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Cameras giving students false sense of security

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

The Quarry/Clove Rd surveillance camera system is currently inoperative due to a faulty control module, according to Department of Campus Safety and Security (DSS) Director Philip Calitre.

Calitre said the camera system has recently been down due to technical problems with the main camera control board in the dispatcher’s booth of DSS headquarters on Heating Plant Way. Calitre did not specify exactly how long the entire camera system has been down, but did say that a replacement control board is currently en route to MSU via FedEx and may arrive by the time this Montclarion goes to print. As of press time, no official word on the arrival of the replacement control board has been released. In the meantime, Calitre said all patrol officers have been alerted to pay particular attention to the areas around the surveillance cameras.

A DSS officer speaking confidentially said the DSS security camera system has been plagued by sporadic blackouts since August. The officer said he believed that the complications are related to the fact that the MSU administration accepted the lowest possible bid when the camera system was originally purchased in 1995. Nonetheless, DSS Crime Prevention Officer Carlos Ortiz said the surveillance camera system is good quality.

“The system we have in place is currently inoperative due to a faulty main camera control board in the dispatchers’ booth,” Ortiz said. “We are working on getting a replacement board and should have it up and running in the near future.”

The system will be up and running promptly, Ortiz said. The system currently being used is not as effective as the original system, but it is still somewhat effective, he said. Ortiz said the system is currently being used for security purposes.

The system was originally purchased in 1995 for $54,000. The lowest bid came in at $46,000, which the MSU administration accepted.

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One of the parking lot security cameras that are malfunctioning.

Former Senator Simpson shoots from the hip

By Nicholas P. Clunn
News Editor

Students, professors, young and old gathered Thursday night in Student Center Ballroom A to hear a cowboy’s opinion about politics. This cowboy’s name is Alan Simpson, the former U.S. Senator of Wyoming, who instead of brandishing a pistol came with a fiery oratory and plenty of ammunition.

In his lecture, Shooting from the Hip: A cowboy’s perspective on American Politics, Simpson centered the discussion on the unbalanced budget while touching on other modern day political matters.

Simpson, although a Republican, blames both parties for the nation’s multi-trillion dollar debt, citing politicians’ failure to properly address social security, Medicare, Medicaid and federal retirement, issues that caused the debt. He outlined his own federal retirement solution, including affluence testing and extending the retirement age. Although most MSU students don’t plan on retiring for at least 40 years, he warns young Americans of the American Association of Retired Persons who he claims are selfish and not looking out for their children.

“They are totally irresponsible,” declared Simpson. “Sixty-five percent of the members of the AARP have no idea what they stand for. As long as they get their discounts, they don’t need to give a damn what the policy is, and the policy will break America.”

The former senator also gave the audience an insiders view of Washington, and how the political game is played. On the media, Simpson bashed the institution as being not interested in clarity and labeled them “the great bank of babblers.” He also briefly discussed gun control, abortion and toxic waste disposal.

“He is an iconoclast and very bright,” said interim president Dr. Gregory L. Waters. “I found it to be one of the most entertaining presentations the university has ever heard.”

Students graduate defense seminar

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

Twenty-five MSU students were awarded certificates on November 3 for completing the Fall, 1997 self-defense seminar headed by Lt. Paul Cell of the Department of Campus Safety and Security (DSS). Cell described how the students have benefited from the two month long seminar.

“I believe they feel more confident. They have a better knowledge of the tactics they can use if they find themselves in a dangerous situation, as well as a better knowledge of how to avoid dangerous situations. However, it doesn’t make them martial art experts, or ready for all types of attacks. For example, I didn’t teach this class how to deal with a knife attack, since that is too complex for a beginning class,” Cell said.

Cell mentioned seminar participants were shy at first when practicing self-defense tactics. “In the beginning, the students were reserved. By the end...”
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National

Gingrich asks for GOP support for Democrat

WASHINGTON — As Congress nears a showdown over President Clinton’s trade negotiations powers, one of the few Democrats whose vote the White House could count on was in a hospital 3,000 miles away waiting for his daughter to emerge from surgery.

Rep. Jim McDermott’s “yes” was needed desperately. But since he couldn’t get back to the House in time, Speaker Newt Gingrich stood before fellow Republicans and proposed a parliamentary maneuver that would allow the liberal Democrat to stay home in Seattle. Gingrich asked for a Republican opponent of “fast-track” authority to abstain from voting to balance McDermott’s absence.

Any volunteer would have been making the sacrifice for a Democrat known for partisan attacks and suspected of leaking transcripts of an illegally taped telephone conversation with Gingrich and other GOP leaders.

Government department open for Thanksgiving questions

WASHINGTON — A woman in New York wants to know if the turkey she bought fresh last week still will be good on Thanksgiving. A Mississippi man isn’t quite sure how to use a meat thermometer.

The Agriculture Department’s hot line is open with guidance that could prevent a festive holiday from turning into an outbreak of food poisoning.

“In many cases, I think we are successful in preventing food-borne illness,” said Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman. “Most of the things we tell them are actually very simple, but they are important and sometimes forgotten.”

International

APEC summit ends in Vancouver

VANCOUVER — The 18-member Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum on Tuesday ended an annual summit with a call for greater trade freedom and a common front against the economic turmoil gripping the region.

“Certain of the dynamism and resilience of the region, we undertake our resolve to achieve sustainable growth and equitable development and to unlock the full potential of the people who live here,” the group said in the communique issued after a two-day summit.

This year’s summit has been overshadowed by economic crises in East Asia and fears over Japan’s ability to spearhead a recovery. The APEC leaders said it was “critically important” to act quickly against the Asian turmoil.

U-2 plane flies over Iraq without incident

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A U-2 surveillance plane flew safely over Iraq on Monday as the United Nations and Baghdad faced a possible new confrontation over the search for banned weapons.

For a third day following their return to Iraq, international arms inspectors went about their business on Monday.

But a dispute over where the inspectors can look remained unresolved. At issue were 63 sites that Iraq has declared off-limits. The United Nations and the United States have demanded full access to the sites — 47 of them palaces of the Iraqi President.

A Baghdad newspaper comments on the military buildup in the Gulf region by saying the U.S. has “gone bananas.”

Cuban anti-Castro leader dies

MIAMI — Jorge Mas Canosa, the leader of the Cuban American National Foundation, a powerful anti-Castro Cuban exile group, died Sunday. He was 58.

As head of the foundation, Mas Canosa wielded significant political power in South Florida, which is home to a large number of Cubans who fled from the regime of Fidel Castro in the years since the 1959 Cuban revolution.

During the Reagan administration, Mas Canosa helped Republicans strengthen their political base among anti-Castro Cubans, forming an alliance that catapulted him to national prominence.

Mas Canosa was uncompromising in his strong opposition to easing American sanctions on Cuba’s communist regime.

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Lecture gives students look into government agency

By Kevin P. Hancock
Managing Editor

Montclair State Political Science students were treated to an inside look at the workings of a government agency last Thursday when two representatives from the Office of the Ombudsman came to speak to Dr. George Zilbergeld’s American Government and Politics class at 1 p.m.

The Office of the Ombudsman is a department under the Health and Senior Services Department, Division of Senior Affairs, of the New Jersey State government.

The speakers, Lawrence Clifton and Karen Hirschfeld explained that the workers in the Office of the Ombudsman are responsible for the protection and the advocacy of those residents age 60 or older in health care facilities who have been at risk of being abused, neglected or exploited.

