Illness claims lives of three faculty/staff members

Unrelated deaths stun the campus community

By Nikki DeBartolo
Asst. News Editor

The University suffered the loss of three of its faculty/staff members over the winter break. Professor Leon DeLeeuw of the Fine Arts department, Mail Center employee Lloyd Blazier, and Dr. Kenneth Aman of the Philosophy and Religion department all died of unrelated illness.

DeLeeuw was hired as a replacement in the Fine Arts department by Lilian Calcia in the fall of 1963. He served the Montclair State community as a devoted faculty member in excess of 34 years. His talent as a painter, as well as his contributions to the university and its students brought him the respect of his colleagues. His death on December 15 followed a long illness.

Lloyd Blazier, a 57 year old employee of the Mail Center, suffered an illness causing his death on December 12. He worked for the department for two years. His co-workers remember his friendly and genial manner. He leaves behind his wife and two children.

Dr. Kenneth Aman was found in his office on January 12. See DEATHS, on p.3

Presidential search committee chosen

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

An official presidential search committee consisting of students, staff and faculty has been assembled to find a replacement for former MSU President Irvin Reid, according to a January 12 memo from Board of Trustees Chairperson Murray Cole.

Cole announced that the board called upon its members to boycott participation in the search committee process. The situation began to change for the better when AFT Local 1904 representative Catherine Becker announced on December 18 that the board denied AFT representation on the presidential search committee.

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Names of Committee members will be released in next week's issue.

Back to the Books

Arena opening delayed third time

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

The Floyd Hall Ice Arena will not be opening its doors until well into February for the benefit of public safety, Director of Architectural and Engineering Services Kathy Montiero said on January 14. This latest delay already comes on the heels of a previous postponement. Rink number two can be finished without any potential hazard to the public.

We'd rather wait ...until everything will be done.

"In order for the university to use the arena safely, I want to wait until all construction is completed, and all inspections are done. Right now, we'd rather wait until mid-February or the end of February when everything will be done," Montiero said. She believes rink two construction will be finished no later than the end of February, since the mild winter season has permitted continuously favorable working conditions.

Montiero said Floyd Hall residents began moving into the Residence Halls on Tuesday after the three-week winter break.

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WASHINGTON — Richard Butler, who heads the U.N. Special Commission charged with ripping Iraq of weapons of mass destruction, said he had no intention of changing the makeup of a team lead by Scott Ritter, an American whom Iraq has branded a spy. Meanwhile, the United States said it was not insisting on the presence of any U.S. national on U.N. weapons inspection teams — but it said that was a decision for the United Nations, not Iraq.

The composition of the team “depends on expertise and it’s up to the United Nations to decide [the members of the team],” U.S. State Department spokesman James Rubin said on Wednesday. “The more often that other experts come forward in the world, the less the United States will have such a dominant percentage.”

Northeasterners still without electricity

MONTREAL — Lights may be popping on across the Northeast as punishing ice storms begin to thaw, but thousands of people are facing a cold, hard fact: They could be shivering in the dark for days, if not weeks.

Repair crews have been making headway a week after a vast ice storm paralyzed the region, but 130,000 families in Maine were still without electricity Wednesday. A million Canadians were facing a second week of bitter cold without power.

Cuban Cardinal gives historic speech

HAVANA — Cuban television viewers could hardly believe their eyes Tuesday night, when the head of Cuba’s Catholic church spoke. Cardinal Jaime Ortega’s speech was unprecedented, the first of its kind since shortly after the 1959 Cuban revolution. The country, predominately Catholic before the revolution, was officially atheist from 1962 to 1992.

To Ortega’s right sat a framed picture of the pope, to his left a statue of the Virgin of Charity of Cobre, Cuba’s patron saint. He avoided controversy, focusing on the upcoming visit of Pope John Paul II to the island nation, which he called “a passage of God through our history.”

Ortega carefully explained who the pope is, why he is called the Successor of Peter, and what his message is.

National

Clinton to swear deposition in Jones case

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton’s sworn deposition in the Paula Jones case, with Jones in attendance, will not occur at the White House, but instead will be held at the president’s attorney’s office at 10:30 a.m. ET Saturday morning, CNN has learned.

This news comes just a day after an interview in which Clinton said the case “probably” will go to trial. Clinton’s attorney Robert Bennett’s office is just a couple of blocks from the White House. One source warns that the time and even the location could be changed.

The president and his advisors were anxious that Jones not be seen entering the White House for this purpose, sources said. The information is leaking out despite a strict gag order covering this entire pre-trial discovery process.

Microsoft continues to fight Justice Dept.

WASHINGTON (CNN) - A Microsoft Corp. executive testified Wednesday that it was impossible for the software giant to comply with an order by the U.S. Justice Department requiring it to separate its Internet Explorer browser from the Windows 95 operating system.

Microsoft Vice President David Cole used a laptop computer hooked up to large video monitors to refute the prosecution’s position.

A day earlier, analyst Glenn Weadock, testifying for the government, used the Add/Remove program within Windows 95 to remove Internet Explorer, the program’s built-in Web browser.

“This is the full Internet Explorer browser functionality, which is still here even though we used the remove command,” Cole said.

TWA tapes provide no new information

WASHINGTON — Taped conversations between air traffic controllers and airborne pilots who witnessed the explosion of TWA Flight 800 and its fiery plunge into the Atlantic Ocean 18 months ago were released on Wednesday. The tapes are dramatic, but provide no new information on the cause of the disaster that killed 230 people.

The first report of an explosion in the sky off the coast of New York’s Long Island was radiated by the pilot of Eastwind Airlines controller.

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Low enrollment majors still provide enrichment for many

Canceling majors will eliminate the classes within them, leaving non-majors in those courses stranded

By Carolyn Velchick

Academic Affairs Richard Lynde does not think so. “A small number of majors in a program does not mean that the program is serving a small number of students,” argues Lynde.

In the Latin department, there may only be one major present, but there are 61 students enrolled in the actual program for a first language course. Closing Latin would mean leaving 62 students with nothing, not just one. We also need to look at the other levels of learning. Latin is still taught at the high school level, therefore Latin may not be as prevalent as it was, but there are still students interested in the program. Many feel that maintaining these low enrollment majors produces a high cost for the school itself.

In actuality, “the incremented cost of a low enrolled major is generally very small since many of the courses would be taught even if the low enrolled major were phased out,” due to “our commitment to a strong foundation in Liberal Arts,” states Richard Lynde.

Overall, degree programs with low enrollment are not a disadvantage to the school. This does not mean that these low enrollment majors are going to be closed. At this point in time, these degree programs are creating a full range of options for the students and for the citizens of NJ.

“For this reason, these programs are less likely to be up for termination,” states Lynde.

