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Wheeler wins in 2 to 1 landslide victory

Lowest turn out in election history

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

Anton Wheeler has been elected SGA President for the 98-99 academic year by more than a 2 to 1 margin. Wheeler trounced John Brost 513-238 in the 1998 SGA elections held from April 4 to April 7. The news was officially declared on April 7 around 11 p.m. after election officials counted the votes behind the closed doors of Dickson Hall, Room 178. Nonetheless, the outcome of the presidential race became evident as early as 10:30 p.m. At that time, a group

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Construction begins officially after annex’s ground breaking

By Tom Boud
Staff Writer

MSU Interim President Greg Waters officially kicked off the construction of the Richardson Hall Annex in an open-air ceremony on April 7. Vice-President for Academic Affairs Richard Lynde, Dean of Students Helen Matusow-Ayers, Associate Dean of Students James Harris, Dean of the College of Computer Science and Mathematics Vaughn Vandegrift, and Associate Director of Architecture and Engineering Services David Yen were in attendance. Campus Police Director Philip Calitre and Lt. Paul Cell also

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Main Editorial: SGA ruins its own elections.
News from the outside world
The week in review
(compiled from cnn.com by Jerry F. Somma)

International

Peace process continues in Northern Ireland

BELFAST, Northern Ireland - Yesterday, the leader of Northern Ireland's main pro-British party slammed the recommendations in a proposed compromise settlement presented by the American chairman of the province's peace talks.

After 15 hours of talks, former Sen. George Mitchell emerged at 1 a.m. and said his draft accord would inspire "a historic few days of final negotiation" starting today.

But Ulster Unionist leader David Trimble criticized Mitchell's document as unacceptable shortly after the eight participating parties returned at midday to the negotiating venue of Stormont, the center of British Administration in Northern Ireland.

Trimble talked by phone by British Prime Minister Tony Blair, then dropped his bombshell.

He issued a statement warning that "the greater number of people in Northern Ireland" would not approve of Mitchell's plans.

Southern Sudan faces horrible famine

PAKOR, Sudan - Hundreds of thousands of South Sudanese face one of the worst famines in their history unless they receive vital crop seed and farm tools in the next few weeks, United Nations and Aid Agency officials say.

The South Sudanese, already heavily reliant on aid agencies for food because of a long-running civil war, need to prepare their land and plant this year's crops ahead of the rainy season due to begin at the end of April.

But a simmering civil war, logistic difficulties in Africa's biggest country, a lack of cooperation by the official government in Khartoum and a dire shortage of funds for the U.N.-headed Operation Lifeline Sudan (OLS) have combined to worsen the situation.

Yeltsin sacks coalition government

MOSCOW - President Boris Yeltsin wielded a big stick and offered a small carrot on Tuesday at a roundtable meeting, riling out a coalition government and urging his opponents to back his prime minister-designate.

Yeltsin sacked the old cabinet on March 23 and chose little-known energy minister Sergei Kiriyenko, who is just 35, to form a new government to inject fresh vigor into reforms.

National

Clinton to unveil plans for Social Security woes

WASHINGTON - President Clinton plans to launch a national dialogue Tuesday on the future of Social Security and how to make sure the retirement system can survive beyond the baby boom generation, the White House said.

Clinton heads to Kansas City, Mo., where he will participate in a national forum on Social Security. It is the first in a series of meetings looking into the future of the retirement system.

The future solvency of Social Security is said to be imperiled by the aging of the huge baby boom generation. When that generation leaves the workforce, it will leave behind a working-age population that is much smaller in proportion to the number of retirees than is now the case.

Currently the program takes in more in employment taxes than it puts out for retirement benefits. But that situation will shift during the retirement years of the baby boomers born between 1945 and 1960. Clinton has said that if no action is taken to shore up the trust fund it will disappear by 2029 and payroll contributions to the system will cover only 75 percent of the benefits.

More Americans going drug free

NEW YORK - Fewer American workers are testing positive for illicit drugs, and those who are have turned more to marijuana and less to cocaine, according to an industry report being released today. About 5 percent of workers tested positive for illegal substances in 1997, down from 5.8 percent in 1996, according to SmithKline Beecham's drug testing index.

Tammy Wynette dead at 55

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - She grew up picking cotton in Mississippi, worked as a beautician and sang for the people who, like her, knew about hardship and heartache.

Tammy Wynette, whose hits included the classic country ode "Stand by Your Man," died Monday at age 55 while napping at her Nashville home. The cause of her death was believed to be a blood clot, spokeswoman Evelyn Shriver said. Wynette had had a series of health problems in recent years.

"Her story is really the story of country music," said Kyle Young of the Country Music Foundation. "From humble beginnings as a hairdresser, to superstardom.

