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Staff Writer

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The Board of Trustees authorized the university’s administration to organize a task force to review MSU’s eligibility and its effectiveness in Division I action.

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News from the outside world
(compiled from cnn.com by Carolyn Velchik)

International

Clinton meets with African leader

DAKAR, Senegal — After being greeted by thousands of people cheering and dancing in the street Wednesday, President Clinton met with Senegalese President Abdou Diouf, praising the West African nation for its leadership in regional peacekeeping.

Abdoulaye Wade, Senegal’s main opposition politician, added some political spice to Clinton’s two-day visit by saying he would boycott a reception thrown by Diouf to avoid giving a false impression of national unity.

Diouf wants everyone to see photos of the two of us smiling with Clinton to give the impression all is well in Senegal. I will not attend the reception,” said Wade, leader of Senegal’s Democratic Party (PDS), who recently quit Diouf’s government.

While Clinton did not comment on the protest, he did state that his main task was to thank Diouf for his past support for international peacekeeping operations, recognize its history of elected presidents and work on the African Crisis Response Initiative, a U.S. program of training African military forces for peacekeeping operations.

Cyclone hits New Zealand

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — Only a few days after cyclone Yali swept across New Zealand, high wind and rain again wreaked havoc across the country on Wednesday. The capital Wellington was battered by gusts of up to 130 km/h (80 mph), bringing misery to the general public. Commuters and pedestrians had to cope with canceled ferries as strong winds buffeted the harborside. The strong winds also forced some airliners to abort their landing approaches to the capital’s airport.

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National

Jones’ lawsuit against Clinton thrown out

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Less than two months before a trial date, a federal judge Wednesday threw out Paula Jones’ sexual harassment lawsuit against President Bill Clinton.

In a 40-page ruling, Judge Susan Webber Wright (Profile of Webber Wright) granted Clinton’s motion for summary judgment, saying Jones’ allegations fell “far short” of what was required under the law to support her claim of “outrage.”

“The plaintiff’s allegations fall short of the rigorous standards for establishing a claim of outrage under Arkansas law and the court therefore grants the president’s motion for summary judgment on this claim,” Wright wrote in her opinion.

The lawsuit had been scheduled to go to trial May 27. The judge’s decision took the Jones’ legal team by surprise, and John Whitehead, one of Jones’ lawyers, said he intends to appeal the ruling.

California schools troubled by racial bans

BERKELEY, Calif. — Two of the state’s flagship universities reported sharp drops in the number of minority students they will admit this fall in the first undergraduate classes to be affected by California’s sweeping ban on racial preferences.

Proposition 209, approved in November 1996, states state and local governments cannot discriminate against or give preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color or ethnicity.

The figures released Tuesday are for admissions only. Actual enrollment, which will be much smaller, will not be known until students start responding to acceptance letters going out this week.

“We’ve got to take this seriously. Our future as a university and the future of the state of California is at stake,” Berkeley Chancellor Robert Berdahl said.

Senate Finance Committee to improve IRS

WASHINGTON — The Senate Finance Committee has unanimously approved legislation aimed at making the Internal Revenue Service more “taxpayer friendly.”

By a 20-0 vote Tuesday evening, the panel endorsed making far-reaching changes at the IRS and extending dozens of new rights to taxpayers. A vote by the full Senate is expected in late April after another round of hearings focusing on IRS problems.

Questions? Comments? E-mail The Montclarion Montclarion@saturn.montclair.edu
Admission standards for Fall 98 semester go up

Out of 6,000 applicants for the fall only 1,200 freshmen will get in

By Nicole Ditrani
Staff Writer

Despite the rising expectations for incoming freshman at MSU, the admissions department is making sure that it is doing all it can to make the application process as painless as possible.

"Here at MSU, we are trying to keep the applications fairly simple and as straightforward as possible," remarked Allen Buechler, Director of Admissions.

The straightforward approach seems to be working. Since Montclair achieved University status in 1994, the number of applications has increased along with its standards. The 1998 fall freshman class will have average SAT scores of 1100 combined and be in the top 20 percent of their graduating class, which is up four percent from previous years. Buechler emphasized that applicants must maintain a mixture of courses throughout their high school careers. This mixture is apparent in the required courses for entry which include, four years of English, two of history, three of math, two of laboratory science, two of the same foreign language, and three electives in any of the given subjects.

The Admissions Department is also looking for students who not only are established in academics, but in extracurricular activities as well.

"When a student has been involved in activities such as music programs, athletics, debate teams or worked on the school newspaper, it helps us in assessing how this student will contribute to the MSU community," added Buechler.

MSU has received 6,000 applicants for the fall out of which 1,200 will be accepted to make up the 1998 freshman class. They are looking for students who can not only benefit from what MSU has to offer, but have something to offer the campus. As a result of the rise in applications and standards, Buechler points out that this year the "competition is especially keen" among applicants.

Whitman attends arena's opening

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Next, Governor Whitman prepared to cut an ice ribbon with a chisel and gold hammer. Hall teased Whitman as she was about to begin. "This is the dangerous part", Hall said with a slight chuckle. A thunder of applause erupted after Whitman severed the frozen ribbon with little effort. After receiving a commemorative Fordy Hall hockey shirt, Whitman busied about shaking people's hands. Many of these individuals showed up at 11 a.m. for guided tours of Fordy Hall, free souvenirs, and indoor food banquets. Girded by a ring of plainclothes troopers, Whitman then proceeded inside to watch a figure skating show by the Skating Association For The Blind and Handicapped which Starbuck narrated. Whitman smiled and applauded after each juvenile performed before the routine President Waters, who sat only two seats from Whitman, also saw the spectacle. Whitman left in the middle of the show at 1:15 p.m. for a brief inspection of Fordy Hall's second floor. Upon arrival, Whitman was greeted by a bevy of photographers and well-wishers. Whitman had her hands full posing for pictures with adults and children. A little while later, Whitman slowly descended the stairs with her security detail. She waved good-bye before leaving around 1:30 p.m. With over 200 people in her presence, there was little time for political discussion of any kind, other than her skating life.

"I used to go skating from time to time, but I haven't been doing much of that lately," Whitman said as she walked out of the Fordy Hall Lobby.

No one is sleeping here

The Ratt is now the late night spot at MSU. The Ratt and the game room, located in the Student Center, have extended hours on Wednesdays and Fridays to 1 a.m.

According to Valerie Winslow, Assistant Director of Student Activities, residential students who attended resident hall dialogue meetings, moderated by former President, Irvin Reid, stated that there was nothing to do on campus after classes, especially on Friday nights. So, Campus Life Administrators were charged with the responsibility to respond to the requests of students to extend Student Center hours two nights a week. The theme of the late night entertainment is After Hours Wednesdays or Fridays, depending on the day.

The SGA, The Office of Student Activities and The Student Center have collaborated to design and manage after hours events. Representatives from MSU's Auxiliary Service Office have lent their efforts, making sure the game room and coffee bar remain open to students.

Boot Strap Theory, Effluent, and the Robert Oakes Band have performed in the Ratt. Also, every Wednesday night, the Possible Side Effects Comedy Troupe fills the Ratt with laughter from the huge crowd that leaves standing room only. Don't forget the free movie nights on Wednesday nights. Other events include casino night, Mardi Gras night, comedy shows and hypnotists, to make the after hours program enjoyable.

Ideas and suggestions from students are welcome, says Winslow. Information on after hours events are posted in residence halls and in the Student Center Lobby every Tuesday and Thursday.

We are pleased to report the positive feedback we have gotten from the students who come out to enjoy the after hours events. The Student Activities staff, including GAS Greg Brown and Michelle McCroy, are working diligently to publicize events so that more students will come out and have fun, says Winslow.
**Beyond MSU**

**Five dead after ambush in Arkansas middle school**

Two boys armed with rifles and dressed in camouflage clothing opened fire on scores of students at a small Arkansas middle school, killing 4 girls and a teacher and injuring 11 other people, police said.

Thirteen girls, a boy and two female teachers were hit by a storm of bullets outside the Westside Middle School, in a quiet rural area just west of Jonesboro, Arkansas, shortly after midday on Tuesday.

The four dead students were Natalie Brooks, Paige Ann Herring, Stephanie Johnson, all 12 years old, and Brittany Varner, who was 11 years old. Teacher, Ms. Shannon Wright, died on Tuesday night after surgery for wounds to her chest and abdomen. Another teacher, Ms. Sara Thetford, was in a critical condition after surgery.

Five wounded girls were listed in stable condition. Three girls and one boy were treated and released. State police said a 12th person was injured but was not treated at the hospital. They did not have any more details.

Police arrested two boys ages 11 and 13. They were both believed to be students at the school and were heavily armed with rifles and pistols, dressed in camouflage-pattern shirts and hats.

Police said the suspects were hiding between trees and “ambushed” their victims as teachers led students outside after a false fire alarm was deliberately set off inside the school by a third child working with the two killers. A spokesperson for the Arkansas State Police, Mr. Wayne Jordan, said the two boys opened fire from a wooded area about 100 meters away at about 12:40 p.m. They were caught as they tried to escape and were being questioned by police investigators but had so far said little.

It was not immediately clear what the boys’ motives were, although local reports said they may have been recently disciplined by school teachers. One student at the school said he knew one of the boys and that he had previously said he would carry out an attack.

Police did not have any more details.

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**Conservation Club denied promotion to Class I status**

The SGA believes that the group needs more responsibility

**By Leigh White**

Staff Writer

The Student Government Association voted against moving the Conservation Club from a Class II to a Class I organization on Wednesday, March 25, 1998.

In the past, the club did not discuss programming and budgeting with the executive board members of the SGA said Karen Cardell, President of the SGA. Some of the legislators of the SGA feel the club needs to become more responsible by maintaining programming as a Class I organization.

“Their activities do not represent a large amount of students,” said John Grifffen, President Pro Tempore of SGA. If the Conservation Club would have been granted Class I status they would have added new programming to their agenda. One of the new ideas that would have been implemented was to place nest boxes throughout the campus.

“Building nest boxes would help to improve species. It is more positive to have a greater number of species than less. It makes for a healthy ecosystem,” said Elizabeth Carrozza, Vice President of the Conservation Club.

Other activities would have included trips such as camping, fishing, and canoeing to enhance environmental education to students.

In the Spring of 1996, the club was knocked down from a Class I to a Class II organization. There was no foresight of programming for the following year, earth week was not a big production, membership was low, and hikes were not well attended said John Brost, Attorney General of SGA.