Ice arena still awaiting completion

In November 1997, the Commission on Higher Education of NJ issued a report of draft recommendations for public comment. One of the issues raised was that of degree programs having low enrollments. In order to be considered a low enrollment major, the program for an undergraduate degree must have 25 or fewer students and the program for a graduate degree must have 10 or fewer students.

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12/28/97
Suspicious Person
Officer responds to a report of a suspicious male behind the clove Road Apt. 300 building. Description obtained. Check proved negative.

12/29/97
Burglary/Theft
Book store manager reports two candy machines were damaged on the first floor of the Student Center. Officer determines machines are entered and contacts the vending company who confirms theft occurred.

1/5/98
Fire Alarm
Officers respond to a fire at the Library. Upon arrival discover a faulty photo sensor caused the alarm. Montclair Fire Dept. responded.

Harassment
Office workers feel threatened after a male student calls the president's office regarding non payment of a bill. Student arrives on campus and meets with dean.

Theft
Shuttle bus driver reports a seat cushion was removed from a parked bus.

1/8/98
Theft
Female employee in Morehead Hall reports person(s) unknown entered the office rummaging through personal items and stealing candy and soda.

1/9/98
Theft
Panzer Gym employee reports discovering two VCR's missing from the female basketball training room.

1/13/97
Theft
Female Blanton Hall resident reported a VCR was removed from her locked room during the winter break. No signs of forced entry.

Arrest Trespass/Eluding Police
Officer responds to Apartment 308 Clove Road on a report of a male present in the apartment who is persona non grata. Suspect jumped out a rear window and fled toward the wooded area behind the complex as officers arrived. Charles Abshook II of Piscataway was apprehended and charged with Defiant Trespass and Eluding Police. Court date is set for 2/11/98 in Little Falls Court.
Montclair observes Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 19 Federal Holiday celebrates the life of Martin Luther King, Jr.

By Christine Tatum
College Press Service

Nearly 35 years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., while standing on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC, delivered his famous “I Have a Dream” speech to a multi-racial crowd of more than 250,000 people. This “March on Washington,” intended to support the reform of civil rights laws, was carried out with non-violence, a mode of protest that King emphatically espoused during his lifetime.

“We will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood,” the Baptist minister insisted that day. His words described an America in which people of all races and religions would freely “join hands and sing,” where God, peace and justice would reign.

King devoted his life to the realization of this dream. From the 1956 Montgomery Bus Boycott to the 1963 Birmingham Protests to the 1968 sanitation workers strike in Memphis, which occurred just days before his assassination, King consistently involved himself with movements for justice and racial integration.

King delivered many speeches and penned books, essays and letters concerning freedom and equality. He met with political leaders and activists, such as President Eisenhower, President Kennedy, India’s Prime Minister Nehru and Malcolm X, and in 1964, King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. In addition, he helped to establish the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the Montgomery Improvement Association, both of which were instrumental in advancing the civil rights movement.

Despite his insistence upon non-violence, however, King suffered many attacks. His home was bombed, he was stabbed and even stoned. King was also jailed several times because of his participation in protests. The final blow occurred on April 4, 1968 when King was killed by an assassin in Memphis, Tennessee.

The dream which moved King to activism and to the ultimate surrender of his life did result in some real changes. Just one year after the Montgomery Bus Boycott, the US Supreme Court declared segregated busses unconstitutional, and for the first time, blacks and whites rode together. Also, shortly after the “March on Washington,” the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was passed, guaranteeing equal rights to housing, public facilities, voting, public schools, impartial hearings and jury trials.

King’s spirit has continued to thrive through memorials and services. Immediately following his death, his widow, Coretta Scott King, established the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Center in Atlanta, Ga. In 1986, President Ronald Reagan declared the third Monday in January as a federal holiday to commemorate King’s birth. Each year on that date, schools offices and federal agencies are closed and ceremonies are held nationwide in Dr. King’s honor.

Many related events will occur throughout the country this weekend, including vigils, lectures and concerts held at universities and civic centers. More information can be obtained via the World Wide Web. At least one site provides a list of activities: www.eduplace.com/ss/king/mlk.html.

The biographical information for this article was obtained from The Martin Luther King, Jr. Website at Stanford University and The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center in Atlanta.

MSU Remembers Lloyd Blazier

L oyd Blazier, 57, of the MSU Mail Center passed away on Sunday December 21, 1997. Blazier spent two years as a mail clerk with the close knit Mail Center. Blazier came to Montclair State University after working for Farleigh Dickinson University for twenty years.

December 12 was the last day that Blazier worked for the Mail Center. According to the Mail Room supervisor, he went home early because he wasn’t feeling well. The Mail Center was shocked to later learn that Blazier suffered from a stroke and was brought to the hospital. Later complications from his hospital stay resulted in a short illness. Blazier died on Sunday, December 21.

Blazier brightened many lives on the MSU campus with his friendly nature and good sense of humor.

“We liked to kid around a lot,” Principal Clerk, Al Colasuonno, commented. “He liked country music. Thursday was his day for the radio station. We all did some good joshing about it, we had a lot of fun. He managed to keep a good sense of humor even under stress.”

Lloyd Blazier’s interest in flea markets introduced him to many people on campus. According to Colasuonno, people would often approach Blazier with items to sell or advice on where to go. “He met a lot of people that way. I would have to say he was well liked by just about everyone he met.”

Most people described Blazier as extremely friendly. Befekadu Zegeye of the Mail Center commented, “He was the kind of guy who would take a minute to stop and talk. He will definitely be missed by a lot of people around here.”

Services were held December 23. He is survived by a wife and two children.
Keeping those New Year’s Resolutions all year long

By Peter Kofitsas

We are fortunate to have a time once a year when we can discard the old and bring in the new. If we have the mind set we can prescribe for ourselves new attitudes, routines and experiences. We commonly refer to these phenomena as New Year’s resolutions. Unfortunately, for some of us the term may evoke negative past experiences of abandoned resolve and forgotten promises.

A different approach may be all that is necessary to help us to keep our new promises of good health, kindness to others, or pledges to become better organized.

We may do this by substituting resolutions with goals. They should be realistic, sound and positive goals. Therapists tell us that realistic goals inherently bring with them strategies for success and also provide a better chance for the maker author of his self help book, bring with them strategies for success and satisfaction of that goal.” says Barry Farber.

Pists tell us that realistic goals inherently attainable goals one can better assure satisfaction of that goal. By breaking up one ‘big’ goal into smaller more attainable goals one can better assure satisfaction of that goal,” says Barry Farber, author of his self help book, “Diamond in the Rough.” This helps to make obstacles to less overwhelming.

