Crowded labs still persist

By Ken Szczek
Staff Writer

There are a few problems with the current MSU computer labs. Primarily, they are not big enough. Almost everybody who had a paper due last semester and had to venture out to a computer lab, anytime from the midpoint of the semester on, has first hand experience with this problem.

The computer labs on campus become overcrowded and tempers begin to flare when the thousands of students that fill MSU’s sidewalks and classrooms everyday begin to converge on the few computer terminals that are available to do classwork on. The result of this convergence is frustrating computer lab lines and angry students.

The majority of lab assistants

The Offse: SPORTS

Officer assaulted; assailant escapes

Police are still looking for a male suspect who fled after wrestling with officer

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

On the night of January 25, MSU Security Officer Alex Narvaez was assaulted by a male that Campus Police believe to be an MSU student. The case is still under investigation.

On his way to responding to a fire alarm on campus, Narvaez was informed that someone was heading back to a car which had come up stolen on a check run on the vehicle earlier in the night.

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Local train station upgraded

By Nicole DiTrani
Staff Writer

The Montclair Heights train station that has been under renovation since July 1997 is expected to be complete in the next two weeks, said New Jersey Transit spokesman Ken Miller. The train station, located on Normal Avenue adjacent to Sprague field, is part of a state wide improvement project that is geared towards benefiting daily commuters who use the station.

Miller said this $885,000 project includes renovations such as two mini high level platforms on the east and westbound sides which will make the trains wheelchair accessible. New canopies on the lower level platforms have also been installed as shelter for waiting riders. A new 10 by 20 ft. heated building has been constructed. The building is the final part of the project pending completion with the exception of the landscaping planned for the spring.

Outside of the station, NJ Transit has done sidewalk and curbing work, as well as, installation of a check run on the vehicle earlier in the night.

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TKE in trouble

By Kara Richardson
Feature Editor

The naked picture of Cindy Crawford on a Tau Kappa Epsilon flyer is one of two spring rush posters that have set off sparks in the MSU community. The magazine picture of Crawford is accompanied by the words “Tau Kappa Epsilon: For men who know what they want and aren’t afraid to go for it.” “I love TKE” is typed onto her buttocks.

The second rush poster also brought attention to the administration. The poster read “Montclair State gives you the diploma, TKE gives you the education.” Under the text there is a picture of a woman in a bikini, a scene from the movie “Animal House,” a beer pong table, cards...
**International**

**U.S. not permitted to Saudi airbases**

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia - Secretary of State Madeleine Albright today said Saudi Arabia sees “eye-to-eye” with the U.S. position on inspecting Iraq’s weapon sites, but apparently hasn’t agreed to allow American warplanes to use Saudi air bases if U.S. military action is taken.

Reiterating Clinton administration demands that Iraq rid itself of chemical and biological weapons, Albright said Saudi Arabia and other countries in the region are in danger of attacks from Iraq.

But after talks with Saudi officials in a desert retreat, she sidestepped whether the Saudis had approved use of air bases here for American warplanes.

Saudi leaders will weigh the issue of U.S. use of air bases here while Albright is in Bahrain Monday night before going to Egypt then home on Tuesday.

**Balloonists’ trip possibly curtailed by Chinese**

GENEVA, Switzerland - A three-nation European team aiming to be the first balloonists to fly around the world nonstop, might have to give up if China does not let them cross over its territory, mission officials said Monday.

As the trio aboard the Breitling Orbiter 2 drifted slowly across southern Afghanistan towards Pakistan waiting for news from Beijing, intense diplomatic and private efforts were under way to get a Chinese go-ahead.

Although controllers were plotting alternative routes taking the Orbiter down across India and southeast Asia, the team was known to be unhappy about flying over — and in emergency having to come down in — dense forest areas.

**Plane crash in Philippines leaves 104 missing**

MANILA, Philippines - A Philippine plane carrying 104 people disappeared Monday during a descent through a mountainous region of the southern Philippines. The pilot, who radioed minutes earlier, gave “no inkling the plane was in trouble,” an official said.

A search for the Cebu Pacific Air DC-9 was suspended late Monday because of bad weather.

Air force helicopters had scoured the plane’s route over a mountainous area with peaks ranging up to 8,000 feet, but aviation official Bong Meneses said no plane had been found.

Seven new legislators were sworn in this week and petitioners are still available for anyone who wants to become a legislator. They can be picked up in the SGA office and are due back by February 13.

Meetings are held on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. on the 4th floor of the Student Center.

**National**

**Tucker’s clemency bid unanimously denied**

AUSTIN, Texas - A state board unanimously rejected Karla Faye Tucker’s bid for clemency Monday, leaving only the Supreme Court and the governor with the power to halt the pickax killer’s scheduled execution on Tuesday.

Despite pleas of mercy, including from Pope John Paul II, the gruesome nature of her crime left the Board of Pardons and Paroles with no qualms, the chairman said. They turned down Ms. Tucker 16-0, with two members abstaining.

“There is no question as to their vote. There is no question as to how they feel,” said chairman Victor Rodriguez. “I, myself, have absolutely no quarrel with the decision to deny Ms. Tucker’s request on all fronts.”

Ms. Tucker, 38, a former teen-age prostitute who found religion in prison, would be the first woman executed in Texas since the Civil War. Her execution is scheduled for Tuesday at 6 p.m. CST.

**Clinton unveils surplus budget**

WASHINGTON - Proclaiming an era of fat federal surpluses, President Clinton unveiled a $1.73 trillion budget Monday claiming the first surpluses in 30 years and pumping billions to schools, health and child care.

Republicans saw a big government revival, and the president would please Democrats by pouring money into a wide sweep of initiatives, including increased welfare. He would cater to Republicans by producing a $9.5 billion surplus next year and $1.1 trillion in black ink through the decade. But he again warned them to leave that money alone while a solution to the long-term fiscal ills facing Social Security is found.

**Teen on Trial for Newborn’s Death**

MEDINA, Ohio - A 17-year-old girl is charged with murder for the death of her newborn. Prosecutors say Angela Iacona smothered the boy, but the coroner has testified there is no way to know for sure why and when the baby stopped breathing.

The girl’s father, whose name has not been released, has not been charged.

The girl’s father says she had a miscarriage. He says his daughter wasn’t even sure she was pregnant. She maintained her weight of about 110 pounds.

**SGA News & Notes**

by Jamie D. Ruffino

**What’s Going On With the SGA:**

At the University Senate meeting it was decided that students can now pick up and drop courses during the first week of school over the phone without going to the registrar’s office.

The SGA is sending three students to a three day conference with members of the House of Representatives and the Senate, regarding costs of higher education tuition.

Legislators will be sitting in on the reports of the contracted bids about the building of the parking garages and reporting to the SGA with the possibilities.

New voting machines were purchased for the SGA spring elections for offices. Elections will be held in April.

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University looks forward to the twenty-first century

Vision 2008 Planning Committee currently seeks advice from departments and divisions on the direction of the university.

By Tom Boud

Staff Writer

The Vision 2008 Planning Committee is currently soliciting campus-wide feedback about MSU’s 21st century goals, according to Dean of Students Helen Matusow-Ayres on Feb. 4. She said the 21 member committee, which includes herself, is being headed by Special Assistant to the Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences, David Stuehler. Dean Matusow-Ayres elaborated on how the committee will work.

“Vision 2008 was first proposed by Irvin Reid. He wanted to do a top-to-bottom review concerning the direction in which the university is heading. He asked every university department to submit a plan to their division heads, describing where they would like to be in 2008. The division heads then will submit the individual department plans, along with their own division plans. These plans will be forwarded to (Interim President) Greg Waters in May,” said Dean Matusow-Ayres.

“I think May is an ambitious deadline, but we’re working very hard to get there. I think this a wonderful thing to give to a president,” she said.

Dean Matusow-Ayres said the Vision 2008 Planning Committee will subsequently synthesize the departmental and divisional proposals to form a comprehensive directional plan. No specific date for this action has yet been established. However, she commented that the plan will be primarily strategic.

“There’s a difference between an operational plan and a strategic plan. This plan is not concerned with the actual numbers of faculty we are going to hire by the year 2008. It’s more of a vision. For example, we will look at what academic programs we think will be strong, and whether we need to combine certain programs. The Vision 2008 plan could change as time goes along since who knows how things may change in five years,” the Dean of students said.

The Vision 2008 Planning Committee will formulate the strategic plan, using guidelines called external and internal scans. External scans are analyses about future trends, whereas internal scans are insights on MSU’s strengths and weaknesses.

Dean Matusow-Ayres outlined several improvements that she would like to see by the year 2008, such as an on-line version of the MSU Student Handbook, and web access to all standard university forms. In particular, she said she hoped students will eventually be able to download post-deadline course withdrawal forms. The Dean of Students further mentioned that she would like to see better services for night and weekend students emphasizing that the MSU student body is more than welcome to get involved.

“With the help of the SGA, students could have an opportunity to come together and write down their own thoughts and ideas about the future direction of the university,” she said.

Further information about the Vision 2008 Planning Committee can be obtained at website http://chss2.montclair.edu/planning

Food addiction support group created

Carolyn Velchik

Staff Writer

In response to the lead article featured on the front page of the January 22 Montclarion on food addiction, students are forming a support group to look at their relationships with food. The first meeting will be held on Thursday, February 5 from 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Health and Wellness Center located at the bottom of Blanton Hall. All students, male and female, are welcome to attend this first meeting in order to see if such a group will be helpful to them.

Nancy Ellison RN, MSN, CS, FNP, director/nurse practitioner of the Health and Wellness Center, will help to assist students in identifying a variety of ways this student support group could facilitate a healthier lifestyle by taking the focus off of the food.

“Is it exciting to have students identify the need for such a support group and to come together to get ‘weller.’ Many of us have issues and a not so healthy relationship with food. Unlike other addictions, in order to become healthy, we can not just take food totally out of our lives. Learning how to eat healthy can be a lifesaving skill.”

It is anticipated that this support group will follow a 12-step model similar to Overeaters Anonymous. However, this student support group is for anyone who feels that they have an unhealthy relationship with food. “Nurse Nancy” stresses that “this support group is therapeutic, but is not therapy. It is people helping people.”

Anyone with having further questions about this new student support group or about food addictions in general can contact Nancy Ellison at 655-7555.

Evaluating Committee considers parking garage

By Brian Pedersen

Staff Writer

The construction of a parking garage on campus has been a growing concern among the members of the Evaluating Committee at Montclair State University. Speculation and rumors have been circulating for years, but it has only been recently that this issue has surfaced again under serious consideration. Who will use it, where it will be placed, how much it will cost, and where that money will come from, are factors that will have to be taken into account, if in fact, a parking garage will be the Committee’s final solution.