“In New Jersey there are 372 nursing homes, and 47,000 beds occupied by individuals that are 60 years of age or older, and for those we have a staff of nine professional investigators, and 170 volunteer workers for New Jersey’s 21 counties,” said Clifton, the chief investigator for the Office of the Ombudsman.

Grade study’s goal to get students and professors communicating

College Press Service

To professors, grades are just a number. But to students, grades mean a lot, while most professors don’t view them as a measure of self-worth.

This was the observation that prompted two Kansas State professors to talk to students about the way professors and students communicate about grades.

Many students do not associate grades with the value of a student as a person, said George Goulden, associate professor of speech at KSU.

But Griffith was surprised at the level of intensity with which students attached meaning to grades. The study found that college students sometimes equate their grades with rewards and punishment.

These differences in perceptions, say Griffith and his co-researcher, Nancy Goulden, could be a source of misunderstanding between professors and their students.

The professors now are delving into how faculty members and students talk about grades.

They’ve labeled one typical conversation the “desperate need” model. That’s the all-too-common scenario where a student begs a professor for a higher grade because he or she really, really needs it.

There’s also the “clerk-reporting” model, in which professors distance themselves from the grading process by viewing the grades as merely numbers out of their control.

Goulden explained they hope to find that more interaction between students will lead to more learning and less anxiety.

She says when the instructor views herself more as a learning facilitator, then the teacher helps better the student, not just their grades.

Like it or not, grades provide necessary feedback for the student, say the professors. But they admit grading can be tough on instructors, too.

“Grades are the worst part of my job,” Griffith said. “It’s difficult when you know students well and you suspect they will read all sorts of things into a grade that you have not intended to communicate.”

Volunteers and professional staff act as advocates for the elderly who otherwise may not be able to fight for their own needs and rights because of their medical state.

The department dealt with 2445 cases last year dealing with many different types of situations with elderly health care recipients such as physical or sexual abuse, neglect, poor care planning and life support issues. Hirschfeld told the class about the medical ethics that go into many of these cases and that play big roles in decisions that are made.

“It’s life and death issues that we are facing almost every day in nursing homes,” said Hirschfeld. She explained that the Office of the Ombudsman works to make sure that a patient gets the treatment that they want even if they are not in a state to communicate that to health care professionals. Through living wills and investigation into the kind of person and opinions they had when they were able to communicate are used to determine this and make the right health care choice for a patient.

“It’s important that we protect people’s right to choose at the government level,” said Hirschfeld. “A person at a

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of the seminar, they were more relaxed and focused,” Cell said.

Cell said all participants practiced their knowledge of self-defense on an officer dressed in a red man suit (a protective suit which permits participants to be more aggressive in executing self-defense techniques). Cell said he was frequently assisted by DSS Officers Vincent Roberson and Alex Narvaez.

“The students who have been coming have been great. They have been dedicated and serious. They had a lot of curiosity and interest. They made it a very enjoyable teaching experience for me,” Cell said.

Cell who advises the public to take any self-defense courses which are of interest.

Defensive courses are offered for free, added that another self-defense seminar is tentatively scheduled to begin on February 3. Cell added martial arts instructor Kenny Keys is running a self-defense course right now at Panzer Gym, while another instructor Steve Redrup is also offering a course. For more information, please contact Kenny Keys at 655-4461 or Steve Redrup at 655-7443.

Interim President Gregory Waters was among those present for Simpson’s speech.

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Ironically, he was signed on to the public sector with the expectation of the office of the Ombudsman working for the Office of the Ombudsman which he had just left.

Born on Sept. 2, 1931, Simpson grew up in Cody, Wyoming where he still resides today with his wife Ann. He attended the University of Wyoming where he received a Bachelor of Science in Law in 1954 then his Juris Doctorate degree in 1958 after completing service in the Army. His political career began in 1964 as a representative in the Wyoming State Legislature. He was elected to the US Senate in 1974 where he held many key positions including Assistant Majority leader. After 23 years in Washington he resigned in January of this year.

“You miss your colleges, you miss the Senate, you miss the tremendous honor,” said Simpson. “I left because I just didn’t want to do it anymore, I didn’t like being at 37,000 feet every other weekend.”

Now Simpson teaches as a visiting professor at Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government and involves himself with pro-Republican youth organizations such The Young Republicans for Choice. He also is a board member for the Third Millennium, a political group consisting of members 18 to 35 years of age that discuss the party’s future.

“You can tell he is a cowboy, he was very frank and very honest,” said sophomore John Griffith, a college of Republicans member. “He said it as it was and he didn’t try to lie to us, and I think that is important and helpful in politics.”

Simpson’s speech was part of the Martini Center Speaker Series which has sponsored other speakers in the past and plans to offer more in the future at MSU. The program was established in memory of Nicholas J. Martini, former Passaic Mayor and Freeholder. The goal of the speaker series is to educate Northern New Jersey residents of public policies affecting them. The Martini center also funds art programs, health care facilities and scholarships.
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place right now is the same type of system used in department stores. I have some knowledge of security cameras, and I can tell you that what we have is definitely not junk," Ortiz said.

Despite present difficulties, Calitre said MSU’s camera system has had a powerful impact against campus crime. Calitre said the auto theft rate for 1997 has so far been one half of the 1996 rate. Calitre mentioned that the system has taken a bite out of campus vandalism as well.

Calitre said he eventually hopes to install additional cameras in key strategic areas, as well as hire more officers, bolstering his 34 member force. Calitre added that the key question concerning these improvements is the availability of money.

nursing home doesn’t have to know who the President of the United States is or even what month it is, what we try to determine is do they have decision making capacity. Are they able to know that if they don’t eat they will die. It’s whether or not they know the consequences of the health care choice.”

“We go in when there’s a fight. If a family is arguing with a physician and they can’t decide what the best decision is to make, we come in as a advocate for the resident,” said Hirschfeld.

Dr. Zilbergeld, a professor in the Department of Political Science often has representatives from government departments come and speak to his students. “I wanted to bring in people from parts of the government that you don’t necessarily hear about all the time,” he said.

Upon approach males flee the area. A back pack was found as the area as a search for the suspects was negative.

SMELL OF SMOKE

Officer respond to a smell of smoke in Partridge Hall. Upon arrival a faint smell of smoke was detected. Little Falls Fire Dept. responded. Building was checked and the system was reset.

Juvenile male suffered a knee injury while dancing in the Life Hall studio. Victim was transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

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Don't forget about tolls. Bring extra spare change and single dollar bills with you. It could speed you experience the pleasures of food.

Don't forget your credit card or at least a traveler's check. You may be on a make a mix tape of your favorite songs while you are packing.

Make sure there are plenty of snacks in the car. If traveling alone, open food packages before to avoid losing track of the road. Make sure you have enough caffeine, but of course in moderation. More caffeine equals more irritability, and of course, more bathroom breaks.

Keep your tank full. Especially, if you don’t know where you are going. There are chances that you could get lost, stuck in traffic. Running out of gas is not a good idea.

Don’t forget to breathe. The car in front of you keeps slowing down for no apparent reason. The guy behind you won’t turn off his high beams and you have 30 minutes to go 60 miles. Taking a few minutes to breathe and calm down will be beneficial to your driving. If you are stressed out and pissed off, it may be more likely for you to get into an accident. (Imagine how pissed off you will be then) Count backwards from 10 to 1 slowly. OK if need be, 5 to 1... 100?