SGA News & Notes
by Jamie D. Ruffilo

What's going on with the SGA:
There is a hearing of the Board of Trustees today at 12 p.m. in room 419 in the Student Center in regards to the proposed 5% tuition increase for summer classes.

Scholarships are still available for any student who is interested. Applications are available in the SGA office.

The External Affairs Committee would like to organize a trip to see the State Senate budget hearings and a trip to see the State Assembly budget hearings.

The Korean Student's Association was granted their initial Class III charter. The Music Therapy Student Association also was granted their initial Class III charter. The Alliance of Students of Palestine were granted their appropriations for speakers to increase the awareness of the people of Palestine. The Conservation Club was also granted their appropriations for publicity for Earth Week.

Committee Meetings: Academic Affairs-Every other Tues. at 4 p.m., Appropriations-Mon. at 4 p.m., Constitutional Review-Tues. at 1 p.m., External Affairs-Mon. at 5 p.m., Government and Administration-Mon. at 4:30 p.m., Public Relations-Wed. at 3:30, Residence Life-Mon. at 2 p.m., Welfare and Internal Affairs-Thurs. at 4 p.m.

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Friends of Yogi Berra plan for museum to be a symposium for the role of sports in society

By Brian Pedersen

The organization known as the Friends of Yogi Berra have recently announced plans to build a museum within the Yogi Berra Stadium at MSU. The museum is expected to be completed around the 1st week of Sept., while the stadium itself will have its Gala Opening on June 5.

Rose Cali, as president of the organization's board and supervisor of the initial stages of the building's development, regards the museum's purpose with high expectations. "It’s an exciting and wonderful partnership between the friends of Yogi and the university. We will be developing lectures and a symposium to forge a deeper public understanding about sports and its role in society through our programming. We will be hiring a director to run the museum. Everyone who is working is a volunteer in helping the project get started," she revealed.

Built right at the entrance to the stadium, the 7200 square foot museum will offer a vast array of events and themes. A prominent part of all museum activities will include guest speakers, symposia, live programming and film showings. The museum will be open to the general public, students and school tours.

The Pre-Opening Day Gala will be an annual event that will offer appearances by former and contemporary baseball personalities, vintage radio/TV broadcasts, and a diverse amount of baseball memorabilia. Throughout the year, the museum will incorporate special themes for certain months. Several of these include a Women's Sports Month in March, New Jersey Baseball Month in June, and a Celebrating Yogi Day in May, to coincide with Yogi's birthday, according to the Friends of Yogi Berra organization.

More than a simple tribute to a baseball legend, the museum aims to combine a sports gallery with a learning center through these programs and educational forums. The exhibits and programs will be designed to attract members from various educational organizations and numbered among the multitude of 100 Richardson Hall faculty, staff, and students.

The celebration began shortly after 1:30 p.m. as Waters, who was attired in a suit and tie, strolled towards the podium. Waters profusely smiled to the audience which was gathered under an open-air tent. On arrival at the podium, Waters decided to put humor before business. "We have an open tent under a clear blue sky. That's because we actually planned for this weather. David Yen picked this day well in advance, because he knew the weather on the seventh of April was going to be so good," Waters said, as people chuckled. Waters then gave his commemorative comments.

"The Richardson Hall Annex will be a building for our biochemistry and biology students. With this new building, MSU can provide our students with the most advanced biology facility in the state. We do this in the midst of groundbreaking achievements in biology which have been turning science fiction into reality. The students who will enter this new building will gain knowledge that will bring them closer to their heart's dreams. When I think of this new building and its students, I am reminded of Chaucer's ideal model of the scholar: the Clerk of Oxford. Chaucer said of him, 'Glady would he learn, and gladly would he teach.' To all gathered here today, Carpe Diem!" Waters then turned the podium over to Dean Vandergrift.

"We need this new facility. Our space needs continue to grow. This facility will house state of the art equipment in biochemistry and molecular biology. It will have a state of the art meeting room for the exchange of scientific ideas. It'll have a greenhouse, as well as a bridge connected to Richardson Hall. I would like to convey my thanks to former President Ervin Reid and the MSU Board of Trustees who supported this project from the very beginning," Vandergrift said. After Vandergrift, undergraduate biology major Jody Dolce took to the microphone.

"The Richardson Hall Annex will have individual research labs which means more opportunities for students to work on one on with professors. There will be new labs with state of the art equipment. There will even be a lounge that will give students a place to sit and talk. Today, we are not just breaking ground for a new building. We're breaking ground for the 21st century," Dolce said.

