair**

By Kara Richardson

**Feature Editor**

As usual, the staff of the MSU Health and Wellness Center are providing the campus with a wealth of resources and information. The annual MSU Health Fair invited many on and off campus organizations and businesses for a one day expo on Wednesday, November 12. The well-attended event was chocked full of curious students, faculty and staff who collected pamphlets, samples and goodies from the participating exhibitors.

The Health Fair was not without opportunities to be poked and prodded a little. Among the many services on location, there were cholesterol, blood sugar and chem profile tests available to the attendees for reasonable costs.

The MSU Adult Fitness major also provided a little workout and examination of their own. A series of tests including flexibility, body fat percentage, blood pressure, weight, and a cardiovascular test were given to willing students, faculty and staff. After the serious tests there was a station to give out "exercise prescriptions." Ernest Johnson, an Adult Fitness major commented, "It is important to go through these series of test so that you have a starting point. Many people don't know where to begin an exercise routine."

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Hey, lab assistants are people too!

Log On @ MSU
By Louis Colli

Where do I begin? Lab Assistants are probably the most useful, yet maligned workers on this campus. Students always need their help, yet they hate them. In last week’s Editorial section, Aldo Castanon said that MSU has, “many overcrowded labs which contain numerous malfunctioning computers and which are run by incompetent, overpaid assistants.” Now, why would someone say such a thing? He obviously doesn’t know what lab assistants are or aren’t there for.

What should a lab assistant know?
There is no definite answer to this question because there is no real criteria for the job. So, even if you know nothing about computers, you are eligible for the job. (Don’t blame me. I don’t make the rules!). Most of the people they hire at least know something about the programs used the most in the labs. The lab assistants cannot be “incompetent” because they aren’t required to know anything. There are a lot of lab assistants working here who are very knowledgeable, but please remember that THEY DON’T KNOW EVERYTHING! Nothing angers me more than to see a knowledgeable lab assistant chewed out by some student because they are using SPSS or some other odd program and the lab assistant can’t help them. Lab assistants are not trained to use this stuff. They learn about programs by using them and asking other lab assistants about them. When I got hired, I knew very little. Sure, I knew a lot about alpha and Microsoft Word, but that was about it. I learned everything else on the job.

If you want to make the argument that the lab assistants are coming in knowing less, go right ahead. The recent influx of new computer labs put a strain on the supervisors to hire new people in a hurry. Some of the new people were very knowledgeable, some weren’t. Because they needed so many new people, of course the standards were dropped a bit to fulfill the need. They had no choice. That’s business, folks. You want more labs, you got them. This is one of the many side effects of opening more labs.

If a lab assistant can’t answer your question, you can always call the helpline at x7971. They should be able to answer most questions. Regardless, don’t get mad at the lab assistant! What is a lab assistant responsible for?

Lab assistants are responsible for answering your questions to the best of their ability. They are NOT supposed to help you with homework. For instance, if you get an assignment which says, “Look up three sources on the net,” they won’t help you. Your teacher should have shown you how to do that. That is what teachers are there for.

Lab assistants are also not responsible for the condition of the computers. They don’t own, buy, or fix them. They really have nothing to do with it. Don’t go off on a lab assistant because 10 machines are broken in a room. They can’t do anything about it. It is also not their fault if the lab assistants chew off on the machines, toner, etc. All of these things are handled by people over their heads. They have nothing to do with it.

Are lab assistants overpaid?
Absolutely not. When I got hired, I was paid $5.50 an hour, just a quarter over the minimum. That has gone up slightly since then. It is just over the minimum wage. That has gone up slightly since then. That is what they are paid to do their job. They have nothing to do with it. Don’t go off on a lab assistant because $5.50 an hour is overpaid. If anything, they should be paid more to put up with the abuse the students and faculty often give them.

So, what’s the point?
What is the point? Weren’t you listening?! Alright, I’ll recap: the lab assistants are there to help you and to watch over the lab (to make sure you don’t steal a mouse or something). They won’t help you do your homework, they are not responsible for computer maintenance, they aren’t incompetent, and they are not overpaid. Got it? Good.

Cool Site Of The Week:
http://members.tripod.com/~labasses/

Lambda Alpha Beta - this page is devoted to the lab assistant club, L.A.B. There are links to a lot of other lab assistants pages there. Check it out if you want to see just how nuts we really are.

Lame Site Of The Week:
http://www.csam.montclair.edu/~ahadi/

Elias’ Homepage - this is the page of a really good friend of mine who is a former lab assistant, Elias Ahadi. Unfortunately, his page really sucks. Sorry, Elias.

Next Issue: Part I of the “Day in the life of a lab assistant” two-parter. It’s pretty funny. Seriously!

ECO-TIPS: Don’t Bag it!
By Elisabeth Carrozza

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Hey, lab assistants are people too!

Log On @ MSU
By Louis Colli

Where do I begin? Lab Assistants are probably the most useful, yet maligned workers on this campus. Students always need their help, yet they hate them. In last week’s Editorial section, Aldo Castanon said that MSU has, “many overcrowded labs which contain numerous malfunctioning computers and which are run by incompetent, overpaid assistants.” Now, why would someone say such a thing? He obviously doesn’t know what lab assistants are or aren’t there for.

What should a lab assistant know?
There is no definite answer to this question because there is no real criteria for the job. So, even if you know nothing about computers, you are eligible for the job. (Don’t blame me. I don’t make the rules!). Most of the people they hire at least know something about the programs used the most in the labs. The lab assistants cannot be “incompetent” because they aren’t required to know anything. There are a lot of lab assistants working here who are very knowledgeable, but please remember that THEY DON’T KNOW EVERYTHING! Nothing angers me more than to see a knowledgeable lab assistant chewed out by some student because they are using SPSS or some other odd program and the lab assistant can’t help them. Lab assistants are not trained to use this stuff. They learn about programs by using them and asking other lab assistants about them. When I got hired, I knew very little. Sure, I knew a lot about alpha and Microsoft Word, but that was about it. I learned everything else on the job.

If you want to make the argument that the lab assistants are coming in knowing less, go right ahead. The recent influx of new computer labs put a strain on the supervisors to hire new people in a hurry. Some of the new people were very knowledgeable, some weren’t. Because they needed so many new people, of course the standards were dropped a bit to fulfill the need. They had no choice. That’s business, folks. You want more labs, you got them. This is one of the many side effects of opening more labs.

If a lab assistant can’t answer your question, you can always call the helpline at x7971. They should be able to answer most questions. Regardless, don’t get mad at the lab assistant! What is a lab assistant responsible for?