Class I organizations receive an annual budget which enables clubs to provide programming a lower cost to students. The organizations with Class I status have more money to advertise thereby reaching more students.

Class II organizations are appropriated $750 per semester plus a matching fund of $3,500 per year. The time involved in the process of receiving funds for events leaves little time for advertising said Carrozza. Part of the process includes a bill which needs to be authored by a legislator of the SGA and passage of the bill by a 2/3 majority vote of the SGA legislature.

Currently the Conservation Club has 21 members. Some of the activities organized by the club on campus in the last six months included campus cleanup, hawk watch, fall color tree walk, and reptile presentations.

The mission of the Conservation Club is: “to foster environmental awareness and stewardship in the Montclair State University student body through education, action, and relevant social activities.”

“If we can attract more students the organization on campus will thrive,” said Chris Massotto, President of the Conservation Club.

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**Tuition increase being considered**

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**NSU Police Report**

Compiled by the MSU Dept. of Safety and Security

3/25/98

**SUSPICIOUS PERSON**

Female employee reports a male hanging around the hallways in Chapin Hall. Officers responded. The male left prior to their arrival.

**MEDICAL**

Nurse requests an ambulance at the Health Center. A male tripped in a doorway in the maintenance building injuring his hand, elbow, and leg. Victim was transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

Female Webster Hall resident suffers from fever and itching caused by hives. Victim is transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

**ASSAULT**

Officers respond to the Blanton Hall cafeteria on the report of a fight. Upon arrival male victim reported being punched by another male who he confronted for reportedly disrespecting his girlfriend. Victim suffered a facial cut and was treated by a friend's father who is a doctor.

**THEFT**

Officer responds to the arena on a report of a male juvenile with difficulty breathing. Victim was given oxygen at the scene and then transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Female returned to her parked car in lot 19 and discovered the driver side mirror broken.

**THEFT**

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"The leaks are very serious because the water in Room 209 runs right above an empty clock outlet," explained Bachelor of Fine Arts student Charlene Collins Haug. She is also the Co-Director of Gallery 3 1/2 and will be graduating in May.

When a new addition was put on to the existing building the leakage problems started, where the two portions of the building join. Rooms 208 and 209 appear to suffer the worst from this new addition: they are located under the faulty portion of the roof. According to Charlene, "there is water leaking everyday in the gallery. Also, in Room 209, water is soaked around a fluorescent lighting fixture. When it's been raining, there's no way to avoid turning on a light without stepping in a puddle." This is an art history classroom; they often show slides during the course of the day and the lights have to be turned off and on repeatedly.

"It is a constant problem, this brown, rusty water that runs along the same route as classroom lighting. People say you can hear sizzling sounds. The leaks are a major problem, an accident waiting to happen," she added.

Charlene also tells of one incident in which someone was badly injured, suffering from a fall due to the slippery floor in one of the rooms. "There is the same situation in the hallways with wading puddles. I feel like the dangers are not taken seriously," she remarked.

"I have sent paperwork, work orders, and letters directly to Kiki Williams[the head of the maintenance dept.] as well as her boss, only to have them returned," Charlene explains. "They need to bump it up on the priority list. We don't hold up well visually with other schools' art buildings. I have visited other schools and they have much nicer facilities. I feel that they are losing money. They should think about the bottom line, when a potential MSU student sees this building for the first time, I know I would say, maybe not here," she concluded.

Consequently, this consistent problem not only remains ignored, but still presents a potential threat to Calcia Hall students and staff. The question of safety remains unanswered. Whether it be through wet electrical wiring, slippery floors, or even possible debris falling from the ceiling; clearly the building harvests numerous potential hazards that can strike unsuspectingly.

While these problems are a result of the building's poor, overall structure, the cleaning up of, monitoring of, and attention to these problems is the job of the maintenance department. Their response, thus far, has been minor and infrequent, with little if any action taken to improve the current situation concerning the leaks.

A large section next to the ceiling tiles in front of Room 208 (Gallery 3 1/2) is missing, leaving a large gap exposed. One piece of the intact ceiling tile is broken off between Room 208 and 209, and another ceiling tile is missing above the entrance to Room 209. Many of the intact ceiling tiles in this area have brownish stains, and appear to be in the process of peeling. The water that is soaking these tiles is causing the damage. While ceiling tiles are easy and inexpensive to replace, this raises the question concerning the purpose of their continual replacement. Money and time, two important resources, are being wasted to replace something that will have to be quickly replaced again, while the larger problem of the roof remains unchecked.

A wall in Gallery 3 1/2 now holds artwork, where previously, the wall had to be left vacant because of the leaks. Furthermore, the Fire Exit door of the Calcia Photo Lab is only temporarily fixed, the metal bar now removed. It is the only door in the room that leads directly outside, in the case of a fire. It does however, take significant force to open it.

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**MSU Police Report**

**Property Damage**

Officer reports a car was damaged when the gate arm to lot 4 came down prematurely. The roof was scratched.

**Theft**

Construction Company reports dimensional lumber and a broadhead bow missing from the job site at Yogi Berra Stadium.

**MEDICAL**

Male Stockton State College team member injured his elbow while playing soccer on Sprague Field. Victim was transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

**Theft**

F/S member reports someone forced open a cabinet in a 3rd floor room in Richardson Hall and stole two scales.

**Criminal Mischief**

F/S member reports the door lock and door to the 29 Club! Stop in at our main office in Totowa (see below), or at our branch office at University Heights, 1102 Administration Complex, 30 Bergen Street, Newark.

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**SGA e-board campaigns underway**

**Elections**

SGA Attorney General Lauren Jacoby. The race for president will feature SGA Attorney General John Brost, against SGA legislator Anton Wheeler. Also on the ballot are SGA President Pro-Tem, John Griffin, who is running unopposed for vice-president, legislator Dave Pizzi running unopposed for secretary and legislator Kenyatta Montgomery running unopposed for treasurer.

According to Jacoby, students do not have to vote for the lone candidates in uncontested elections, voting booths will feature slots where other candidates, not on the ballot, can be written in. Voters will also be asked to give their votes on nine referendum questions that are on the ballot this year. In order for the vote on these questions to take effect however, the SGA will need a total of 20 percent of the undergraduate population to have voted. That is approximately 2000 votes, according to Jacoby. Jacoby said the low number of candidates this year presents a problem for the SGA.

"I’m afraid that since there aren’t that many people running not many people will vote and the referendum questions will not get passed. People will see one person and think that they will win anyway so they don’t have to vote," said Jacoby.

Brost also commented on the low number of candidates this year.

"I think a lot of it has to do with apathy among the students in terms of how they see the SGA. They don’t see the SGA as a force to get anything done and so they don’t see any real need to be a part of this," said Brost.

The end result may be a damaging effect on the organization according to the presidential candidate.

"I think it really hurts our credibility, it makes it into a tyranny of sorts because students really do not have a choice in the matter and many will not realize that they can write-in other candidates than the ones on the ballot," he said.

Candidates are currently underway in their campaigns, which will include an SGA debate in the Student Center quad today at noon, and will continue to campaign until the polls close next Tuesday. However, candidates are restricted in what they can during their campaign.

"Candidates are not allowed to go door to door in the dorms, and they cannot make boards to advertise, but they can make fliers which they can hold out to potential voters," said Jacoby. Also candidates will not be allowed near the polls at election time.

The elections begin this Saturday in Dickson Hall at 8 a.m., and voting will wrap up on Tuesday, April 7. The winners will be announced at Wednesday’s SGA meeting at 4 p.m. in room 411 of the Student Center. See page 8-9 for all candidate profiles, election rules and poll places and hours, and page 23 for this year’s Montclarion candidate endorsements.

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options and consider the pros and cons of such a move," said Gera.

A decision to move will be reached upon evaluation of cost and when a new college President is hired and is able to review the options, according to Gera.

Baseball and softball would be the first two teams to compete at a Division I level for the university. A decision to move other sports would need the approval by the Board of Trustees and cooperation by the NCAA. Depending on how well both programs do would also increase the chances of other sports making the jump.

"The idea is to improve both teams while at the same time not take away from other sports. I see it as an advantage for everyone," said Gera.

If both programs were to enter Division I, many steps would follow in building more productive and successful teams.

The addition of scholarships, which is not offered to any athletes at a Division II or III level would greatly improve both programs. Scholarships would help a recruiting process that has mainly been localized at this level. Scholarships would broaden the scope for athletes regionally and nationally, said Gera.

It is uncertain what conference the Red Hawks would compete in. The task force along with the NCAA would decide the best position for both teams and the league. A balance would have to be reached where the baseball and softball teams could excel and compete at this level, Gera said.

"Right now Montclair has a pure athlete, and financial aid is the only form of aid, if the student qualifies, available to an athlete," said Gera.

"Scholarships would play an important role in attracting better students and athletes. In Division L coaches are able to get finer picks because of monetary value. Money would send the best student who can play excellent ball to this university," said baseball coach Norm Schoenig. "The whole idea with scholarships is getting the top freshman who can make an impact right away."

Pitching would be the key. An outstanding athlete that is lured away by money to Division I schools will not need the developing process an athlete in Division III will need, remarked Schoenig.

Another key for the Red Hawks induction to Division I is the addition of a $10 million stadium funded by Floyd Hall Enterprises and N.J. Education. Yogi Berra Stadium, scheduled to open June 5 for the minor league expansion team, will also serve as the Red Hawks new home field.

Division I can also improve an athlete's chances of getting the proper exposure by scouts possibly and efficiently lead to being drafted. Talented players would have the facilities to be evaluated more easily and better by scouts at this level. These athletes would face a stronger and more talented pitching staff.

"They would be a more known quantity (athletes) than an unknown quantity by sending them against the top schools in the nation," said Schoenig.

Division I status would also benefit the university in more ways then one. Competing at this level would attract more publicity and gain higher recognition for the school, said Gera.

The university's academics would prosper from the move. "Seton Hall Law School had more applicants during the school's final four appearance in basketball as a direct response to their success that year," said Gera.

Not everyone is as enthusiastic about the possible decision to move divisions. Red Hawks softball coach, Anita Kubicka has some concerns about the student athlete.

"I am concerned about receiving support, the traveling, an increasing population at the university and the student athlete's education," said Kubicka.

"The lady Red Hawks are a pretty competitive team without scholarships," said Kubicka.