Next, Waters, Vandergrift, Dolce, and MSU donor Margaret Sokol took up golden shovels and broke ground. Red and white ribbons shot into midair in tandem with a loud musket -like bang. Beyond the groundbreaking, Waters reminded the crowd that construction alone does not give life to MSU. "Building, no matter how impressive, is just a stack of brick and steel. Students are the electrical current that gives our university enterprise," Waters said.

Yen said the installation of the Richardson Hall Annex foundation is slated to begin in June. Yen, who is personally overseeing annex construction, said he is currently soliciting for contract bids to be submitted for the foundation. Yen stated that the facility is to be finished by fall, 1999.
Faculty lounge opens
in honor of former Dean

Humanity dept. faculty, staff and administrators dedicate lounge to Dean Cohen in Dickson Hall

By Brenda Godbolt
Staff Writer

Quick question: What comes to mind when you think of a human being comprised of endless virtues and compassion towards his fellow man? While many would resort to thinking of philanthropists, or even saintly figures such as Pope John Paul II, or the late Mother Teresa; many would fail to realize that a faculty member turned dean of this campus wore both characteristics as if they were gloves. Just ask Dr. Michael Kogan, chairperson of the Philosophy and Religion Department, and he would give you one simple name: Dean Philip S. Cohen.

Like Kogan, many faculty, staff, and administrators of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences are appreciative of the excessive support and commitment Dean Cohen exhibited throughout his career, which spanned 41 years here at MSU. So much that they have reached into their pockets in hopes of changing what is known as just an ordinary faculty lounge, into the “Dean Philip S. Cohen Lounge.”

Cohen first came to MSU in 1951 where he taught history and anthropology courses. Then, in 1972, Cohen became the Dean of the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences until the school merged with the School of Humanities in 1982. He was granted the title Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. While dean, Cohen administered the largest school on campus, a school that consisted of 13 departments and at the time had nearly 200 faculty members. He was also the chairperson of the committee who helped build Dickson Hall, and he served as a member of the MSU Foundation’s Board of Trustees.

The idea of the faculty lounge to be dedicated in Dr. Cohen’s name came about shortly after his retirement. According to Dr. Kogan, “Some us faculty members [of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences] who remembered Dr. Cohen so fondly and are his friends, we’re trying to find a way to properly honor him for his many services to our school [of Humanities and Social Sciences] and to the uni...”

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Beyond MSU

Clinton v. Jones Dismissed

by Rob Olmeda

President Clinton scored a stunning legal and political victory when a federal judge threw out all charges in the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit against him.

“It is judged that this case be, and hereby is, dismissed,” U.S. District Court Judge Susan Webber Wright said in a surprise ruling in the politically charged case. The lawsuit was scheduled to go to trial May 27 in the full glare of publicity with unpredictable consequences for Clinton.

The Jones lawsuit had been at the heart of the White House sex scandal because it exposed a flood of allegations of womanizing by Clinton and sparked a criminal investigation that could have posed a grave threat to his presidency. Jones had alleged that Clinton exposed himself to her and asked her for oral sex inside a room in the Excelsior Hotel in Little Rock, Ark., in May 1991 when he was state governor and she was a low-level government employee.

Clinton, in Dakar, Senegal, the final stop of a visit to Africa, was “pleased to receive the vindication that he’s waited for,” White House spokesman Mike McCurry said. McCurry told reporters the president had been informed of the ruling in a telephone call from his attorney Robert Bennett and was so taken aback that he first asked his lawyers if it was an April Fool’s joke.

Susan Carpenter-McMillan, a spokeswoman for Jones, said in Long Beach, Calif., she was “completely blown away” by Wright’s decision and “extremely disappointed.” When she arrived at Jones’s ocean-side condominium, McMillan told reporters that Jones was in shock and would not face cameras. John Whitehead of the Rutherford Institute, a conservative group that was underwritten the Jones lawsuit financially, said at his Charlottesville, Va., headquarters: “We will appeal this decision. As far as we are concerned, the case is not over.”

In a wide-ranging hunt for evidence to buttress their case, Jones’ lawyers had turned up allegations that Clinton had conducted an affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky and tried to cover it up by urging her to lie under oath. This caused Kenneth Starr, a prosecutor appointed to investigate a separate Clinton Whitewater scandal, to ask a grand jury to determine whether the Lewinsky matter involved perjury or obstruction of justice-serious criminal charges that could fuel a drive for impeachment.

In the ten weeks since Starr expanded his probe, Clinton had been swamped by a flood of accusations of improper behavior aired in salacious detail in the news media. While Clinton steadfastly denied all the allegations, it was the Jones lawsuit which led to the public airing of hundreds of pages of sworn statements from several women detailing Clinton’s alleged sexual indiscretions.