Example is the popular resolution to lose weight. That statement by itself is too general and offers no course of action for its accomplishment. A more reasonable approach would be the goal of becoming better educated about healthy living and exercise. This goal is also a course of action in and of itself and has the benefit of not only enhancing one’s knowledge about healthier eating but also has the possibility of leading to weight loss, which may lead to improved self-esteem, which may lead to overall better health and so on.

What is important when making your goals, or resolutions, or whatever you prefer to call them, is to provide reasonable steps for success and the attitude that you will carry them out.

By being successful with one goal you can use the positive energy to bring quicker satisfaction because they are easier to carry out. By being successful with one goal you can use the positive energy to achieve more goals.

There are plenty of resources to help you attain your goals. Health clubs may offer discounts. Self-help books may be featured at your local book store. There are plenty of people trying to make changes in their lives around the first of the year, you are not alone.

The new year is also a good time for a little self inspection. Socrates wrote, ‘The unexamined life is not worth living. Often a truthful, good hard look within one’s self can afford the chance of repairing damaged egos, worn out patience and masked insecurities. By being honest with ourselves we can get to the root of “hang-ups,” prejudices and bad habits. Engaging in honest discussions about your views and feelings with a trusted friend, family member or yourself can do this. Very often someone else’s unbiased opinion can assist you to view issues from a perspective other than your own. So whatever it is you may want or need to accomplish, remember to make your goals as realistic, specific and positive as possible. Call them what you want, make them personal to you and know that you are a better person for the effort. Give yourself the credit you deserve in wanting to make positive changes in the first place, and remember that success breeds success!’
Resolving to pay up credit debt in ‘98

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“You might have good intentions to pay everything off as soon as you graduate,” he said. “But that $100,000 job you might think is waiting for you won’t be, and the long-term delinquency will follow you to places you can’t even imagine.”

“With substantial credit card debt, you may not be able to rent an apartment or buy a house or get a car,” he continued. “Think you’re going to become a dentist, doctor or lawyer and pay for graduate school with student loans? Think again because you’ll be denied.”

“And God forbid you want a job in finance or anything that has any fiduciary responsibilities. No one’s going to let you handle their money when they see you can’t handle your own.”

“The reaper is going to come at the worst possible time,” he added. “And anything you say other than ‘Here’s the money,’ is nothing but an excuse.”

With the right attitude, students can pull themselves right out of debt—or at least prevent a bad situation from getting worse, credit counselors say. Among their suggestions:

1. Own up to your debt. “It isn’t going away, no matter how much you ignore the statements and the phone calls,” said Tahira K. Hira, professor of personal finance at Iowa State University. “And it all has to be repaid.”

2. Call your credit card right away if you’re unable to pay your bills on time. “The longer you wait, the more credibility you lose,” Hira said. “And you’re also losing your ability to negotiate payment plans and lower interest rates.”

3. Get a job, or find a higher paying one. “People have no business messing around with credit when they don’t have a steady source of income or a job,” Gatling said. “Working on the weekends might mean you can’t go to parties and football games, but this is a personal sacrifice you need to make.”

4. Develop a repayment plan, ask someone to help you do it. Start by counting the number of credit cards you have and adding up their aggregate value. If it comes to 38 percent of your income, your life is still wrecked because in their eyes, you’re like an accident waiting to happen.”

5. Get a copy of your credit report. It’s a wonderful motivator because it lets you see what other people are saying about you,” Hira said. “They are studying your behavior, and you don’t want to start a life with a record saying you’re irresponsible following you around. Future employers can and will take a look at these reports to judge your character. Think about what you’re saying to them.”

Reports can be obtained free of charge. Call Equifax at 1-800-685-1111 or Experian at 1-800-392-1122 for more information.

6. Try to negotiate a lower interest rate. “It can be done,” Hira said. “And this is where credit counselors can be helpful. The negotiate for many clients at a time so they will probably have better leverage than you would alone.”

7. Consolidate your credit card accounts at a lower interest rate. “It’s much easier to keep track of one account and owe one person than it is to owe five people,” Hira said.

8. Pay more than the minimum. “If you’re only making the minimum payment, you may as well light a match and set that money on fire,” Gatling said. “You’re essentially paying the interest, and you’re going to pay a lot more than you borrowed.” For example, Gatling said, people making minimum payments on a $2,000 charge at 18 percent will need 11 years to pay off their loan after they pay back the original $2,000 and another $1,900 in interest—nearly double of what they borrowed.”

9. Don’t think about having multiple credit cards will help you establish good credit. “If you’ve got five cards in your pocket, but you only use one, you’ll be turned down for loans anyway,” Gatling said. “Creditors will take a look at the number of cards and add up their aggregate value. If it comes to 38 percent of your income, your life is still wrecked because in their eyes, you’re like an accident waiting to happen.”

10. Change your spending habits, and remove yourself from situations in which you might be tempted to use a credit card. “Cut back on your trips to the mall, and when you do go, go with a purpose,” Hira said. “Make your one purchase, and then walk out.” Avoid restaurants and have friends over instead. Make gifts and cards instead of buying them. Question whether the purchase is something you need or something you want.

“Always ask yourself, ‘How am I going to pay for this when the bill comes in two weeks?’” Hira said.

11. Stop using the cards you have, and don’t accept more. “The T-shirts and incentives are nice, but you better think twice,” Gatling said. “Credit card marketers will say or do just about anything to hook you. They’ll tell you you’re some kind of preferred customer. Truth is, you’re still the same old dog you were yesterday.”
228: Intriguing murder mystery written by MSU professor

By Victoria Tengelics
Arts Editor

Many authors use their personal adventures as a backdrop for their writings. Author and MSU Professor, David E. Weischadl, did that when he wrote "228", using his Vietnam experience as a Captain with the 228 Signal Company to set the scene for his murder mystery novel.

Not just another story about the trials of the Vietnam war, "228" is the fictional account of one man's involuntary involvement in a drug smuggling ring. "228" has all the qualities of an intriguing mystery novel.

The main character, First Lieutenant David Whitehead is shipped out to Vietnam with little combat experience and ends up at the 228 Signal Company in Nhatrang. Whitehead wrongly assumes that his biggest problems are going to be leading his men. Being that 228 is not a combat troop he did not expect to be in too much danger, until he is asked to hold a carbine for Ralph Cook a.k.a Major Benson.

Thinking he's doing a regular favor Whitehead agrees, not realizing that there was more to the favor than meets the eye. Whitehead is quickly swept into a world of smuggling, murder, and greed. Surrounded by spies and crooks in the middle of a war it soon becomes hard for Whitehead to tell the difference between the good guys and the bad.

David E. Weischadl received this doctorate from Rutgers University. He has been a Professor of Education and Training at Montclair State University since 1979. Weischadl is the program coordinator of the Master of Arts program for Educators/Training at MSU. Dr. David E. Weischadl is also involved in research and consulting work for public and private organizations.