Both baseball and softball coaches feel that the Red Hawks can compete at the next level. Each team has proven they can compete in their division by their records in the past. Last year the baseball team finished in second place in the NJAC and the softball team was the NJAC champs and played in the World Series where they finished as the second best team in their division.
Candidates for President

John Brost
Major: Political Science
Year: Junior
GPA: 3.7

Experience
• SGA Attorney General
• SGA legislator, 2 years
• University President Search Committee member
• Vice-President and Treasurer, Theta Xi Fraternity
• Greek Life section co-editor, La Campana
• Chair, SGA Government and Administration Committee
• Chair, SGA Academic Affairs Committee
• Member of Appropriations Committee, Welfare and Internal Affairs Committee, and External Affairs Committee
• Student Center Building Manager
• Montclarion staff member

Goals
I want to make our SGA the best and most effective student government in the country.

Anton Wheeler
Major: Sociology
Year: Junior
GPA: 2.5

Experience
• Member of the President's Committee on Affirmative Action
• African American Studies Committee
• University President Search Committee member
• SGA legislator
• SGA Judiciary branch justice
• Chair, SGA Welfare and Internal Affairs Committee

Goals
I want to schedule programming to help end the “suitcase college” dilemma we're experiencing here at MSU.

Candidate for Vice-President

John Griffin
Major: History
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 2.97

Experience
• SGA legislator, 2 years
• President Pro Tempore, 1 year
• Chair, SGA Constitutional Review Committee
• Eagle Scout
• 14 years in the Grange
• Chair, SGA Space Allocation Committee
• Member, Food Services Committee
• Member, University Planning Committee

Goals
The job of Vice-President includes four major duties. First is to run the SGA meetings. I have done this on several occasions and am familiar with the workings of the meetings. Second is the overseeing of the SGA committees. Over the past two years I have sat on almost every standing committee and also been chairperson of the Constitutional Review committee and Space Allocation Committee. I am very comfortable with my ability to run and oversee these types of meetings. Next is to be the central point of assistance for SGA organization. I again feel that I have often proven myself in this capacity. Lastly, the final duty of the VP is to act as a representative of the undergraduate student body and university as a whole. With an overwhelming sense of dedication and school spirit I feel I can fulfill this final duty.

Election Info

The elections start this Saturday. You will be able to vote in Dickson Hall, Blanton Hall and in the Student Center at various times between 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 4 and 10 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7. Any undergraduate Montclair State University student can vote once, and must present their MSU I-card, or some other form of picture identification upon voting. The results of the election will be tallied by the Student Government Association and announced at their weekly meeting on Wednesday, April 8th in room 411 of the Student Center. See what candidates The Montclarion is endorsing on page 23.
**Candidate for Secretary**

David Pizzi

Major: Psychology  
Year: Sophomore  
GPA: 3.1

**Experience**
- SGA Legislator, 1 year
- SGA Residence Life Chairperson
- Floor supervisor, Gap of Willowbrook Mall

**Goals**

"As secretary, the two most important things I have in mind for the MSU campus are more activities and events and improved publicity of these events on campus. In addition, I would work as a team with my counterparts in office in order to achieve ultimate success for the student body of MSU." In order to prepare for the position, "I have worked hand in hand with the current active secretary at SGA meetings and I have served as acting secretary at one SGA meeting."

"I would work as a team with my counterparts... in order to achieve ultimate success for the student body."

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**Candidate for Treasurer**

Kenyatta Montgomery

Major: Psychology  
Year: Senior  
GPA: 2.5

**Experience**
- SGA legislator
- SGA Judicial branch justice
- President, Organization of Students for African Unity
- President, Iota Phi Theta Fraternity
- Master of Rituals, Alpha Kappa Psi
- President, Organization of Students for African Unity
- President, Iota Phi Theta Fraternity
- SGA Elections Independent Supervisor, 1997

**Goals**

"To ensure that proper financial procedures are understood and followed."  

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**B.O.T. Alternate**

There is no candidate on the ballot for the position of Board of Trustees Alternate. However, votes may be cast for the position in the form of write-in candidates.

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**Poll Hours**

**THE 1998 SGA EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS**

Saturday, April 4  
Dickson Hall • 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Monday, April 6  
Student Center • 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Blanton Hall • 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Dickson Hall • 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Tuesday, April 7  
Dickson Hall • 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. / 8 p.m to 10 p.m.

Blanton Hall • 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
April Fool’s Day laughter is the best cure

By Peter Kofitsas
Staff Writer

The Montclarion

Thursday, April 2, 1998

When sex becomes rape:
date and acquaintance rape

By Susan Herman, Ph.D.
Special to The Montclarion

Friends and lovers play an important part in being a healthy adult and enjoying the college experience. It is also important to learn not only how to enjoy yourself, but also how to protect yourself from the problems encountered in our less than perfect world.

One of those problems is date and acquaintance rape.

Date and acquaintance rape are a form of sexual assault involving coercive sexual activities by known persons. Usually the perpetrator is a man, although both men and women can be raped. Women, however, are most often the targets of this violence. Unfortunately, survivors of this kind of rape tend not to report attacks. We know that the incidences are very high since they comprise from 50% to 75% of all reported rapes. These figures do not reflect an accurate estimate of the cases of date/acquaintance rape since less than 10% of all forms of rape are ever reported.

Date and acquaintance rape is prevalent on college campuses. One in four college women have been raped; they have been forced physically or verbally, actively or implicitly, to engage in sexual activity. Some experts believe that one explanation for such high statistics is that young people constrained for most of their lives by parents and laws are unprepared to act responsibly in a “free” environment. This “freedom” can lead to unrestrained drug and alcohol use, which then leads to sexually irresponsible acts, and then to rape.

Another theory portrays America as a rape culture. Our society dictates different traits for men and women. Women are expected to be passive, unassertive, and dependent. Similarly, men are taught to be aggressive, even intimidating.

Humor, if handled correctly, can set everyone at ease. The American Association for Therapeutic Humor says, “We know that, in general, humor aimed at oneself is well received by others. When we are the target of our own humor, others share our humor but are not threatened or injured by it. Humor aimed at situations is also generally appreciated by others, since it, too, has a target other than another person or group of people. Humor aimed at other individuals or groups may be harmful and not well received as it often is used to put down, insult, or degrade another.”

Nurse, Patty Wooten says “Humor is a quality of perception that enables us to experience joy even when faced with adversity.” She explains that we can remain healthy by using humor to protect us from the harmful stress we may face every day.

Many philosophers offer that humor is an integral component of happiness, the end of all means. Without it our lives can become bland and mundane. Laughing brings color into our human cheeks and we are often saved from emotional disaster by a good joke. Many say the world is a scary place. Facing it too seriously can cloud our perceptions of what is really important, like ourselves, our families, and our basic needs of love and happiness.

So as the fools of April blossom along with the flowers, laugh, smile, tell a joke and lighten up. Its good for the soul.

Deluca plays with minds

Professional hypnotist, Tom Deluca, entertained hundreds of students for an April Fool’s Day treat. Deluca’s technique worked on a dozen volunteers for the enjoyment of the audience. The hypnotized participants performed out-of-the-ordinary tasks such as: taking off clothes, posing like body builders, speaking gibberish and stealing each other’s shoes. The response of the audience to Deluca’s antics was overwhelming laughter. The amusing event was sponsored by C.L.U.B.

See RAPE on p. 11
Sigma Delta Phi receives recognition

By Kara L. Richardson
Feature Editor

Sigma Delta Phi prioritizes community service in their sorority. Their work has been commended by the organizations that they have made a difference in.

The sisters of Sigma Delta Phi were recognized by the New Jersey Brain Injury Association for raising $250. The money will sponsor a person to be involved in the TREK Program. TREK is a week-long program that assists people ages 20-30 with Brain Injuries. Sigma Delta Phi also sold over $300 in ads for their Annual Ad Journal.

Karen Smith, Sigma Delta Phi Philanthropy chair said “We chose this organization because one of our sister’s siblings had been in a car accident where she had received attention from the NJBIA.”

According to Smith, Sigma Delta Phi has been involved with many charitable causes this year. The sorority fundraiser for the American Heart Association. Their annual King and Queen of Hearts process raised $250 and crowned the two people who’s participation added the most generous monetary contributions. The couple was recognized at the Cotillion, the annual sorority “debutante’s ball” which introduces newly initiated sisters of the previous year.

In addition to their major philanthropies, Sigma Delta Phi has participated and contributed to events and organizations such as: food drives, phone-a-thons, Project Graduation and Project Santa. The group plans on visiting a children’s hospital on Monday, April 27.

“Greek organizations are not all about beer and parties. We play a great part on campus as well as off campus.” Smith said.

When sex becomes rape

By Elisabeth Carrozza
Staff Writer

ECO-TIPS

“An Eco-Tips Sing Along”

up
And we have been witness
To the rape of the world
Mother of us all, place of our birth
How can we stand aside and watch the rape of the world?

If you look you’ll see it with your own eyes
If you listen you will hear her cries
If you care, you will stand and testify
And stop the rape of the world
Stop the rape of the world

Mother of us all
Mother of us all
Mother of us all
Mother of us all

Eco-Tips is sponsored by the Conservation Club, a Class II Organization of the SGA.

As always, all are welcome to attend:
Earth Day Committee meetings
Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in Cafeteria C.
and Conservation Club general meetings
Thursdays at 4 p.m. in the Commuter Student Lounge.

See RAPE on p. 13
Ten thousand eyes
are on me,
shouting Casey,
go all the way.
First base,
second base,
third base.
Make your
move today.
Do it, Casey,
do it.
Score,
mighty Casey,
score.
But I just don't
get it.
Is that what
girls are for?

If you don't talk with your kids about sex, who will? Be sure to start
an honest, open dialogue with them at an early age. Call for a free booklet that can help
you discuss all kinds of tough issues like sex, AIDS and violence.

Imaginations run wild. Talk with your child.
Call 1-800-Child-44.
RAPE, cont. from p. 11

not want sex. Sometimes men interpret passivity as permission.

3. Alcohol or drugs may disable you or your partner to make clear choices about sex.

Many times women or men who have been date or acquaintance raped do not view the assault as a rape. They may experience some or all of the symptoms of rape trauma stemming from the violation of the body and the betrayal of a friend, but still may not consider the incident rape.

Some symptoms of rape trauma are:

- Sleep disturbances
- Eating pattern disturbances
- Mood swings
- Feelings of humiliation and self blame
- Nightmares
- Anger
- Fear of Sex
- Difficulty trusting others.