Lab assistants are responsible for answering your questions to the best of their ability. They are NOT supposed to help you with homework. For instance, if you get an assignment which says, “Look up three sources on the net,” they won’t help you. Your teacher should have shown you how to do that. That is what teachers are there for.

Lab assistants are also not responsible for the condition of the computers. They don’t own, buy, or fix them. They really have nothing to do with it. Don’t go off on a lab assistant because 10 machines are broken in a room. They can’t do anything about it. It is also not their fault if the lab assistants chew off on the machines, toner, etc. All of these things are handled by people over their heads. They have nothing to do with it.

Are lab assistants overpaid?
Absolutely not. When I got hired, I was paid $5.50 an hour, just a quarter over the minimum. That has gone up slightly since then. That is what they are paid to do their job. They have nothing to do with it. Don’t go off on a lab assistant because $5.50 an hour is overpaid. If anything, they should be paid more to put up with the abuse the students and faculty often give them.

So, what’s the point?
What is the point? Weren’t you listening?! Alright, I’ll recap: the lab assistants are there to help you and to watch over the lab (to make sure you don’t steal a mouse or something). They won’t help you do your homework, they are not responsible for computer maintenance, they aren’t incompetent, and they are not overpaid. Got it? Good.

Cool Site Of The Week:
http://members.tripod.com/~labasses/

Lambda Alpha Beta - this page is devoted to the lab assistant club, L.A.B. There are links to a lot of other lab assistants pages there. Check it out if you want to see just how nuts we really are.

Lame Site Of The Week:
http://www.csam.montclair.edu/~ahadi/

Elias’ Homepage - this is the page of a really good friend of mine who is a former lab assistant, Elias Ahadi. Unfortunately, his page really sucks. Sorry, Elias.

Next Issue: Part I of the “Day in the life of a lab assistant” two-parter. It’s pretty funny. Seriously!

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Women in Islam lecture brings
Islamic Awareness week to a close

By Dina Abdulmagd
and Sarah Mostafa

Staff Writers

The final (and most successful event) of Islamic Awareness Week, a lecture sponsored by the Muslim Students Association took place last Thursday. This event discussed the role of Women in Islam. This topic of the lecture was one that possesses a great deal misconceptions. The speaker was Abdullah Adhami from Al-Ghazali High School in Teaneck.

Adhami started the lecture by explaining that the role of women comes from the role of mankind. Adhami divided his speech into four different facets that women embody. They are mother, daughter, wife, and a follower of Islam. He went on to explain that in Islam this role is the submission to one God. Through that submission one receives liberation, and one achieves this liberation through righteous deeds. He illustrated that the Koran requires all Muslims to acquire knowledge, and thus intellect. The highest form of intellect and piety is to be of service to God’s creations. The lowest level of piety is the most basic act being modest and humble. Thus, these rules apply to both men as well as women. Therefore, education is not only for men, nor is modesty solely for women.

Adhami first addressed the role of the daughter. In pre-Islamic era, infant girls were being buried alive. The Koran condemned this, and Adhami points out that Islam view daughters as being a blessing. He narrated a saying of the Prophet Mohamed, where he said that an indication of the goodness of women is that she bears a female child first.

He further demonstrated that Islam views the roles of wives and mothers as unparalleled to any other civilization. The word for spouse in Arabic is zouj; it is a gender-neutral word that means part of a pair. He explained to the women in the audience and to comply with a man’s every whim. He further explained that in Islam this is not an issue. He further explained that Islam is a protective religion and frames everything in a paradigm of dignity.

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absolute equality in anything, because of the different roles, but the religious obligations of both sexes were exactly the same, thus there was no better sex. In western society, women are raised to think that they can fulfill both their roles as well as men’s roles. However men can not fulfill their own roles. The inequality and poor treatment of women in “Muslim Countries” are a result of the alterations by men of the Koran and Islamic Law to fit their egotistical needs and that they do not symbolize true Islam.

Adhami explained to the Middle Eastern woman that Westerners shun their perspective of religion in order to obtain the rights that Western woman claim to have today. He illustrated that western history has done a great injustice to women and this is why they are angry. He supported his statement by explaining that the Renaissance focussed on the man being everything in society, and woman were excluded from everything in society. Thus, the anger Western women embody is real. If a Muslim woman knows her rights she has no reason to feel this anger. "Islam is a protective religion and frames everything in a paradigm of dignity," Adhami said.

Islam is usually seen as a religion that requires its women to be submissive and to comply with a man’s every whim. If we look at language it is the West that refers to woman in a subordinate manner. Adhami told us that the word woman comes from the old-English root “wifman” meaning “wife-of-man,” and the Arabic word for woman is mara’a which means the highest quality of being a person. He explained that this word has no relation to man, and that it simply means “female person.”

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A closer look at the U.S.-Iraq conflict

By Inna Gutman
Staff Writer

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o, it hasn’t happened yet. The current problem is that Saddam Hussein has the biological, chemical, and nuclear resources to start World War III. President Clinton is trying to solve the problem using diplomacy supported by increased military presence in the Persian Gulf.

At the end of the Gulf War, in 1991, Iraq signed a truce agreement that is supposed to allow United Nations inspectors to run unannounced checks on possible weapons arsenals. Last month, the United Nations inspections chief, Richard Butler, reported that Iraq was providing information, again, on its chemical weapons and missile programs. As a precaution, United States asked the UN security council to ban international travel by Iraqi military and intelligence officials. This proposal was not supported by other influential members of the council, who preferred to issue a threat to possibly block future travel, thus causing a minor split among the council members.

When Saddam banned the United States inspectors from participating in the searches, he hoped to deepen this split. However, this time the UN security council stood by the US and ordered all inspectors to leave the country last Friday, thus unifying the UN council. The council debated for some time whether it was wise to withdraw the inspection team and finally issued a statement condemning the action of Saddam and warning that it would not accept “segregation” of the American inspectors from others.

President Clinton, is likewise upset and considering his options. He issued a statement in which he explained that he is in favor of diplomacy. In fact, he sent Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to the Middle East to persuade Iraq to allow the US inspectors come back. Nevertheless, he sent a second aircraft carrier to the Persian Gulf which should be there by the present of United Nations inspectors to continue their work.

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Nutrition News

Antioxidants: A Natural Defense System

By Chrissian McCarthy
Staff Writer

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umans have a very unique relationship with oxygen. Although it is essential for life, it paradoxically plays a role in potentially harmful chemical reactions which occur in our bodies during the normal course of metabolism.

Oxygen may react with body compounds to produce highly unstable molecules known as free radicals. Free radicals are not generated by metabolic reactions alone, but are intentionally produced by cells of the immune system to fight viruses and bacteria. In addition, environmental factors such as radiation, pollution, herbicides and cigarette smoking can also result in the production of free radicals.