Although "228" is Dr. Weischadl's first attempt at fictional writing he is not a novice writer. He has written for The New York Times, The Christian Science Monitor and The Philadelphia Inquirer. Plus Dr. Weischadl was a weekly columnist for The Business Journal of New Jersey.

One might wonder why a man with his background would write a novel; Dr. Weischadl explained, "I suppose everyone thinks they have a novel in them just waiting to be written. I did, but found that no one was really interested in the kind of novel I wanted to write. So I wrote the novel I wanted in the framework of a novel other people wanted."

Although he began writing "228" in 1980 it wasn't until two years ago that he completed and subsequently published it. "228" is a fascinating book bringing a new twist to the Vietnam experience. Although it takes reading a few chapters before you get drawn in, once you get into the heart of it it's a hard book to put down. If you are in need of an escape from the dreariness of homework don't glue your eyes to the television set, instead energize your mind with "228".

The Fall 1997 Four Walls is a hit

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

The Fall 1997 Four Walls has even more personality, pep, and punch than the last one. I guess that happens when Four Walls doesn't have to worry about managerial problems, like the ones which kept the Spring, 1997 issue in the phantom zone for quite a while.

The one truly remarkable thing about this Four Walls edition is the art. It will send your eyes pirouetting endlessly. The Asian culture photo montage on the front cover is nothing compared to Joe Gawlik's wicked watercolor on page 1. This treat sports a winged angel with a daring décolletage amid a gaseous, kaleidoscopic background of pink, purple, orange, yellow, and blue. Tamara Malaga flamboyantly flares her color on page 2. Her depiction of a bird-like figure next to a blazing bush is a sight to relish.

Also, be sure to check out Theresa (Jung OHK) Cho's color cornucopia on page 31. She potently presents a viciously vivid vision of autumn.

The Fall 1997 Four Walls further features some pretty nifty poetry. Elizabeth Wasyek's poem entitled Auf Dem Strasse (German for on the street) combines crisp imagery with attention-getting form. Heidy Quintero's Hello Mi Amor (Hello my love) gives a fresh perspective on love as well as a heavy-duty workout for your knowledge of espanol. Elena Ivan's No Choice takes a trip into mysticism. The way the poem is laid out is a trip in itself. To crown it all off, Literary Genocide by D'Anna delves into the macabre. Yet, no matter which poem you read, you'll feel more alive than a hyperactive greyhound.

Concerning prose, you'll want to read Suzanne Snyder's 19 Cents.

After reading it, I felt as if I really been to Switzerland, even though I've never been there in my life.

Last but not least, you might consider sinking your eyeballs into Laura Chi's An Arabesque Pattern. Without letting the proverbial cat out of the bag. Its convincing tone, brisk pace, and in-depth narration will make you forget the outside world for a while.

So if your looking for a good as gold literary publication for the price of dirt, scampers on down to Student Center, Room 121 and get the Fall, 1997 Four Walls. Four Walls is a wall-bursting hit!
Titanic is a spectacular recreation of history

By Victoria Tengelies

A
lthough three hours long "Titanic" is the best movie I have ever seen! The time flew by as Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet graced the screen with their magnetic presence. This movie realistically brings the story of the sinking of the Titanic to life.

The Titanic was one of the world's greatest cruise ships which sank to a watery grave at 2:20 a.m. on April 15, 1912. One of the greatest tragedies of this century cost the lives of 1,500 people that night in the Arctic waters. The ship grazed an iceberg on its way from South Hampton bound for New York City. Nicknamed The Ship of Dreams, its passengers ranged from the elite to the poor. Termed unsur­

Titanic was a ship of immense proportions from bow to stern, as long as a 70 story building.

The story of the Titanic has fascinated many, it has been the theme of many movies in the past few decades, but none capture the story in such a grand way as James Cameron’s "Titanic." Costing 200 million dollars to produce, the scenery and set design was exact. Cameron replicated everything with historical accuracy down to the rug patterns.

Halfway through production, Fox was ready to shut down the "Titanic" because its budget had soared higher than expected. Cameron was not willing to give up his dream and instead gave up his salary and any rights to royalties made by the movie. That in and of itself shows his dedication.

There are many stories in this movie. The first is of a man searching for treasure and fame in the wreck of the Ti­
nanic. Almost reaching his goal, in a locked safe he finds a sketch of a woman wearing “The Heart of Ocean” diamond that he has been searching for. He is contacted by a woman named Rose who claims to be that woman and comes to his ship to tell her story of the sinking.

Kate Winslet plays Rose DeWitt Bukater an unhappy debutante deemed to marry millionaire Caledon Hockley. Leonardo DiCaprio plays Jack Dawson a poor young man who wins a ticket on the "Ship of Dreams" in a poker game. The two meet when Rose who dreads living a meaningless life of tea parties and other social engagements decides to end it all but Jack stops her and the two become fast friends much to the chagrin of Hockley. A love story that touches many, it has been the theme of many stories from the elite to the poor. Termed unsink­

Wendy's a social worker visits Jack to see how the baby is. Thanks to Bobbie the social worker finds nothing wrong. Tony is less than pleased when he finds out Bobbie was there.

All My Children: Tony goes in search of Edmund after finding out that Dimitri has been gravely injured. Adam fears he has had another stroke after seeing what he at first believes is a ghostly apparition. After talking with Adam, John begins to suspect it was an illusion and goes in search of the mystery women. Jack seeks advice from Jack. David promises Allie that he will back off and keep her secret but Jack is not convinced.

The Young and the Restless: Michelle tries to have Jack leave her by attempting to convince him that there is another man. He will not let go of her. Holly and Fletcher have a fight. Reva is upset by news of Annie’s plans. Matt and Vanessa find out they are having a girl. Phillip overhears Mallet and Beth’s conversation.

The Bold and the Beautiful: Taylor has her baby and must make the decision on who will be named as daddy on the birth certificate. Thorne promised to convince Jesse if he was the only man for her while thoughts of Shane bounce through her mind. Tyrone asks Gary to find out if Etta Maes is his mother. Etta Maes tells Chris he misses her. Tony attempts to reconcile with Chris.

Days of Our Lives: Jenn and Jack remain on the run with Abby. Peter escapes from the FBI. Unbeknownst to John and Marlena, Roman has found out about them. Marlena and John have another argument about telling Roman (How long will this go on?)

Billie finds Bo at Hope's and urges him to come home and deal with a tabloid reporter threatening to spill the beans on her.

The Captain under pressure from the president of the company that owns the Titanic orders full speed ahead through waters ridden with icebergs. The fateful mass is not spotted until the ship is too close to stop or safely turn all the way around. It strikes on its side with small gashes letting in thousands of tons of water, although there are water tight doors on some of the lower levels of the ship some holes are above those sections and the ship begins to sink. There are not enough life boats to handle the number of people on board so the class division of the period shines through when the rich have the first chance at survival.