Often, especially in a college situation, the rape survivor and the attacker live near each other or may see each other every day. This can be particularly stressful to the survivor because the rape may be perceived as a conquest or "just a mistake." Bystanders and friends of both people may not view the incident as the rape it is and consequently will not lend the survivor the support they need. Friends of the survivor may misinterpret the incident and feel that somehow the rape was deserved or that the survivor "asked for it" by wearing sexy clothing or by getting drunk. Some people may belittle the survivor's traumatic experience saying things such as "She liked the guy anyway, so what's the big deal?" Some say, these attitudes that blame the survivor are embedded in our culture and help to perpetuate violence against women and sexual violence such as date and acquaintance rape. The important thing to remember is that if there are feelings of violation, if a person's lifestyle and self-esteem are negatively affected by the incident, or the survivors believe they have been raped, then it is rape.

Date and acquaintance rape is not only a women's issue. Men must be actively aware of this issue, as they can help minimize rape by educating themselves and others. Lovers, neighbors, co-workers, dates and classmates—all these all can be perpetrators of date and acquaintance rape. In order for this to be minimized, men (and women) must stop "blaming the victim" and start taking responsibility for their own actions.

There are many groups on campus designed to help rape survivors, give referrals, and talk about concerns. They are all confidential.

Psychological Services ——655-5211.
Health and Wellness Center—655-4361.
Women's Center ——655-5114.
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Dean of Students ——655-4118.

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Rainie Richardson
Features Editor

1. Dust off your Picnic and your friends in an open field.
2. Wear a flowered hat and with a loved one in your hand, watch the stars.
3. Take a hike.
4. Pick dandelions and other wild flowers and give them to your spring fings!
5. Pet spring flowers in your gardens or buy a house plant for your room.
6. Make a kite and take a nap.
7. Fill a basket with sandwiches and other munchies and have a picnic.
8. Grab a sketch pad and draw a newly blooming flower.
9. Take an early morning drive to the shore for a sunrise breakfast.
10. Lace your skis for in-line skates.
11. Tie-dye a T-shirt outside.
12. Pick dandelions and other wild flowers and give them to your spring fings!
13. Pet spring flowers in your gardens or buy a house plant for your room.
14. Sit up for softball league or play catch.
15. Go barefoot in a park or field.
16. Spring clean, maybe you’ll find your long lost remote.
17. Open all the windows and air out your home.
18. Fire up the grill and host a BBQ.
19. Go fly a kite!
20. Go fishing in the early morning.

By Jennifer Walkup and Heather Langan

Staff Writers

It looks like spring has finally sprung and I’m sure I’m not the only one ready to enjoy the good weather. I hope you all got a chance to check out Garrett Mountain Park from last week’s issue! Here are a few more spring and summer hot spots you’re bound to love!

Leisure in the Park

Verona Park is a beautiful place with tons of things to do. It has all the great aspects of every other park, plus a few of its own. The park is equipped with a full playground, tennis courts and a softball field as well as a 1/2 mile track around a beautiful lake. There is a cafe in the center of the park where you can get all your favorite snacks or even lunch. There are plenty of picnic areas as well as big open areas where you can sun bathe or just relax on a blanket where no one will bother you or get in your way! You are allowed to fish in the lake, just be careful not to get in the way of all the roller-bladers, runners and bikers! They also allow you to rent paddle boats to take out in the water at very good prices! Verona Park also hosts a wide variety of events throughout the spring and summer. They hold many flea markets and craft shows (great shopping deals!), as well as some short plays. For those of you who missed the "Shakespeare in the Park" performances last summer, be sure to check them out this year! You can get an update of the events at the park in either the Star Ledger or the Verona-Cedar Grove Times.

Direction to Verona Park from campus:

Take Normal Ave. exit, make a left. Make a right onto Valley, take this all the way to Bloomfield Ave. Make a right onto Bloomfield, and follow that down a few miles, where you will see the park's entrance on your left. (approx. 10 minutes from campus)

Not just for Kids

Now, some of you may be skeptical or think this plan is a little corny, but no doubt if you try it you'll have a great time! The Turtleback Zoo is open now for the season! Hours are 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. daily and it's so cheap! It's only $2 for adults and 2 bucks for kids! The Turtleback isn't the biggest zoo around, but it's enough to keep you entertained, bewildered and connected with nature. The zoo is a great time and has plenty to do. You can eat, play and enjoy the sights all day! How long has it been since you have been to the zoo? It's not just for kids! It's for everyone!

Direction to Turtle Back Zoo from campus:

Address: 560 Northfield Ave., West Orange 731-5800

Exit Normal Ave. exit. Make a left. Make a right onto Valley Rd. Take this out to Bloomfield Ave. Make a left onto Bloomfield. Follow this down to Mount Prospect (Exxon on corner), make a left on Mount Prospect. Stay on Mount Prospect until the end and make a right onto Northfield Ave. Follow Northfield for about a mile and the zoo is on your left. (approx. 20 minutes from campus)

Greatest Stuff on Earth

When I think summer, I think ice cream. Anyone else agree? Applegate Farms in Upper Montclair has some of the best homemade ice cream around. They feature over 20 flavors of ice cream, as well as a few frozen yogurt choices, all made right there, homemade and delicious! My personal recommendation is the strawberry cheesecake—it's to die for! Hours are 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Prices range from $2.56 depending on what size cone or sundae you order. Am I making you hungry? Head on over there today!

Directions to Applegate Farms from campus:

Address: 16 Grove Street, Upper Montclair 744-5900

Exit Normal Ave. exit. Make a left. Make a right onto Valley, then make a left at the first light. Make a right onto Grove St., take a few blocks and Applegate Farms will be on your left. (approx. 5 minutes from campus)
New law bans alcohol advertisements from college publications

By Sam Kusic

College Press Service

A new Pennsylvania law, designed to help curb underage and excessive drinking, has left college newspaper staffs across the state claiming they’ve been hung out to dry.

The law, approved last year and commonly known as Act 199, bans alcohol advertisements from “any booklet, program, book, yearbook, magazine, newspaper, periodical, brochure, circular or other similar publication published by, for or on behalf of any educational institution.” The law also prohibits ads—drink specials and happy-hour invitations included—announcing the availability of alcohol.

Violators face a $50 to $1,000 fine and could have their liquor licenses suspended or revoked.

Many college editors say the law infringes on free speech. Adding insult to injury, they say, is the loss of precious advertising revenue, which is often one of the biggest sources of income for many school papers. The Pennsylvania Newspaper Publisher’s Association is on their side. The group has come up with its own proposal to kill the new law and is looking for a legislator to sponsor it, said John Feichtel, the association’s media law counsel.

If the law isn’t changed, some student editors say they fear it will lead to more editorial restrictions.

“This is just a start,” said Robert Morrison, editor-in-chief of Bloomsburg University’s “The Voice.” “What else will they take away?”

Some proponents dismiss arguments that the law violates First Amendment rights.

“I think the concerns of young people outweigh that right,” said state Rep. Terry Van Horne, who quickly pointed to recent student deaths at Pennsylvania State University and Indiana University at Pennsylvania to bolster his view.

Far more certain is the law’s effect on many student papers’ budgets, student editors say. This year’s financial reports reveal that school papers statewide have taken hits. The “California Times” of California University of Pennsylvania, for example, stands to lose between $600 and $800 each semester, said Editor Nicole Dulin.

“It’s not an overwhelming loss, but it’s significant,” she said. “The whole law is ridiculous. It simply shouldn’t exist.”

Pennsylvania State University’s “Daily Collegian” thought it had found a way around the law when it published a list of bars, happy-hour times and drink specials and offered it as a free service to readers and local bar owners.

The paper displayed the information in a column called the “Over 21 Scene” that lasted only three weeks. Pennsylvania Liquor Control Enforcement officers gave verbal warnings to owners who had contributed information to the column. Officers did not, however, contact the paper, Editor Megan Donley said.

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**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

Got an event going on? Send it to *The Montclarion* so we can put it in the Campus Calendar!

**USED BOOK & MUSIC SALE**

NEW & USED BOOKS & LPs

- **LAST DAYS**
  - 1/2 Price Days
  - **APRIL 2, 3, 9:30-9**
  - $5/Bag Day
  - **SAT, APRIL 4, 9:30 - 6**

College Women’s Club of Montclair
26 Park St. Lower Level 783-7040
Stars of the Shanghai Acrobatic Theater perform feats of wonder

By J.R. Oakes
Staff Writer

On Saturday night, I had the pleasure of attending The Stars of the Shanghai Chinese Acrobatic Circus in Memorial Auditorium. This show was filled with a dazzling array of acrobatic feats that would have seemed impossible to me, had I not seen them performed right before my eyes.

The show opened with several male acrobats twirling and jumping through hoops that were stacked vertically on stage. These hoops seemed to be no bigger than the circumference of their bodies. Yet they were able, with a running start, to fly through them, doing a series of somersaults. The circles were stacked one on top of the other; the highest was about nine feet above the stage.

There was a juggler who was able to balance a 20 lb. ceramic bowl from his head to his feet without using his hands. I thought they would definitely need a clear space by fitting herself into a long, cylindrical barrel that appeared to be no larger than her head. She was able to fit her entire body into this small space. I was anxious to see how she was going to get out. Of course, she was able to get out with ease.

The show also had a series of intense balancing acts. Each one was flawlessly performed. One of the acrobats balanced 21 wooden benches, that totaled 210 lbs., on his head. To verify this weight, they called upon an audience member to try to lift it. The volunteer was unable to move the benches even an inch from the stage.

There was a woman who was able to balance about 12 small glasses on three tiers of glass trays upon her forehead. She started with one large stemmed glass and then four of the other acrobats helped her build this glass structure piece by piece. I was wondering when they were going to stop bringing her more glasses to balance. Just when I thought that no more could be added, these skilled acrobats took the act to the next level.

There was an 11-year-old acrobat that was able to balance about 7 bowls on her head while she was standing and doing tricks on another acrobat’s shoulders. Another acrobat was able to ride a unicycle as she stacked bowls from her feet to her head. She stacked about 10 bowls on her head without dropping one of them.

Another act involved an acrobat who balanced herself on top of a multiple layer of chairs. She almost reached the stage lights! As with the other performers, after this acrobat took her act to the extreme, I wondered how she would get out of it. It was as exciting to see her get down from that stack of chairs as it was to see her climb up on them.