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Lab assistants on patrol

By Louis Colli

Topic Of The Week: What it is like to be a Lab Assistant.

There was a big Information Technology pow-pow a couple of weeks ago to give recognition to the lab assistants for all they do for this campus. They were also given shirts they could wear in the labs to make them more visible. I wear mine at least once a week. I thought it would be cool if you could see what it is like to be a lab assistant and have to deal with hundreds of students who are angry because they are having a problem with their computer.

So, I dug up a “screenplay” that someone wrote a while back called, “Lab Assistants On Location - MSU” I’m not quite sure who wrote it, although I have a good idea (where have you gone, Mike Roessner? We miss you!)

Lab Assistants On Location - MSU

Theme Song: (sung to the Cops theme), “Bad Boys”

Bad Disk, Virus

Whatcha Gonna Do?

Lab Assistants there, maybe they help you.

Netscape, E-mail

Got you all confused?

Lab Assistants there, maybe they help you.

Scene 1: LA (lab assistant) sitting at a computer. He is typing away on a paper.

LA (voice-over): It had only been a few minutes since the lab was open that I got a distress call.

Student 1: Hi, are you the lab assistant?

LA: Yes, what seems to be the problem?

LA (voice-over): It seems that we had a 207 error. I immediately took action. A virus had infected his disk. When I told him, he got suicidal and ran to an open window. I explained the situation to him and told him to calm down, everything would be okay. Luckily, there was a Dell open and I ran Dr. Solomon on it. His disk was cleaned and he came in from the ledge and went about his work. That is why I became a lab assistant. Helping people makes me feel good. That is what this job is all about: helping people.

Scene 2: LA standing at printer controlling print traffic. Loud laughter coming from a computer across the room.

LA (voice-over): I was trying to help control print traffic because of a paper jam that had backed up the queue when I heard some laughing coming from one of the computers. I ran over to see what the problem was.

LA: Okay, what’s going on here?

Student 2: Nothing. I’m just typing a paper.

LA (voice-over): I could tell he was lying to me because he was not in a word processor. I noticed the Netscape symbol on his screen. I didn’t want any trouble, so I tried to keep the situation from becoming tense.

LA: Okay, sir, just relax. Please step away from the computer and keep your hands where I can see them. Now, it looks to me that you were viewing something on Netscape. Is there a reason that you are lying to me?

Student 2: I’m not lying. I’m typing a paper for my psych class.

LA: I can see the Netscape window on your screen. All I have to do is hit the back key to find out what you were looking at. Would you like to change your story?

Student 2: Okay, okay. I was looking at pictures of a guy having sex with a chicken. I was going to start working on my paper any second. Honestly!

LA (voice-over): I had one of two choices in a situation like this. I could either give him a warning and let him type his paper or I could ask him to leave the lab.

Scene 1 (continued)

What’s the Retro look?

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This week: A Turkish perspective

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

"In Turkey, people are more family oriented. People are more friendly, and more social," said Recep Kaplan in a November 17 interview. Kaplan is an International Business major who is currently spending his third year at MSU. When not studying, Kaplan keeps himself busy as President of the International Student Organization and International Residence Assistant at the Clove Road Apartments.

Kaplan gave an overview of his native Istanbul. "Istanbul is a center of orthodox faith. You can see mosques, churches, and synagogues besides the skyscraper that they keep on building. Istanbul is very crowded but very big in size. It's on both the European side of Turkey, as well as the Asian side. I lived in the Asian side and went to school in the European side by crossing the Bosphorus bridge [a narrow strait separating European Turkey from Asian Turkey]." Kaplan said with a slight chuckle.

Kaplan added that Turkey's religious attitudes are more relaxed than the Arabic world. "Turkey is not like the Arabic countries. Some people wear turbans, but nobody is forced to wear it. In fact, the new generation is more liberal. Generally, you see turbans with the older people." Concerning America, Kaplan volunteered that he was unimpressed by the anti-intellectual behavior of many students. "American guys can get you really into their looks, and the girls are into their makeup. In plain English, I think American girls are bimbos. You go to any bar and all you'll hear is talk about boyfriends and sports. However in Turkey, people are more informed. They talk about more interesting things than just make-up and sports," Kaplan said.

Kaplan also commented that he was taken aback by America's lack of cultural curiosity. "I'm surprised that Americans don't know much about other cultures because you have so many people of different cultures right here. Americans are not interested in other cultures. Many I've met don't even know the capitol of Canada, and you can forget about foreign languages. Most Americans don't even know foreign policy," Kaplan complained.

Kaplan lastly observed that American sports appeared illogical to him. "Why the hell do they call the final baseball championship the World Series when it only involves American and Canadian teams? Why do they call another popular American sport football when almost all the plays don't even involve the foot? Don't call it football. Call it American Rugby instead," Kaplan suggested.

Eco-Tips

"Pre-cycle!"

By Elisabeth Carrozza

Do you ever stop to think that when you buy something packaged in plastic or cardboard, you're actually paying for your item, PLUS GARBAGE? Sounds ridiculous, but all you do is unwrap the layers of packaging and toss it into the trash.

Did you know:
Each American throws away over 80 pounds of plastic packaging every year. About 1/3 of the garbage in our landfills is packaging materials.

What you can do:
Be a smart consumer—PRE-CYCLE! Purchase items from companies which use the least amount of packaging. Instead of buying a box of individually wrapped items, buy the brand with the least amount of packaging and store the product in an airtight, reusable container (A block of cheese, for example, can be stored in a resealable container and sliced when needed instead of buying the individually wrapped slices). Reuse or recycle the packaging from items you buy. Ask at your local elementary school or recreation center. Many teachers use things like cardboard egg cartons for craft projects.

Think before you buy! Eco-Tips are brought to you by the MSU Conservation Club.

Everyone is welcome to join us for general meetings every Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. in room 124 of the Student Center Annex. (No meeting November 26.)

Conservation Club is a Class II SGA organization.
Nell Bassett gives advice on effective speaking

By Charlene Haug

Nell Bassett wowed Montclair State University with her dynamic presentation on how to be an effective, charismatic public speaker. How do you speak with authority? What is the key to being a good speaker? Bassett, who gave a focused and exciting presentation, had several answers.

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Hate how your voice sounds on a recording? No matter, there are a few simple things you can do. You can work on your voice to improve it. You can work on your delivery to improve it. You can work on your body language to improve it.

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On the contrary, Kennedy was not a hero

Dear Editorial Editor,

As student of history, prospective pedagogue, and member of Phi Alpha Theta, I feel compelled to respond to Justin Buffer’s editorial on John F. Kennedy. Judging by his overly-eulogistic sentiments concerning “...this great man,” it is painfully obvious that Mr. Buffer learned American history the way many of us did, with bland, tertiary textbooks filled with myriad myths, misconceptions, and misinformation. Therefore, at the risk of sounding presumptuous, I would like to “enlighten” Mr. Buffer and encourage him to take a more critical and analytical look at the 35th President of the United States.