"Titanic" is the story of a great ship that sunk and the heart-wrenching tale of its victims. "Titanic" is also the story of a girl trapped by social and economic pressures learning to break free through an unexpected love. The chemistry between the two characters is brought masterfully to the screen. This is one of Leonardo DiCaprio’s most powerful performances so far. Kate Winslet was the perfect choice for the strong spirited character of Rose. I also enjoyed Victor Garber as Thomas Andrews, Titanic's designer and Billy Zane as Caledon Hockley although his character was deplorable.

"Titanic" is a must see! The price of the ticket and the length of the film will all be forgotten once you witness this spectacular recreation of history.
Travis: not giving the Good Feeling

By Gabrielle Wild
Assistant Arts Editor

If the first song on a CD is any indication of what the rest of the CD will sound like, then I would have pressed stop on my CD player after the first song on Travis’ new CD Good Feeling. But, I continued to listen.

The first song, “All I Want To Do Is Rock,” isn’t entertaining; I think that Travis must have gone to a school where they teach you to rhyme every line in a song. For example, rhyming lines like, “I’m a foot without a sock/you seem to work around the clock” didn’t make the song any better, nor did the screaming at the end of the song.

The second song, “U16 Girls”, is a very catchy and funny tune about being careful when dating young girls. I liked the song “Good Day to Die” because the lyrics reminded me of the story of Hansel and Gretel. However, the band overused the rhythm guitar during this song.

“Good Feeling”, the title track of the CD, reminds me of a Radioheadesque song, except for the fact that the lead singer can’t carry a note in certain parts of the tune.

Both “Midsummer Nights Dreamin” and “Tied To The 90’s” remind me of songs you would hear from a high school garage band. “Midsummer Nights Dreamin” is definitely reminiscent of high school with its references to drinking and non-serious love lyrics, such as “you’re breakin’ ma heart/you’re stealin’ ma soul.” Whereas, “Tied To The 90’s” is more like a teenage political statement when it whines “we’re tired of the 90’s but we’re tied to the 90’s.” No offense to anyone, but it sounded like a bad Oasis rip-off.

The rest of the songs on Good Feelings are mostly slow ones, except for “Happy,” which has a catchy tune, but the chorus is too repetitive. “I Love You Anyways” is a basic love ballad with a slight western beat. The two songs “More Than Us” and “Funny Thing” are the best songs on the CD. I guess that Travis saved the best for last.

“More Than Us” is another slow song, except this one actually has some insightful lines, such as “and everybody wants a hand/but I’m too busy holding up the world.” This song is also cool because the vocal parts suddenly alter-

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nate between the lead singer and the rest of the band throughout the song. This gives the track a cool echo effect.

“Funny Thing” also has some Radioheadesque qualities to it. The strongest elements of this song are the lead singer’s high breathy voice and the way the bass just breaks in and out of the song so mysteriously.

Travis is a young English band. Fran, Andy, Dougie, and Neil may give this CD their all, but they still come across as amateurs. However, I do give them credit for putting together an album that is a good mix of different styles. My ad-

vice to them is to stop listening to other English bands, so that next time their style will sound more original.

I give this CD two stars and a high five for effort.
Get the Led out

By Kristopher LaGreca
Staff Writer

Led Zeppelin is back. Well, sort of. Atlantic Records released the BBC Sessions in November. This is the first live Zeppelin album in over 20 years, and it's been too long. For die-hard fans like me, hearing something new from the band is more than exciting, it's a piece of history.

This double-CD set includes never heard before material from the concert held at London’s Paris Cinema on April 1, 1971. The original performance was set up for BBC radio, and had since been largely forgotten. Bigwigs at Atlantic Records, thankfully, thought it was a good idea to release a CD which featured Led Zep in their raw and early stages.

Jimmy Page himself admits “It's not the best Led Zeppelin, and it's not the worst,” as quoted from December’s Guitar World issue.

Hey it's Led Zeppelin, right? Live. Strong. Unfiltered. Well, not exactly. My first gripe on the BBC Sessions is that unfortunately, Jimmy Page, whose awe-some guitar flies through songs like “Communication Breakdown” and “Immigrant Song” edited the session tapes. Some songs have been cut, edited, or even overdubbed. While this is not exactly bad, it takes away from the fact that its marketed as an “unfiltered” live CD. But what's a little "cut-and-paste" when your listening to what I consider Zeppelin's greatest live recording during what many fan's consider to be Led Zep’s peak year.

Throughout the two CD-set, you’ll hear improvisations and lead-ins to other songs done so well, you would think it were rehearsed. You’ll hear Robert Plant belt out “Whole Lotta Love” that will give you chills down your spine. You’ll also hear Page’s guitar which is so haunting raw that you'll want to buy a Les Paul and play along. Remember that this isn’t a nice, soft studio album. Led Zeppelin was best known as a “concert” band whose ability to play together lead to amazingly entertaining shows. It's in the BBC Sessions that you'll hear Plant, Page, Bonham, and Jones play rough and the sound is awesome.

What about the songs you'll hear on this two CD set? It has a helping of the classics. “Going to California,” “Black Dog,” and of course “Stairway to Heaven” are just a few of the 21+ classics featured on the silver platter. What's even more exciting are the covers, like Eddie Cochran's “Something Else,” and “That Girl I Love,” which has gotten much air play over the past two months.

Here’s my second gripe, there are more than one track of some songs. “Whole Lotta Love,” “You Shook Me,” and “Communication Breakdown,” are each featured twice. While they're great songs, and each one is a different recording, it would have been nice to include other classics which didn't make it onto this release.

If you're a casual Zep listener or a drooling worshiper, BBC Sessions are a requirement for everyone's CD collection.
Floyd Hall Ice Arena’s opening is being delayed again. The rink, which was supposed to be open before Thanksgiving, then before Christmas and then mid January, will reportedly be open and ready by mid February. Ice skating enthusiasts should probably start to look for alternate sites to skate for a while. It just doesn’t seem like this place is ever going to be open.

The first delay was the decision of officials of the Department of Community Affairs (DCA). They decided that the arena needed more fire alarms. Keep in mind, they already had fire alarms, they just wanted to add more. What are they making the ice out of that they need an army of fire alarms? Also, does it take over a month to hook up fire alarms? What were they doing this whole time while they were working so hard installing unnecessary safety precautions? It definitely makes you wonder.

The latest delay comes to the campus via another terribly lame excuse. Apparently, the company building the rink is wants to finish up construction in one of the rinks. As a result, both rinks are closed to the public. Director of Architectural and Engineering Services Kathy Montiero, who made the announcement about Delay III said that this move was to ensure that the university be able to use the rink safely.