“I think this (the ruling) is all the more reason why we should be anxious for a quick resolution. Let’s gather all the evidence so we know one way or the other,” he said. Sources close to Starr’s investigation said the ruling would have a political, but not a legal, impact. They agreed that the dismissal of the Jones case turned up allegations that Clinton had committed perjury or obstruction of justice but would give the White House added ammunition to call on Starr to quickly complete his grand jury investigation.

“Starr should finish his work,” one lawyer close to the investigation said, predicting it could take several months. But a top government prosecutor said the ruling “absolutely takes the wind out of Starr’s sails.”
**Montclair water main breaks; MSU campus loses water**

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the pipe were not certain how the hole in the pipe developed. The last time a water main broke was five years ago. Director Mauro Tucci was unavailable for comment.

How did this affect MSU residents? "I couldn’t do anything," said Blanton Hall resident Brian Snyder. "I couldn’t take a shower or go to the bathroom. I had to go to my friends house in Little Falls to use the bathroom." A another Blanton Hall resident, Junior Lisa McNichol, experienced similar problems. "I came back to my room late Friday night and saw a sign that said we had no water. Even when the water was turned on, it was cold till around 4:30 Saturday afternoon." This is not the first time McNichol has had to deal with the lack of water. "When the water was shut off in the past, I still could go to another dorm to use water, but this time everything was off."

The timing of the water main break could not have been worse. Saturday, MSU hosted a freshman welcome where incoming freshman and their parents tour the campus.

Their first impression of MSU was one without water. The future students and their relatives were unable to use the restrooms. Organizers of the event were going to have portable restrooms brought in but decided to wait for the water to come back on.

Unfortunately, there are no precautions that MSU or the Township of Montclair can take in order to avoid this situation in the future. However, when this problem does occur, there are important actions to take. "There are things we are forced to do," said Williams. "We have to shut off the pumps so the motors don’t burn out. We need plumbers on hand because you don’t know what kind of problems you will have when the water gets turned on."

The Montclair Public Works Department is currently replacing the damaged pipe. This will not affect MSU’s campus or other Montclair residents because Public Works has packed enough water to supply residents till the pipe is replaced.

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**MSU Police Report**

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**4/1/98**

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at Freeman Hall. Upon arrival discover a steam leak in the mechanical room caused the alarm. Maintenance was contacted.

**MEDICAL**

Female injured her ankle during a dance rehearsal in the Speech Building. Victim was transported to Valley Hospital.

**BIAS CRIME**

Faculty member reports someone drew a swastika on a door in the music building. Faculty member reports someone drew a swastika on a door in the music building.

**THEFT**

Female left her bookbag in the Student Center cafeteria and went to the bathroom. Upon her return the back pack was missing.

**MEDICAL**

Juvenile male struck his head on a bollard while playing in the mall near Mallory Hall. Victim’s teacher contacted the boy’s mother.

**ATTEMPTED BURGLARY**

Male Freeman Hall resident reported someone tried to enter his room. The door and door frame were damaged.

**MEDICAL**

Male Blanton Hall resident suffered a laceration above his eye when he was struck by an elbow while playing basketball in Panzer Gym.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at Floyd Hall Arena. Upon arrival discover a young child pulled an alarm box. Little Falls Fire Dept. responded.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at Stone Hall. Upon arrival discover a faulty system. No signs of smoke or fire. System would not reset. Repair company was contacted.

**SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**

Officers respond to the 7th floor of Bohn Hall on the report of the smell of marijuana. Upon arrival no odor was present.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to 2 fire alarms at Stone Hall. Upon arrival there were no signs of smoke or fire. Little Falls Fire Dept. responded. System would not reset. Repair company was contacted.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Maintenance worker reported a glass pane on a rear exterior door at 61 Normal Ave. and door frame were damaged.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Female College Hall employee reported both sides of her car were scratched. Car was parked in lot 7.

**THEFT**

Visiting female sorority member left her back pack unattended in the Rathskellar. Upon her return the back pack was missing.

**MEDICAL**

Female slipped and fell injuring her ankle while trying to get into her car. Victim was transported to St. Joseph’s Hospital by a family member.

**FIRE ALARM**

Maintenance worker reported a glass pane missing from the bag.

**MEDICAL**

Juvenile male struck his head on a bollard while walking in the mall near Mallory Hall. Victim’s teacher contacted the boy’s mother.

**ATTEMPTED BURGLARY**

Male Freeman Hall resident reported someone tried to enter his room. The door and door frame were damaged.