If the Committee were to make the decision to put a new parking lot or garage in place “the focus would be on acquiring a student lot first,” according to Patricia Hewitt, who is an Evaluating Committee member and Vice President for Business and Finance.

“To build a parking garage costs roughly between $8-$9,000 per space and $2,500 per space for a flat surface parking lot. The total cost would be around $8 million, depending on the number of spaces and who would really be needing the lot,” Hewitt added.

The group that will determine the future plans for the proposed parking lot is still in progress, and will not arrive until the middle of this week.

“The idea,” according to Vice President Hewitt, “was to look at our current parking situation in order to look at the feasibility of operating a parking garage. I look at parking as consumer driven, it concerns the insertion of a parking garage has the most impact on them. The long-term is a concern, not just how it will benefit or disenfranchise current students, but the future students as well.

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Patrick Varaste, VP for Business and Finance

It is important to look at how many people would be going in and out and at what times. The only space we have left to go is up. We don’t have a lot of fields left.”

The members of A.P.C.O.A., a company based out of Cleveland, Ohio, are the private consultants contracted to survey the work to be done. The contract was signed last November, not long before surveys were conducted by students to determine the needs for a parking garage.

“(A.P.C.O.A.) has done similar studies for other universities and they’ve been able to identify potential sources of funds, both in N.J. and out of N.J. We feel confident that why they can help us do the same,” said Tony Petillo, Director of Purchasing.

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Alliance official with Montclair High School

By Justin Vellucci
Staff Writer

The alliance between teachers and students of Montclair High School and Montclair State University was made official at a recent signing ceremony for the Professional Development School (PDS), a program of internships and educational interaction. Dr. Jose Figueroa, a professor in the Curriculum & Teaching Department here at MSU and an integral force in the formation and construction of the PDS, compared the new program to a "professional medical site" where both student and teacher can benefit from an education.

The program brings MSU students into local classrooms as a means to narrow the gap between university instruction and the transition toward careers in education. The basic goals of the PDS program are centered largely around the idea of cooperative learning. While the students acquire hands-on training and experience in the classroom, the faculty of the high school and the university interact in an effort to not only benefit the interns, but also to better themselves and their own teaching methods. As a result, according to Figueroa, teachers and students form a working community, and "everybody is a part of the goal of teacher education."

Through the PDS program, in addition to MSU students being given the opportunity to work as teacher's assistants in classrooms, high school students will benefit from the increased degree of instruction and Montclair High School faculty members will be able to pursue graduate work through classes offered at the high school. All the while, the program leads to the needs of the high school students and the university interns, prepares new teachers, and helps educators grow in what Figueroa likes to refer to as "Effective Teaching, Productive Learning."

Staff Writer

Clinton scandal poses questions among students

Recent allegations resurrect issues regarding the significance of public officials' personal lives in politics and administration

By Alan Correnti
Staff Writer

With the upcoming Paula Jones trial in which the president, Bill Clinton is accused of having an affair with Paula Jones, new allegations have arisen that Clinton may have also had another affair. The woman who he is accused of having an affair with is Monica Lewinsky. Lewinsky was a former White House intern, in which President Clinton attempted to give her a job in companies such as Revlon.

What makes this accusation more noteworthy is that Clinton is being accused of having an affair with a woman, Miss Lewinsky. I never told anybody to lie. Not a single time. Never. These allegations are false and I need to go back to work for the American people.

Among these allegations, President Clinton's wife, Hillary stands behind him one hundred percent. "Certainly I believe they're false. Absolutely...". "These allegations are a continuation of a lot of the political accusations and attacks my husband has been subject to," said the First Lady.

In order to relate this national issue to Montclair State University, I proposed the following question to students: "What would your feelings and reactions be if you had found out that the president of Montclair State was accused of cheating on his/her spouse?"

"I would have no effect on me at all. Just because the person is of high status doesn't mean I am going to be affected," said an MSU student. "People cheat on their spouses everyday and they don't make headlines."

What will these allegations of President Clinton lead to? Will Al Gore soon be our next president? Or will Clinton remain in office and continue to serve the American people for four more years? To find out we can only wait and listen. However, if these allegations are true then President Clinton's job may be in jeopardy.
Two Rutgers fraternities decide to go alcohol-free

After court charges and heavy fines, two fraternities go dry

By Carolyn Velchik
Staff Writer

Rutgers University fraternities Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Chi Rho have decided to go dry, due to court charges for making their houses available for underage drinking. Sigma Phi Epsilon was fined $6,020 after seven executive board members pleaded guilty to August 30 and October 30 incidents. Alpha Chi Rho's six executive board members were fined $4,335 for a September 12 incident.

Should the executive boards of these fraternities be held responsible for these charges? MSU Greeks respond with their comments. An on-campus fraternity brother, who wishes to remain anonymous, doesn't think so.

"The executive board should not be responsible. The problem is not with the fraternities, it is with administration and the faculty. There is no way to stop underage drinking, for if they are not drinking at these houses, then they will be drinking behind closed doors."

"When you have a house party, you take the risk of getting caught for underage drinking. They should have been more careful," said Chance.

Some Greeks believe that there are solutions to the problem of underage drinking. Mike Tofte, a brother of Delta Chi, feels that, "the Rutgers fraternities should not go dry, they should just card parties. Both fraternities ruined their fun because they were stupid."

Others believe that fraternities in general receive too much feedback from the community at large.

"The fraternities were wrong for breaking the law, but it is also unfair that fraternities and sororities receive so much bad press for doing what 80% of other underage college students do," says John Brost, a Brother of Theta Xi.

Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Chi Rho feel that they are making the right decision by introducing their new alcohol-free policy, but the majority of the MSU Greek population disagrees.

Gary Odendahl, a brother of Tau Phi Beta, summed his opinion up best by stating, "It is amazing that an underage kid cannot have a beer, yet they can vote for the leader of our country, and they can fight and kill to defend it."

1/30/98

Threat of Suicide
Ex-girlfriend of Clove road Apt. resident reports he was going to commit suicide. Responding officers find male asleep. Male reports no basis for the claim other than her retaliation for their break up.

Harassment
Female Blanton Hall resident received harassing phone call from an ex-boyfriend.

Male Bohn Hall resident received a harassing phone call.

Theft
Female student left her purse under a coat on a chair in the Speech Building unattended. Upon her return the purse was missing.

Medical
Female staff member tripped over her desk drawer and injured her ankle. Victim complained of pain in both ankles. Victim was transported to the Immedicenter.

Officers respond to Dickson Hall on the report of a male having chest pains. Upon arrival male was suffering pain and numbness in his arms. Victim was transported to St. Joseph's Hospital by ambulance.

Male maintenance worker was injured while erecting a batting cage in Panzer Gym. Victim fell off a ladder when a cable snapped striking him in the chest. Victim was transported to Mountainside Hospital by ambulance.

Suspicious person
Officer responds to the Student Center on a report of a bare foot male who was following people in the building. Male was identified and left campus by bus.

Fire Alarm
Officers respond to a fire alarm in Freeman Hall. Upon arrival discover trouble in the system caused the alarm.

Suspicious Activity
Officer reports a car parked in lot 14 with both a student and faculty parking permit.

1/31/98

Fire Alarm
Officers respond to a fire alarm in Bohn Hall. Upon arrival discover a female blow drying her hair caused the local alarm. Resident tried to unscrew the detector which caused the general alarm. Clifton Fire Dept. responded. Officer repaired the detector and the system was reset.

2/1/98

Suspicious Activity
Three females alert the Clove Road Sheriff to a suspicious vehicle. Sheriff left campus by bus.

Attention Seniors:
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News

Apt. guard that a male entered a parked car in lot 27, possibly by force, and drive away. Officers responded, no information on the suspect or vehicle could be obtained.

Medical

Juvenile male was injured playing hockey at the ice arena. Victim complained of neck pain. Victim was transported to St. Joseph’s Hospital by ambulance.

Criminal Mischief

Male Blanton Hall resident reports person(s) unknown kicked his room door in. Initially he heard voices and laughter in the hallway, then several loud bangs on his door. The door flew open and part of the door lock entered the room. Suspects fled before victim could open the door.

Theft of MV

Male returned to lot 27 and discovered his parked car missing. Newark Police recovered the car on 2-2-98. Owner was notified.

Police Officer assaulted on campus

“The situation became serious,” said Narvaez. “Here this guy had his keys in his hand. There were broken glass bottles everywhere and I had lost my walky. I was almost at the point where I thought my life was in danger.” The suspect continued to resist, biting Narvaez on the arm. “Good thing I had my jacket on,” said Narvaez. The suspect got away, slipping into a hole in the ground which caused Narvaez to lose his grip. “He got lucky,” said Narvaez. “Real lucky.” The suspect disappeared into the night after taking off down Valley Road. The police forces in the surrounding towns were notified of the incident and were put on alert.

Parking Garage being considered

Economics major Sergei Benderski, felt that “the hesitation that exists with MSU authorities whether to build or not, may be based on the high numbers of tickets that they are receiving from illegal parking violations.” He added, “the situation often encourages us to park in an illegal spot and pay the $15.00 fine. But they take the chance anyway because they don’t want to miss the class.

Lines still prevalent at computer labs

Lab assistants interviewed report that they have been verbally assaulted and harassed by angry frustrated computer users. Lab assistant Quatey Franklin said that he is usually harassed when he has to reprimand people for not following the lab rules.

Terroristic Threat

Female Blanton Hall resident reports receiving a threatening letter.

Recovered Weapon

Student Center employee found a butterfly knife on top of a video game cabinet in the Student Center. Officer confiscated the weapon.

2/3/98

Medical

Female Russ Hall resident is transported by ambulance to Montclair Community Hospital after suffering stomach cramps and nausea.

Assault

A juvenile member of the Hackensack swim team reports being assaulted by a member of the Montclair swim team in the locker room in Panzer Gym after a swim meet. Criminal complaints are pending.
"Shall we rush now, or rush later?"

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Montclair Senior, Joseph Loia dies at age 23

By Kara L. Richardson

FEATURE

Montclair State senior, Joseph Loia was found dead by his parents in his Morris Plains home on Thursday, January 22. Loia, was found by his parents in his bedroom in the evening. It was determined that he had died earlier that morning, but according to his brother the cause of death is still undetermined. He was 23 years and would have turned 24 on February 8.

As a child, he began playing guitar. Over the years he collected several high quality guitars. From there he wrote many of his own songs. His creativity bloomed in other areas as well. He was a talented painter, photographer, cook, poet and took an interest in film. In his spare time he had a tendency to read classic works of western literature. His latest literary interest was in “Beat” culture. He was fluent in Italian and loved Italy, where he had visited several times.

Joseph grew up in Morris Plains, New Jersey. He attended St. Virgil School where he was well liked by his teachers and classmates. His brother described him as a boy who “loved to read, collect things, and play baseball for hours in the yard.”