Sadly, the students of Montclair State University will probably get the short end of the stick in terms of using this rink anyway. It would be nice if we could take advantage of the little ice time that we are going to be given as soon as possible. Future delays would be disappointing to the students who are anxious to get out on the ice, but the unfortunate trend set the Department Architectural and Engineering Services would be no surprise to MSU.

Another concern is that the rink is scheduled to host new physical education classes offered this spring. Figure skating and ice hockey are slated to begin this semester, and could be delayed if the rink’s opening is further delayed.

When the rink does finally open, there will be a large gala-style grand opening ceremony, which Governor Christine Todd Whitman will attend. This will attract major media coverage, so hopefully that will speed up the opening date. We all know how MSU hates bad publicity. It’s a shame that it takes a visit from the Governor to get a facility to open, rather than keeping promises made to students. It would have been a great opportunity for students to exercise during the winter break. Let’s hope we have a chance to work out during spring break in March.

A huge majority of the employees at the rink are MSU students. That was a step in right direction, bettering relations with the student body. There hasn’t been any advertising as to when public skating sessions will be, or how much it will cost to students. It would be absurd to charge MSU students more than $5.00 for a two-hour session, but we’ll have to wait and see.
A eulogy of comedian Chris Farley by a fan and admirer

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I was so excited on the 18th of December, I was sitting in The Montclarion office checking my e-mail and listening to REM. It was a relaxing day and I had just polished off a philosophy paper. Everything in my life was comfortable and quiet. As long as I live, I don’t think I’ll ever forget how calm I was that afternoon. Then came the storm.

As I approached the ringing phone, I was in a great mood. My first reaction was to call home to check on my brother, Sean. My mom answered the phone and the first thing she did was ask me if I was okay. It's kind of interesting the way a mother can sense the pain you feel when your idol dies. I talked to Sean for a few minutes and we set plans to watch "Tommy Boy" later that night. He had to go because all of his friends were calling to see how he was doing in this time of pain.

I moped back to my desk and I popped in the "Tommy Boy" soundtrack. I began to reminisce about Chris Farley's movies. I remembered when I went to see "Tommy Boy" and I practically forgot that I brought a date because I was so enthralled in the film. I remembered watching "Black Sheep" with Tim Casey and Sean. I was laughing so hard that I thought I was going to be sick. I remembered writing a review of "Beverly Hills Ninja" for The Montclarion. I was so excited to have the opportunity to cover a film starring my comedic idol. I remembered how happy Farley made me, and I cried a little because he was gone forever.

Despite his boundless talent, Farley's appetites proved to be far too excessive for his body. All the rehabilitation in the world was no match for Farley's hard drinking and drugging life-style. He knew he needed help but he proved to be too weak to get it to work for him. Most of the time, I have no sympathy for drug users who overdose, but Farley was just such a sad case. He was a man who seemed so happy on the outside, but it was all just a big smoke screen. He lived his life absolutely terrified of the world. He used his outrageous behavior to mask his fear. He feared failure in the movies. He even feared enormous success because then he would have to work that much harder to maintain such a high level of excellence.

I hate the fact that he was in such pain and he took the weakening way out by resorting to drugs, but I can’t help but feel sorry for him. I think that is what made him so appealing. He could see the world falling down around him and he would still just try to make us laugh. Unfortunately, it led to what one Chicago reporter referred to as the "least-surprising premature death of a celebrity in show-business history."

If I had one wish, I would want to have had the opportunity to spend a day with Farley. I would let him know that he doesn’t have to be the most outrageous guy in the room because the people who were closest to him all said the same thing when he died. They all remarked about what a nice, warmhearted man he was. Everyone who knew the real Farley had nothing but good things to say about him. Unfortunately, they all also had to admit that he was trapped by his problems and he just couldn’t get himself on the right track. I wish I could have witnessed that warmth and fragile humanity for myself. It would have meant the world to me.

You might think that I am silly for putting so much emotion into a comedian, but Farley was so much more for me. I rarely let myself get too excited about the coming and goings of celebrities, but Farley was different. I know what it is like to want to make a scene so nobody gets to know who you are. I know what it is like to feel that wearing a mask is the only way you can get by from day to day so that nobody can hurt you. I know his pain, and the connection makes me think about my life and how avoiding excess may be what keeps me alive in the end.

As I work to put this unfortunate event behind me, I can’t help but go through my tapes so that I can see him on Saturday Night Live, Letterman and Leno. I watch his movies with a greater appreciation of what he struggled with to create such a magnificent body of comedic work. I will always remember Chris Farley. You hold on to memories that cherry, kind of like your suitcase.

I would learn my lesson if I had my ass lashed.
Scientific progress should not be hindered; cloning should be pursued

By Timothy M. Casey
Editor-In-Chief

Nineteen European nations signed a treaty this past Monday that said cloning people violated human dignity and was a misuse of science. This treaty was planned months ago, but clearly took on a greater significance with the announcement last week by Chicago physicist Richard Seed that he will clone a child within two years.

The great public outcry against cloning began in July 1997 when Dolly the sheep, the world’s first cloned mammal, set off an international debate over the implications for human biology. President Clinton has urged Congress to pass legislation banning human cloning.

The media has not missed an opportunity to point out all of the hypothetical negative situations that could arise if Seed’s experiment was successful without discussing the positive benefits from such a remarkable scientific breakthrough. He has been labeled and portrayed as a madman, treated with sarcasm in television interviews. Obviously, Seed has reasons to pursue his goal to clone a human. His research could lead to possible cures to diseases by making doctors more knowledgeable of human medicine.

Nobody really knows for sure what traits are genetic. We only know that genes dictate what physical characteristics a person will possess. Cloning is the absolute only way to prove if cancer is hereditary.

Some have gone as far to say that cloning might lead to the end of the world by implying that the next world terror, resembling Hitler, would clone himself. It seems that paranoia has already set in. We don’t know that Hitler had any sort of evil genes. By cloning him, you could find out for sure, only to find that Hitler became the man he was based on his experiences.

If Adolph Hitler had grown up in Long Valley, New Jersey, and was now attending Montclair State University, there is no way he would turn out to be anything like the original. He wouldn’t even resemble me, even though I grew up that way. We are what we are because of our environments and experiences, which build us intellectually, and shape us emotionally.

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Even then, that is not carved in stone. Fashion changes. Styles change. Trends change. If a clone was made of me the same day I was born, and raised in Pakistan, that clone would only closely resemble me as I am today. That clone wouldn’t even speak English. He would never have heard of Dave Matthews or the Buffalo Bills. He might have asthma and poor eyesight, but that’s not even for sure. It is entirely possible that I have poor eyesight because I sat too close to the television as a child, and have asthma due to high pollen levels in Northwest New Jersey.