So, what’s a human to do? Fortunately, nature has provided us with antioxidants to neutralize free radicals and promote stability.

Scientists have implicated excess free radical formation in the development of diseases such as cancer, arthritis, cardiovascular disease. While it is clear that a deficiency in any of the antioxidant nutrients poses a serious health threat, the theory that excessive amounts of certain antioxidants may be used to prevent or fight disease has not been proven at this time. A responsible health care practitioner is presently not in the position to advocate the use of vitamin supplements in excess of the present recommended daily allowances. It is not entirely clear that antioxidant nutrients are solely responsible for their protective effects. It is quite possible that in conjunction with other chemicals in foods, may of which have not been identified, antioxidants are able to sturt their stuff. The right balance of chemicals is essential to good health. Supplements are not biochemically balanced, but concentrated sources of specific chemicals. According to Victor Herbert of the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, supplements lack over 150 phytochemicals present in fruits and vegetables. This imbalance actually has the potential to promote free radical generation. Therefore, with respect to vitamins too much of a good thing, is simply not good!

The best advice is to strive to achieve adequate nutrient intake from foods rather than relying on vitamin supplements.

Although the time may eventually come when physicians prescribe large doses of certain vitamins as part of the course of treatment for many diseases, in the mean time by eating a variety of foods, exercising, and especially by not smoking you can breathe easy knowing your doing your best to protect your most valuable asset - your health!
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You should be able to major in football

Last week, the play “Inherit The Wind” opened at Memorial Auditorium. The show is produced by students who are theater majors here at Montclair State University. For their services, either on stage or behind the scenes, these students receive college credits and, if all goes well, they will eventually graduate with degrees in theater.

If students are allowed to act and make plays as part of their curriculum, why don’t athletes get college credits for serving MSU and representing our school? If people can major in acting, I think that students should also be allowed to major, or at least minor, in athletics.

To make things clear, let’s take one scenario. Joe Jock is a standout athlete in High School. He has the possibility to go pro after a few more years of seasoning at the collegiate level. As he looks at his choices for schools, he sees that MSU offers a degree in Football Science. In return for playing each year, Joe is excused from mentally taxing courses that would interfere with his practice schedule. The result would be a better, more focused football team. A championship caliber team might even lead to endorsement and increased prestige for the school.

You might be thinking about the consequences of producing players in the Football Science department that are not good enough to go pro. These men will be unemployed with almost no real training or job skills. How different is that from the graduates of the Theater department who can never manage to break into the highly competitive field that they pursued? It is just as hard to make a decent living acting as it is playing sports. Why don’t we try to offer our student athletes the best possible training to chase their dreams while at the same time improving our athletic programs?

In any case, colleges should have the decency to offer at least a Minor in Athletics to the students who give their time and dedication in representing their schools. MSU allows students to major in artistic disciplines such as painting and sculpture. Why should students who enjoy artistic pursuits such as swinging a bat at a baseball or shooting a jump shot with a hand in their face be forced to take fifteen credits a semester in addition to the countless hours they spend perfecting their athletic abilities.

The way I see it, the University can go in one of two directions. The first would be to look into the option of giving college credits to student athletes for their contributions to the school. The other option, which I fully support, is to make acting just like all of the other extracurricular activities.

Homecoming coverage could be better

Dear Editor,

In addition to the articles and photo spreads that were published for Homecoming, I would like to comment on the outstanding participation by everyone during Homecoming Week. There are negatives that we can point out, but I prefer to compliment the good things. Good job to everyone who participated in the Dance/ Skit and Float categories. Congratulations on an excellent performance to the winners of each category. We all know the time and dedication that went into your production and we appreciate your efforts.

I would have like to have seen CLUB and the Montclarion come together to provide coverage of all aspects of Homecoming and all the participants. Perhaps by shining a light on everyone involved, we could create more campus unity and better campus involvement. As the saying goes, “It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.”

Once again, congratulations to all.

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The Senator

This Saturday, November 22, marks the 34th anniversary of the death of our 35th President, John Fitzgerald Kennedy. Although the 34th anniversary of anything is not usually commemorated, I felt it would be appropriate since this year would have marked his 80th birthday. Although his presidency only lasted a thousand days, he had an enormous and significant impact on this nation and the world. Today, though, many try to make sensationalist allegations about his personal life ranging from sexual to criminal. These baseless allegations cannot stop people like me, although I am only 20 years old, from realizing the selfless contribution this great man made to this country as a military officer, national legislator and President.

Kennedy was elected with countless people doubting and underestimating him. Some said he was too young, idealistic and inexperienced to be President. History only judges them wrong.

When Kennedy announced his goal of putting a man on the moon, his critics called it a “science-fiction stunt”. In July, 1969, we placed a man on the moon. Although Nixon took all the credit at the time, it was Kennedy who declared, “We have thrown our hat into space.”

It was Kennedy who was the first President to take a stand on the issue of Civil Rights when he made sure that James Meredith was safely escorted into the University of Mississippi. Kennedy first declared, “Race has no place in American life or law.” Kennedy first took on the horrible practice of discrimination against African Americans when he tackled the issue of voting rights. His eloquent words portrayed his feelings when he said, “We have to fight for every American’s right to vote, to go to school, to get a job and to be served in a public place without arbitrary discrimination, not merely for reasons of economic efficiency, world diplomacy, domestic tranquility, but above all because it is right.”

It was Kennedy who bravely, valiantly and firmly kept us out of nuclear war during the Cuban Missile Crisis. He defied everyone, including Nikita Kruschev, who thought he was too young to handle the crisis. Could you imagine what would have happened if the irrational Richard Nixon was elected instead of Kennedy? We probably would have had a nuclear war.

It was Kennedy who tackled the problems of lower class Americans with his minimum wage legislation. Kennedy implemented programs to help the desolate, starving, and poverty stricken people of the world with programs like the Alliance For Progress, Food For Peace and the Peace Corps, which is still going strong today.

He was not an ordinary President. Labor leaders called him anti-labor and the Chamber of Commerce called him anti-business. The liberals said he was spending too much on defense and the conservatives said he was spending too much on education. He was a Democrat who is still quoted today by Republicans. He was a Capitalist respected by Communists. He was a White man revered by Blacks.

Kennedy never labeled himself “ideological”. He never called himself a liberal, conservative, moderate or any other label that he detested. He called himself an “idealist without illusions”. That is exactly what he was.

The pain that America felt from his death are exhibited when one watches footage of people of every creed crying upon hearing of his death. People in countries all over the world mourned over his death. One can only imagine what could have been had he lived. Maybe 60,000 people could have been saved from the Vietnam War. Maybe we wouldn’t have all the racial tension in America that we have today.