Joseph V. Loia February 8, 1974-January 22, 1998

Joseph was also known by his family for his maturity and engaging conversations at a young age.

When attending Morristown High School he was known as the nonconformist type. He graduated in June 1992.

Joseph began his college career at The County College of Morris. Through various courses and some time searching, he settled his interests in English and the arts. Joseph went on to study English at Montclair State University in the Spring of 1997. As an English student he was especially inspired by Professor Stone during a Fall ’97 semester poetry class. He had plans to travel to Italy to visit relatives after graduation. He thought about a career in teaching or continuing on to graduate school.

During the Christmas break he moved home with his parents. He helped his mother and father with many projects around the house. He passed the time with his great aunt and also helped her with her finances.

“Friends and family had known him to be a man of kind disposition, generous with his time and accepting of all. As his brother I am familiar with his generosity. On various occasions he traveled to Baltimore in order to help me with work on my house. He offered help with no hesitation.” His brother said.

Hundreds mourned his loss at his wake and funeral this past week. The family is in tremendous grief over his loss. Joe is survived by his mother, father, brother, sister-in-law, a niece and two cousins.

Because the cause of Joseph’s death is still uncertain, the family is looking for information about the last months of his life which might help them understand his death. If you have any information to help the Loia family please call Robert Loia (410)747-4146.

Free nutritional counseling available on MSU Campus

By Peter Koffitsas

Staff Writer

How many of us say, “I know what I should be eating, but…”? The usual outcome is we end up eating foods or engaging in behaviors that go against our knowledge or common sense. Each year we spend over $32 billion, and the number keeps rising, on weight control efforts. Yet our health status as a population is worse than ever. Millions of people try diets and fasts and end up gaining more weight in the end. It seems we are losing the battle against obesity and chronic disease, and inevitably we wrongly blame ourselves for the failure.

The fact is, our minds are designed to rebel against dieting, whether our bodies want to succeed or not. Dr. John P. Foreyt, Director of the Nutrition Research Clinic, calls this the mind versus body cycle. The fact is, our minds are designed to rebel against dieting, whether our bodies want to succeed or not. Dr. John P. Foreyt, Director of the Nutrition Research Clinic, calls this the mind versus body cycle. This is significant because our cultures revolve around food and every major event in our lives usually includes some kind of feast. Whether it is a graduation, birthday, wedding, and even funeral, we use food to mark the occasion. In addition, we make our lives often more stressful by highly valuing food while at the same time obsessing over thinness. We have never been creatures of self-control when it comes to food. Our ancestors where much like the animals we see on nature programs, eating as much as their stomachs could handle at meals because of the uncertainty of when and where the next meal would come from.

We get caught up in the negative cycle that Dr. Foreyt describes as follows: we start with a desire to be thin which leads to dieting which leads to cravings and reduced self-control which leads to overeating which leads to regain of lost weight and a need to repeat the cycle. If this were not bad enough, he says, each time we repeat the cycle the problem gets worse. We do more damage to our self-esteem and our bodies become proficient at storing fat, making it harder to lose it.

What contributes to this unhealthy cycle is the theory that we may not have evolved physiologically to handle the surplus of foods we encounter in our modern societies. This is significant because our cultures revolve around food and every major event in our lives usually includes some kind of feast. Whether it is a graduation, birthday, wedding, and even funeral, we use food to mark the occasion. In addition, we make our lives often more stressful by highly valuing food while at the same time obsessing over thinness. We have never been creatures of self-control when it comes to food. Our ancestors where much like the animals we see on nature programs, eating as much as their stomachs could handle at meals because of the uncertainty of when and where the next meal would come from.

We get stuck into a pattern of dieting, losing, and regaining. Most of us have heard about the dangers of yo-yo dieting, yet we continue to try new diets everyday without knowing who designed them and if in fact they are safe for us.

The irony is we still have the bodies and biological mentality geared for that survival that our ancestors relied on, but live in a society of overproduction and overconsumption where these biological functions seem out of place.

However, we should not let our biological situation take all the blame for our ill-health as a population. We should realize that we can work with our bodies to help improve our health and regulate our food consumption. The fact is, hunger is biological and appetite is cultural. This means that our societies, especially the media, contribute to our perception of what, where, when, and how we should be eating instead of listening to our bodies when they tell us enough is enough.

Nutrition Counseling could help you put your food worries to rest.
Buying Flowers on Valentine's Day

By Kara L. Richardson

Feature Editor

Are you feeling anxious and confused about buying flowers for your sweetheart this Valentine's Day? Don't worry, many people don't set foot in a flower shop until the biggest day of the year for florists. I hope to alleviate some of that Valentine's Day angst with some of my knowledge gained while working in a flower shop.

Order early and accurately. I can't stress this one enough. "Oh honey, I always thought you lived at 69 Valley Road, not 691," won't exactly cut Valentine's Day angst with some of my friends. I hope to alleviate some of that Valentine's Day angst with some of my knowledge gained while working in a flower shop.

Start with one flower. "I like beginning with one rose," said Claudia from Australia, "it's really easy if it is really open and full, the truth is it's not going to last long. If you have the option to choose the roses yourself, go for roses that are mostly closed and are slightly firm when you squeeze the bud."

Are you too busy in the computer lab this year to get your sweetheart flowers? That excuse isn't going to pass. Log on to any search engine to find an online florist. Even if it's midnight when you remember impending doom of a flowerless Valentine's Day, these kinds of flower shops never close and they will hook you up with almost any florist around the country. Internet sites also tend to make the process a little simpler by selecting a few flowers, and make it as flexible as possible. Florists can have hundreds of even thousands of orders on February 14. Be specific, order early.

Shop around for deals. An inexpensive rose on Valentine's Day can be hard to come by. If you need to get roses, especially by the dozen and want to catch a deal try supermarkets. The quality of the flowers may not be as good as a flower shop, but it might save you some money. Build a bouquet around one flower. Bouquets don't have to be enormous and expensive, they can be simple, thrifty and just as beautiful.

Use inexpensive and long lasting flowers like alstroemeria, monte casino, caspia, and heather to add body and color to the bouquet. Try visiting a flower shop ahead of time to get an idea of what you might want.

By Gideon von Frank

Staff Writer

One of Montclair State University's accommodation options, 65 Clove Road, is known for its housing mostly overseas students. Almost 10 minutes walking distance away from campus, the Clove Road apartments provide a unique combination between being almost on campus (making involved campus life possible for its residents), and being near to nature.

Martha is from Scotland and lives in Clove Road for three weeks. "For me it is a good place for international students. Being together with other students from different countries, it makes me feel stronger. I mean, a lot of the time we have the same problems and we are all suffering from a culture shock. This makes it all easier. Problems of other visiting students are really easy to recognize because we are all being confronted with the same situation."

"Exactly," says Claudia from Australia, "this is also why it is easy to make friends, because we know what the other feels, being away from home and being new to the States. Furthermore visiting students are very open and always looking for friends, because we don't have any family or, for example, any "old" friends we can hang out with or spend a weekend with. Is it easy to make American friends.

"Not really," says Claudia, "most of the American students here are just not interested in other cultures and different people. Very American!"

"I don't agree," says Martha, "I think Americans are just hard to approach, because they just have very limited knowledge of other parts of the world. Somehow they seem to be embarrassed by this. That's probably why it looks if they just don't care."

Every apartment at Clove Road consists of one large living room, an open kitchen, a bathroom, and two bedrooms each with two residents. "First I was really afraid to share a room with someone," says Martha. "I mean, back home, you just have your own room! Privacy and stuff like that are very important for me and the thought that somebody was in my room all the time, well, I don't know. But in the end things really worked out well. I like my roommate a lot and, to be honest, it's like always having a friend around!"

Although every apartment has a kitchen, most international students have a meal plan. Jan from the Netherlands said, "I just hate this meal plan! I mean I love the food at, what is it Blanton Hall? But I
International Focus

Weekes gains perspective on German culture during a winter break voyage

By Tom Boud

“...Micheal Weekes helps the International Student Organization."

Weekes stated that his trip to Germany opened his eyes in ways that he hardly anticipated.

“The first thing I noticed about Germany was that all the houses have red roofs. You could see that from the plane...”

Weekes elaborated on the German autobahn system.

“...Their roads are not as wide as our highways, but you’re allowed to travel much faster. I experienced it. I actually got to drive. I found that you don’t have to have a sports car to go 100 miles per hour. I was doing about 110 and a Mercedes blew by as if I weren’t moving...”

Three Leisure Studies Students have a night at the ball

By Kerri Hughes, Filomena Spina and Joy Robbins

On Sunday morning, we had no idea that we would be spending Tuesday evening with Governor Christie Todd Whitman at her Inaugural Ball.

It was January 18, 1998 and we were headed to Newark Airport’s Continental Airlines Hanger #56 to work on the lighting and rigging for the Ball. Dr. Sue Weston, our professor in the Recreation and Leisure Studies Department, initiated the entire experience. She gave us each a call with the opportunity to work with Current Events, a company that creatively designs events in various stages of setup. Among our duties were arrangements for us to attend the ball. We couldn’t believe it! 3,300 guests paying $500 a plate and no women’s bathrooms? We were overwhelmed with excitement when we were overwhelmed with excitement when he told us to “get our ball gowns ready” and then it was time to change into our long dresses. However, to our dismay there were no locker rooms or women’s bathrooms open for us to change in! We couldn’t believe it! 3,300 guests paying $500 a plate and no women’s bathrooms? Trailer port-a-johns opened at 6:30 - forcing the guests to walk outside in their evening attire in 30-degree weather!”

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Dr. Niles pieces together Inca history with literature

Visiting professor of anthropology shares her work with MSU students

By Elisabeth Carrozza

On Tuesday January 27, Montclair University welcomed Dr. Susan Niles, Professor of Anthropology at Lafayette College, to Brant Lecture Hall for a lecture entitled, "Reconstructing Inca Culture: Shedding New Light On The Kingdom Of The Sun." The program, presented by The Archaeological Institute of America and The Center For Archaeological Studies, was well attended by both students and faculty and reviewed some of Dr. Niles' recent fieldwork in Peru. Dr. Niles tries to delineate the Inca royal properties by reading these land descriptions and walking the land.

The slide presentation consisted of drawings from the one book in existence that is known to have been illustrated by an Inca, as well as photos of ruins and reconstructed drawings of one of the royal properties Dr. Niles has been researching. These resort-like "castles" displayed the Incas' passion for symmetry and excess, sometimes reconstructing entire landscapes—moving rivers and flattening hills—using peasant manpower numbering into the thousands.