To begin with, he commits an egregious error by portraying John Kennedy as a precedent-setter and champion of civil rights, claiming that Kennedy “…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 (in 1962).” Apparently, Mr. Buffer chose to slight both Harry Truman’s 1948 executive order which banned racial segregation in the armed forces and Dwight D. Eisenhower’s use of troops in 1957 to provide safe passage for the 9 black students assigned to Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas. In truth, the Kennedy administration reacted quite tepidly to citizens’ cries for racial equality. JFK himself was so uncomfortable with it that he actually tried to stop the August, 1963 march on Washington, D.C. and, feeling Lyndon Johnson was too pro-civil rights, sent his vice-president on a “goodwill tour” of Scandinavia to keep him away from the march. The best thing Kennedy did to further the Civil Rights Movement was something he had no control over, namely, getting assassinated. What I mean to say, before you fly your wig, is that even Kennedy knew there was no getting any legislation through a hostile Congress, filled with Dixiecrats, who regarded him as a Harvard mushmouth whose father had all but bought him the White House. It was only after Kennedy’s tragic death that Lyndon Johnson, already well-respected by Congress and evoking the martyred spirit of his predecessor, was able to get both the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 passed.

Another area in which Justin Buffer wrongly exalts John Kennedy is foreign affairs, trumpeting the Cuban Missile Crisis as a major victory for Kennedy who “…bravely, valiantly, and firmly kept us out of nuclear war...[defying] everyone, including Nikita Kruschev.” What Mr. Buffer does not tell you about the crisis is that it was resolved, not by a valiant stance and/or an ultimatum by Kennedy, but by an agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union. In exchange for the Soviets’ nuclear missiles being removed from Cuba, the United States had to both remove its missiles from Turkey and agree never to invade Cuba. Mr. Buffer also neglects to mention, with regard to Kennedy’s foreign policy, our involvement in the assassination of Patrice Lumumba of Zaire in 1961, the Bay of Pigs debacle, the Vienna summit of 1961, the “neutralization” of Laos, and the overthrow of Diem’s regime in Saigon.

Finally, Mr. Buffer proffers that John Kennedy tackled the problems of the destitute, both at home and abroad, with his minimum wage legislation and implementation of programs like the Alliance for Progress and the Peace Corps. However, if he had only dug deeper, Buffer would have discovered that JFK was not the first president to increase the minimum wage. Also, the Alliance for Progress was a failure which both strengthened the rule of Latin American dictators and hurt the very people it was supposed to help. Finally, the Peace Corps was not designed so much as a humanitarian endeavor as it was an attempt to increase our presence throughout the world and get underdeveloped countries to foster a favorable attitude towards the United States.

Was John F. Kennedy a great man? Perhaps. Was he a great president? As I have elucidated, absolutely not. Many people, Mr. Buffer included, have so romanticized both John Kennedy and his image, that they fail to recognize the irrefutable truth that he was all show and little substance. John F. Kennedy does not deserve to be either revered or canonized, but rather scrutinized.

Timothy P. Donnelly
History Major

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Simple solutions for computer lab problems

The Nonconformist

One of us can believe it, but the time has come. The semester is ending and we all know what that means. Papers are due, or in some cases past due.

For those of you that are like many other students that live on campus at this university, you do not own your own personal computer. This means you have to use the lab.

Luckily, you already know what you are doing by the time you get to the lab. If you're like many others, you are forced to go after work when other students like yourselves are already using computers. Then, by eleven o'clock, the only computer labs that are open are located in Bohn, Freeman, and Blanton Halls. By midnight, only the Blanton Hall computer lab is open. For some, this might not seem so bad. But walking in 27 degree weather all the way from Freeman or Russ by yourself after midnight can be a hassle as well as somewhat dangerous! Then, when you get to Blanton, the working computers are usually taken up by people goofing off on the Internet in either chatrooms, MUDs, IRCs, or other sites that should be looked at in earlier, less frequented times of day.

At the time I was typing this editorial, five out of the eight computers in Blanton Hall had some kind of mechanical defect or were "Out of Order" totally. Why is Blanton Hall Computer Lab being so neglected?

One may pose the argument that the technicians are too busy fixing other terminals, but, on an average day, there are a significant amount of broken computers in Richardson and Dickson labs too. Everyone gets busy, but we should never get too busy to do our jobs.

So, the solution is simple.

1.) Tighten up on these technicians that are neglecting the terminals they are supposed to be maintaining. If the terminals are useless, replace them. After all, this University so loves to spend tax dollars. Spending them usefully would make a lot of poor college students (like myself) quite happy.

2.) Put some lab assistants on staff that would be willing to work after midnight in Bohn Hall and Freeman Hall labs. There are many students on campus that can tolerate staying up late and who really need the money. I know that I am one.

3.) The lab assistants that are on now need to buck up a little bit and not be afraid to kick these spodders (people whom use the talkers) out of the lab when there is a line leading out into the hallway.

If these solutions were at least considered, the computing environment at this University would be a much more comfortable one.

My World

by Andrew Huntoon

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Dear Editor,

In response to the editorial written by Edward Flannery titled “You should be able to major in football” in last week’s Montclarion, I would like to say that I have never been so amused by the lack of knowledge that emanated from the editorial page. I want to ask Mr. Flannery how much research goes into his articles. The fact that this article was going to be compared to theater was enough of a clue for me as to the level of enjoyment I would attain from reading the editorial. I have never been one to respond to anything in the campus paper, but this was just too much. The lack of facts, of truth in what I was reading gave me the desire to respond.

First of all, Mr. Flannery implies that theater majors get “excused from mentally taxing courses.” The list and descriptions of courses that a theater major, no matter what concentration, has to take in order to graduate is something Mr. Flannery should really pick up and read before making such an assumption. I am sure that I am not the only theater major who would like to extend an invitation to him to try his hand at Drafting or Stagecraft. How about Theater History, Scene Design, Dramatic Criticism, Directing or Play Script Interpretation? I could go on here. Those General Education Requirements that any undergraduate student is required to take are the same ones required of an undergraduate theater major. We are no different.

As for getting college credits for “making plays”? Yes, a theater major has to pay for at least one credit a semester for a practicum. A practicum equals 40 hours of work. These 40 hours are in addition to any class work or rehearsal time. These practicum hours are to let students practice what they learn in the classroom, let it be through the lighting crews, sound crews, costume crews, set building, business crews, props and getting the experience of actually running a show. That way they have the experience under their belt which makes them an asset to any theater production outside of the college world, which is what they are ultimately preparing for.

Currently, there are many graduates of this very Theater Department out there working and finding success in their chosen field. Plenty of actors, directors, designers, producers, stage managers out there have Montclair State to thank for their education. Stephen Bienski is currently in the off-Broadway production of “Last Session,” which is getting plenty of positive attention from the media. Jerry McIntyre has been on “Murphy Brown” and other television shows as well as a number of Broadway shows. Another MSU Theater alumni to watch for is Roger Mazzeo who was recently cast in Paul Simon’s new Broadway musical “Capeman” and will be performing with that cast at the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade. These few names and not to mention the many other Theater Department graduates who have “made it” are the proof that our graduates have been and will continue to be successful in this highly competitive field.

Maybe Mr. Flannery wasn’t cut out for the world of theater/acting, but that in no way entitles him to attack the Theater Department here at Montclair State University. He might have a good idea in student athletes getting college credits for their contributions, but that is a subject I am not too knowledgeable in and cannot discuss that much. I truly wish Mr. Flannery would have thought along that same way when writing his editorial. His arguments were based on the hypothetical situations of “Joe Jockey,” as he called him. He never even made mention to Sam Mills, who is currently on the Carolina Panthers, if I am not mistaken, and not only a true successful athlete, but also a graduate of Montclair State. He also mentioned nothing about the Physical Education major currently offered here at MSU.