I am not advocating President Kennedy as a saint. He was not flawless as a human being. He was not always successful. He was not perfect as a President. Nobody is impeccable. But he knew how to look beyond race, beyond wealth and into people’s humanity. He knew what he had to do in this country and he bravely tackled each issue, with what he called the greatest gift from God to humanity, “the ability to reason”.

I recommend to everyone, if they get a chance, to read a copy of his inaugural address in which he said unforgettable quotes such as, “Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country,” “Civility is not a sign of weakness,” “Let us never negotiate out of fear,” and “If a free society can not help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich”. Lines that were not just rhetoric, but words that he lived by.

This editorial goes out to everyone who was not old enough, like me, to experience his presidency, to help you gain a better understanding of why he was not just a bleeding heart, Communist living, womanizer, as so many critics point him out to be today. It especially goes out to those who I envy, who were there and remember his action filled thousand days in the White House that brought new hope across this nation and beyond, hope for a world of peace and reason, hope that honest and effective government could right our nation’s wrongs. Let us never forget this great man.

Further readings on the Bible and gays

Dear Editor,

As a Library Assistant, I’d like to suggest that your readers on both sides of the “Bible and Homosexuality” debate take a needed time-out. I encourage all interested parties to do some reading on this very complex topic. There are also some points I would like to make.

1) The early Christians had no Bibles. They were usually converted by oral preaching about Jesus of Nazareth. The original manuscripts of the books of the Bible are lost. What we have are translations of translations, copies of copies.

2) Moses and Paul, two biblical figures who are so often quoted about homosexuality, were inspired men of God. They were also murderers. Christians believe that Jesus was unique, because the incarnate Son of God, preaching against sin in the midst of the decadent Roman Empire, says absolutely nothing about homosexuality.

3) There is evidence that as far back as the time of the secretarial writer Marcion (2nd century AD), it was believed that the passage of Romans 1:19 was not written by Paul at all. The most unbiased reading of 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 “catamite” which means male prostitute, not all homosexuals.

Here are some resources for interested parties:

Christianity, Social Tolerance and Homosexuality” by John Boswell.

“Jonathan Loved David” by Rev. Tom Horner.

“Gays Under Grace” by Maury Johnston.

“Stranger at the Gate” by Mel White.

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Cinelli performs at MSU

By Rob Oakes

A recent noon recital sponsored by the music department, MSU professor Dennis Cinelli provided students with an informative and entertaining demonstration of early guitar music. Cinelli performed several suites, sonatas and dances on various guitars and discussed some of the background and development of the instrument, the composers and their works.

The program began with a demonstration of a 17th century Venetian guitar which appeared quite tiny when compared to a more modern version. Cinelli explained that the music composed for this guitar set the groundwork for later harpsichord suites. He described some of the techniques that were incorporated into these pieces, including the use of single notes which create chords when they are allowed to resonate.

Cinelli then proceeded to perform a suite by Ludvico Roncalli which was composed in 1692. The sound was bright and mellow as Cinelli’s fingers floated over the fretboard, weaving together the intricate pattern of strummed chords and single notes. Cinelli then jumped to the 19th century, to perform a sonata on an actual 1828 Viennese guitar designed by Luigi Legnani, who, Cinelli said, created guitars for Schubert. This piece, composed by Mauro Giuliani, had a quick and vibrant sound. Cinelli played with fluidity and with the look of complete absorption in his face.

The next piece, also from the 19th century, was a Spanish fandango or dance, which included techniques of flamenco. Cinelli then proceeded to perform a suite by Ludvico Roncalli which was composed in 1692. The sound was bright and mellow as Cinelli’s fingers floated over the fretboard, weaving together the intricate pattern of strummed chords and single notes. Cinelli then jumped to the 19th century, to perform a sonata on an actual 1828 Viennese guitar designed by Luigi Legnani, who, Cinelli said, created guitars for Schubert. This piece, composed by Mauro Giuliani, had a quick and vibrant sound. Cinelli played with fluidity and with the look of complete absorption in his face.

Friday’s Child puts on an outrageous show in the Ratt

By Krista LaGreca

Written across the flyers advertising Tuesday night’s show in the Ratt was, “The tri-state area’s fastest rising rock band!”. Indeed, that’s a big statement for Friday’s Child to live up to. It’s almost a challenge, asking the audience to come forward and affirm that statement. Anyone who came to see Friday’s Child that night would probably agree, they could be the tri-state area’s fastest rising star.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, MSU’s music fraternity, was good enough to present Tom Walker on guitar and vocals, Rick Ippolito on bass and keyboards, and Dave Drzewiecki banging away on the drums. These guys were dressed and ready to knock down the crowd, which unfortunately was almost non-existent. If it wasn’t for the loyal followers and Phi Mu coming out for support, it might have been called a rehearsal rather than a concert.

It’s too bad, because not only was it a free show, but Friday’s Child put on an outrageous set for close to two hours. Their top-notch set included twenty songs mostly from their debut CD, Boy Without a Name.

Tom Walker, the lead and focal point of the band, had a remarkably kind and friendly nature about him. His attitude is truly admirable and is something that other cranked bands should take note of. Tom’s bright nature reflected from the first strum of his acoustic guitar during “The Connection”. Keeping up the beat was Dave on drums, who while not playing anything wild, kept the percussion smooth and right on track. The third point of this triangle was Rick, who played a very steady bass, but perked up nicely for songs like “North by Northeast”, and “Deep”.

Friday’s Child is not like the grungy, noise inducing music that usually graces the Ratt. Friday’s Child’s strong point is that they don’t go overboard. Every song that they played was foot-tapping-sing-along-in-the-shower-clap-your-hands good. Their sound was unfiltered, with an all-acoustic lead and a clean sounding bass as backup.

There was no gut-wrenching lead, but Tom covered the gap with impressive finger-picking in songs “An Oasis” and “The Chasing Game”. Although a pop and happy band in general, songs like “Rory Brady” and “Sparrow” have haunting lyrics which sent a chill down my spine.

Starting off a tour which could very possibly explode, Friday’s Child was happy to entertain MSU and hopes to play more college shows in the area. Boy Without a Name is now available at local CD Worlds and can be found playing on radio stations all over the area. Any MSU students who missed this prime example of good music (which would be almost everyone) can catch them in the village where they perform on a regular basis. A big thanks should go out to Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia for bringing Friday’s Child to MSU and let’s hope that they continue to bring more good music to the campus in the future.