Dr. Niles' lecture contained enough background information so that even those unfamiliar with the most basic of archaeological terms could understand and appreciate her work. Her path is a difficult one involving a lot of guesswork and intuitive thinking, yet one must envy her ability to pursue a topic that interests her. Her enthusiasm and passion for her work was evident in her interesting presentation.

What You Can Do...

- Keep a cloth towel by the sink. Next time you rinse your hands or need to wipe up a spill, grab the cloth towel instead of a paper one.
- Put your old worn out or torn clothes into a "rag bag" and keep it handy. You will then always have a supply of rags for cleaning, messy chores or projects.
- Save plastic bags you can use them again. (Especially "zip-lock" bags...the lock doesn't wear out after one use!) If they're dirty, turn them inside out, rinse or wash them and hang to dry.
- Aluminum foil is reusable too...wash it off, let it dry, use it again. When it can't be used again, recycle it.
- Use plastic reusable containers instead of plastic wrap or aluminum foil to store leftovers or lunch.

Eco-Tips are brought to you by the MSU Conservation Club.

General meetings are each Thursday at 4:00 in room 124 of the Student Center Annex.

- Americans use 35 million paper clips every day.
- Americans buy 500 million disposable lighters every year. That's millions of pounds of plastic made just to be thrown away by factories that are polluting your air and dumping the toxic by products into our earth and water.

Dr. Niles is considered to be one of the leading Inca Ethno-historians. She has published two books and a wide variety of articles over her last twenty years of research. Her work is not that of the stereotypical archaeologist; she pieces together history not with shovel and dusting brush, but with written records. The Inca however, had no written language that we know of and so Dr. Niles' research is based on documents written mostly by the Spaniards. The great bulk of these written records were, ironically, land survey documents, because the Spanish were scouting out the Incas' land for their own use. (And blaming their wives for nagging them to take the land.) As part of her fieldwork in Peru, Dr. Niles tries to delineate the Inca royal properties by reading these land descriptions and walking the land.

Our Earth's treasures are being thrown out as "trash"!

Did You Know?

- We use millions of feet of paper towels each year. That's a lot of trees!
Nibble On... Nutrition News

By Chrisann McCarthy
Staff Writer

The emergence of coffee bars across the country is surely evidence of the popularity of one of Americans’ favorite beverages. But what, exactly, are patrons sipping these days? Is it the caffeine that continues to lure patrons to the newest Java hot spot? Coffee is now available in so many flavors and varieties that perhaps the caffeine is really taking a back seat to the social aspect of this relatively new craze.

After all, you have your pick of lattes, double lattes, double decaf lattes, double price, etc. However, if it is the caffeine you are after, here’s a brief look at the caffeine content of some other popular beverages.

According to the National Soft Drink Association, soda fares as follows:

- **beverage, 12 oz.**
  - **cafeine, mg**
  - **Jolt** 100.0
  - **Mountain Dew** 54.0
  - **Mello Yellow** 52.8
  - **Coca-Cola** 45.6
  - **Diet Coke** 45.6
  - **Dr. Pepper** 39.6
  - **Pepsi Cola** 38.4
  - **Diet Pepsi** 36.0
  - **7 Up** 0.0

How does the above compare to the most common sources of caffeine, namely coffee and tea? Take a look at the following values published in the Journal of the American Dietetic Association:

- **serving**
  - **coffee, mg**
    - 7 oz. coffee, drip 115-175
    - 7 oz. coffee, brewed 80-135
    - 7 oz. coffee, instant 65-100
    - 7 oz. decaf, brewed 3-4
    - 7 oz. decaf, instant 2-3
  - **tea**
    - 12 oz. iced tea 70
    - 7 oz. tea, brewed 40
    - 7 oz. tea, instant 30
    - 1.5-2 oz. Espresso 100

According to David Shapton of the Bristol University School of Chemistry, darker roast beans used to make espresso actually have less caffeine than regularly roasted beans. However, since espresso is prepared using pressurized steam, a higher percentage of caffeine is extracted from the ground beans than from regular drip methods. In other words, espresso is a more concentrated source of caffeine and consuming the average serving size of coffee in espresso will leave you ricocheting to your next class.

Some other, seemingly unsuspected sources of caffeine include chocolate and over the counter pain killers. A one ounce serving of semisweet chocolate contains approximately 20 mg. of caffeine while the standard two tablet dosage of Excedrin contains 130 mg! Great, your headache’s gone, but now you have insomnia. In response to this revelation, many popular pain relievers are also now available in “decaf.”

So, is caffeine bad for you? Well, in terms of nutrition, coffee and soda are obviously not the best choices. Although experts disagree as to how much is too much, individual circumstances govern appropriate amounts. Since caffeine is a stimulant, certain medical conditions and pregnancy may preclude the use of any caffeine, whatsoever. If you are interested in eliminating caffeine from your diet, you may experience withdrawal symptoms such as headache, irritability, tremors and lethargy. However, by reducing intake gradually, the effect of these unpleasant symptoms will likely be minimized.

Would you like to sing at MSU commencement?

Would you like to sing the national anthem or alma mater at Montclair State University commencement ceremonies May 15? Your chance is here! Auditions for singers for commencement will be held at the Music Building, Room 53, on Thursday, February 26, from 3 to 4 p.m. Participants may sing either the national anthem or MSU’s alma mater. An accompanist will be provided. If sheet music is required, or if you have additional questions, see Gina Balestracci in McEachen Hall, Room 2.

Audition judges will be Balestracci, administrative assistant in the Music Department; Dr. Helen Matusow-Ayres, dean of student; and Jeffrey Gall, associate professor of music.

For additional information, call the Office of Community Relations and Special Events at extension 5459.

The Caffeine Scene

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FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION 1998-99

FILING DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 1998

-IT'S NEW - THE RENEWAL APPLICATION
If you filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 1997-98 academic year, you should receive in the mail a new kind of federal student aid application, the renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid, designed to simplify the application process for 1998-99. The form will allow you to update only that information which may have changed, rather than require you to fill out a whole new application.

-WHAT DOES THE RENEWAL APPLICATION LOOK LIKE?
The renewal application looks a lot like the 1997-98 Student Aid Report (SAR) you received this year, but it will be printed on white paper. It will also include an instruction booklet and envelope for mailing it back to the processor.

-NOW THAT IT'S HERE WHAT DO I DO WITH THE RENEWAL APPLICATION?
Essentially, you treat it like a new 1998-99 FAFSA. Carefully follow the instruction for completion, change those items which need updating, and leave the others as they are. You and your parents should copy the income and tax information from completed 1997 Federal Tax Returns or estimate the data required.

-WHEN CAN I SUBMIT THE RENEWAL APPLICATION TO THE PROCESSOR?
Just like an original FAFSA, you may file this for any time after January 1, 1998. All students must file the Renewal Application by March 1, 1998 to ensure compliance with our “on time” deadline date.

-WHAT IF I DIDN'T RECEIVE A RENEWAL APPLICATION BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1998?
Not to worry! If you have not received a Renewal Application by the end of the holiday break, come by the Financial Aid Office and pick up a regular 1998-99 FAFSA. The same applies if you misplace the one sent to you. Duplicate Renewal Applications are not available. The processor will accept either form. However, do not send both in - just submit one or the other by the priority deadline date.

-WHAT IF I DID NOT APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID IN 1997-98 BUT WANT TO APPLY FOR AID IN 1998-99?

-***SPECIAL NOTE FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS***
Proceed as described above and submit the “Institutional Application for Graduate Student Financial Aid - Academic Year 1998-99” by March 1, 1998. This form is available in the Financial Aid Office, College Hall, Room CO-321.

-FILE THE FAFSA ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 1998
Applicants who fail to submit the FAFSA by the MSU deadline date are not guaranteed award notification in time for Fall 1998 billing (about July 7, 1998) and must be prepared to pay the term bill in full from personal resources.

-1998-99 FAFSA ON THE WEB/RENEWAL FAFSA ON THE WEB
You may now file your FAFSA directly over the World Wide Web! Just go to www.fafsa.ed.gov to file. You will need the Domestic Release of Netscape Navigator 3.0 or higher, Netscape Communicator 4.0 or higher, or Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.0 or higher. If you are not sure, FAFSA on the Web will tell you if your browser is compatible. You may also file a Renewal FAFSA on the Web from the same site (www.fafsa.ed.gov), provided you live at the same address printed on your 1997-98 FAFSA. Instructions will be provided with the paper renewal application that you will receive in the mail.
Art with a message from Charlene Collins Haug

By Victoria Tengelles
Arts Editor

In today's world the modern woman is faced with many issues that are just now being brought to light. Artist Charlene Collins Haug uses these issues as the underlying theme for her thought provoking paintings. Charlene is a Bachelor of Fine Arts major and will be graduating this May.

As Co-Director of Gallery 3-1/2, Charlene has had the chance to work with many of MSU's most talented artists. Charlene has shown her work both at Gallery 3-1/2 and off campus locations.

Charlene's work captivates the onlooker's attention using symbolism and poignant backdrops to present her views. She uses a combination of printmaking and painting to help her work come alive for the viewer. Charlene explained the meaning behind her painting "Tornado I" (pictured on right), which is part of a series of paintings entitled "The Landscape Series", and will be shown at the BFA exhibit later this semester. "The landscape for me is a metaphor and the tornado symbolizes chaos. You have a chaotic landscape and the tornado is just coming through and chewing up the trees. This series started from a book that explores young women and their psychosis and problems. My sister is now 16 and I am worried about all these things for her. These are issues that I am thinking about and it comes out in my work. That's my working on?"

Charlene's theme behind most of her work is, "Women in general. I am a feminist and I explore women's issues, anything that has to do with women. I like to explore the issues that are affecting women and paint about them. It's my experience as an American woman."

Charlene describes her art as "figurative. I love painting the figure, so you are almost always going to find a figure. I use a lot of text in my work. It's very political, it's meant to make people think. I want people to look at my work and think about it. Most of the images that you see in my work are symbols, so almost everything that's in there is going to have some kind of relevance somewhere."

Her painting, "Principal I", which uses text from a get-ahead corporate success book, won the Johnson and Johnson Purchase Award at the Hunterdon Art Center's 41st Annual National Juried Print Exhibition. One figure that reappears in her work is Hermione, a distant relative from Canada she recently discovered. "Hermione has personal relevance for me as a woman and a family member." Other symbols she uses are the repeat motif of children. They symbolize "the conflict of family and a woman's position in society and at work."

Charlene's goal is to become a professional artist, she plans to move on to receive her MFA. Charlene Collins Haug is an extremely talented artist whose work is both gripping and pleasing to the eye. She will no doubt go far in her career.