Mia Diaz
BFA Acting major

Flannery defends his position on the theater major at Montclair State

Before I have every theater major here at Montclair State writing to me to try and defend their department, I would like rebut the claims made on this page by Michael Brancato and Mia Diaz. Hopefully, you will find this column both enlightening and entertaining.

Mr. Brancato’s statement about me being “out partying” while he and his fellow theater majors are “drafting (their) fingers raw.” You could not be further from the truth. Perhaps Mr. Brancato should do a little bit of research before he responds with falsehoods. When I am not in class, I am fulfilling a number of other obligations. I spend every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday with the students at the Montclair State theater office organizing my section. I am a Cheerleader. I am an E-Board member for my Fraternity. Most importantly, I am doing all of this for nothing more than personal satisfaction. I get free credits for these things. They are merely my extracurricular activities. They take up all of my spare time, and I still manage to do very well in an academic major. I wish I had time to party.

Finally, Mr. Brancato sites that I can pass Life Hall at night and see techies “drafting like mad.” Maybe if these students didn’t procrastinate, they would not have to do their work at night. Also, I am sick and tired of students claiming that this major is hard because these students have other classes to deal with. Guess what. Every single student here has “other” classes to do work for. I am not impressed.

The next letter comes from Mia Diaz. Her letter was very unprofessional. Rather than responding to my opinion, she chose to attack me personally. I will be the better person in this situation by not sinking to her level.

First, Ms. Diaz offered an invitation to try drafting. I might take her up on that offer, right after she calculates Pearson’s R for a distribution list. I am not impressed by the technical skills of a major. I am sure that nobody is awed by my Sociology Statistics skills.

Next, Ms. Diaz raffles off a list of courses that theater majors take, including Dramatic Criticism, Play Script Interpretation and Scene Design. I am sure everyone at MSU can impress their friends by naming difficult sounding courses. For instance, would anyone like to try Foundations of Sociological Inquiry, Statistics for Sociological Research or Philosophical Orientation to Education.

Finally, Ms. Diaz points out that a number of people involved in the field of acting have MSU to thank for their success. In my opinion, the most famous actor to ever attend our school was Bruce Willis. He never even graduated. Apparently, the department does not have the super powers to make or break a theater major at all.

I only wish I had more space to elaborate on a few other points, but you can’t always get what you want. Happy Thanksgiving Everybody!
Local bands rock MSU with innovative music

By Tina Napoli

Class One Concerts presented a free show for the friends and students of MSU in the Ratt on Thursday, November 20th. Four local bands were featured: My Favorite Citizen, Rocketscience, All Natural Lemon and Lime Flavors and Antarctica. Although each of the bands had their own distinct sound and style, they were commonly joined by their strong drive to create music with an experimental feel and an uncommon sound.

The night started off with a performance by My Favorite Citizen. This band has a poppy-punk feel which can uncontrollably stir up any left over teen-angst which might be lying around. Songs like “Weakling” and “Dandelion” can be compared with the music of bands like Superchunk and Pavement. The band members are Chris (Bass), Damon (guitar/vocals) and Scott (guitar/vocals). These guys have been playing together since August of 1996. Chris likes to think of the group as a “rock band” although they don’t want to label themselves they seem to find that their band is teetering on the edge of the Indy Rock scene.

My Favorite Citizen gave an awesome performance. Their music had a lot of energy and drive. Singer Damon has a great sound which personified the spirit of their music. Lately things have been a little hard for My Favorite Citizen. Scott had only recently recovered from a serious illness and was barely able to play the show, while they had Matt, the drummer from Rocketscience, fill in for their former drummer. Despite all their dilemmas they did a fantastic job. The band is planning a two week tour for the summer with the band Paper Castles. They currently have a 7” out and are also planning to record an EP in December.

Rocketscience turned the sound 180 degrees. Their music had a dreamy feel which was distinctly influenced by the sounds of Pink Floyd. John (vocals/guitar) and Matt (drums) have been playing together for two years.

They describe their music as ethereal with a rock rhythm section and license for the guitar to go off in it’s own direction. Rocketscience primarily plays clubs in New York City, like Brownies. John says that the most important thing for the band is “to keep playing and to keep writing songs.” Rocketscience is also planning a tour for the spring and have plans to record around February. They also have two 7” available on Symba, an English label.

Words like experimental and innovative are best used to describe the music of All Natural Lemon and Lime Flavors. Although their name might make you think twice they are definitely worth checking into. The Flavors include Josh (vocals/guitar/keyboards), Brian (drums), Steve (vocals/guitar/keyboards), Marc (guitar/keyboards) and Jeremy (bass).

The original band formed ten years ago when Josh, Steve and Brian met around the ages of 12 and 14 and started to play music. Over that ten year period the band has gone through many metamorphoses, changing in form and style a number of times. Marc describes their present sound as “experimental with a pop borderline.” One of the unique moments of their performance, aside from their music, was when Steve asked for a Snapple bottle from the audience and then proceeded to use it as a slide for his guitar. Whether or not this shows just how experimental All Natural Lemon and Lime Flavors display their unique guitar playing skill.

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A nd the soaps drag on and on and on. Here’s the low down:

One Life to Live: Tea and Andrew grew closer but Andrew decided that as long as she is with Todd he can’t be with her. Tea will not give up though. Kelly tried to draw information out of Joeby about his knowledge of Miss Stonestiff. But tried to get Blair to tell him what was going on with Max. Meanwhile, Max went to deliever the money to the kidnappers and got knocked out.

General Hospital: After talking with his dad, A.J. decided that he would wait until after the baby is born to confront Tony. Tony went to see Lorraine. Stefan banished Alexis from the Cassadine family for trying to keep Katherine and him apart. Despite her explanation of trying to protect him from what she perceived as a threat, he ripped her necklace off and kicked her out of Wyndemere. Luke is worried that Bobbie and Monica bought Alan’s story about the incident and is in the hospital awaiting surgery. Jake professed his love to her. Jake lost his temper on Scott. Julie feels Nicole should forgive Bennett but Nicole says she never will.

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As the World Turns: Holden confronted Molly at the police station about her latest scheme to ruin him. She denied it. Mike told Sheila that James is just using her. Although she denies it, she begins to question James’ motives. To ease her worry she asked James if he loves her. James is beginning to revise his view of Sheila as a mother, but this is something Maggie doesn’t want to hear.

Ways Of Our Lives
By Victoria Tongue

Dinner with him but Mateo refused. Hayley and Mateo to share Thanksgiving for it. Trevor asked Janet to take a break herself in a meat locker and blame Janet pills.

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Days of Our Lives: Jack convinced the warden that TC and Trent/Travis were corrupt and under Stefano’s control. Jack decided to escape and save Jenn. A manhunt was ordered to find Jenn. Susan realizes that Stefano is Elvis’ father and he threatens to kidnap him if she doesn’t comply with him. Roman asked John to be his best man (doesn’t that suck!).

Maggie plots to prove Sheila is an unfit mother.