An array of musical works put on at McEachern Recital Hall

By Gary Doxy

Did you know that every Wednesday day of every week there were free concerts on campus? Well, grand was my surprise yesterday at noon when a sizable crowd gathered at the McEachern Recital Hall in the Music Building to digest an hour filled with musical works. The performances presented an array of original and divergent musical pieces conceived and performed by talented students and faculty. They ranged from a choral performance of a poem with musical arrangement by Cheryl Cronk to a work in progress by Scott Van Hoven.

“The aim of these concerts are to show what the students are doing,” said Professor Ting Ho who is the Theory and Composition Coordinator in the Music Department. “We want to expose students to contemporary music,” he also said.

There was no opposing argument there by the looks of the diverse crowd. The call was also to support fellow students in their endeavors.

Professor Ho appealed to the forgiving gentility of the audience because “the composers are taking risks” in presenting their works. He also encouraged the audience to take and hear the different pieces in the context of a tradition.

Several of them expressed that artistic reality which is true for all performing arts. Notably, Israeli Peace by Jerry A. Greene used recent events that happened in Israel to exemplify that truth. Greene was inspired by the death of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to create a poignant piece. By the duel lamenting sounds of both violin and piano, Israeli Peace recreated the somber day of the assassination. The score contained traditional Jewish sounds that were familiar to all. One could almost feel and see the weeping of an adoring populace after the success of the violent act.

Another student, Vlad Rosco, presented a derivative work inspired by part of La Traviata by Giuseppe Verdi. Verdi’s La Traviata suffered a Spanish attack. A sextet of guitarists composed of Keith Kukla, Vlad Rosco, Umer Ghanai, Matt Palumbo, Tim Nelson and Andres Holquin gave Verdi a Spanish twist that delighted the audience who responded by amused applause.

The Music Department has definitely found a winning idea. When I asked Professor Ho if the Department plans to expand these concerts, he told me with certitude that it was in the plans.
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id you miss your favorite soaps? Keep reading and find out what’s going on.

One Life to Live: Last week some­one kidnapped Max’s children (gee I won­der who that could be?) while he and Blair were screwing around in the living room. The dog, like in a “Lassie” re-run, tried to warn him but it was too late. Now he’s selling off all his assets to make the ran­som payment. He is trying to hide what’s going on from Bo and Nora because he is afraid of police involvement getting his children killed. R.J. all of a sudden is putting on the nice act to Hank. He’s tell­ing everyone he’s convinced that Jacara will be back because Max won’t be able to afford the partnership. (Now how does he know that?) Carlotta and Hank have a heart-to-heart.

General Hospital: A.J. confronted Carly before the arranged wedding and she ended up collapsing in pain (poor thing). Carly was brought to the hospital and both the baby and she are fine. Tony asked A.J. to leave her alone. Carly and Bobbie talked without fighting. Alan’s doubts. Cindy was bothered watching Monica operate. They are planning a weekend away to relieve his stress and all he can worry about are his pills. Brenda caught her makeup artist and friend Ang­el taping her and lost it. Luke decided to stay with Jason as his business partner. Brenda convinced Tara to sign to L&B. Stefan is closer to finding out Alexis’ se­cre­t.

Port Charles: Bennett convinced Eve to talk with Nicole and explain that he never loved Eve. Unfortunately for Bennett; Nicole didn’t buy it. Kevin doesn’t quite like Lucy’s new plot to get information out of Rex. It involves pre­tending to dump Kevin and go to Rex. Karen confronted Danielle about the plot to take Serena from Scott. Jake dumps Danielle. Danielle might be changing her mind about helping Rex.

All My Children: Gloria and Dimitri took Maddie back to Hungary and con­vinced Corvina that Edmund is crazy. Ted and Edmund snuck into Vazdel to get Maddie. Matoe and Hayley decide to focus on their relationship instead of on their grief. Hayley tries to convince Liza to forgive Adam. Right now Liza can’t do that. Tim is trying to accept Janet. Trevor and Janet go on a date leaving Amanda with Tim but when they return Amanda is alone. When they confront Tim, who was babysitting, he takes Janet’s keys and crashes her car! Allie is upset that Dr. Hayward is still in Pine Valley.

The Young and The Restless: Dr. Tim Reid has decided to testify against Corvina that Edmund is crazy. Ted and Edmund snuck into Vazdel to get Maddie. Matoe and Hayley decide to focus on their relationship instead of on their grief. Hayley tries to convince Liza to forgive Adam. Right now Liza can’t do that. Tim is trying to accept Janet. Trevor and Janet go on a date leaving Amanda with Tim but when they return Amanda is alone. When they confront Tim, who was babysitting, he takes Janet’s keys and crashes her car! Allie is upset that Dr. Hayward is still in Pine Valley.

The Bold and The Beautiful: Tay­lor is going to drown in her own tears sometime soon. She and Thorne have a spat about the wedding date. Thorne wants to get married as soon as possible and Taylor wants to put it off for as long as possible, so she cries. Then, Ridge calls to talk to Thorne and she ends up crying. Brook and Ridge tell the kids about their engagement to mixed reac­tions. Everyone is worried about Eric, who is still stuck with Lauren in the moun­tains. Rush is there sabotaging their escape.

Sunset Beach: Caitlin lost the baby. Cole is on the run from the police. Gre­gory fired Bette for assisting Cole. Olivia refused to get a paternity test because she’s convinced the baby is Gregory’s. Sean tells Olivia that Gregory tried to kill Cole and barely missed killing Sean instead.

Another World: Popper tried to sell Rain to Gary and Josie but they got him on tape instead and he was arrested. Nikos has not been found but Rachel has. She’s ok and Felicia is recovering also. Jake and Ed are headed out. Jake confronts Vicky on whether she is sure about the wedding. She claims that she has no doubts. Cindy was bothered watching Cass and Donna getting along very well.

Days Of Our Lives: Trent/Travis has kidnapped Jennifer. Jack told TC he would tear him apart if anything happened to Jenn. John and Marlena had an argu­ment over when she should tell Roman that she loves John not him. Stefano and Kristen eavesdropped as Marlena told John that she wanted to wait till Roman was better. It made Kristen happy to see that John wasn’t going to get Marlena (or so she thinks). However, she missed the end of the conversation wherein Marlena agreed to do as John asked.