**MEDICAL**

Male Blanton Hall resident suffered a laceration above his eye when he was struck by an elbow while playing basketball in Panzer Gym.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at Freeman Hall. Upon arrival discover a steam leak in the mechanical room caused the alarm.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Maintenance worker reported a glass pane broken on a rear exterior door at 61 Normal Ave.
**Faculty lounge named in honor of Dean Cohen**

**LOUNGE, cont. from p. 4**

Sera. We thought this would be appropriate.” The dedication of the faculty lounge in Dr. Cohen’s name was made possible through a grant from the Brand Foundation of New York. Dr. Kogan was able to approach the foundation and successfully obtain the funding. “They [the Brand Foundation of New York] are interested in supporting institutions of higher education. The funding goes to the university [Montclair State] and the funding is used any way the university sees fit. It goes to the College Development Fund.”

Interestingly, the brand foundation of New York also provided funding for the Brantl Lecture Hall in memory of the late George Brantl, the first chairman of the Philosophy and Religion Department. Dr. Philip Cohen and Dr. George Brantl were best friends during their careers at MSU; it is a coincidence that both the Brantl Lecture Hall and the Dean Philip S. Cohen Lounge will adjacently stand on the main floor of Dickson Hall.

Besides donating the faculty lounge in Dr. Cohen’s name, there are some proposed changes for the lounge itself. Members of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences were asked to make contributions in order to slightly upgrade the lounge. At this time, contributions are coming in well. In an inter-office memorandum, Dr. Carlos Ortiz, the chairperson of the Social Sciences and Humanities Department stated “the room could use a built-in sound system with CD player and tape player.” This is because the lounge is used for many purposes, including faculty meetings, receptions and as a study area for students. There is also talk about a rug replacement, considering that the rug gets dirty easily and the university cleaning officials sometimes neglect to clean it.

“We will keep an eye on it,” [the rug cleaners] because we want a room named in honor of Dean Cohen to be clean and neat at all times,” said Dr. Kogan. Though a built-in sound system and new rug are proposed ideas for the future, Dr. Kogan’s primary focus is humanizing the lounge with wall decorations, such as artwork. With that in mind, Dr. Kogan established a committee to help purchase affordable, yet tasteful decorations. The committee consists of two additional members (which Kogan hopes to expand): Cynthia Barnes, of the Institutional Advancement Office, located in the Bond House, and Dr. Adele McCollum, a professor of Philosophy and Religion. Both are very concerned to serve on the committee. “I was delighted to be asked to serve on this committee because of my respect and affection for Dean Cohen. This is a well-deserved honor and I am pleased to be a part of the group which is planning the ceremony for the dedication of the lounge in his name,” said Barnes, who has known Dean Cohen since she was an undergraduate at MSU in 1968. “I was a student at Montclair State University when the nation was struggling with issues from Civil Rights to Women’s Rights, from the War in Vietnam to the apathy of the hippie generation. Dean Cohen was the kind of talented person who challenged his students to think clearly and base their judgements on reason rather than passion. He was a model for the kind of thoughtful, articulate decision-making, which valued diverse opinions. He encouraged us to grow and stood by us even when our judgments were faulty.”

Dr. McCollum had no trouble characterizing Dean Cohen, calling him simply, “a saint,” before expressing the reason why she was so passionate about the dedication. “I wanted the room to be wonderful and I volunteered to select the wall decorations. What I would like to see, if it’s acceptable to everybody, is framed posters of colleges.” She also went on saying that Dean Cohen was “an absolutely fantastic person, people wondered in an out of his office like it was their mom’s kitchen.”

On Monday, May 4, 1998, a dedication ceremony will be held in which Dean Cohen will be present and presented with a building containing the names of all the individuals who participated in the tribute. The ceremony is open to everyone on campus. Dr. Kogan considered Dean Cohen as “a wonderful dean, a good friend, and a tremendous influence in the growth of this institution. It is the least we could do to tell him what we think of him and how highly he is regarded. It’s a way of thanking him for all his efforts on behalf of our students, faculty, and university.”

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**SGA election results are compiled**

**ELECTIONS, cont. from p. 1**

With about 20 Greeks saw Brost repeatedly staring down at the lecture room floor with an unmistakably downtrodden look.

In other results, John Griffin won an uncontested bid for SGA Vice President with 517 votes. Kenyatta Montgomery triumphed in a three-way race for SGA Treasurer with 445 votes. Write-in candidates Elisabeth Unley and Mike Kazimir trailed respectively with 67 and 50 votes.

Dave Pizzi took the position of SGA Secretary unchallenged with 555 votes. Write-in candidate Lauren Stevens prevailed in a three-way battle for Board Of Trustee Representative with 70 votes. The two other write-in contestants, Bill Guardino and Mark lawson, each received 21 and 22 votes.