The acrobats performed with only a small pad on the ground to break their fall if something went wrong. There was little room for error, which made the acts that much more intense.

The master of ceremonies for the performance explained that in China, being an acrobat is like being a football player in America. Parents try to get their kids involved in the art at an early age. There are special acrobatic schools in China that accept only the best of the best, who travel around the country, competing with one another. The very best travel the globe to display the art of Chinese acrobatics for all the world to see.

Many of the large cities in China have their own teams of acrobats that travel around the country, competing with one another. The very best travel the globe to display the art of Chinese acrobatics for all the world to see.
I've come to the conclusion that soaps are like nicotine, you just can't put the remote down. For those of you who like me, you've realized you have a problem and want to fix it—STOP READING MY COLUMN!!! But for those of you who just can't live without me, my column, read on!

One Life to Live: Blair pretends to be Kelly in order to steal Kelly's inheritance from Ian. Todd and Blair come to an agreement about Star. Todd asks Tea to be Kelly in order to steal Kelly's inheritance. Jason rushed Robin and thank God. Tony showed up before Helena, which his father overhears.

General Hospital: Although Robin's condition worsened without her medication, Tony refused to bring her to the hospital. Jason went to Tony's, found Robin and Michael and said a prayer thanking God. Tony showed up before he could get them out and threatened Jason with a rifle. The two struggled and Jason got the gun and smashed Tony's hand with it. Jason rushed Robin and Michael to the hospital and left his men to guard Tony. Luckily makes a deal with Helena, which his father overhears.

Port Charles: Matt shot Bobby, but the danger is not gone. Grace expresses her sympathy for him. With Frank out of the way, Lark is up to the same tricks. Lucy's anti-stress for-to guard Tony. Lucky makes a deal with Frank and decides to fold up the company. When Salvatore, Matt's father, almost attacks Ellen, Matt pulls a gun on his dad. Jake finds out "Chloe's" real identity. Chris makes a deal with Bennett to find the lab data in exchange for the Quartermaine scholarship.

All My Children: Hayley got excited when Mateo squeezed her hand and Jake tried to tell her that that is not necessarily a sign of anything. Brooke finally realized that Edmund's in serious danger after finding out Judy is dead. Bianca went to the eating disorder clinic. Travis gave Erica joint custody of Bianca. Jim makes Edmund call Brooke to tell her he's fine, but Brooke picks up on subtle hints to the contrary. Kelsey overhears Scott reveal to Kevin that he likes her and was caught off guard by her admission of love for him.

The Young and the Restless: Neil accidentally overheard Dru and Olivia arguing and confronted Olivia for answers. Keith decided to take a different approach with Tricia to avoid losing her completely. Sharon moved in with her mother since Nick left home. Jack went to the ranch and found Nikki on the floor unconscious and Josh dead upstairs. Jack called Victor; he and Diane rush home to New York City and told her about Rick. Thorne came in and the two brothers got into a huge argument about Thomas and how Thorne kept the child's paternity a secret. Grant and Macy interrupted Rush's plans for their wedding vows. Hal blamed Nikki when he found Carly's pregnancy test. At the carnival Jack and Margo chased down a drug dealer as Deena tried to tear-open the case on Kristen's death. Olivia attempts suicide.

Another World: Jake and Gary broke into Grant's house to search for evidence. Grant noticed that someone had gone through his stuff and suspected Joe. Vicky went to Lila and offered her Shane's estate if she drops the lawsuit against Jack. Etta Mae tries to give Vicky some hope concerning the situation with Jake.

Days of Our Lives: Abe decided to tear-open the case on Kristen's death. He suspects that Laura is involved. Hearing this, Kristen is happy that they don't suspect her. Edmund has some suspicions of his own. Although Maya agrees to help Susan escape, a man tells them to be cautious because Susan is being watched. Franco decided to assist Sami with her "New Faces" campaign and convinces Nicole to be their model.

As The World Turns: Barbara decided to divorce John who got hysterical at the news. Lily lost the lawsuit with David. Molly thinks David was the one behind the expensive gifts so she made love to him. Sam and Kirk finally renewed their wedding vows. Hal blamed Nikki when he found Carly's pregnancy test. At the carnival Jack and Margo chased down a drug dealer as Deena tried to make an exchange.

Guiding Light: The Reva-clone is now a teenager and realizes that she's not normal. Josh opts to tell her the truth and explain to her about Reva. He promised to stop the growth medicine once she is fully grown and to let her be free to make her own choices. Michael told Cassie the truth but she found it too hard to believe. Beth is having trouble bringing herself to help Harley get Carl. Reva tries to find out who's on the island with her.

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“Visions on Three Continents” gives viewers a glimpse of culture

By Kris LaGreca
Staff Writer

right now, until June 1, the Global Education Center will be displaying the wonderful photography of Professor Ron Hollander. This collection of photography is entitled “Visions on Three Continents.”

The Global Education center may sound unfamiliar to you, and with good reason. It is one of MSU’s newer offices located on Normal Ave, directly across from the main entrance. This University-owned house is the new center for international resources, and for the next two months, the photography of Ron Hollander.

You may be surprised to find a photography gallery in any office, but one visit to the Global Education Center will change your mind. Hollander’s photos fit perfectly within the offices. His photos also welcome people to visit the places in his work, as well as, to explore the new center.

Professor Ron Hollander is the coordinator of the Journalism Program here at MSU. His 27 years of experience as a reporter and photojournalist give him the expertise to tell a story through photography. Hollander’s attention to detail allows viewers to imagine and visualize what it’s like to live in such a different culture.

On the lighter side, “Looking for me?” and “Crowd at Sunset” capture the childhood of Ron Hollander on Three Continents.

Ron Hollander’s photograph of a bicyclist waiting for a train to pass in Inner Mongolia is just one of his photos on display at the Global Education Center.
"The Man In The Iron Mask" appeals to audiences

By Francia DiMaso
Staff Writer

What is the most appealing aspect of "The Man In The Iron Mask"? Well, I say, and many people will agree with me, it's the impressively talented cast. After all, not only does Leonardo DiCaprio have dual roles, but we also get a chance to enjoy performances by such great actors as John Malkovich, Jeremy Irons, Gerard Depardieu, and Gabriel Byrne.

Written and directed by Randall Wallace, who wrote the screenplay for "Braveheart," the movie is based on the novel by Alexandre Dumas. It's the story of how the aging musketeers, Aramis (Irons), Athos (Malkovich), Porthos (Depardieu), and d'Artagnan (Byrne) struggle with the world and with each other when it comes to replacing Louis XIV of France (DiCaprio).

Aramis has become a priest and is still struggling with himself, his past, and his new position in life. But so are the other musketeers. Athos has a grown son and it seems that he's devoting his entire life to him and nothing else. Porthos, who's still full of life, and wants to enjoy his food, his wine, and his women, is having trouble doing so as he's trying to cope with his old age. d'Artagnan is the only one who is still a full-time musketeer, specifically, he's the captain of the king's guards but doesn't seem to be enjoying any minute of it.

Part of the problem is that they're not completely satisfied with King Louis XIV. He's a young, spoiled king that takes advantage of everyone. He always has a different woman, and feeds his people rotten food. Everyone seems to be annoyed and thoroughly disgusted with the king but they are afraid to say or do anything.

When the king, however, takes an interest in Christine (Judith Godreche) the fiancée of Raoul (Peter Sarsgaard), Athos' son, the last straw was broken. As clever and manipulative as the king is, he sends Raoul off to battle where he is killed. The chance the musketeers have been waiting for begins to fall into place. Aramis' plan to overthrow the king is agreed upon by everyone except d'Artagnan, who wants to remain loyal to Louis XIV. So much for, "One for all, and all for one!"

After Aramis, Athos, and Porthos have gone to the Bastille and freed the mysterious prisoner the real action begins. The prisoner happens to be Philippe, the king's own twin brother who's been locked up for six years in an iron mask. When Philippe comes out of the mask the movie takes off.

The first half of the movie is kind of slow and it takes a while to get into the story and to follow the plot. Perhaps because there are too many main characters, it seems as if as if there are many things happening at once which is, of course, the case. Honestly, though, the movie does get more entertaining when DiCaprio switches to his role as Philippe.

All the actors give strong enough performances. Leonardo DiCaprio is great as Louis XIV, though he doesn't really have regal bearing. I feel his performance as the submissive and tormented Philippe is what really stands out, because it suits him more, especially in those scenes where he has to look troubled and sad and emotions have to fly. Jeremy Irons is quite convincing as a priest, though he doesn't really look like one. He fits his role well, and the best thing about his performance is his use of words, and I believe his English accent has a lot to do with it. Gerard Depardieu fits perfectly into his role as the funny man. But at times his sense of humor does get annoying, especially, when we have to see his unattractive behind.

John Malkovich has lost a son, and

Soundtrack meets Great Expectations

By Gabrielle Wild
Assistant Arts Editor

Every once in a while a really great soundtrack comes out. Well, looks like it is every once in a while again. The soundtrack for the movie "Great Expectations" is simply great! It's so great, that they had to title the soundtrack Great Expectations — The Album.

The Album consists of sixteen tracks, four of which do not appear in the film. Great Expectations features well-known artists such as Tori Amos, Pulp, Duncan Sheik, The Verve Pipe, and The Grateful Dead. It also treats us to debuts from new solo artists, Chris Cornell and Scott Weiland.

The album begins with an instrumental by Tori Amos and then erupts into her spellbinding song "Siren." This romantic and intriguing track really sets the tone for the rest of the album.

My fears were laid to rest when I heard "Sunshower." Unfortunately, Soundgarden may be dead, but Chris

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4. Michel - Brujeria
5. Joe Veras - Faltando Tu Amor

1. Gang Starr - Work
2. Cam'ron - 357/Pull It
3. Cocoa Brovas - Black Trumpi
4. Cappadonna - Run
5. All City - The Actual
Arts

Show, the band that the rest of the members of STP put together. I was also psyched to see that Verve Pipe has contributed a track to this album. "Her Ornament" is one of those tunes that makes you just want to get up and jump around like there’s no tomorrow. I especially liked the lines “I just want to be her exploitation and abbreviation.”

"Walk This Earth Alone" by Lauren Christy reminds me of a Tori Amos song. It has that same mysticism to it and her gentle voice glides along the smooth rhythm.