Sunset Beach: Cole found Caitlin at the convent. Sean is distraught over Caitlin’s supposed death. Meg tried to convince Ben that her doubts were prompted by Annie’s leaving the articles about Maria for her to see. Ben went to Annie and she told him Meg was the one asking questions. Tim came to Annie for help breaking Meg and Ben up, she told him to give it up.
Kara has a Toad The Wet Sprocket experience

By Kara Richardson
Feature Editor

I gathered up my tape recorder, camera and interview questions and headed out for my interview with Toad the Wet Sprocket. Not only was I fortunate to have tickets to review the show at Tramps, I had the opportunity to do a personal interview with one of the members of the band.

I snuck in early and caught the tail end of the band’s sound check. They played parts of familiar songs and added their own goofy antics to some. After they finished, “Quake,” the tour manager introduced me to Dean Dinning, the band’s bassist and back-up vocalist.

The band is now involved in a five week tour. Recalling the beginning of Toad’s existence Dean noted that, “We started out touring in two vans. When Fear came out we got our first bus. Now we’ve worked our way up to a really swank bus, it even has a shower in it. All in all, the comfort level of touring gets better.”

The tour is in part to promote Toad the Wet Sprocket’s sixth album, Coil, which was released last spring. “The fact that we are almost guaranteed by now to have a whole section [in a record store] with our name on it… That was my goal all along, so we are already there. And to be able to walk in down the road and it will be there, hopefully.”

When I asked Dean about what he attributes the success of Toad the Wet Sprocket to he explained, “I don’t know whether any one of us is that stunning of a musician or a guitar player or anyone steps out and rip the way we arrange the vocal parts and the way it comes together when we are all singing I think that’s we do the best.”

According to Toad the Wet Sprocket’s web site (www.houseoftoad.com), “It is a band made of friendship rather than design.” When I asked Dean if that provoked any conflicts for the four high school friends throughout the years he said “Well, we’ve made it harder on ourselves because no one is the leader. We all share everything pretty equally. We all participate in every decision that is made and approve anything that goes out.”

“We try not spend too much time trusting ourselves upon the public as other groups do and we like to concentrate on just making really good music and getting off on that aspect of it. We have never been that great on self-promotion, that’s not news to anybody. The fact is that it’s really not all that important to us… I want to be totally normal when I go home,” said Dean of life in the public eye.

Dean concluded our interview with the one thing that he would like fans to know about Toad “This whole thing almost didn’t happen and we think of it as a gift.”

The standing room only crowd waited patiently for the opening band, Summer Camp. Summer Camp, long time friends of Toad opened with a commanding performance. The band, also from Santa Barbara, played songs from their first and only album Pure Juice. I got a chance to talk to guitarist and vocalist Sean McCue prior to the tour who described their sound as heavy pop. The band will headline their own tour in Japan, which after their incredible set, they are fully capable of doing.

After a long wait, the 1,000 fans crammed into Tramps welcomed Glen Phillips - vocals, guitar, keyboard; Randy Guss - drums; Todd Nichols - guitar, vocals; Dean Dinning - bass, backing vocals, key board with screams and shouts of adoration. The band began the show with their first cut off of Coil, “Whatever I Fear”. Toad cranked out songs like “Whatever I Fear”, “Butterflies”, and “Desire”. Before “Desire”, Glen Phillips chuckled and said “We’re going to pretend to be a rock band for the next 3, well more like 4 minutes.”

There was a good variety in the show, songs such as “One Wind Blows” had not been played on a Toad tour in seven years. Other rarities like “Little Heaven” from In Light Syrup were played.

The band’s sense of humor is evident throughout the show. Amid the set list, Toad did the traditional break into the “The Rainbow Connection” which was well received by the crowd with swaying arms and lighter raised.

The audience participation didn’t end there. When Glen invited an audience member to play a tambourine part of the upbeat “Nightingale Song” up to the stage, two arrived. He then reassigned one of them as “Bongo Boy”.

In more serious songs such as “Come Back Down” from Pale, Toad captivated the audience. Their best selling “All I Want” united the crowd in song. The set ended with another popular song “Fall Down” from Dulcinea.

The audience would not let Toad leave. They cheered until they came out for the first encore which began with “Walk on the Ocean”. Fans were delighted to hear Todd Nichols take lead vocals in “Crazy Life”. The crowd was still not satisfied when the third song, “Come Down” of the first encore was played. When the lights came on, the fans had no choice but to move out of Tramps and send Toad on their way.

Overall, I would have to say that the entire experience was outstanding. Not only the opportunity to speak with Dean but the actual show. The band’s excellence is not from some expensive light show, props or super star image. It is their incredible lyrical vocal and musical arrangement and love of their fans that sets Toad the Wet Sprocket above other bands.

It was my fourth time at a Toad the Wet Sprocket show and it certainly won’t be my last. I wasn’t going to leave without having a chance to meet Glen, Todd and Randy. As expected the Toad members stood outside to chat and sign autographs.

When I asked Glen Phillips, lead vocalist if I could have a picture taken with me, he responded “Would you mind if we tangoed?” As he grabbed my arm, another fan snapped the picture that will be framed and mounted on my wall for years to come.

Pennywise blasted through their set at the Stone Pony

By Jeff Kaminski
Staff Writer

I headed down to the Stone Pony in Asbury Park last Friday to see Pennywise and Murphy’s Law. Fear arrived a little late so the first band 98 Mute, who came from the West Coast, were already playing. This was the first time that I have seen or heard of 98 Mute, and I must say that I was very pleased with their performance. They were energetic and played a solid set that got the crowd warmed up.

Next up were Big Wig. They are a New Jersey band and this was the first time I got to see them even though I have heard about them. I don’t have too many good things to say about Big Wig or the performance they put on.

Something that really bothered me was when the singer from Big Wig was making fun of fraternity guys and how they wear all of their Greek clothing. Then the next minute he was preaching how it doesn’t matter what anyone looks like, it’s what’s inside the person that matters. I say there is nothing like hearing a good hypocrite preach to you.

They also covered the Gorilla Biscuits classic “Big Mouth”. They played this song so sloppy and I was very disgusted since the Gorilla Biscuits are one of my favorite bands, at this point I decided to go wait in the outside tent until they were finished.

On came the New York Hardcore funsters Murphy’s Law. They have been around many years, and it is proved that you will have a fun time when they play whether you like hardcore or not. They put on an excellent show that started off with “Panty Raid”. The band didn’t have a set list prepared, because they would just play whatever the crowd wanted to hear which was cool.

Jimmy had the whole audience involved through the entire Murphy’s Law show and there was never a dull moment. The highlight was when they were finishing off their set with the “Ska Song” and Jimmy dove into the crowd and then was singing along with the people on the dance floor. When they were through, it seemed as if everyone was walking around with a huge smile on their face.

After a short set, Pennywise came on to the stage at the Stone Pony. I have seen Pennywise many times and I am always excited to see them again. They just played in Asbury Park this summer at the Warped Tour. The band loves to play New Jersey since as Fletcher put it, “New Jersey goes off hard”. I have to tend to agree with him.

During their show at the Warped Tour, the biggest circle pit that the band has ever seen took place. The same type of reaction occurred this night which was no surprise. They started off with “Fight Till You Die”, and blasted through many songs that covered all five of their albums. Highlights included “Unknown Road”, “Pennywise”, “Perfect People”, “Stand By Me”, and “Every Single Day”.