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4. Weston - Matinee
5. Velour 100 - of color bright
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7. Moguai - Young Team
8. BMX Bandits - Theme Park
9. Delta Haymax - Delta Haymax
10. Jerky Boys - Part 4

11. Congo Norvell - Abnormals
12. Sundays - Static and Silence
13. Rocketscience - Well Known Drag
14. Green Day - Nimrod
15. NOFX - So Long, Thanks For All The Shoes
16. All Natural Lemon and Lime Flavors - 7"
17. Fu Manchu - The Action Is Go
18. Verbena - Souls For Sale
19. My Favorite Citizen - 7"
20. Get Up Kids - 4 Minute Mile

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WAYS OF OUR LIVES
By Victoria Tengelis

CINELLI has been teaching guitar at MSU for nine years and has performed in ensembles of varied musical styles, including jazz, classical, pop and early mu­sic. He has toured the U.S. and Europe with his ensembles, the Cinelli Duo and The Early Guitar & Friends and has performed with the American Symphony and the Bach Aria Group.

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Sexpod brings Rock ‘n’ Roll back with sexy style

By Victoria Tengelies
Arts Editor

For those of you who are awaiting the triumphant comeback of real rock ‘n’ roll the CD that you must have is Sexpod’s newest release Goddess Blues. With a sound that is both sexy and edgy, this trio is bound for success.

The first track of their new CD, “Goddess Blues” is currently being played on radio stations nationwide and for good reason, this song starts you off with a rock ‘n’ roll base. Karyn Kuhl has a seductive voice; she proves that you can do hard hitting songs without sounding like you are in pain. The music is strong and together.

Unlike a lot of the new bands coming out these days, where you hear one song and you have heard them all, every song on Goddess Blues is unique. “Go” has a little funk to it. On the sixth track, “Emily”, they slow down just a bit, but on the seventh track, “Pretty Thing”, the sound gets slicker. “Baby Window” and “Drunk In A Dress” give a faster kind of metallic rock sound.

The bands founding members, Karyn Kuhl (lead vocals/guitar) and Alice Genese (bass/vocalist), met here at MSU and formed the band Gut Bank in the 80’s along with artists such as Pantera, Type O Negative and Bad Religion.

According to Alice, the band plans to “keep playing, write new songs, to record a new record and to get out and tour as much as we can. To just keep doing what we do best which is to rock and to play music.”

Alice also expressed her opinion about the state of the music scene today, “I think it needs a face-lift and I also think that it is highly sale dominated and I would like to see that change. I would like to see it become a little more equal. I would like to see more women that can really rock.”

So if you were into pure metal rock so well when it was “in”, pick up their album or if you just like music, check Sexpod out when they play here next Tuesday night. I guarantee you won’t be disappointed. Be sure to bring a can of food, you’ll get a $1.00 off price of admission.

Stone and Stock treat audience with poetry

By Gabrielle Wild
Assistant Arts Editor

Last Wednesday night, a small crowd gathered at the Page One Cafe in Upper Montclair for a poetry reading. The featured poets for the evening were Dr. Carole Stone and Norman Stock, colleagues here at Montclair State University. All of those in attendance, definitely had a treat that night, as well as, some great cappuccino.

Norman Stock, the department head of Sprague Library, took the puppet fist. He had the audience laughing the entire time. He read many poems from his collection of poetry entitled, Buying Breakfast For My Kamikaze Pilot. I highly recommend purchasing this book of poetry. Stock opened with, “The First Time I Robbed Tiffany’s”, which was about the robbery [he] never committed and the sex [he] never had.

The poems “Do You Want a Chicken Sandwich” and “Chicken Sandwich Nissie” were simply hysterical. The first was about a boy who is masturbating and gets caught by his mother who wants to know if he wants a chicken sandwich. The second is the follow-up to this poem, about how his friends called him “Chicken Sand­wich Nissie” after he was “caught with the hot goods in [his] hand.” “Homeless” and “Go” were two of Stock’s more serious poems of the evening, yet they too did not lack Stock’s humorous anecdotes. “Homeless” is about a son coming to terms with his father’s old age, although the father is not. The poem ends on a sad note, “...and then he dies, here on the homeless Earth”. “Go” is a very commanding poem. This poem is reminiscent of the old saying that you can do anything, if you put your mind to it. Of course, Stock added humor to the poem by saying, “Go get a better life, just don’t ask me where”. But, my favorite poem that Stock read was “Thank You for the Helpful Comments”.

Anyone who has ever written a poem and had it torn apart by someone will definitely connect to this poem. Stock describes how one of his poems was deconstructed by a group of fellow poets until he was only left with four words.

Dr. Carole Stone was the second reader of the night. Stone is an English professor here at MSU. She read several poems from her two chat books, Lime and Salt and Orphan in the Movie House, as well as, some new and unfinished poems. Although Norman Stock was a tough act to follow, Dr. Stone stood her ground. “A Spin” was one of Stone’s most moving poems of the evening. It is about the memories a daughter has of her father, “a gambler, [her] Rhett Butler”, and the ride in his car he never gave her. The poem also shows great emotion with the repeated line, “each year my father grows dimmer.” “Rehearsal” is a more lighthearted poem, especially with the line, “I will die in New Jersey on a rainy Sunday.” “Bravisima” is a poem that dealt with the notion behind the difference between sex and love. Although it dealt with such a profound idea, it still enabled the listener to focus on themselves whether or not there is a difference. Really connected to her poem entitled, “My Assets”. In the poem, Stone writes, “But I was a teenage Socialist... I intended to live on thought.” This poem focused around how one’s personal philosophy changes with age. “Celebrated” is a poem about a woman who dreams about what it would be like to be a famous poet, “shaken by euphoria... signing every book.” “Happiness, Hormones and Virgins” was moving. She read this poem to illustrate her take on sex to the crowd, as Stock had done with many of his poems. Although Dr. Stone claimed that this poem was only in its first stage, the message was clear. Dr. Stone captured the images of happiness, hormones and virgins so effectively in this poem.

Overall, this poetry reading was wonderful. It was great to listen to two distinctly different poets. The audience laughed with Norman Stock’s cynical humor and sighed with Dr. Carole Stone’s breathtaking images. Yet the two poets complemented each other and offered the audience plenty of poetry to listen to and reflect on.
Gattaca: There is no gene for the human spirit

By Jennifer Alexander
Staff Writer

Gattaca portrays an eerie version of our future where parents can choose their children’s characteristics such as: hair, height, weight, intelligence, etc. The only thing that can’t be chosen is their spirit. This movie demonstrates just how far a determined person will go to achieve his/her dreams.

Vincent Freeman (Ethan Hawke) is the first “faith birth” (natural born) son in the Freeman family. His parents then chose to have a second, genetically perfect child, Anton (Loren Dean).

He takes a janitorial position at Gattaca, the highest of high-tech space facilities. After only a few months cleaning up after the genetically superior, he decides that he no longer wants to be what is called a “De-gene-erate”.