Concerning referendum issues, the MSU student body voted against SGA e-board tuition compensation 286-276. Students gave the green light to the on-campus presence of the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) 614-141. The ROTC had been under a cloud of controversy concerning its “deal” to recruit and house homosexual eligible students. Students also ratified three minor amendments dealing with language changes in the SGA constitution. However, none of the referendum issues will be enacted since they all require a minimum of 20 percent of the student body’s say-so. A total 775 votes were cast in this year’s SGA election, which amounts to about seven and a half percent of all eligible votes. SGA Chairperson of Internal Welfare Dragan Tubojic cited several reasons for the low voter turnout in an April 7 interview.

“The fact that a lot of the positions were uncontested was definitely a factor. A lot of students figured the positions were already done with, so why bother to vote? I think the uncontested positions were a reason students didn’t come out and hand in their ballots on time. There’s also the issue of commitment. I was thinking of running myself, but it’s too time-consuming to campaign, let alone fulfill the duties of office once elected,” Tubojic said.

“I also think that the student’s perception of the SGA is bad. They think we haven’t contributed a lot. When something turns up, it leads to apathy. When students are apathetic, they are denying themselves their own money. If the students don’t voice their own opinions, then it becomes very difficult for them to get people to have opportunities is to get them to work together,” Dean Harris adds.

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**Worlds Fair and Greek Week poses no conflict**

By Brian Pedersen

Staff Writer

Although a multiracial event will be held in the middle of what is known as Greek Week, the two events are not expected to conflict with one another. The multicultural festival, sponsored by Unity Collaboration, will be held on Wed. Apr. 22, while Greek Week is scheduled for the week of Mon. Apr. 20 to Fri. the 24th. “Hands Across MSU,” a new segment in the multicultural activities this year, is expected to be the high point of the event. On this day, Apr. 22, between 11:15 and 12 noon, the entire university [including all students and staff members], will be encouraged to come outside onto campus grounds. Everyone will then join hands with each other to see how far across campus we will be able to reach.

As James Harris, Associate Dean of Students explains, “We are all connected as part of one community. This would be the most dramatic way of demonstrating that.”

The multicultural event itself will be held in either the Student Center Quad, and/or the Amphitheater. A conflict arises over the placement of this event within the week of Greek activities is not expected to occur.

I have been talking to Maria Pazzo, who is the Greek Week chairperson, to see if these events can be compatible. She has assured me that this can be a cooperative effort, that we can work it out,” Dean Harris adds.

“There are very competitive and large Greek organizations here at MSU, and all of the competition is involved in these events. I think that what’s going to happen is that Greek Week will attract more people. The fact that we are inviting faculty to the multicultural event means that the two events will support each other. My belief is that the best way to get people to have opportunities is to get them to work together,” Dean Harris concludes.

According the Montclair State Unity Collaboration, the organization describes themselves as a coalition of all segments of the university that are committed to sponsoring activities to improve communications and interaction among the diverse members of the university community. Clearly, their anticipation for this year’s events aims to reach even higher towards this goal.

MSU Senior Marian Wells offered her thoughts. It would be too confusing to have both events at the same time. They could probably move the Greek events onto the grassy area of the quad. The Greek Week is for people in fraternities and sororities, the food festival could involve more people,” she finished.
**POLICE** cont. from p. 5

Bohn Hall on a report of a sick female. Upon arrival discover an intoxicated female who reported drinking at an off campus party. Victim was transported by ambulance to Mountainside Hospital.

**ASSAULT/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Female Russ Hall resident reports she was assaulted by her ex-boyfriend, sustaining an injury to her cheek and back. A criminal complaint was signed. Montclair Municipal Judge issued a temporary restraining order. Court date is scheduled for 4/9/98. Counter complaints pending.

**THEFT**

Female Bohn Hall resident left her pocket book in class. Upon her return the pocket book was missing.

**FIRE ALARM**

Officers respond to a fire alarm at the Floyd Hall Arena. Upon arrival discover a pull station activated in the atrium. No signs of smoke or fire. Building was evacuated.

**MEDICAL**

Male Blanton Hall resident fell in the Music Building injuring his ankle. Victim was transported by ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital.

**MEDICAL**

Male suffered a bruised knee and face after falling on the ice at the Floyd Hall Arena. Ambulance responded. Victim refused medical attention.

4/7/98

**BOMB THREAT**

Caller reported a bomb in Dickson Hall. The building was evacuated and the building searched. Phone call was traced. Investigation continues.

**LABS**

Sprague Library, Richardson Hall, and dormitory labs for residents, student complaints continued.

In the event that unseasonably high temperatures occur again before the air conditioning system has been activated, students can call the Computer Help line, X7971, for notification on lab closings.