An interview with MSU's talented Oakes brothers

By Kristopher LaGreca
Staff Writer

There are many multi-talented artists who grace the grounds of MSU. Few however, perform and display their talent like the Oakes brothers have. Maybe you’ve seen Robert, the eldest of the two, at Barnes & Noble playing old English folk songs. Or maybe you’ve seen John, the elder brother, performing in pubs around the Hoboken area. Wherever they may be found, both are seasoned musicians who have repeatedly been enjoyed by many different crowds.

Throughout this interview with Rob and John, the amount of variety they display is mind boggling. With all the events that take place in their lives, it's hard to imagine how they get class work done! Yet John is an alumni from the business department, and Rob is a soon-to-be graduate from the English major.

John has also played with great musicians like Chubby Checkers and the Platters. If you see Rob or John around campus, be sure to ask them where their next show is. Chances are, they’ll have one coming up.

Rob: You guys did a show on New Years’ Eve, what was that about?

Rob: It was very exciting. It was exciting to play in a well-known group. Of course it’s not the original group, but it’s a lot of the old music.

Kris: So what are your current projects?

John: I’m in a band called Liquid Carousel. We’re in the middle of recording a CD right now.

Kris: Rob, do you have any on-campus projects planned?

Kris: Right now I don’t have anything lined up, next thing is Page One Café [show] in Montclair. It’s at the end of February.

John: Have you released any music other than the CD you are currently working on?

John: I’m working on my own solo stuff where I play guitar, sing, and play drums and bass. It’s a one-man-band kind of thing. So I hope to make a CD besides the one I working on with the band right now.

Kris: And we help each other out writing songs or do you pretty much do your own thing?

Kris: We’re each other’s worst antagonist, but actually it helps in a lot of ways. We’ll probably never admit it, but we do that to each other a lot.

Kris: We hear each other’s music all the time, and we’re always listening to music. It’s not one, it’s the other. It just sort of happens. You just develop a relationship that way.

Kris: Is there any chance you might do a “combined effort” CD?

Rob: If we could ever get our forces together, it would probably be very nice. Right now we play on each other’s recordings, so it’s very mutual.

Kris: Well, thanks a lot guys and good luck in all your ventures.
Late breaking news flash the major networks have decided to cancel all daytime drama. Only kidding. Don’t worry I have all the real news here for you.

One Life to Live: Cassie and Mel made it to Canton and after some hesitation Dorian let them in. Cassie tried to get Miss Stonecliff to open up about the past but she flipped out. Miss Stonecliff entered a secret room and disappeared. Kelly decided she wasn’t going to lose Ian and went after him. She forges her and decided to agree on Blair. Ian also entered a secret room and disappeared. Kelly decided she wasn’t going to lose Ian and took off to Boston to see Laura. Lisa and Jake’s plan is working to perfection, so far. After duping David into believing that they are lovers they con him into following Jake to the boathouse where he is supposed to meet with Lisa. However, Adam showed up before Jake.

The Young and The Restless: Phyllis pays a visit to Christine. Phyllis accuses Christine of being behind Danny’s job offer to Jodi. Christine confronts Phyllis on the issue of why she hasn’t taken advantage of her visitation rights with little Danny. Phyllis warns her that this isn’t the last she will see of her. Nick suggests to Sharon that they take a trip and have his mom watch Noah. She declines telling him it’s not the right time. Grace agreed for the time being not to draw up papers to take Vanessa to court. Ben went through a box that housed the shackles and then brought a blindfolded Harley. Matt went to Ross to have him arrested. Phillip went on the air to defend his father and professed his love for Harley.

The Bold and The Beautiful: Taylor went to see the newlyweds and Ridge got to hold his son/nephew. Brooke and him were just manipulating the situation to go their way. James rescued Sheila from Marty’s and Mike’s clutches. Carly became delusional and thought she was in her past and being hurt. Jack told her how much he admired her and cared for her. Jack pleaded with her to live because he needed her and cared very deeply for her. Ben and Lucinda broke into to Teague’s house and found some incriminating evidence. Susan went to visit James and told him that she had changed since Monaco and Kirk walked in.

Guiding Light: Annie’s husband Eddie showed up at her wedding to Alan. Alan left the ceremony and Annie was arrested. Phillip went on the air to defend his father and professed his love for Harley.

A Night of Hardcore at the Pipeline

By Jeff Kaminski

On Thursday January 29th, my friends and I went to the Pipeline in Newark to see a better show than they’ve hosted in awhile, spotlighting: Vision, 25 ta life, Ensign, and I.D.K. The Pipeline was packed, which really wasn’t a surprise because three of the bigger, hardcore bands were playing. We arrived a bit late, so I.D.K. was finishing off their set with “My Time”.

Things were kind of strange because it seemed like the Pipeline was actually running on schedule for once. This is a rare act in itself. Ensign went on next, and everyone got into it. Ensign’s popularity keeps on growing each time I see them. There was a lot of people that were suprised seeing them. Everyone was dancing and singing along. They were really strong and played a few songs off their first album, one of which was “Alzheimers.” Ensign went on to play many songs off their new CD entitled Direction Of Things To Come. Mostly everyone already knew the words to these new songs which made for some group sing alongs. They played “Tourniquet,” “Furthest From The Middle,” “Day By Day,” and “Revolutions End.” The new Ensign CD is awesome, so pick it up when you have the chance.

Next up was 25 ta life. They are one of those bands that I didn’t really like at first, but I have been getting into them recently. I guess it is because the singer Rick grows on you. Even if you don’t like 25 ta life’s music, it is kind of hard not to like Rick. He is one of the most dedicated
The Foreigner arrives at Luna Stage

By Barbara J. Goldstein
Staff Writer

The Foreigner opened January 29th at Luna Stage in Montclair. This 1983 comic masterpiece by Larry Shue falls somewhere between Forrest Gump and David and Goliath. The story revolves around what happens to an odd assortment of guests at a Georgia fishing lodge run, by Betty Meeks, when a “foreigner” comes into their lives.

Froggy LeSueur, played by an upbeat, jolly, English accent by David A. Frankel, brings his old friend Charlie to the lodge to recover from his broken heart. Charlie is deathly afraid of engaging in conversation with others so Froggy covers by telling the other guests that Charlie is a foreigner who doesn’t speak English. Froggy doesn’t realize he has set the stage for hilarious mayhem. Instead of finding the peace and solitude he craves, Charlie finds himself the center of attention: one person finds him a good listener, another a wonderful story teller, another a prize pupil.

As the play progresses, the guests learn more about themselves and each grows in his or her own way to be a stronger, more complete person. Along the way, they discover surprising and entertaining ways to overcome an evil group trying to put Betty Meeks out of business and take the lodge for themselves.

James Glossman’s portrayal of Charlie is wonderful. From his first pathetic sigh upon entering the lodge, to his deadpan expressions and dramatic body language, the audience enjoyed nonstop laughter. Glossman effectively keeps the story moving and the audience is most responsive.

Todd Thoenig was funny and believable as the dim witted brother, Ellard Simms, who teaches English to Charlie at breakfast. Soon Charlie is talking up a storm, mostly gibberish, but with just enough real words for a perfect mixture of confusion and fun. Ellard’s sister, Catherine Simms, admirably portrayed by Sarah Lyman, is engaged to Rev. David Marshall Lee.

John Henhest’s characterization of Rev. Marshall Lee balances between tenderness towards Catherine and just the right amount of fire and brimstone. Early on, we learn there is more to David than meets the eye.

Mona Hennessy, as Betty Meeks, was enthusiastic when listening to Charlie's stories about his country. Her reactions brought about even more audience response. Paul Murphy portrays Owen Musser, the white southern bigot. He injects this “good old boy” with just enough humor to make him redeemable.

I was impressed by the versatility of the director, Richard Currie, who also designed the lights and set. His creativity showed as the audience enters the “lodge” directly from the lobby to find their seats. The audience immediately feels like guests in the lodge as they observe the action around them.

This production of “The Foreigner” is well worth catching before it leaves Luna Stage.

Hum keeps ears buzzing with Downward is Heavenward

By Wasif Bokhari
Staff Writer

The best thing that I can say about Hum’s new album Downward is Heavenward is the fact that after listening to it, it really keeps the ears buzzing. Unfortunately there’s just a little too much buzz.

I guess I can reluctantly say that Hum represents the new age of the so called alternative nation. I could say that they take it to the next level, but that would be an immense exaggeration. It is true that at times, Hum can be somewhat musically creative, but it would be an unjustifiable desecration to even start comparing them to such super groups like Pearl Jam, Stone Temple Pilots and Sound Garden.

Their new release is their fourth full-length album, and only their second on the RCA label, which also released their previous album You’d Prefer An Astronaut. The band assembled back in 1989 and currently they have four members: Matt Talbott (guitarist/singer), Tim Lash (guitarist), Bryan St. Pere (drummer) and Jeff Dimpsey (bass).

The most enigmatic and frustrating part of this CD, is the fact that they seem to use the same formula for almost each song. It starts slow, than all of a sudden it lets all the distortion break loose. They enter into almost each song with an acoustical inception.

Sometimes they use interesting musical language and are very fascinating. But before you can actually settle into it, they expunge it and replace it with the buzzing sound of over distorted guitars. The song “Green To Me” is a perfect example of this. There is a piece in the start of this song that actually approaches beautiful music, but soon it is destroyed by this formula.

The most intriguing part of this CD is probably the first song called “Isle Of The Cheetah.” In this song, they use an anomalous beat that wanders throughout the song’s basic rhythm; though creative in it’s adolescent stage, it never seems to lead to anything more than just interesting.

The singer, Matt Talbott, has an overall satisfactory voice and can adequately hold and hit his notes. The problem is that he is in the wrong band. His style of singing would better suit a band like the Gin Blossoms or a group like Toad the Wet Sprocket. Unfortunately, in his current band, his voice seems to be drowned out by the over abundant amount of guitar feedback.

In a way I feel for this band because musically they do have some talent and potential, but it seems, at least in this album, that they need a great deal of help in the production, and construction of their songs. They need to become more diversified and digress from using the same approach to every song.

Downward is Heavenward takes us on a long 52 minute, 10 song journey, that eventually leads us to nowhere. A friend said something to me the other day as we were listening to this album that was funny. “Sounds like they’re having a bad Smashing Pumpkins day.” Hopefully for the band Hum, tomorrow will be better than today.
By Franca DiMaso
Staff Writer

Good Will Hunting leaves warm feelings in audiences hearts

By John J. O'Sullivan
Humor Editor

John enjoys jazz in an unusual setting

Good Will Hunting is one of those movies that grabs you from the opening scene. It's about a gifted young man who wanders through life, not believing in himself, or letting others believe in him or even get next to him, until one day he takes a chance and he's forced to one way or the other.

Director Gus Van Sant, who directed such movies as "My Own Private Idaho," and "To Die For," did a great job with "Good Will Hunting." He captured the very meaning of the screenplay written by both Matt Damon and Ben Affleck. The fact that Damon and Affleck are real-life best friends only added to the charm and intensity of their performances. The rest of the cast includes Minnie Driver, Robin Williams, and Stellan Skarsgard, all so convincing in their performances that the movie wouldn't have been such a success without them.