They did a Minor Threat cover, then after that it was time for the traditional ending to a Pennywise show. The crowd piled onto the stage to sing along to “Bro Hymn”. This is a very emotional song for the band in which they redid for their new album in memory of former bandmate Jason Thirk who tragically took his own life last year. It was another terrific show from an awesome punk band.
"family", Eddie must choose a stage name for himself. In a flash of neon lights, Eddie knows he must call himself Dirk Diggler. Although there are very serious moments in the film, this satirized porn movie dominates Boogie Nights. These people took themselves for artistic filmmakers. In their world, they were on top of the heap.

Dirk's first film is with Amber Waves, played by Julianne Moore. After this scene, Amber becomes a maternal figure for Dirk and they are one happy dysfunctional family. Dirk is now a rising star, in the porn industry, anyway. He buys a new wardrobe, house, and a new cherry red Corvette; all the luxuries of a star. Towards the end of the decade, however, lives start to fall apart. On New Year's Eve, 1979, one of Jack's writers, played by William H. Macy, shoots his adulterous wife and himself. This shocking scene is an omen of what is to be. With the 80's comes the advent of videotape, more drugs that begin to take their toll and consequently the deterioration of stardom.

Bert Reynolds gives a great performance as Jack Horner. This role is definitely going to do something uplifting for his muddled career. Reynolds smokes through the film, both figuratively and literally. Rollergirl, played by Graham, glides through the movie. She never takes her skates off, not even for sex. Her character seems one-dimensional through most of the film until she is confronted by someone who used to harass her in high school. After insulting Jack and Rollergirl, Jack beats up the middle-class frat boy. Rollergirl then steps up, rolls up rather, and stomps the guy's face in with her skates. There is nothing but joy and camaraderie with Rollergirl, in her justified revenge.

The film succeeds in humanizing characters that would usually be seen by most people as immoral trash. Although an engaging movie (I've seen it twice), it is a little lengthy at 2 hours and 37 minutes. Still, a story worth telling is worth telling right. It is scenes like this Dirk Diggler bit that justify the price of admission and the 2 hour plus seating arrangements. Dirk and his two friends are trying to sell a kilo of coke to a Beverly Hills drug addict. Upon entering his house, the free bashing freak, played by Alfred Molina, debuts in a silk bathrobe and bikini underwear. He jumps around the room high and sings to Journey at top volume, while his young Chinese friends lights fireworks. What he doesn't realize is that what they are trying to sell him is not cocaine, it's baking powder. After hitting his pipe again Molina's character pulls out a gun and starts screaming that he's going to shoot himself. All this is happening while his 300-pound bodyguard is checking out the baking powder he purchased for 5,000 dollars and the Chinese boy is throwing firecrackers. The short performance by Molina electrifies the screen. Boogie Nights is one of the strongest Pulp Fiction rivals in a long time. Anderson has already been compared to Quentin Tarantino. So, go see Boogie Nights. Then you can say you were there.
JAPANESE BASEBALL

GTROLJGEBYWSURP
NKIGDBZXVSEOJO
MIKIGEPCDSEIIAY
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Bay Stars
Blue Wave
Buffaloes
Carp

Fighters
Giants
Hawks
Japan Series

Lions
Marines
Nippon
Orix

Seibu
Swallows
Tigers

the moral consequences of genetic cloning...

TINA, WE'RE CHANGING THE JOB TITLES OF ALL NON-TECHNICAL PEOPLE.

COLLECTIVELY, YOU'LL BE KNOWN AS OUR S.C.C. GROUP.

I LIKE THE SOUND OF IT—VERY DIGNIFIED. WE WERE BEGINNING TO FEEL LIKE SECOND-CLASS CITIZENS. WHAT'S S.C.C. STAND-FOR?

ALL GREAT IDEAS LOOK LIKE BAD IDEAS TO PEOPLE WHO ARE LOSERS.

IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO TEST A NEW IDEA WITH LOSERS TO MAKE SURE THEY DON'T LIKE IT.

YOU'VE ALL BEEN CAREFULLY SCREENED FOR THIS FOCUS GROUP.

EACH OF YOU HAS A PATTERN OF MAKING "LOSSER CHOICES." I'LL TELL MY CLIENTS TO DO THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT YOU'RE RECOMMENDING.

FUNK! I'M GLAD I SKIPPED JURY DUTY TO BE HERE.

I RESCHEDULED MY LIVER TRANSPLANT!

FIRST QUESTION: WHAT WOULD YOU LOSERS DO IF A SMALL DOG WITH GLASSES TOOK ADVANTAGE OF YOU?

WE WOULD COMPLAIN TO THE... UMP... WHOEVER HANDLES THAT SORT OF THINGS! YEAH!

IT COSTS FIFTY BUCKS TO FILE A COMPLAINT?

BUREAU OF DOGS

AND TEN BUCKS TO BORROW A PEN.

CATBERT: EVIL H.R. DIRECTOR

THE COMPANY HAS NO IMPLIED CONTRACT TO KEEP YOU EMPLOYED, WALLY.

BUT WE EXPECT TOTAL LOYALTY OUT OF YOU.

I REALLY, REALLY WISH YOU WOULDN'T DO YOUR FACE-STRETCHING EXERCISES HERE EVERY MORNING!

A NEW FOG IS ROLLING IN.

THIS CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING.

CARDI, SCHEDULE A STAFF MEETING. IT'S TIME TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT.

Word of the day:

john-j.-o’-sull-i-van(n)

1. A mentally unstable editor in New Jersey's leading collegiate weekly.
2. A plant closely related to the fern.

save the world: eat your garbage!
the horo... the horo

Your crappy fate, told to you by John J. O’Sullivan

Aries (March 21 to April 19)

Pour bleach in your eyes. Your lucky numbers are 4, 73, 45, and 11.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)

You will be humiliated in class by your peers when they read your poetry written in high school. Among their favorites will be the following poem:

(Insert Generic ‘Bad Teenage Angst’ Poem Title Here)

She broke my soul. She broke my heart.
I hate my life.
I have to fart.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20)

You’re struck by some wanderlust and could be tempted to throw caution to the wind and take off. Wait, no. You’re going to be struck by a football in the head, throw up in the wind, and pass out.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22)

Small children will mock you after your latest haircut. Throw rocks at them.

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22)

You will be tempted to wager large amounts of money in a Scrabble™ game, but don’t do it. One of the people playing will spell the word QXXQWAW* and win the game for all eternity.

Virgo (August 23 to Sept. 22)

This week, you are all play, and no work—but this still doesn’t change your status as a dull boy.

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Play Marilyn Manson music so obnoxiously loud that all of the children in your neighborhood sacrifice their dogs.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Pour bleach in your eyes. Your addiction to Skittles™ will be changed. Get even.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Your addiction to Skittles™ will make you the laughingstock of archconservatives.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Your addiction to Skittles™ will make you the laughingstock of archconservatives.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

You will get into a horrible folding table argument.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Don’t get mad when a social plan is changed. Get even.

* QXXQWAW (n): An imaginary word, created for people so they can win Scrabble games for all eternity.
Classifieds/Wednesday, November 26, 1997

Classifieds...

Child Care Wanted
Childcare wanted: energetic student wanted to interact with 2 boys, aged 3 and 5 Mon and Fridays 1-4 in our Montclair home near campus, $10/hr. 509-2123.