Huron Benson, Lab Assistant in Sprague Library, said "It (lab closure) is an inconvenience, but the heat is unbearable. It is not good for the people or the computers." The director of Systems and Networks for the Department of Information Services, Minto Gill, explained that the computer labs are closed down when the temperature goes above 90 degrees for two reasons: heat can cause a breakdown of systems, and is also considered a health risk. There have been past instances of heat exhaustion and closing the labs is a preventative measure.

"In the future, we are looking into the possibility of having separate air conditioning in Dickson Hall and Partridge Hall," Gill said. Lynn Truesdale, Director of Information Services, and Gill did a walk through of all the labs to determine which ones needed to be closed down.

The damage that can occur to the computers under relentless heat is basically that "they burn up," said Dr. H.M. Hubey of MSU's computer science department. There is a fan inside all computers in order to draw heat away from the wires and chips. If the temperature of the computer's surroundings get above 90 degrees, the fan is not longer effective and the wires and chips can melt.

Melanie Ronches, Computer Lab Supervisor, advises, "if students shut down the computers when they are done, it will eliminate some heat."

However, Nancy Olsen, nurse at MSU Health Center said that it is "highly unlikely" that a student could suffer from serious health risks from the lab settings unless that student is prone to heat stroke, heat exhaustion, or heat cramps. Heat stroke occurs when temperatures exceed 105 degrees during intense physical exertion, and low fluid intake in a hot humid environment.

The problem of lab closure and high classroom temperatures occurred because the central air conditioning in the school buildings will not be turned on until April 15th. This date is set by the maintenance department according to codes established by the Association of American Mechanical Engineers and the American Refrigeration Association. Maintenance also follows residential codes dictating heat must be available to residents until April 15th.

The same system is used for both heating and cooling. According to Kiki Williams of the maintenance department, changing over the system from heating to cooling is a "multi-step process."

Maintenance started preliminary work on the system turn over three weeks ago in preparation for the 15th.

Because the same system is used for heat as well as air conditioning, the valve for heat must be turned off in order to use the air conditioning. The switch is a commitment.

Williams explained that the "Date is set for April 15th to avoid future problems." If temperatures plummet after the air conditioning system is activated, the system could be damaged and the process to correct it is extensive and costly. System damage can also cause additional problems over the summer.

If there is another unexpected heat wave before April 15th, students will just have to sweat it out in the limited available computer labs.
MSU Childcare Center Celebrates 10 years of excellence

By Rosanna Deroberits
Staff Writer

The Montclair State University Child Care center was first established in 1989 and has been successful ever since. The tenth anniversary of the Child Care Center brings a plethora of events and celebrations of excellence. The Week of the Young Child is a five-day celebration that invites the entire MSU community to participate. It features the Walk a Mile for a Child Walk-a-thon, a fund-raiser for the center.

The center involves more than the pre-kindergarten crowd. The center cares for 25 children of MSU students. “It’s very convenient,” Kimberly Price, mother of 5 year old Brian Murray said. “I am on campus all day, if they need to reach me, I can be right there.”

Seventy-five students are employed by the center. According to Director of the Center, Janey DeLuca, the students play an essential role in the center’s success.

The most powerful source that can justify the center’s success comes from the children themselves. “I like it here because we learn about the Rain Forest,” stated one child. “I like to read Baby Animals,” stated another. Of course it’s not about all work and no play as other children point out: “I like it when we all sing,” “I like going to the Bronx Zoo,” and “I liked painting the big crocodile.” It is obvious these children are exposed to different types of skills and interests in addition to the typical educational material.

The center was accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs for the Infant/Toddler program, as well as reaccredited for the Preschool Program. This Academy is a division of the National Association for the Education of Young Children and is the largest organization of early childhood educators.

Receiving accreditation is no easy task. Centers wishing to be accredited are judged on four types of information collected. The information includes observations, Administrative Report and Center Profile questionnaires and input from parents. Observations include the physical surroundings as well as the amount of safety service, while the Administrative Report and Center Profile includes the center’s overall curriculum including administrative policies, teacher-child ratio and so on. Questionnaires are given to staff members who evaluate staff-parent interactions and staffing qualifications and development. Finally, parent input provides the Academy with a perception of how parents view the center in answering questions such as if they (parents) feel they are welcomed at the center.

“They are extremely impressed with the teachers, the whole staff is trustworthy,” Price said.

The Montclair State University Child Care Center met all the standards developed by the Academy in addition to specific requirements for each program. To become accredited for the infant/toddler program for example, MSU had to be assessed in the following categories: furnishings and display for children, personal care routines, listening and talking, learning activities, interaction, program structure, and adult needs. This can be quite stressful as MSU’s Child Care director, Janey DeLuca, pointed out, but she felt it was a positive experience for the staff. DeLuca further stated, “It was extremely rewarding to have our Center validated by members of the national professional association as a high-quality early childhood program.”