Sure, it’s possible that since I was conceived it was determined that I would be 5’11, 125 lbs. when I reached 20 years old. The only way to tell is through scientific experimentation. Maybe, if that clone made the same day I was born was raised in Rome, he might have developed a craving for pasta and be 175 lbs. I find it fascinating to wonder if I am who I am because that’s the way God made me, or because life can lead you in any direction.

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The seats in the back of my car are faded because the owner before me lived in Texas, and the sun all but bleached the fabric. The next owner damaged the front end and shattered a window in an accident. I covered it with stickers. The mileage has changed. There is barely a single thing about that car that has been consistent from when it was manufactured. Maybe comparing humans and cars is like comparing apples and oranges, but it’s important to consider every aspect of this debate.

Another misconception people seem to have about cloning is that if a clone were made of a person, the clone would be identical to them in every capacity, including age.

That is far from the truth. I’ll use myself as an example again. If a clone were to be made of me today, Tim Casey II, he would still have to go through the standard 9 month human gestation period and be born, making his birthday September 15, 1998, 21 years, 1 month, and 4 days younger than his clone, Tim Casey I. TC2 would have yet to learn to walk, talk, and read. Over-the-hill Tim Casey I could buy TC2 his first drink in 2019, when TC1 is 42 years old. TC2 would be an entirely different person, based on the sole fact that he had TC1 as an influence in his life. There is no possible way to duplicate the exact environment and interpersonal experiences TC1 had in his life.

Why am I not against pursuing further research into human cloning? Because I want to know. I am curious. I would like to settle it once and for all. What is hereditary and what is not? Clone a homosexual. If their clone was also homosexual, that would make a huge social statement as to the acceptance of homosexuality. I’m sure the Catholic church would not condemn any condition that was proven to be natural, not psychological. I’d like to know if I’m doomed to have my hair fall out when I’m 40.

Richard Seed is not a doctor, but seems confidently determined to continue his pursuit of human cloning. He has already said he will move his enterprise to Tijuana, Mexico if cloning was outlawed in the United States. I’m sure there are enough people out there to help him fund his project, and if he can indeed clone a human being, the advantages will be seen, and eventually it will become as acceptable as in vitro fertilization or abortion. Not ever entirely accepted, and always controversial.

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT, from p. 13
totalistic society because of its strict rules and regulations, but it is the same laws that keep crime down to a whisper in Singapore. It made an American teenager, Michael Fay, regret vandalizing a car. The scars on his buttocks from his caning he received will always remind him of his stupid mistake. Crime in other Asian countries, such as Thailand, Laos and Pakistan, are kept to a minimum thanks to capital punishment which is supported by strict policing and patrolling.

Why can’t our nation do that? Instead of wasting billions manufacturing super-subsonic laser machine guns or plutonium enforced missiles, the government should invest more in our police units so that they can hire more officers and update their methods. If improving the police force doesn’t work, then capital punishment is the key.

According to writer Graeme Newman, “The solution lies in the rediscovery of punishment in all its variety.” I agree with this statement due to the fact that our correctional facilities don’t do their job properly. While in jail, criminals are getting drugs and money from the outside world while they are being evaluated by a psychiatrist. What will therapy do for a raving maniac? How will a therapist know how the criminal will act once the therapy sessions are over.

Well known columnist George F. Will stated that the annual cost of housing is $20,000 for a young criminal and nearly $69,000 for a criminal over the age of sixty. It doesn’t make sense. Our country is throwing away money that we can use to save our schools, build affordable homes and research deadly diseases. Instead we preserve the lives of a bunch of losers picked out from the streets.

Capital punishment will save our country money and it will let criminals everywhere know that their days are numbered. Hopefully, many criminals will learn their lesson once the punishment they deserve is done. I would learn my lesson if I had my ass lashed.

The degree of capital punishment should be based on the crime committed. For example, a thief, vandal, or drug dealer should get a maximum of six to eight lashes with a cane and two to ten years in prison. A rapist or child molester should be castrated or sterilized and receive life behind bars. A murderer should be sentenced to death six weeks to six months after his conviction. If the legal system of this nation followed these guidelines, our country would be in a lot better shape. It would be a shame to neglect cheaper and effective alternatives.
O’Sullivan writes another large self-indulgent article

“My ego controls my fragile existence,” he says

by John J. O’Sullivan
Ego-driven maniac

[WARNING: This article contains multiple tangents, and should not be used by those with heart conditions, those who have been under the influence of prescription drugs, or those who think that normalcy is a really cool concept. The latter of the three should find the nearest cliff and jump off of it. Thank you. -ed]

Greetings and salutations. I trust that everyone had a pleasant break away from this wonderful sentinel of higher learning. I didn’t, but that’s good, because I get to bitch about it. I LOVE bitching about things. It is a ton of fun.

Well, I worked for 98.3% of the break, serving food at a restaurant that didn’t have any business. When I was not doing this, I was either:

a) Drinking
b) Sleeping (after drinking)
c) Playing my sister’s Nintendo 64 (while drinking)
d) Crying about how I have absolutely no social life whatsoever and how I’ll probably end up alone as a monk with my only companion being a small cat named “Alexander” for the rest of my natural life (before/while/after drinking)

Other than the above (especially option “d”), I’ve discovered a few new twists in life that have kept me amused to no end. One of these twists is the mysterious power of hair color in daily life. Normally, my hair is a dark blonde color, which I keep short because I am too lazy and stupid to deal with a large hairdo. Elaborate hairdos just aren’t my idea of a good time. I look at Craig Kilborn’s or Kevin Bacon’s hair in utter fright. Can you imagine how long it takes to do their hair? Yikes, I just don’t have the time! I would need so much hairspray that I would probably have a hole in the ozone named after me. There’s already a couple down there in Antarctica, I don’t really think I would like to add to the collection. Imagine all of the cancer that would cause? Argh. I would probably have to wear a tag proclaiming, “John J. O’Sullivan has been proven to cause skin cancer in laboratory rats.” I have very little self-esteem as it is. Being a major cause of skin cancer cannot help boost my self-image that much.

Wow! Some major tangent action is going on here. Let me continue with the hair story.

At any rate, at the beginning of the semester, I did the first of my hair coloring experiments. I decided that it would be a good idea to make my hair lighter. I justified my actions with a really good reason: Severe Clinical Boredom. So, in went the bleach, and out came the light hair. Other than the occasional “Ken” comments, a lot of people thought it was rather keen. I sort of liked it. Besides, blondes have more fun, as the old adage says.