The story takes place in Boston. As soon as we are introduced to Will Hunting (Damon) we are intrigued. The fact that he works as a janitor at MIT is symbolic. We soon find out that Will has a fascination with math when he tries to figure out a complex math problem posted on a blackboard by Professor Lambeau (Stellan Skarsgard). Solving the problem is nothing to Will; remaining anonymous is everything to him. He takes this chance and doesn't even think twice about the consequences.

Will goes on as if nothing has happened, and is all too quick to rejoign Chuckie (Ben Affleck) and the rest of his friends. Ben Affleck is the one with the sense of humor, and it's because of him that there's such a charming ease and camaraderie between him, Damon, and the rest of the cast. At one bar, Will happens to meet Skylar (Minnie Driver). Skylar is a premed student and the way they meet is cute, but a little predictable.

Nothing happens between them right away because Will seems more concerned with hanging out with his friends. Therefore, it seems fate's hand happen when he and his friends get into a fight with some guys and the cops show up. What we don't expect is for Will to hit one of the cops, and end up in jail.

The professor learns that Will is the genius who has figured out the answers to the problem he's been working on for years. He's surprised and fascinated by Will, and goes to him and makes a deal with him. Naturally Will agrees to it, but he doesn't go like a good boy. The professor wants to use Will for his own purposes, while at the same time he wants Will to see a therapist. Some of the movie's funniest scenes are in the different therapists' offices. I got a few roaring laughs from these scenes.

Will goes from therapist to therapist until he meets Sean McGuire (Robin Williams). From their first meeting, Will gets on Sean's bad side, as he does with almost everyone he comes in contact with. But Sean puts Will in his place soon enough. Robin Williams' performance is very strong, as would be expected. Though the part he plays allows him to be funny every now and then, we see a side of Robin Williams that is more serious and guarded, and this makes him more likable.

With Sean's help, Will finally manages to calm down a bit, and not be so restless and angry. He even learns to open up a bit, something Will seems to have had a problem doing all his life. But there's a limit to his unleashing his innermost feelings. One night Skylar asks Will to come with her to California. This is a problem in itself. When she tells him she loves him, he explodes and leaves her in tears.

Will feels pressured by Skylar, Sean, Chuckie, and the professor. They all want him to do the right thing. Will doesn't know what the right thing is. Matt Damon gives his best performance when Will hugs Sean, and the gut-wrenching tears spill forth. After this pivotal scene, Will seems a bit more confident in himself, and at last he's able to make a decision. He ends up doing the right thing, depending on the way you look at it.

Matt Damon and Ben Affleck did a great job with their screenplay. After seeing the movie, I can see why they won a Golden Globe Award. This movie is well worth it. It's one of those movies that will leave you feeling warmer at the end, and hopefully this will intrigue enough people to go and see it.

John enjoys jazz in an unusual setting

By John J. O'Sullivan
Humor Editor

All right, I was going to a jazz concert for the paper. I know I heard of Jon Faddis someplace, most probably from Jazz 88. I drove to Upper Montclair: the Union Congregational Church. It didn't sink in until I arrived that I was going to a church to see a jazz concert.

The Union Congregational Church, a large turn of the century ecclesiastical structure of wood and stone, is not the first place that one would imagine as a setting for a jazz concert. The red velvet lined pews along with the stained glass windows are a far cry from small cocktail tables and cigarette smoke. The stage featured a lectern, ministerial vestments, a grand piano, an altar, and a drum set.

The entire hall, a rather large imposing room, was packed wall to wall with people. There was a large contingent from the East Orange school system, older folk, families, and couples. It was a different crowd than I was accustomed to. I had my fears about the potential repertoire selected for the evening.

As I was stewing with my fears, the musicians made their way up to the stage. Jon Faddis seemed rather jovial, not showing a single shred of pretense or snootiness. Once the band began to play, all of those fears of a "kiddie konceit" fell away. This was going to be a good night.

Other than the amazing architecture, the other thing that struck me was the closing song. After the closing song, I was reminded of how good Will Williams is. He complimented Faddis' joyous trumpet playing.

Clarence Penn, the drummer, shined during Latin numbers. His playing, like Faddis', changed in character number to number. His playing seemed best, however, during the more Latin flavored pieces, such as Faddis' "Samba Jia", or Gillespie's "A Night in Tangiers."

Speaking of which, "A Night in Tangiers" was the highlight of the entire concert. Penn's Latin batterie started off the song, followed by the opening phrase which was straightforward jazz. Once I heard Faddis and D'Rivera play the opener, I was in heaven. The song seemed to show off each of the musicians' talents, merged into one incredible entity. Unfortunately, it was the last song of the evening. I started screaming "Encore," which did very little, considering I was the only person in the hall shouting "Encore."

All in all, the concert was astounding, and it went far too quickly, as most exceptional concerts do. The New Jersey Chamber Music Society picked an exceptional ensemble to highlight their jazz program.
Love Sexy hosts Liquid Carousel

By Kara L. Richardson
Feature Editor

Dave Whitten described the style of Liquid Carousel as “the best of the sixties and seventies with a modern twist. We’re like Led Zeppelin in the 90’s if they don’t do as many drugs.” The enthusiastic foursome some took some time to speak with me before their January 30 gig at Love Sexy in Hoboken. Liquid Carousel had been playing together as a unit since August but their ties go back longer than that. John Oakes (drums) and Mike Alfano (bass) went to high school together. As John went to MSU, his friend Mike went off to Marist College where he would meet the two other members of Liquid Carousel, Dave Whitten (guitars) and Sean Ryan (vocals). Mike, Dave and Sean played together throughout college and were joined just last August by John to produce the music of Liquid Carousel.

Last summer the group was well received with a first place prize at the Battle of the Bands contest at Iona College in New Rochelle. They are looking forward to appearing at the Clifton club Connections on February 20.

The group shared their newfound joy of working together. In contrast to their experience of recording with other musicians they found the band chemistry in the studio to be excellent. They laughed and told strange stories, such as when John Oakes’s socks melted from stepping in battery acid. I know, I shouldn’t have even asked. With their untitled album now half finished, they are exuberant about finishing it in a New York recording studio, sometime in March, and are hoping to release in the spring. As Mike Alfano so eloquently added, “With spring comes fresh flowers and Liquid Carousel.”

With their concentration on the recording studio, the band has little gig experience behind them, the four waited excitedly for their set to begin. I also waited through the first two bands, Loaded Dice’s attempt for harmony made slightly more mellow tone, the crowd wasdisappointed by their choice of “Baba O’Reilly,” by the Who, for their final song. Since the people in the hardcore scene. Besides being in 25 ta life, he is the frontman of Commin Correct, and he also runs his own record label. He really loves all the kids that come to the shows, and you can easily see this. The Pipeline went crazy, as it usually does when 25 ta life plays.

Some of the songs they played were “Wise To Da Game,” “Inside Knowledge,” and of course “Keepin It Real.”

Last, but definitely not least, to hit the stage was Vision. They just got back not too long ago from a European tour with Agnostic Front. I was talking to the lead singer Dave and he said it was really successful and they had a blast. Vision is one of my favorite New Jersey hardcore bands. Their set was the highlight of the show for me as well as my friends. They played really solid and the crowd went on to let them know it. People were piling all over each other to sing along with Dave. Tim and Nate of Ensign were in the crowd as well, singing along and dancing. Vision played songs off of all of their CDs. “In The Blink Of An Eye” the band started the set off, and a few more that followed were “Folk Hero,” “One and the Same,” “Vision,” and one of my favorite Vision songs, “Disguise.” The band has a newly released CD entitled The Kids Still Have A Lot To Say, and they played a few songs off this album, too, including the title track. This album is excellent, so do yourself a favor and pick it up. This show was magnificent and if you weren’t there you really missed out on a great time. Also be on the lookout for Ensign and Vision to do a US tour this summer.

The nearby dogs of Hoboken howl in pain. The lyrics were as cliché as a Hallmark card, such as, “your eyes are bluer than the sky;” over and over again.

The following act had the most fitting name I have ever heard for a band, Twenty Miles Down a Bad Road. Their musical talent actually wasn’t that bad. It was the glazed over look in the lead singer’s eyes as he slammed down his microphone stand one too many times and danced as if he were possessed by Jim Morrison himself. I must admit, it was entertaining to say the least.

At last Liquid Carousel set up the stage for the 85 fans who had come to join them at the small smoky bar on Hudson Street. They began their set with “Transparency” off their new album. “Transparency,” as well as the many other songs that followed, demonstrated the band’s strong musical talents and well developed lyrics.

After the first song, it was hard to determine whether or not it was the band that was drowning out Sean Ryan’s voice or if the people in the sound booth were to blame. Sean asked for more vocals but there was little to no difference. Fortunately for songs like “Sand,” with a slightly more mellow tone, the crowd was able to enjoy the band’s talent as songwriters.

Chris Whitley, a member of the audience added, “I was most impressed by the band’s evident enthusiasm on stage. They all really seemed to be enjoying themselves.” The band’s passion saturated the show. Each piece was played with energy and accuracy. I was only disappointed by their choice of “Baba O’Reilly,” by the Who, for their final song.

With their creativity and pure musical strength, they could have closed it out with their own material and I would have preferred it if they did.
A potential solution to MSU’s parking problem may be on the horizon

After years of talk and speculation, it seems as though the possibility of parking relief is finally in sight. The Evaluating Committee of Montclair State University is seriously considering the construction of a parking garage on campus. The committee is trying to figure the logistics of such a project in terms of where a parking garage could be built, how much it would cost and who would be able to use it.

Evaluating Committee member and Vice President of Business and Finance Patricia Hewitt stated, “the focus would be on acquiring a student lot first.” Such a statement brings a great deal of hope to the masses of MSU students who must battle with the current parking situation week in and week out.

MSU has gone as far as contracting a Cleveland based company in order to figure out some of the details involved with building a parking garage. The company, APCOA, has done similar studies for other universities. The company will also look deeper into whether or not Montclair State really needs a parking facility.

With an estimated cost of roughly eight million dollars, depending on the size and the number of parking spots, the parking garage represents a long-standing complaint about the university. Every year, The Montclarion receives a fair amount of letters referring to the deplorable state of the parking lots. Every day, students walk into their classes late because they were driving around the lots hoping that someone would move out of his or her spot. Clearly, the current dilemma is affecting too many students and the problem needs to be addressed in a manner which will rectify the situation.