"Breakable" is one of my favorite tracks on this album. Fisher has definitely come up with one of those songs that you can’t help but look into. With lyrics like “everytime you throw him to the floor/why are you surprised to see/ he’s breakable,” how can you not? Also, if you listen closely enough, Fisher sounds like Natalie Merchant.

The Album also chooses to grace us with old, yet, unforgettable tracks, such as Iggy Pop’s “Success” and The Grateful Dead’s “Uncle John’s Band.”

"Slave" by David Garza is more like a poem set to music. Although, it does have this island rhythm to it. It kind of makes you want to get up and limbo. Or maybe I’ve just been drinking too many Bahama Mamas lately.

I highly recommend picking up this album, even if you didn’t see the movie (like me). It’s well worth it. After all, with sixteen tracks, that’s like a dollar for each track, or seventy-five cents if you get it on sale. You just can’t beat that!

What’s Going On?

Thursday, April 2

MSU’s International Film Festival continues w/ "Kofya" @ Sprague Library, rm. 30, 4:30pm - 6:30pm

"Partition, Exit, and Memory" w/ readings and performances by MSU faculty @ Dickson Hall, rm. 178, 9:30am - 5pm

Art Forum Lecture w/ Lois Johnson & Patricia Smith, book artists & printmakers @ Calcia Hall, rm. 135, 3pm - 4:30pm

Friday, April 3

Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Co. in “Aide Memoire” @ Memorial Auditorium, 8pm

Saturday, April 4

Go see "Blithedale: A Virtual Opera" @ the HERE Arts Center in SoHo, 8pm

Sunday, April 5

Go see Mr. Slotzman in "An Afternoon of Clarinet & Strings" w/ a pre-concert by MSU’s Jack Sacher @ NJPAC in Newark, 2pm, for tickets call: 973-746-6068

Monday, April 6

Go see a "Tribute to the Nicholas Brothers" @ Carnegie Hall, 8pm; more info? 312-247-7800

Tuesday, April 7

Tune into 90.3 WSMC-FM for El Sonido Tropical w/ DJ Orlando Ruiz from 7pm to 9pm, x4256

Wednesday, April 8

CC1 presents Ska-Mania — Battle of the Bands @ the RUT, 7:30pm

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Montclair State University is currently trying to improve on a variety of levels. If you have strolled through campus, you have undoubtedly seen the renovation of buildings. New athletic programs are sprouting up while the Baseball and Softball teams are making plans to move up to Division I. In the midst of all these alterations that might draw more students to our campus, one might wonder what the university is doing to improve the school in terms of what goes on inside the classroom.

Since MSU achieved university status, the number of applicants has sharply risen. The increased number of potential students is allowing the Admissions Department to raise the standards for the incoming freshman. In an interview with Nicole Ditrani of The Montclarion, Director of Admissions Allen Buechler said, “The 1998 fall freshman class will have an average SAT scores of 1100 combined and be in the top 20 percent of their graduating class, which is up four percent from previous years.” Also, applicants will be required to have successfully completed a number of core classes in high school, a tough counterpart of MSU’s General Education Requirement (GER).

Outside the classroom, the Admissions Department will be seeking students with a record of involvement in extracurricular activities. If MSU could pull in more students with a history of on-campus involvement, perhaps the university could kick start the sometimes drowsy student body.

For the freshman class of 1998, there are 6,000 applicants. Of these graduating seniors, MSU will be selecting 1,200. As the number of applicants goes up, the Admissions Department is taking liberty in being more selective. This will ultimately equal a much better university.

As the degree of prestige ascends for Montclair State, all of our degrees will be worth more. Even people who have graduated will be able to say that they went to MSU and it will mean something special because people will know that MSU is an institution of merit. There are only positives for those of us who are already here.

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As for the future, a better student body will allow the campus to further advance. As MSU gains respect in the state, more New Jersey students will aspire to come here. MSU could continue to raise its standards until it reaches a level of excellence that puts it on par with such reputable state school as Rutgers University and The College of New Jersey (formerly Trenton State College).

Better students would also lead to other important improvements. MSU could build on its research and academic programs while attracting more quality professors and administrators.

There is no down side to MSU raising its admission standards. It is in the best interest of the university to strive to achieve the best students available. As MSU marches forward, the university is headed in the right direction.
Vote in this year’s SGA elections; say “No” to the E-Board getting your money

In a few days, you will be invited to take place in the election on the Student Government Association Executive Board and the Board of Trustees Alternate. This is a crucial time for the student body where every student has the right to cast his or her votes for the future of our university. Unfortunately, fewer students each year are taking advantage of the opportunity that MSU grants them. Last year, a meager 900 or so students turned out to the polls to determine this year’s E-Board. The voter turnout was so low, in fact, that there were not enough votes to enable the SGA to correct spelling errors in its Constitution. The way things are shaping up right now, it appears that this year’s election might have the potential to break last year’s mark of student apathy.

Why is it that such a minute portion of the student body cares about the running of the SGA? For one thing, there really aren’t any races that have the potential to arouse the interest of the campus community. There are five people running for the five elected positions. Every position, with the exception of president, has a candidate who is running unopposed and there is nobody on the official ballot for the Board of Trustees Student Representative. The lack of quality candidates has inspired a few individuals to join the race as write-in candidates, such as Tim Casey for Board Of Trustees Student Representative. It is a truly sad state of affairs when there such a lack of individuals who want to step up and lead the student body. Such a predicament means that a thoroughly unqualified candidate might fall into a position of great importance simply because he or she took the time to fill out the petition and complete the application packet.

This wouldn’t be the first time some one slipped into a high ranking position without beating another candidate to win. Two years ago, Amy Fisher won the vice presidential election unopposed. Amidst a hail of controversy, she became the SGA president when Julio Mercado was impeached. This time of flux lead to a lot of uncertainty on the quality of the job that Fisher could do as she was tossed into a new position with hardly any warning at all. Fortunately for Fisher, she was able to organize the one of the biggest student movements in recent MSU history as she orchestrated the “Strike the Hike” rally. Although Fisher was ultimately successful as a president, it would have been better if she first gained the confidence of the students by winning a real election. This year, only one of the candidates will have to win an election with someone else listed at the polls. As a result, the credibility of the E-Board has the potential to be severely diminished. The last thing that the SGA needs right now is to lose any more credibility.

Not only does an election without candidates hurt the SGA in the eyes of the students, but it also sends a bad message to the administration. The point of an incorporated SGA is to function as a completely independent student-run unit. If hardly any students are willing to step up and lead the SGA, the administration might get the idea that apathy is the only thing running our student body. If more people don’t become involved in the SGA, it might not be there much longer.

Now that I have talked about one of the reasons that students don’t use their votes, I would like to give you a reason that you should vote in this election. Every year, a number of referendum questions are present in the voting booths. One of the functions of these questions is to determine the “official” opinion of the student body. This is the method by which the SGA finds out what the majority of the students think about particular issues. If at least 20% of the student body doesn’t turn up to vote, the opinion cannot be considered official.

This year, there will be a question concerning whether or not the E-Board should be paid for their services to the student body. The question, which is slightly difficult to understand because it is vague and technical, mention asks if the the E-Board should receive “a subsidy, and/or stipend, and/or renumeration, and/or pay, to cover the cost of tuition. It is absolutely imperative that students turn out to vote against this proposition. If the E-Board members were to receive payment for the work they do, it would set a ripple effect in motion where every one with any connection to a position of importance would demand payment for their work. To put it simply, it might start with the E-Board, then it might get extended to the E-Boards of the Class I organizations, then the SGA legislators, etc. Who knows when or if it would ever stop. Fortunately for you, the SGA is giving you the opportunity to try and stop this downward spiral into nonsense before it even gets started.

This referendum question poses a costly threat to the student body of MSU. Even if the student body were up to or who is in charge of it, you should at least be concerned with where your money is going. You should want to get the most out of your education dollar. Giving money to people who are doing what has long been strictly a volunteer position does not make any sense. Keep in mind, the SGA is giving you a chance to let them know how you feel about this. What are you going to do about it? Are you going to let them get away with this, or are you going to stand up for yourself and our campus community?

Students often complain about the lack of programming on campus. The groups in charge of arranging and executing this programming often complain that they are underfunded. The Conservation Club recently failed in their bid to become a Class I organization and a number of the legislators who voted them down cited a lack of funds as a major factor. In reality, the Conservation Club was looking for roughly the same amount of money for an entire year to program for the whole campus and work to make MSU more beautiful as the four E-Board members would make per semester.

If you are concerned about the state of the SGA, consider what it would be like if students decided to run for the position for the money, rather than the opportunity to serve such a wide variety of students. You might argue that the E-Board could make the money it needs by having the SGA convince students to participate in the SGA, and that I think that is the problem in itself. Money should never be the determining factor in a person’s decision to become a student leader.

Although this referendum question does not have the power to change any of the statutes, it will be used in determining whether or not the statutes should be changed. If the student body takes a strong stand against the SGA abusing power and taking money that isn’t rightfully theirs, the student body stands a chance to strike a blow for justice while showing the SGA that students are active in the way the SGA operates.

I sincerely hope that students will take it upon themselves to go out and vote in this year’s election. Even though the election itself might seem like the ultimate exercise in futility, it really does matter whether or not you get out there and let your vote speak for itself. Most importantly, the referendum questions really do have a direct impact on you. If for no other reason, get out there and let the SGA know that you disagree with any theory that concerns them using your money to pay themselves.
The Senator

By Justin Buffer
Editorial Columnist

Gun control is not the answer

I find it so ironic that the people who religiously preach gun control are often the same people who speak of getting to the “root causes of crime” and being “compassionate” toward criminals. These are the exact people to blame for the crimes. Instead of advocating the punishment of people who use guns to commit crimes to send the message that using a gun for reasons other than defending oneself will not be tolerated and punishing them for portraying a bad image for law abiding citizens trying to protect themselves, they attack gun stores and gun manufacturers. Crimes like these are the result of the degradation of our culture. Rap lyrics about killing cops make it to the top of the charts; disgusting, violent and sexually explicit material is available on the Internet; movies about organized crime are glorified. People are becoming desensitized to murder because it is part of almost every movie that they see. Studies overwhelmingly show that the evidence of the productive connection between popular culture’s violence and violent behavior is overwhelming. Why don’t these anti-gun activists speak of these true “root causes”? Finally, I would like to touch on the Second Amendment to our Constitution, which reads, “A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” Although no Supreme Court decision has been strictly based on this Constitutional right, gun control laws are clearly a violation of our rights and an invasion of our privacy. When confronted with this, gun control activists say, “That was written two hundred years ago, times have changed.” What has changed? That people are more prone now to kill and commit crimes all is that has changed, and as I said before, that is the fault of the culture. Guns are not at fault here. People who are armed make unattractive victims and gun control shifts the equation in favor of the criminal. The answer to crimes like the one in Arkansas is stricter punishment for crimes committed with guns and the ban of indecent material into our culture. I will end with a quote from a true American hero, Thomas Paine. “Arms discourage and keep invader and plunderer in awe, and preserve order in the world as well as property. Horrid mischief would ensue were the law-abiding deprived of the use of them.”