Babysitter wanted for 2 school-aged children in Millburn, N.J. Live-in or Live-out possible. Opportunity to work while attending college. Call (212) 787-1535.

For Rent
Studio in Montclair. Knowledge of sewing a must. Call after 6:00pm. (973) 857-4376.

Miscellaneous

The College Life Union Board Presents
The Winter Ball
December 3, 1997
Tickets are $30 Per Person and FREE Transportation to and from will be provided.
Bus leaves from Student Center at 6:30 pm ($15 minimum deposit... balance due at door)
Yes, there will be an OPEN BAR with a valid ID
For more information and to purchase tickets, call the CLUB Office at 655-5232

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Field Hockey finishes season 12-7 with honors

Whitcomb named Coach of the Year; Eisele, Briggs, Dempsey named all-conference

Jason Lampa
Assistant Sports Editor

Women’s field hockey coach Andrea Whitcomb was named Coach of the Year in the New Jersey Athletic Conference for the season three of her players (Kristen Eisele, Jillinda Briggs and Lori Dempsey) were named first team all-conference leading the way to a 12-7 record this fall.

Eisele, who is only a junior, dominated her opponents all season. Using her tremendous speed and stick skills, she led the team in scoring with 36 points, including four game winning goals. Her on-field accomplishments are very impressive, but even more impressive is the way she handles herself off the field.

“There is no doubt that Kristen is an excellent athlete,” said freshman forward Gina Gillo. “The thing that makes Kristen so special is her commitment to make everyone on the team comfortable. Everyone knows how good she is, but if you talked to Kristen you wouldn’t know. It amazes me how modest she is.”

Briggs, a sophomore back from High Point, New Jersey, at times this season looked as though she was a woman playing against girls. Her size and speed were a nightmare for any opponent who dared to come in her direction. Nicknamed “The Hawk,” Briggs would slowly close in on her prey and eat them for dinner.

In goal for the Red Hawks, Dempsey was a rock. Starting all nineteen games this season, Dempsey played 1100 minutes out of a possible 1350. During this time she accumulated 117 saves while only allowing an average of little over one goal a game.

Though these three players accomplished a great deal this season, they received a lot of support from their teammates.

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Field Hockey Glance Box

Coach: Andie Whitcomb.
Assistant Coaches: Jennifer Jobes, Shana Caulfield.

Season Record: 12-7
Season Results
Montclair 2, Kean College 0
Springfield Tournament:
Montclair 2, St. Lawrence 1
Springfield 2, Montclair 0
Kutztown, PA 3, Montclair 1
Vassar Tournament:
Montclair 2, Nichols 0
Montclair 2, William Paterson 0
Montclair 2, Monmouth 0
Montclair 2, William Paterson 1
The College of New Jersey 3, Montclair 2
Montclair 4, Delaware Valley, PA 0
Rowan 2, Montclair 0
Montclair 2, Kean College 0
Montclair 2, Kings, PA 0
Montclair 4, William Paterson 2
The College of New Jersey 4, Montclair 0
Rowan 6, Montclair 0
FDU-Madison 1, Montclair 0
Montclair 1, East Stroudsburg, PA 0
Montclair 5, Misericordia, PA 1

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Wendy Kane, sophomore guard Meghan Renna, and junior guard Sharon Rocks as key players in the game.

Kane totaled a team-high 13 points and one assist, along with Renna and Rocks, who both scored eleven points and three assists. Senior guard Kathy Sinram led in assists with five for the night.

Both Bradley and Shaughnessy both anticipated a competitive game and performance from Montclair.

"I knew they were going to be a good team," said William Paterson head coach Erin Shaughnessy. "We had watched films of them and anticipated a competitive match."

"We are better on field goals and free throws than they are," said Bradley.

"There was no way should have lost."

This loss did not typify the same team that clinched the conference title last year and won their season opener at the Drew University Tournament against Kenyon, OH in a 74-72 overtime win this weekend.

"We were prepared for the team," said Bradley. "We knew the plays they were going to run."

"We did not execute the plays properly," said Bradley.

"I did not know what to expect," said Reilly. "I did not know how we would do and what crowd support we had."

But after the game, Reilly, who was coached by William Paterson head coach Jose Rebimbas his freshman year at William Paterson, said he was shocked at the team’s first game success.

"It feels great," said Reilly. Everyone surprised me."

Reilly best described the attitude any spectator or player could have felt when they left the gymnasium.

"Everyone played their hearts out to tell you the truth," said Reilly.

Men's Basketball (cont.) from p.24

us do good, coach Jacobs has done an excellent job of handing that and coaching us.

Rex cited Boothe, freshman Jermel Mayo, freshman Thomas Fischer, and junior forward Anthony Peeples as some of the key players in the game.

Junior guard B.J.... Reilly said he was unsure before the game what type of game would take place.

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Men’s b-ball wins home opener 63-53

At the end of the game against William Paterson yesterday at Panzer Gymnasium, freshman guard Omar Boothe crystallized the mood of the crowd and the basketball program.

“The sleeping giant wakes up. That’s the perfect phrase to describe what happened tonight. The sleeping giant wakes up,” said Men’s basketball senior guard/forward Kyle Griffith, who racked up 19 points.

The games played yesterday seemed to be the biggest upset in both basketball programs. While the women’s team left with the 69-48 loss against the William Paterson’s women’s basketball team entering the game as the ECAC defending champions, the 63-53 defeat against the Men’s basketball team proved that the new head coach Darryl Jacobs could give a new attitude to the reputation and confidence of the program.

The Red Hawks took the lead from the first moment of the game, even though they were the underdogs entering the game.

“We were the underdogs...no one gave us a chance to prove anything,” said senior guard/forward Kyle Griffith. “And we wanted to win.”

Griffith also commented on the effect Jacobs had on the team and the team’s performance in the short period of time he has been in the position.

“We have a first year coach who encourages us to give a 110%,” said Griffith.

“We play with more heart and a lot more confidence,” said Griffith. “We got a lot more players that can bring a lot more to the table.”

Senior forward/center Raheem Rex, who had 19 points and 17 rebound shared the same sentiment.

“We had to come with a lot of intensity from last year,” said Senior guard Kyle Griffith.

Women’s b-ball loses 69-48 to Pioneers

The Red Hawks lose first home game in tough bout with WPU

Senior guard Jill Schultz’s game-high 14 points and two assists was not enough for the defending ECAC champions to outrace the William Paterson Pioneers in the first home game of the season yesterday at Panzer Gymnasium.

And with the exception of Schultz, head coach Gloria Bradley said the 69-48 loss was due to nothing but the Red Hawks’ not so red hot performance on the court.

“Schultz played with aggressiveness,” said Bradley. “If we had three or four more players playing with the same aggressiveness, we would of had the win.”

The game began with a brief MSU lead at the hands of sophomore forward Lindsay Robinson, who racked up nine points and a game-high twelve assists, opened scoring with a lay-up after a minute into the game. But the Pioneers gained control of the ball and scored a total of 14 points in a period of five minutes, giving the them a lead that the Red Hawks could not overcome.

The Hawks stopped the rising deficit in the first half at 17-5 with a jump shot from sophomore guard/forward Felicia Ingram, who racked up 13 points and ten rebounds.

After ending the half 40-19, the team stepped up its game playing in a competitive back-and-forth second half, but could not close the gradually rising gap in score, ending the game 21 points behind the Pioneers.