The administration may be a little slow in acting on the needs of the students on the matter of campus parking, but the parking garage would most likely be received with open arms by the students who have firsthand knowledge of the problem. The current Evaluating Committee discussions prove at least one thing: the administration is not deaf to our concerns. They are merely looking for the safest, most economical and most beneficial plan in order to do everything they can to make sure the parking garage is a success.

There are a few foreseeable problems with the construction of a parking garage. First, the campus is a little short on space right now. The scarce remaining undeveloped land will cause quite a controversy if the administration decides to bury it under a parking structure. At the same time, construction on existing parking lots would cause even more trouble until the garage was finished.

In any case, a parking garage is long overdue. The construction phase may be a little difficult, but the end result will alleviate one of the biggest problems facing MSU students today.
Bad husband, great president; the media should leave Clinton alone

By Kevin P. Hancock
Managing Editor

THE WAY IT IS

So the President cheated on his wife. Yes, it definitely is a serious issue. Between President Clinton and his wife Hillary, that is. But a serious issue for the American people? No, it is not. The Clinton-Monica Lewinski affair allegations have made great headlines for the sex scandal hungry media and has also made great ammunition for the rightwingers factions of Washington that would like nothing more than to see Clinton’s downfall. There is nothing Republicans love more than to go on and on about how immoral the president is and how much being moral matters when it comes to running the country. The same approach worked so well for President Bush in 1992 and Bob Doles in 1996. With this new scandal, Republicans were thinking that they had finally hit the jackpot. The scandal that will bring down the president! But they didn’t count on one thing. The American people don’t care, and rightly so.

According to the latest TIME/CNN poll, over half of all Americans believe that President Clinton did have an affair with Lewinski; however, his approval rating has soared to an amazing 68 percent, one of the highest this country has seen in the last quarter-century. The reason is simple; it goes back to the main theme of Clinton’s first presidential campaign back in 1992. It’s the economy, stupid.

The media and the Republicans in Washington really need to back off Clinton on this issue because in the end it is themselves they are going to hurt in the eyes of the American people. President Clinton, whether it is directly his doing or not, is the president behind one of the strongest economies in the last 25 years. The unemployment rate is at an astonishingly low level, and Americans are responding to this. In addition to his 68 percent approval rating, almost 80 percent of the people have said that they believe things are going well or very well in the country. Clinton is obviously doing his job, and doing it very well. So what if the president cheated on his wife? Americans have jobs, and in the end, that is what we care about most. Right now people have a roof over their heads, a car in their driveway, and food on their table and as long as that stays the same Clinton will be fine. This is a hard lesson that President Bush learned back in 1991, and it cost him a second term. Clinton could be as pure as the Pope, but if the economy went bad, he could lose an election to a ticket of Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols.

Another great president who was infamous for cheating on his spouse was John F. Kennedy. The only difference is, word of his extra-curricular activities didn’t get out until after his untimely death, too late for the media and partisan Republicans to get their hands on it. President Kennedy was valiant in preventing the out break of World War III during the Cuban Missile Crisis in the early 60’s. The man may have saved the entire human race from a nuclear holocaust, and possibly extinction. This accomplishment among many others made him a great president, and he is widely recognized as such. But he cheated on his wife, allegedly. Should he have resigned his presidency and left office in disgrace? Of course not. He knew how to do his job, and that was what really mattered. Jackie would have every right to divorce him, but it should have no bearing on the job of running the United States. If Clinton cheated on Hillary with Lewinski, Gennifer Flowers, Paula Jones, and God knows who else, he is a bad husband, but it doesn’t make him a bad president.

Now if the president had a part in obstructing justice, things change a bit. But even that angle has begun to crumble in the past week. US District Court Judge Susan Webber Wright has removed all Monica Lewinski material from the Paula Jones lawsuit against Clinton, meaning that even if Clinton did tell Lewinski to be “evasive” in her testimony, the chances of him facing any kind of criminal charges are slim to none. Comparisons to President Nixon’s situation during Watergate are downright ludicrous. Nixon was a part of a scheme to coverup a Republican party break in at Democratic Party offices.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...

TKE defends its “offensive” fliers

On January 29 Tau Kappa Epsilon was admonished by James Harris, the Assistant Dean of Students, for posters that supposedly promote undesirable activities. According to him a picture of a cup on a table promotes alcohol consumption, a picture of dice promotes gambling, a picture of a girl in a bathing suit promotes sex, and a picture of the Blues Brothers promotes drug use.

Let me say plainly that neither TKE fraternity nor myself advocate alcohol consumption, drug use, or gambling. (I won’t comment on sex.) The choice to avoid or indulge in these activities should be based on personal beliefs and individual judgments. The laws regulating these activities should be followed but it is not my duty to enforce them. And I would like to meet the individual who is so easily influenced that he would engage in a harmful or illegal act because he saw a poster vaguely alluded to it. Based on this logic, cartoons should be banned because they promote dropping anvils on people’s heads from great heights.

For years, mythical scoepatographs have been sought to place blame for the problems of society rather than do something about a real cause of the dilemma. The administration at MSU is more concerned with looking good than doing well. When I walk through campus I see hundreds of posters advertising the Crow Bar and Doc’s Nightclub. Could those fliers possibly be promoting alcohol? Fraternities and Sororities are held to a higher standard than other students are which is odd, considering we are treated worse than non-Greeks by the administration. We are expected to be the leaders on campus when few of us want to lead the campus and even fewer want to be led by us. The day when only the rich aristocracy was admitted into campus fraternities is long over. Today fraternities are for the common man with normal qualities and faults. Please don’t treat us differently.

We will not apologize for the public display of our creativity whose moral value is purely subjective. Nor will we be held accountable for the inadequacies of the administration of this university. Sincerely,
Mark Becker
President of Tau Kappa Epsilon

Do you have a concern about MSU? Would you like to comment on something you read in The Montclarion? Send your letter to 113 Student Center Annex or E-mail it to FLANNERY@alpha.montclair.edu. Make your voice heard.
Freeman Hall cafeteria should be operational during the weekends

As per federal law, we are given the Right to Assemble.

Alternate Weekends between Freeman and Blanton: Although this idea would be fair, it may not be as good since Freeman Dining Hall is not equipped to hold as many people as Blanton. However, this would be fair because every other week both cafeterias would be in use. We would all sacrifice equally.

Open Freeman on the Weekends: The most SENSIBLE solution. College Work Study students could operate the cafeteria under the direction of a food service employee or chef. This would not be as costly as having to pay Sodexo employees.

Offer Shuttle-Bus Service Just for Brunch and Dinner Times: One driver could drive one shuttle bus at meal times, picking up and dropping off students, to and from Blanton Hall. Students would not have to walk out in the bad weather in order to eat.

But with all of these ideas for compromise, our illustrious administrators, that seat themselves in their air-conditioned offices in College Hall, the same people that come to work in nice cars and designer clothing, the same people that cannot to this day give us a clear-cut explanation for raising our tuition, still must say that there are all sorts of liabilities involved. Well then I must ask these questions. Who was liable when Corey Russ had an asthma attack in the rain? Who would have been responsible if he had died? Praise God that he lived, but what if he hadn’t?

I am sure that our elitist administration that thinks we can run to mommy and dad every time we need a dime would just start pointing blame. How quickly they forget, whenever they point a finger, three point back at them. 1) Greed: the driving force behind the administration sucking every dime we have in our pockets right out of them. This is the reason that many students are forced to work so much that they fall behind in their studies. 2) Laxness: the reason that a suitable solution for our problems has not been thought of sooner. 3) Being out of touch: since when has our University, that we the students are the sole reason that it is running, taken a second to implement a sensible idea that would respond to our concerns?

I just hope that before I graduate this University I get the opportunity to sit down to brunch on Saturday morning in Freeman dining hall. To Corey Russ: Keep up the good work!

An MSU student finds an anonymous guardian angel

I’m a returning student with limited time on my hands. I have a great husband and two athletic daughters, ages 12 and 9, who are very involved in sports. Because of them, I too am very involved with various activities: Girl Scout Leader, basketball coach and School Board Association.

Because of my limited time, I wanted to start a paper that is due at the end of the semester (one of my three classes) and I ran to Richardson Hall to get on one of the computers. I entered the bathroom and put my pocketbook behind the door, which I never do because my pocketbook is usually in my bookbag. However, this time I had too many books and my pocketbook would not fit. I took my coat and bookbag and inadvertently left my pocketbook hooked on the back of the door in the ladies room. I left Richardson because there were no computers available and went on to Dickson. After an hour of being there, I searched for my pocketbook to look for my keys and realized what I had done.

I ran to Richardson and the cleaning ladies said that someone was returning it to the Dean of Mathemathics on the second floor. My heart was racing. I had over $150 cash (to go food shopping after school), my cell phone, two credit cards and other things that are valuable only to me in my pocketbook. I said to myself that there is no way that in the 90’s this is going to be returned untouched.

Well, guess what, EVERYTHING WAS THERE! “It has restored my faith in the students of Montclair," stated Nancy Young, secretary to the dean who received the pocketbook. My sincere thanks goes to the person who returned the pocketbook. (Please go see the secretary because I would very much like to thank you in person.) Nancy Young, thank you for finding me a “guardian angel.”

Thanks,
Myriam Mackey
Interim President Gregory Waters speaks on the many notable qualities of Montclair State University; the future of our university looks bright

In 1960, President John F. Kennedy told a national television audience that “it is time for a new generation of leadership, to cope with new problems and new opportunities. For there is a world to be won.”

President Kennedy’s words are as true today as they were 38 years ago. And I am pleased to report that today’s university students are responding to his call to service with a wonderful blend of individual initiative, community involvement and a dedication to learning that will enable them to win the Brave New World of the 21st century for all of us.

It has been my pleasure to see instance after instance of uplifting student behavior as interim President of Montclair State University. If I had any doubts as to our nation’s well-being in the next millennium, they have been answered as I meet and work with so many students who will clearly be in the forefront of our next generation of leaders.

What impressed me most is that today’s MSU students, who face a much more complex and difficult world than I did when I was a college student, are so solidly grounded. Students come into my office every day to chat and tell me heartwarming, reassuring stories of balancing full-time academics along with part-time jobs and involvement in student activities. All this, and they still have the time and generosity to become involved in community projects, act as tutors or volunteer in a myriad of selfless activities, ranging from blood drives to community fund-raisers.

I am also heartened by the number of mid-career students it has been my pleasure to meet. Not a week goes by that I don’t become acquainted with another working mother who is taking advantage of our on-campus Day Care Center while she balances career, home life and education. I meet an equally large number of men involved in much the same juggling act. If there is any question as to the well-being of the American work ethic, you need only meet one of these tireless — and inevitably cheerful — overachievers to have those questions answered.

The common denominator for all of our students, young and old, undergraduate and graduate, commuters and residents, is their total devotion to academic excellence. They want the very best, and they keep us on our toes as we endeavor to provide the best possible university education.