Vincent goes to the underground to purchase the identity of Jerome Eugene Morrow (Jude Law). Eugene, the name he insists people use, is a genetically superior man who was in a car accident and is now crippled. Everything goes as planned, and within weeks, Vincent, now going under the name of Jerome, becomes employed at Gattaca.

Two years later, Vincent/Jerome is up for a space flight. Before they get any further than preparing the flight plans, the director of Gattaca is murdered. Sweeping the area, they run DNA tests on every single piece of debris they can find and only one thing turns up, that shouldn’t be, is one of Vincent’s eyelashes. Still, the mission is pushed forward.

Vincent has to get through the physical, a tough thing to do for someone with a heart condition. During these trials, we meet Irene (Uma Thurman), a genetically superior woman with only one flaw. She too has a heart condition, one that slipped by her geneticist. A romance quickly develops between the two, even though she is clearly jealous of Vincent’s amazing perfection.

Hawke does an impressive job of portraying this young man who seems to have been dealt a bad hand in life. Not only is the character of Vincent the “victim” of a “faith birth”, but he is also dwarfed by his younger brother’s achievement.

Uma Thurman, having taken some bad roles in the recent past, redeems herself in this movie with her portrayal of Irene. Irene is a character that shows us even when you control the hand of fate, there is still a chance that fate will break your hand and throw her own dice. Jude Law, making his American film debut with this role, is superb. His character is contemptible and pitiful all at the same time, a hard combination to portray.

In fact, at several points, while the character of Irene was talking to the assistant director, it would not be that surprising if the words “Herr Direktor” came out of her mouth.

Writer/director Andrew Niccol’s vision of the future in Gattaca is realistically frightening. Although the movie has been classified as science fiction, it is closer to the science fact of the present. Set in the not too distant future, we can relate to the characters, and to their situations. Whatever parallels you draw from this film, certainly, by the end, we know that there is no gene for the human spirit.
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With new head coach Jacobs in charge, a new team is on the verge of victory

by Karl Benefield (aka #86)
Staff Writer

It looks like this year will be one of opportunistic ramifications.
The Red Hawks are coming into the winter season with a variety of new features. One new feature will be a new head coach, Darryl Jacobs. An assistant for a number of years, Jacobs has been revered as the man to get the job done.

The coach also said he was not nervous about his first year of coaching. “Nope...not one bit”, said Jacobs.

Confidence will be the least of Montclair’s problems when faced against an opponent. Defense, however, is another story. Admirably, Jacobs was not at all hesitant to share his team’s weaknesses.

“Weak points, if there are any?”, he responded quickly. “Defensively we got all hesitant to share his team’s weaknesses. We just go straight back to the fundamentals,” said Jacobs.

The captains are Kyle Griffith and Raheem Rex. Griffith (200 lbs, senior), is a guard/forward who’s work ethic is said to speak for itself, and is known as “special” to the team. Rex (220 lbs, senior), is a forward/center who is expected to have steadily improved. Rex, also a key returner, was an all-conference athlete as a junior, and will hopefully receive the same, if not greater, honor this coming season. Key returner junior guard B.J. Reilly will also be a contributing force, said Jacobs.

With a fairly experienced coaching staff and freshmen that could aid in obtaining the title, the Red Hawks will doubtfully disappoint. When asked which teams might be the greatest threat(s) this season, Jacobs said he participates challenge with each opponent. “All of them,” said Jacobs. “We welcome all the competitors of the New Jersey Conference.”

When asked about the possibility of the championship title, he said that would be dependent on the team’s performance this season.

“We could be contenders,” said Jacobs. “That is all contingent on how well the guys come together.”

Coming off an unfortunate less-than 500 season (12-13) and losing in the first round of the ECAC playoffs last year, the Hawks have a bit to prove. After witnessing a three and a half hour practice on Wednesday night, it is doubtful that this group of young—intense—men will back down from what critics will most likely through at them.

Also attempting a second sport career in his senior year is MSU’s starting football quarterback Brian Cooney of Guttenberg.

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Feb. 26 at NJAC Playoffs TBD
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Ever since childhood when someone asked to see your muscle you immediately knew to roll up your sleeve and flex your bicep. For some reason the biceps have always been a symbol for strength. It’s been thought that the bigger your biceps are the more strength you possess.

Besides displaying a pair of bulging guns, the biceps also play a significant function in sports and activities. From a quarterback who throws a pass for the touchdown in a football game to a basketball player who goes for the 3-pointer, every person, athletic or not, has their uses for biceps.

The bicep is made up of two muscles: the brachii and brachialis. Their function is to rotate the forearm and assist with any upward pulling action. By strengthening the biceps you will decrease the risk of any injury associated with the elbow and shoulder joints.

The best way to strengthen your biceps is to do 2-3 basic exercises using strict form. Begin with the standing barbell curl.

**THE BARBELL CURL**
- Stand with your feet shoulder width apart, knees slightly bent, back straight, and shoulders down.
- Grip the bar with a shoulder width grip.
- Keep your elbows tight against your side at all times.
- Begin pulling the weight upward until the bar touches the upper chest (pause).
- Slowly lower the bar down to the starting position.

Perform 3-4 sets of 8-12 reps.

**Common mistake:** People frequently sway the upper body using momentum to get the weight up. This usually a result of too much weight.

**Tip:** Keep your elbows tight against your body throughout the entire movement.

**SEATED DUMBBELL CURL**
- Sit on a incline bench with your feet flat in the front.
- Hold the dumbbells so your palms are facing your body.
- At one at a time curl the dumbbell upward while at the same time rotating your palms outward.
- At the top, pause and squeeze your bicep.

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- Slowly lower the weight downward.
- Perform 2-3 sets of 10-15 reps. Always remember to get that negative.
- The negative is the resistance that occurs when people lower the weight. Most people do not know that the negative phase makes up 50% of the movement.

**Important workout tip:** If you want to add significant size to your muscles, it is important to stretch before and after you workout. Whatever muscle is being exercised, make sure you keep stretching it throughout your workout.

**Scheduling your workout:** We are getting into the time of the year when stress levels are at their peak.

There seems to be a continuous flow of tests and quizzes, papers and projects are due, and you are behind in your school work. It’s also getting colder outside, the holidays are approaching, the days are getting shorter, and your girlfriend or boyfriend is complaining because you do not expect us to have real strong team this season.

Joining Schultz in the backcourt will be the junior Kelly, who Bradley is very proud of.

"If Wykemia can stay focused throughout the entire season, she has a shot to be one of the best guards in the country."

Playing the three spot, will be the sophomore Ingram, who will add versatility to MSU’s line up this season for Bradley.