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...

Tim Casey announces his candidacy for BOT Rep

Dear Fellow Students,

My name is Timothy Casey and I am running as a write-in candidate for the position of Student Trustee, also known as the Board of Trustees Alternate. I am doing so because I wish to continue my service to the students of Montclair State University. I also intend to remind the Board Of Trustees of their responsibilities to the students while helping to restructure their priorities so that the students come first.

First, I would like to give you a brief background explaining who I am. Currently, I am a junior and I have two more years left at MSU. I am a fine arts major (with a concentration in photography) and I have a journalism minor. I am an on-campus resident in Stone Hall. I am from Long Valley, NJ and I am an Eagle Scout. I would especially like to talk about some of my experiences that I feel will help me as the Student Trustee. First and foremost, I am the Editor-In-Chief of The Montclarion. During my time as the Editor-In-Chief, I have always made sure that all students of this campus were represented. If you have attended any of the events of campus over the past two years, ranging from sports to flag raisings to gallery openings, you have probably seen me there with my camera in hand. It is because of my experiences while attending so many of MSU’s happenings that I feel I am qualified for this position.

I have been a member of Theta Xi Fraternity for the past two and a half years. As a brother, I held an Executive Board position and I have been the Rush Chairman. As a person involved in the higher workings of Theta Xi, I have first-hand knowledge concerning on issues to cover a wide range of organizations.

Last summer, I served as an OWL for the Sew Student Orientation. As an OWL, I came into contact with a great number of new students and faculty members. I thoroughly enjoyed my time as an OWL and I am still striving to extend what I learned in that role as I listen to the needs of the campus at large while covering its various activities and events.

I encourage you to write me in on your ballot because I feel that I am running for all the right reasons. I am not doing this because I want to help myself get into law school. I don’t have any personal agendas to push. I am merely an art student who cares about his university. If you elect me as your Student Representative, I can tell you one thing for sure. I will make some noise at the BOT meeting to make sure that students see results, not promises.

Sincerely,
Timothy M. Casey
BOT Student Representative Candidate
And The Montclarion endorses...

President

Anton Wheeler

The staff of The Montclarion felt that Anton Wheeler is the best candidate for president. He is running uncontested, but is a splendid person to do the job. As a legislator, he is assisting the current secretary in his duties. Dave will be able to hit the ground running after election because of his initiative to learn the job responsibilities early on. Dave is in touch with the needs of the students and SGA through his affiliation with Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and serving as a legislator. If he and his running mates are elected, the SGA can work together for the first time in a while.

Secretary

David Pizzi

It was not difficult to endorse Dave Pizzi for secretary. He is running uncontested, but is a splendid person to do the job. As a legislator, he is assisting the current secretary in his duties. Dave will be able to hit the ground running after election because of his initiative to learn the job responsibilities early on. Dave is in touch with the needs of the students and SGA through his affiliation with Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and serving as a legislator. If he and his running mates are elected, the SGA can work together for the first time in a while.

Vice-President

John Griffin

The staff of The Montclarion felt that John Griffin is the best candidate for vice-president. It isn't any surprise that there were no other students interested in the position, being that John is so qualified. John has served two years as a legislator, and represented the legislature as President-Pro-Tempore, a position comparable to speaker of the house. John has served as chair of various committees, giving him experience of running meetings. Many times this year he has sat in for the vice-president. He has been the most visible legislator, authoring many bills this year.

Treasurer

No Endorsement

The staff of The Montclarion chose not to endorse a candidate for the position of SGA Treasurer because we felt we did not have enough knowledge to make an educated decision. Kenyatta Montgomery, the lone candidate, failed to attend The Montclarion’s SGA Candidate debate and interview session without notice after he confirmed.

Here are the SGA Election Poll hours:

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The Student Government Association, Incorporated of Montclair State University in conjunction with ArtCarved College Jewelry, will be awarding six $500 scholarships. These scholarship grants will be awarded to current undergraduates for the 1997-8 academic year. The SGA is a corporation run entirely by students. The scholarship fund is one of the many projects the SGA has undertaken to reward student leadership and to enhance student life at Montclair State University.

In order to qualify for this scholarship, you must meet the following criteria:

1. GPA of 2.7 or higher
2. At least 42 credits completed by January 1998
3. Currently having a Sophomore or Junior status
4. Demonstrated leadership within a SGA affiliated organizations and/or legislature.
5. Shown involvement in the above criteria

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by John J. O’Sullivan

He used to be a copruse.

I apologize that I have not been around to write for the past two weeks or so, but it was nothing that I could really control. I wasn’t lazy, overworked, burdened with class work, or drunk. Rather, I was...well...dead.

Yeah, I came back from the dead a couple of days ago. It was a cool trip, but like taking a cold shower, it’s something that I would not want to do for quite some time.

At any rate, I’ll tell you my story. It’s pretty long, so sit back, relax, and read. If you have a hard time following, feel free to look at the Helpful Pictorial Aid™, since a picture is always a good thing.

Well, I was at a sensitivity workshop, since I have been getting a lot of flak lately since I have been promoting class work, or drunk. Rather, I was...well...dead. So essentially, I was really annoyed while I was dying, but is soon ended. I started to float in the air, which was incredibly cool. I was doing flips, I pretended that I was swimming. I was talking to birdsman it was really cool. Things only got better as I progressed onward to the afterlife.

Eventually, I stopped floating and I ended up in a trendy-looking city. It was like Boston, but there were no bums, and all of the people were exceedingly cool. I was walking around in my ethereal turban and jeans, scoping the place out. There were video arcades on every corner, stocked with my favourite games: Ms. Pac Man, Donkey Kong, APB, Mortal Kombat, and so forth. If you name it, they had it.

Oh, and the best part—all the ice cream you can eat. Granted, free ice cream is great no matter where you are, but it’s even better in the Afterlife because you don’t gain a pound! You weigh nothing as it is, so how could you possibly gain weight! I thought, “Yay, no more stomach crunches! This is AWESOME!”

Ice-cream sundaes for eternity are grand, but as any good coffee addict knows, the hunger pangs for joe supersede everything. However dead and bodiless I may have been, the caffeine addiction doesn’t care. It was screaming, “SATE ME! SATE ME! COFFEE! COFFEEEEEEEEE!” It is really embarrassing walking around having an addiction scream loudly from your stomach.

I tried my best to find a coffee purchasing centre immediately. I looked on every corner for a Starbucks, a Dunkin Donuts, a pretentious little Greenwich Village bagel place where mortors wearing berets read bad poetry, a crack™ dealer-ANYTHING—but I was not victorious. I would have eaten freeze-dried instant coffee if it was in front of me, but there wasn’t any of that to be found either.

I was in dire straits (the condition, not the rock band). Don’t get me wrong, everything was great, but without coffee, it made everything else meaningless. I started shaking and sweating (which was hard to do, considering I had no physical body). I ran around like a dog on smack™ looking everywhere, but there were no beans to come across.

And then it hit me: “THIS ISN’T COOL! THIS IS HELL!”

Hello. Welcome to my own personal hell. Maybe I shouldn’t have made fun of everyone. Maybe I should have never tortured my little sister during my developing years. Crap. This really sucked.

I needed a beer. I went to a nearby bar, suling in my infernal realization. I went up to the bar and asked the bartender for a pint of Guinness™. He just looked at me strange. “Guinness? Never heard of it,” he said.

“Well, what do you have on tap,” I said.

“Welp, we have Coors Light, Milwaukee’s Best, Olympia, and Natural Light,” he said.

“I’m out of here,” I said.

“Have a nice day,” he said.

OK, I had to escape. There was NO way that I was spending eternity in a place that has no coffee and only serves crap beer.

I needed a plan. And then it hit me.

Actually, a falling anvil hit me in the head since in hell™ it only rains anvils. This was good though, because it knocked me right back to Clifton, NJ, USA, Earth, which does have coffee and good beer. The only problem was the fact that I was without body, and mine was probably buried under six feet of dirt by now. What to do, what to do.

And then it hit me. (This time it was an idea, not an anvil.)

I saw an old Swedish man walking a yap-yap dog. I remember reading books about demon possession, and how demons would leap into bodies in order to do their dirty work.

Since I was a resident of hell™, I qualified as a demon. I leapt into his body and kicked her dog across the street (I always wanted to punt one of those annoying animals) and tried to find the nearest cemetery. The main problem was this: Jorge didn’t speak English, which meant that I didn’t either. I tried saying simple phrases like “I love Spam,” or “I have a pen­cil. Can I see your pencil,” but it came out in

Aries (March 21 to April 19) If something is bothering you, scream loudly and take hostages.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) Those seeking to make a change, whether career-wise or otherwise, take this into mind: change takes effort. Instead, just hide and relax. Now, doesn’t that feel better? See, I thought so.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20) You will receive this valuable suggestion from a friend: Marinating before cooking chicken makes the meat juicy, moist, and flavourful.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22) You will be excited about a new moneymaking proposition: Pyramid scam Avon distribution!

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22) One of my roommates, Thomas E. Tascinelli, offers you this sage advice: “It ain’t no thing but a chicken wing, and a chicken is just a bird. EeeEeeEeeEeAmEeEeRsRrrrgh! It’s da Whiffet! Whiffet good!”

Virgo (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Your inability to see your fortune last week will cause your undoing.

Your lucky numbers are 43, 6, 2, 8, and 12.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Money owed to you is paid back this week. See, paying off the Mafia will handle your money, and it did pay off!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Getting some unfinished projects out of the way will allow you to make room for new projects.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to January 19) You don’t make the progress you thought you would in your home renovations. This is probably due to the fatal circular saw cut that you received while you were cutting a two-by-four. Whoops!

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Try to sidestep a quarrel with a discontented relative this weekend...because he’ll kick your ass.