In today’s complex and shifting world, a university needs to be a major resource to the community that supports it and we pride ourselves on our ability to fill that role. Academically, we offer more than 250 programs to allow our 13,500 students to satisfy their academic goals and career mandates. While our most popular majors continue to be business, psychology and English, we constantly strive to update our academic offerings so that our students — who insist on the very best — are satisfied.

Just how broad are our offerings? Let me list a few courses from our spring catalog: Women’s Worlds, Black Writers: US Survey, Trademark Law, Anthropology of Cities, Acting I, Computers and Society, Oceanography, Money and Banking, Beginning Greek, Nuclear Physics, Marketing Research and Cell Culture.

This program diversity — a hallmark of Montclair State — is vital to our goal of providing a global perspective to our students. MSU is located in your backyard, but we truly have a global reach. Stroll across our campus and you are as likely to chat with a student from Kenya or Tokyo as you are from Hackensack or Trenton. We have more than 430 students from 62 countries on campus. Similarly, visit a college or university in Finland or Berlin and you may find a MSU professor lecturing in a faculty exchange program or a classroom of MSU students involved in one of our many study abroad and exchange programs.

Our global perspective provides not only student interaction but also faculty and staff involvement and community outreach. In short, it enriches the lives of all of us, particularly our students, who will be well-versed in — and comfortable with — the world as their neighborhood when they assume their leadership roles.

In my daily contact with our students, I see how busless news accounts of student “apathy” and listlessness are. Today’s students are the best and the brightest we have ever known. They are involved, care deeply about their friends, families and community, and are an inspiration to all of us in higher education.

In another speech, President Kennedy said, “I look forward to a great future for America.” After spending so much time with our wonderful students, so do I.

By Dr. Gregory L. Waters
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Opinion

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Jessica Briggs-Business Education
Even though she was a born-again Christian, she still had to pay the price.

Courtney Martin-Fashion Studies
The only reason a big deal was made was because Karla Faye was a woman. There should be no difference between a man and a woman being on death row, and that is why everyone made a big deal.

Cori Ottenstroer-Fashion Studies
In the state of Texas, the punishment is either death or freedom. I do not believe in capital punishment, but since that is the punishment for a crime in Texas then she deserved punishment.

Mary Anne Hronich-Early Childhood Development
Executing Karla Faye Tucker was not the right way to handle this situation. They should have made her suffer in jail for life and live with the constant reminder that she killed two innocent people.

Freddy Holman-Undeclared
Karla Faye Tucker should have spent the rest of her life in jail everyday knowing she was a murderer instead of being executed and not having to deal with the crime she committed. Even though she was on death row for 12 years that still is nothing compared to growing old in jail and still knowing your a murderer.

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**CAREER FAIR APRIL 14th**

**MARCH/APRIL 1998 ON-CAMPUS RECRUITMENT CALENDAR**

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1. Come to Career Development located in Morehead Hall, Room 337 and register.
2. Have your resume completed...REMEMBER have your resume critiqued by our office BEFORE you submit it.
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Heather Feeney
Women’s Swimming
Freshman Freestyler

Heather Feeney is this week’s athlete of the week for her performance vs. Stonybrook that helped boost the MSU Women’s Swim Team to a 8-6 record with one more regular season meet to go.

Feeney the MSU school record holder in the 1650 yard freestyle, placed in three events against Stonybrook. She was first in the 1000 yard freestyle, second in the 500 yard freestyle, and third in the 200 yard freestyle.

“Heather should continue to ‘re-set’ her distance records in the next three years here,” said Head Men and Women Swimming Coach Brian McLaughlin. “She is a tremendous worker.”

Feeney started swimming at the age of six. Her father was putting in a pool in the backyard and demanded that all of the members would have to learn how to swim before they could go near the pool. So her mother took her to swim lessons and a career was born.

By her early teens Feeney was swimming in the physically and mentally grueling distance events for the Bergen Barracudas Swim Club, a team which she would swim on throughout her high school years.

Arriving on campus last fall, Feeney said that she was welcomed with open arms by the veteran members on the team. “Everyone made feel real comfortable when I got her,” said a smiling Feeney. “Katie Seitz one of the captains of our team, has been a tremendous help to me all season. I can come to Katie any time no matter what the situation.”

With the Metro Championships coming shortly I asked Feeney how I thought the team would do and how she would do as an individual:

“I think we’ll be competitive in the championships. College of New Jersey and Rowan are going to be a real challenge, but we’ll do our best. Personally, I just want to do the best I can. We’ll see what happens from there.”

Feeney’s best swimming should be ahead of her in the years to come. She already holds one MSU distance record. With three years left, it’s going to be exciting to watch just how good she becomes.
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Kate Seitz has been through it all for the MSU Women’s Swim Team. Having swum in over 80 matches in her career for MSU, the senior will be competing in her final home meet this Friday vs. St. Francis.

When Seitz first arrived on campus her freshmen year the women’s team wasn’t that strong. Lacking in numbers it was difficult for the team to compete in any of the meets due to the other squads having a full team.

Over the course of her four years here things have changed. With swimmers like Seitz along with Head Coach Brian McLaughlin, the team has risen from the bottom and have become a respected and competitive team (The women’s team are currently 8-6).

A sport such as swimming is some time overlooked by people who don’t know about the sport and by people who have no idea how much work the swimmers put in.

“Coach McLaughlin runs this team like we are a Division school,” said Seitz. “We work just as hard as those schools but we do not receive athletic scholarships like they do. We do it for the love of the sport.

Along with her performance in the pool Seitz sets a great example for the younger swimmers like Heather Feeney. Talking to many of the swimmers, I was told time after time of the support that Seitz gives the younger members of team.

Seitz’s collegiate swimming career will be coming to a close in the next couple of weeks, but the time, effort, and commitment she has given to MSU Swimming will last for a long time after she is gone.

Marlena Lawrence is starting to put it together. The 6’0 center for the MSU Women’s Basketball team is playing her best basketball of the season at the most important time in the season.

In a game vs. Richard Stockton earlier in the week, Lawrence was phenomenal, scoring 27 points grabbing nine rebounds and blocking five shots. Lawrence later in the week was one of the few bright spots in a 90-62 defeat. The freshmen scored 16 points while grabbing seven rebounds.

For the season Lawrence is averaging 10.9 points a game to go long with 6.2 rebounds a game. Her 46 blocks are second in the NJAC trailing the conference leader by only 17 blocks.

I’m calling right now: By the time Lawrence leaves MSU she will be a First Team All-American.

On more of a sour note, lets talk about the MSU Men’s Basketball Team. After jumping out to 10-3 start, MSU has lost six games in-a-row; a three week drought.

Talking to a source close to the program, I was told that the team is suffering from their poor field goal percentage, MSU was out rebounded 53-43, turned the ball over 18 times, and shot 5 of 21 from the charity stripe.

MSU had two players score in double figures in the lose, junior Anthony Peeples and B.J Reilly. Peeples poured in 16 points and grabbed 12 rebounds while his teammate Griffith scored 14 points and pulled down nine rebounds.

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The Montclair State University Soccer staff will hold its Red Hawk Soccer Camp for boys and girls ages 7-12, and the “First Kixx” Camp for boy and girls ages 4-6 at Montclair State from July 13th through July 17th. For more information please call the soccer office at (973) 655-7594.

This week's Red Hawk Action

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17
MEN’S BASKETBALL VS. THE COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY* at 4 p.m.
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL VS. THE COLLEGE OF NJ* at 2 p.m.
Indoor Track at Lehigh Tri 9:00 a.m.
Wrestling at East Stroudsburg at 1:00 p.m.
MEN’S SWIMMING VS. BLOOMSBURG at 2:00 p.m.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19
Women’s Basketball at Kean University* at 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20
WRESTLING VS. USMMA at 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21
Women’s Basketball at Rutgers-Newark* at 5:30 p.m.
Men’s Basketball at Rutgers-Newark* at 7:30 p.m.
Women’s Swimming at East Stroudsburg at 7:00 p.m.

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Red Hawks win one, lose one

Women continue .500 play with win against Stockton, loss against Rowan

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

Montclair State Women’s Basketball Team evened its record at 9-9 with a 70-48 victory over Richard Stockton on Saturday down in Pomona.

The Red Hawks were led by freshmen center Marlena Lawrence an junior point guard Wykemia Kelly. Lawrence scored 27 points on 12 of 18 from the field while grabbing nine rebounds and blocking five shots.

Kelly had a fantastic all-around game scoring 11 points, leading the team with 11 rebounds, dishing out eight assists, and swiping six steals.

Richard Stockton led 17-11 at one point in the first half but their lead was short lived. Montclair went on a 20-1 run to make the score 33-22 at the half.

There was no letting up in the second when the Red Hawks outscored Richard Stockton 37-26.

Against Rowan on Tuesday, the Red Hawks would not be able to make it two in-a-row as they fell to the Profs 90-62 in Glassboro.

MSU scored the first points of the game but would never lead again as Rowan went on a 30-4 run; a run which would feature 15 Red Hawk turnovers.

MSU went into the half down 46-23 already have committed 19 turnovers.

In the second MSU held their own, scoring 39 points in the half while Rowan scored 44. MSU shot 43% during the half but shot only 61% from the free-throw line.

MSU had three players score in double figures in the game; freshmen Center Marlena Lawrence scored 16 points and grabbed nine rebounds while sophmore swingman Felicia Ingram and freshmen Ayesha Burney scored 10 and 11 points, respectively.

With the lose, the Red Hawk’s record drops to 9-10.

Men’s volleyball competitive in defeat

Club team’s inexperience proves to be their Achilles Heel

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

On Saturday the Men’s CLUB Volleyball Team traveled to Seton Hall for quad match vs. Rowan University, Wilkes University, and Seton Hall University.

The team was competitive in all three matches with junior Brian Stahly leading the way with kill after kill.

The 6’0 outside hitter, arguably the best player, on the floor time and time again used his outstanding vertical leap to score key points in each of three matches.

“ Inexperience is our problem at the moment,” said Head Coach/Player Michael Doktor. “ With each game our team is going to get better. This team is going to be awesome in the future.”

Assistant Coach Henry Martinez shared Doktor’s opinion: “ Inexperience is what is hurting us right now. The lack of communication on the court is a prime example of that. But overall I’m pleased. We got a good group of guys whose best volleyball playing days are ahead of them.”

Middle hitter Mike Duarte, outside hitters Chris Ackerman and Roy Kariakin, along with Jose Ortis and setter Eric Been were all cited by Doktor.

“These guys did a great job for us, said Doktor. “ They played hard throughout the whole match and showed to those in attendance that they can play the game of volleyball. We got a great squad.”

The team’s next match will be at Drew University on Sunday February the 8th at 1:00 p.m.