Well, I didn’t have much fun. Besides the whole work thing sucking real bad, the classes that I ignored, the constant illness, the losing of both of my legs and arms in a tragic log-chipping accident (I’m typing this with my nose, aren’t you impressed?), all of my friends spontaneously combusting, and the cancellation of Seinfeld, I didn’t have much fun. In fact I wanted to shoot myself, but I didn’t have any arms or legs to do it. Wait. You don’t believe that I
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**When the hell is he going to graduate?**

Aries (March 21 to April 19)

You will consult an investment broker on the stock market this week. You should have gone to Dean Witter. Bozo the Investment Clown will convince you to put all of your earnings into the Acme rubber nose company. Never trust clowns. They are evil.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)

You will leave the chain restaurant that you have worked at for a year.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20)

An early start this week ensures you aren't late.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22)

Treat higher-ups with the proper respect. They are evil.

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22)

You and your partner think alike this week. You both want a beer that's kind of stupid. I'm sorry, that's kind of stupid. I'm sorry. The stars have a really nasty hangover from a two day bender. They apologize.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

You will order Egg Fu Young from your local Chinese restaurant. Unfortunately, you should have asked them to put the Teriyaki nerve poison on the side. You know the rest—you've been dying for a semester now.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

The Jets will not make it into the...oh not again. Duh, that already happened. The stars aren't helping me at all. Wait...eww, one of the stars just happened. The stars aren't helping me at all. Wait...eww, one of the stars just happened. I have to get out of this astrology business.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

A pack of wild dogs will surround your house, looking to take your lives. My plan for survival: Tell them that Benji is dead. They'll be so upset, ultraviolence will be the last thing on their minds.

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**Personalz**

Do you know someone that hasn't had a date since the Carter Administration? Have you spent far too many nights alone playing Atari and watching 007 movies? Are you lonely? Do you live with a cat? We can help. Submit a picture to "the dating service for extremely desperate people" and the large international staff of Humour™ writers will do the rest. The cost for this service: 2 pints of Guinness paid to the large international staff of Humour™ writers.

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**Answers**

from the puzzle on the previous page.
Blonde hair bad, black hair good

NO LIFE, cont. from p. 15

I lost my limbs? Damn. I guess this feeble attempt at getting everyone to pity me for increased popularity failed. Crap.

So, as I was saying before tangent number two, the blonde color wasn’t giving me the good time that society promised me. So, a couple of days ago, I decided that a major drastic change was in order. I went to get my hair cut to its short, easily maintainable length. After that was done, I went to the drug store to buy some dye. I toyed with the notion of getting the blonde dye, but I didn’t want the surfer dude look again. I can’t even surf. I hate getting sand in my swimsuit. It scratches my butt up.

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To the left of the blonde dye, a small box called me. It said, “John, buy me! Buy me!” No, it didn’t actually talk to me. I’m not psychotic, and I have never taken Lithium. Yet.

I picked up the box of dye, bought it, and took it home with me. I feverishly opened it, took out the gloves that monstrously contained the stuff, and mixed the stuff. I put it all over my head, inside out, over my clothing, my bathroom, the carpet in the bathroom (sorry Tommy and T.J.), and on my eyebrows. I had to color them completely, else risk having zebra striped eyebrows.

And when it was done, I walked out of the bathroom not as a bitter, self-loathing, sardonic blonde, but as a bitter, self-loathing, sardonic, raven-haired man. (For most Americans who have had their brains extracted from TV shows such as “Wheel of Fortune,” raven-haired means black).

I went to work the next day (which was my last at the Restaurant at Hell, yippee!), and absolutely NO ONE recognized me at first. It was really, really cool. I could have walked in, told people to piss off, and get away with it, but I chose not to. People don’t necessarily want to tip a waiter that tells them to piss off. Heck, most people don’t want to tip well at that restaurant anyway. Sure, they’ll spend a trillion dollars at Tiffany’s on a pair of cuff links, but 15% on a bill? No, can’t afford it. I hope they all spontaneously combust in their stupid Land Rovers while they drink their Perrier.

After I got out the smelling salts, and woke her from her shock-coma, I took off my hat. Voila, black hair! She fainted again.

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Red Hawks hold off Rowan in thriller, 62-59

Reilly propells Hawks to 6th straight; MSU holds on to first place

Press Release

Junior guard B.J. Reilly (Middlesex) scored 12 of his 19 points in the second half and helped hold off a late charge with his own point-guard play as Montclair State (10-3, 6-1 NJAC) won its sixth-straight game, a 62-59 thriller over Rowan University (8-3, 5-2 NJAC) before 576 in a New Jersey Athletic Conference men's basketball game played in Panzer Gymnasium on Wednesday night.

Reilly, who scored Montclair State's first eight points of the second half, helped MSU build up what seemed to be a comfortable 51-28 lead with 15:25 left in the game, after the Hawks lead 40-26 at the break. However, Rowan came roaring back with a stunning 31-9 run over the next 14 minutes, and when sophomore guard Rajohn Odom (Newark) stole the ball and hit a driving layup with :54 to play, the score was suddenly 60-59 in favor of Montclair State.

However, on MSU's ensuing possession, freshman guard Jermel Mayo (Irvington) drove the lane and dished off to junior Anthony Peeples (Linden) for a layup with :19 showing giving Montclair a 62-59 cushion. Odom then drove the baseline for Rowan and missed a short jumper at the buzzer as time ran out.

The victory snapped a five-game losing streak to Rowan dating back to the 1995-96 season when MSU defeated the Profs in the first round of the NJAC Tournament.

Reilly finished with 19 points and had four assists and six steals, while senior guard Kyle Griffith (Newark) chipped in with 16 points. Peeples added 13 points and 10 rebounds. For Rowan, Jason Adams (Camden) scored a game-high 24 points and had seven rebounds.

The win was MSU's sixth straight to improve to 10-3, and gives it a first-place 6-1 record in the NJAC.

Press Release

Senior guard Jenn Denby (Bridgeport) led all scorers with 24 points, while adding eight rebounds and four steals as Rowan University (13-0, 7-0 NJAC) remained undefeated with an easy 74-49 win over Montclair State (5-7, 2-4 NJAC) in a New Jersey Athletic Conference women's game played at Panzer Gymnasium on Wednesday night.

Denby led three Profs players in double figures as junior forward Suzanne Lynch (Bridgewater) dropped in 20 points on 8-13 shooting, and sophomore forward Jessica McNeil (Burlington) added 11.

The win gives Rowan a perfect mark of 13-0 and keeps the Profs on top of the NJAC at 7-0.

Rowan put the game away when the Profs bridged the first and second half with a 28-10 run that turned an eight-point game at 24-16 in favor of Rowan, into a 52-26 lead with just over 15:00 to play in the game. In the run, Denby scored 10 points and Lynch scored eight.

For MSU, sophomore, Lyndsay Robinson (Shrewsbury) was high with 14 points while adding eight rebounds, while senior guard Kimberly Jourdain (Barnegat) was high with eight points.

Defensively, Denby had four steals, eight rebounds and three assists.

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