Pisces (Feb. 19 to March 20) Home life is rewarding over the weekend when you plant your very own crack™ plants. I have mine growing, and the crack™ is just starting to bloom. Crack™: It’s just not for breakfast anymore.

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Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) It’s a delightful week for travel and the enjoyment of leisure. It’s also a good week to get drunk...but then again, EVERY week is good to get drunk.

"Wow, Heaven is really cool! I can eat all of the ice cream I want!" 

"I don't see anywhere to buy coffee. There has to be some coffee up here somewhere!"

"Wait... THIS ISN'T COOL! THIS IS HELL! AAGGGHHH! I WANT COFFEE! AAAAAAGGH!"

Possessing the body of an old Swedish man named Jorge, John goes to his grave to pick up his body.
Lazarus ain’t got nothing on me.

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Swedish. How could I ask for directions sounding like the Swedish Chef? Crap. Luckily for me/Jorge (and for brevity’s sake) I stumbled upon a cemetery, and amazingly enough (wow) it was where I was buried. My Swedish container walked around the cemetery until I found my freshly covered grave. Some dim-witted grave digger left his shovel behind (irony) so I...err... Jorge picked it up and began to dig up my grave site—and the coffin was there! He uncovered it, and opened it up. My body was in it. Yay! My soul jumped out of Jorge, and jumped into my old English speaking container. I got up, brushed off the dirt, and spit out some embalming fluid that was in my mouth. Jorge, who was Jorge once again said something that I didn’t understand, and fainted. I carried Jorge out of the ditch, wrote “just kidding” under my name on the grave stone, and left Jorge propped up under a nearby tree. I kicked it again.

I went home to take a shower because embalming can just make you feel so skeevy afterwards. I disrobed and looked into the mirror... “Damn I look good,” I said. “Even after death I look...er...”

Word of the day:
ap-a-thy (n.) 1. An intense feeling opposite that of outrage, often experienced by faculty members and homophobes. To read more about peoples with apathy, see page XX.
Classifieds...  

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Men's rugby plays first official game

Young team loses two, but gains valuable experience

By Nicholas P. Clunn

The MSU Men's Rugby Club traveled to Seton Hall University on Sunday, March 28 for a series of two games against Seton Hall and Columbia University. Although MSU played the Pirates last year, this was the team's first official game. The young rugby squad faced two experienced teams and lost, but gained the experience necessary to build a solid foundation for a first year team. Seton Hall defeated MSU 8-0 in the first match, and Columbia beat MSU 19-0 in the second match.

"With two games under our belt we now have a better understanding of what each player needs to do on the field," said MSU coach and player Danny Marain.

In the match against Seton Hall MSU's best opportunity came in the second half when winger, James Patterson sprinted 30 yards down the right sideline positioning MSU less than 10 yards from the tryline (the equivalent of an end zone in American football). Down in the trenches, the ball went to Marain, but he was stopped just short of the try.

After an hour rest, MSU took to the field again to face a fresh Colombia side. Although their fatigue was evident, the forwards held strong, only losing two scrums out of 15 put-ins.

"Our inexperience showed at times, but we physically overwhelmed both Columbia and Seton Hall," stated Marain.

Between the games some MSU players assisted The College of New Jersey, another new club, in their match against Seton Hall's B-side. The informal match ended in a draw, but some MSU players did not leave the field without leaving their impressions. Damian Albanese, a forward, displayed his running abilities that he rarely gets to use in his regular position.

"A tremendous effort was noted from Damian during the Trenton-Seton Hall-MSU game. Damian's relentless energy allowed him to exhibit his fine running abilities," noted Marain.

The MSU Men's Rugby Club's spring season is still young. This weekend the men's team will travel to play in the Rutgers Tournament, at Rutgers University. Coach Marain encourages those interested to try the rugby experience.

"We are always looking for players to come learn the game of Rugby," Marain said.

Those who are interested in joining the MSU Men's Rugby Club please contact Steve Redrup of Campus Recreation at 655-7443.
MSU picks up three victories in softball classic

Red Hawk pitching gives up only 2 runs in four games

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

MSU's loss 1-0 to Cortland State early Saturday afternoon would be the difference as Cortland State won the 4th Annual Montclair/Kean Softball Classic at the Quarry Field in Upper Montclair.

With three teams with 2-0 records after Friday's first round action, four teams ended Saturday at 3-1 in the tournament: MSU, Cortland, Ithaca College, NY, and Salisbury State, MD. With Cortland owning the best record (2-0) of a pool of 3-1 teams, Cortland was named the 1998 Champion. Second or third place finishers were not chosen due to a number of ties still existing following all tie-breaking procedures. MSU did, however, finish the tournament allowing the fewest runs of the 10 squads competing, allowing two in four games.

First Round
Montclair State 6, Springfield 1
Senior pitcher Sharon Ormsbee went all seven innings allowing only four hits with six strikeouts to improve her record to 7-2. Freshman Kim Caruso belted a two-run double in the third inning for the final runs in a 6-0 MSU lead. All-American catcher Jerri Acededo knocked in an RBI in the top of the first with a ground ball, and Wendy Saladino finished the game with two hits in three trips to the plate.

Montclair State 7, Chowan 0
Junior pitcher Sue McCarville surrendered only one hit to Chowan, striking out two, walking only one, while boosting her record to 4-1 on the season. MSU leading 2-0 after six innings, exploded in the tip of the seventh for five runs for the 7-0 victory. Jamie Lascik had a two-run double and an RBI single in the contest, while Acededo and Tara Wizs each had RBI singles in the seventh.

Second Round
Cortland State 1, Montclair State 0
In the loss, MSU's Sharon Ormsbee gave up six hits and struck out three, as her record fell to 7-3.

Montclair State 7, Allegheny, PA 0
Junior pitcher Sue McCarville tossed her second shutout in-a-row in the tournament, this a three-hitter. McCarville improved to 5-1 with the victory, following up yesterday's one-hit shutout. Jamie Lascik went 2-4 with an RBI, as was Wendy Saladino. All seven runs that Allegheny allowed were unearned on six errors.

Baseball defeats Cortland 14-6

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

Junior first baseman Shawn McCorkle belted his sixth home run of the season and collected three RBIs, while junior Dan Wydner drove in four runs as MSU used two six-run innings to give Cortland State University its first loss of the season, 14-6, at MSU's Pittser Field on Friday afternoon.

Cortland cut the lead to 6-4 with two runs in the seventh, but Montclair rose to the challenge with another six-run bottom-half inning, as Wydner hit a bases loaded double, clearing the bases. McCorkle followed with a home run to straightaway center field for a 12-4 lead.

MSU's dynamic freshmen middle infield featuring second baseman Craig Conway (3-4) and the shortstop Wurst (2-5), combined for five hits with Conway scoring two runs and Wurst driving in an RBI.

Softball

April 2 • Salisbury, MD (DH) 2:30 p.m.
April 5 • Scranton, PA (DH) 12 p.m.
April 7 • Rowan (DH) 3 p.m.

Baseball

April 3 • Jersey City State 3 p.m.
April 6 • Caldwell College 3:30 p.m.
April 8 • Western Conn. 3 p.m.

Men's Lacrosse
April 4 • FDU-Madison 4 p.m.
Red Hawks 2-1-1 in first week of home games

Complete 2-1-1 week by defeating Elizabethtown College 8-4; McCorkle smashes team leading 8th home run

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

Junior first baseman Shawn McCorkle, junior right fielder Brian Kermizian and senior left fielder E.J. Sebelle each hit a home run, as lefty pitcher Mike Brennan won his fourth game over Elizabethtown College of PA 8-4 at MSU's Pittser Field on Tuesday afternoon.

Trailing 4-3 in the bottom of the third inning, Kermizian hit his second home run of the season, scoring Dan Wydner who had walked. The two-run homer gave MSU a 5-4 lead, never to trail again. Kermizian’s home run extended his hitting streak to 15 games as he has hit in every game he has ever played for the Red Hawks.

Sebelle made his presence felt in the fourth with a two-run homer extending the lead to 7-4 and McCorkle smashed his team-leading eighth home run of the season, a solo shot to right in the fifth for MSU’s final run of the game.

McCorkle is now hitting .401 with a team-high 25 RBIs and a slugging percentage of .825. He finished the game 2-4 with three RBI’s as he knocked in two runs with a single in the bottom of the first to give MSU a 3-1 lead.

Brennan, whose record now stands at 4-0, went 6 1/3 innings, giving up four runs, only two earned, seven hits, with six strikeouts and only two walks.

Derik Aassan took the loss for Elizabethtown, pitched the first six innings of the game, giving up all eight runs on ten hits.

Brad Karli and Chris Romig each had two hits and a run scored for Elizabethtown in the loss.

Lombardi pinch hit home run clinches tie against Allentown; game called for darkness

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

Freshman Bart Lombardi made his first collegiate home run a memorable one.

In only his 14th at bat of the season, Lombardi came off the bench in a pinch hit appearance to hit a two-run bomb in the bottom of the ninth to give MSU a 5-5 tie against Allentown College at MSU’s Pittser Field on Monday afternoon, March 30.

The game was called in the top of the 10th inning due to darkness.

Lombardi’s home run was the icing on the cake in a fourth run ninth inning rally for Montclair, as MSU trailed 5-1 entering their final at bat of the game. Right fielder Brian Kermizian led off the ninth with a double and was followed by first baseman Shawn McCorkle who smacked his seventh home run of the season, cutting the lead to 5-3.

With two out MSU freshman second baseman Craig Conway drew a walk which gave Lombardi the opportunity to perform his heroics.

The second home run of the inning came from the arm of pitcher Steve Raysely of Coplay, PA, who came in relief of starter Stephen Strocki. Strocki pitched a magnificent 8 2/3 innings before being taken out after issuing a walk to Conway. He ended up allowing four runs on seven hits, with two runs earned. Lombardi did not give up a hit to MSU from the fifth inning through the ninth until Kermizian’s double.

McCorkle’s two RBIs in the game brought his team-leading RBI total to 22. Kermizian’s ninth inning double extended his hitting streak to 14 games, as the junior has hit safely in all 14 MSU games this season. The tie game was head coach Norm Schoenig’s seventh in 11 seasons at MSU.

McCorkle finished 2-3, while E.J. Sebelle was 2-4. Freshmen pitcher Scott Allen tossed 6 2/3 innings, giving up five hits and two runs before being taken out.

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