"She brings a lot to the table for us this year," said Bradley, of Ingram. "She is a good enough athlete that she is quick enough to be a guard and big enough to play down low. That type of player is a huge asset to have on your team."

The women open up their season with the Frostburg Tournament on November 21–22 and open up at home against rival William Paterson on November 25 at 6:00 P.M.

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plenty to smile about. Another freshman from Aberdeen, Elisa Kaplan won the 200 backstroke while freshman Stacy Goldstein, won the 200 breaststroke. MSU women’s team fell to Seton Hall with a score of 133-96, but the season for the 0-1 women’s team will still be a season of meets to watch.

As for the men’s team, McLaughlin said he anticipates a challenging season. "The guys will struggle this year, but we will look to break .500," said McLaughlin. "We have many swimmers that influence the team."

The men’s team also fell to Seton Hall, with combined scores of 138-69, and a record of 0-1. In a day shadowed with struggles and frustration, Gil Castillo sophomore of West NY, was the only bright spot.

Castillo won the 200 breaststroke with a time of 2:25.44. Returning captains, Kuran Quinonis a senior from Jersey City, Mike Alvino a sophomore backstroker, and Yaniv Seagal will be looked to by coach to execute for the team. Also returning is Jose Cruz, a backstroker from Newark, who will also be a focal point of this swim team.

Dr. McLaughlin is thankful for the team work his team is showing early in the season.

"I have coached tennis in the beginning of the pre-season and I had to rely on my assistant coaches and captains to run practices," said McLaughlin. "They did a great job. The women’s team members get along well, as do the men’s team. However, we have ten new members on the women’s team and seniors must adjust as fast as possible."

McLaughlin also said his seniors had success not only in the swimming, but also in the academic pool as well.

"The men’s and women’s teams do well in school, they are true student athletes. The team grade point average for women was 3.0 in last year’s season of 1996-1997. They were awarded The AIAA All American Award for that season."

Coach McLaughlin and his assistants, William Blomn and Mo Morlando, and diving coaches Dick Tobin and Carrie Spender will be gunning for past rivals, which defeated MSU in close decisions and left the coach with a bad taste in his mouth. Those teams would be for the men, N.Y.U. and U.S.M.M.A., and for the women, Stony Brook.

**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

Nov. 21-22 at Frostburg Tournament 2 p.m.

Nov. 25 vs WILLIAM PATTERSON 6 p.m.

Dec. 3 vs RAMAPO 6 p.m.

Dec. 5-6 19th DIAL CLASSIC 6 & 8 p.m.

Dec. 10 RUTGERS-CAMDEN 6 p.m.

Dec. 13 Jersey City 6 p.m.

Jan. 5 RICHARD STOCKTON 5 p.m.

Jan. 9-10 at C. Newport Tournament (vs. St. Marys, MD, and Newport News) 6 & 8 p.m.

Jan. 14 ROWAN 6 p.m.

Jan. 17 THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY 2 p.m.

Jan. 19 at Kean 7 p.m.

Jan. 21 at Rutgers-Newark 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 24 at Ramapo 2 p.m.

Jan. 28 at William Paterson 6 p.m.

Jan. 31 at Richard Stockton 2 p.m.

Feb. 3 at Rowan 7 p.m.

Feb. 7 KEAN 2 p.m.

Feb. 11 at Rutgers-Camden 6 p.m.

Feb. 14 JERSEY CITY 3 p.m.

Feb. 18 RUTGERS-NEWARK 6 p.m.

Feb. 21 at The College of New Jersey 1 p.m.

Feb. 25 at NJAC Tournament

Feb. 27 at NJAC Champions

**MEN’S & WOMEN’S SWIMMING**

Nov. 25 at NYU 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 5-6 ECAC @ Springfield TBD

Jan. 8 at Rowan 3:00 p.m.

Jan. 14 vs USMMA 6:00 p.m.

Jan. 17 vs BLOOMSBURG (M only) 2:00 p.m.

Jan. 21 at East Stroudsburg (W only) 7:00 p.m.

Jan. 24 vs WILLIAM PATTERSON* 2:00 p.m.

Jan. 28 vs KUTZTOWN 6:00 p.m.

Jan. 31 vs STONY BROOK 1:30 p.m.

Feb. 6 vs ST. FRANCIS 5:00 p.m.

Feb. 20-22 Mets Championship @ TCNJ TBD

Mar. 12-14 NCAA Women’s Champion

Mar. 19-21 NCAA Men’s Champion

Principia College, St. Louis
Women’s B-ball enter season with title
Red Hawks will spend the season defending championship

by Jason Lampa
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In the game of basketball, a team’s success starts with the ability for the coach to get the maximum out of the players. The Montclair State University athletic program is fortunate to have such an individual in Head Women’s Basketball Coach Gloria Bradley.

Bradley played her college ball in the early 80’s, playing for the Pirates of Seton Hall University. From 1980-1984, Bradley was voted Female Basketball Player of the Year in the State of New Jersey her senior year by the New Jersey Collegiate Basketball Association in 1984. After a stellar college career, Bradley took her skills to the professional level for the Atlanta Comets of the World Basketball League.

Bradley became the head coach here at MSU in 1993.

Swimming makes waves in winter 97-98
McLaughlin finds hard work, dedication key to winning season

by Rodney Point De Jour
Staff Writer

This season Men and Women’s swimming holds for a year of both struggles and expectations. All upper classmen swimmers worked hard in the off-season and the pre-season and know what it’s going to take to win the big meets.

Although they all worked hard for this season to come, there are questions that still remain. Will the women have the season they hope or will it be a season of transition? For the men the question will be whether or not this will be a season of struggles or will they become gritty underdogs making unexpected big wins? No matter the question, MSU swim fans will be looking for the answer in Swimming head coach Brian McLaughlin.

McLaughlin will be leading the women’s and men’s teams once again this year and hopes to answer the many questions that swirl around his head. When asked his perspective of this season the coach was very optimistic and also objective.

“The women will be strong. We have 21 members on the team, which will help us in scoring,” said McLaughlin.

The Red Hawks prepare for challenging season.

With top recruits like Heather Feeney, freshman of Wanapacque, and Joanne Fusco, sophomore of Hackensack, the coach has plenty to look forward to. Feeney, who placed third with a time of 11:52.12 in the 1000 freestyle and third in the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:49.73 in a lose to Seton Hall, delivered the goods on a rocky start for the women. Fusco also had a big day. Placing third in the 200 freestyle with a time of 2:09.06 and winning the 100 freestyle with a time of 59.50 made sure she had the goods on a rocky start for the women.

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The Red Hawk Basketball teams play their home opener against William Paterson this Tuesday at 6 and 8 p.m.