For the month of April there will be numerous activities planned such as “Ask Nurse Nancy or Nurse Jane” on April 20, “Proclamation and Parade” on April 21, “Family Picnic” on April 22, “Student Worker Recognition” on April 23, and ending with the Child Care Professional’s day on April 24.

The center is open to the children of students, faculty, and staff but keep in mind it has a waiting list like any other child care center. Its regular hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and sometimes 8 p.m. if necessary.

For more information contact Janey DeLuca, Director, at (973) 655-7586.

MSU Director of Recreational Sports has big goals

By Kara L. Richardson
Feature Editor

The Director of Recreational Sports, Steve Redrup is pleased as his program strengthens at Montclair. Recreational sports brings wellness, instruction, and fun to the MSU community.

“I’m finally starting to see the program develop,” The Recreation Program was pushed from under athletics last summer, and is now grouped under the Dean of Students. According to Redrup, the program was moved so that Recreational Sports would have a better identity.

Now under Dean Helen Matsus-Ayres, the program is connected with the Wellness Center, Psych Services, Internation Student’s Organization, and the Computer Students Organization. Redrup believes that the Recreational Sports Program benefited from this move. “There is a link between all the programs, it’s a great fit.”

Recreational sports serves about 30-40 percent of the campus community, according to Redrup’s estimate. “There has been a steady, gradual increase of student participation,” Redrup said.

Redrup’s program coordinates many instructional programs for faculty, staff and students. The one-on-one training and CPR classes are among many services that reach out to the MSU community. His program also consists of the intramural teams, club sports, and all fitness programs, such as aerobics and aquatics.

There has been a recent increase in the number of club teams that Redrup oversees. The newest teams to join the successful club teams, which include the Rugby and Men’s Volleyball teams, are the Men and Women’s Hockey Clubs. Redrup will host a Club Sport Council to ever increase the communication between the teams and himself and to actively seek improvements.

The Recreational Sports Program supervises all informal use of athletic facilities such as open swim and gym, use of the fitness center and field house. “I get a lot of gratification from the little things, like walking into the fitness center and seeing it full of students using the equipment.”

Redrup took the opportunity to be a director at MSU after his two years managing over 30 clubs at Indiana University. He is a graduate from Rutgers University, and earned a master’s from Temple University in Education with an emphasis in Recreation. He was born and breed in New Jersey so he jumped at the chance to join the MSU Staff.

His next move will be to the Student Center. His office is now located on the outskirts of campus in the Field House, “I will be in touch with all students, not those students just using Panzer.”

Redrup commented on the constraints of the program due to the athletic facility. He believes that the program will hit a wall without a new athletic facility. “There is only so much I can do with the size of MSU’s facility. For the program to grow in the way I see it growing, we need a new facility.”

Redrup is coordinating his program with Vision 2008. Ten years from now, with the addition of a new athletic facility, Redrup hopes to have the program up to speed, comparable to universities of similar size. “I have a good feeling about MSU. Students are going to see major changes in program in the future.”
Pharaoh refused, and thus God inflicted 10 plagues upon the people of Egypt. Each plague was worse than the ones preceding it. The plagues came in this order: all water turned to blood, frog infestation, vermin, flies consuming the food, cattle died, Egyptians riddled with boils, terrible hail, locusts, and darkness. However, the Pharaoh refused to let the Jews go until the last, most terrible plague. With this horror, the first born of every Egyptian family was killed. And after that, the Pharaoh told the Jews to leave.

However, because many thought that the Pharaoh would change his mind, the Jews had to leave quickly. They did not have time to bake bread to take with them on their journey, instead they took flour and water and baked that in the sun of the desert to get flat “bread” called matzah.

As they were leaving, the Pharaoh did change his mind and send his army to bring the Jews back. When the army caught up with them, they were at the Red Sea. Moses opened up the sea to create a route along the bottom, so that the Jews could safely cross. However, as soon as the Egyptians tried to follow them, the sea closed in and they were all the Pharaoh’s soldiers were killed.

In celebration of this achieved freedom, Jews have Passover. During the Seders, apart from the telling of this story, the Jews also remember the struggles of their life in Egypt. One of the main parts of a Seder table is the plate, containing a bone, an egg, parsley, bitter herbs, and a mixture of chopped apples and nuts called charoses. As the story is told, it is accompanied by the eating of the items on the plate. The bone serves as a reminder of the first Passover, when Jews ate a lamb with matzah upon leaving Egypt safely. The egg and parsley are symbols of spring and thus, new life. The parsley is usually dipped into salted water, to symbolize the tears of the slaves. Bitter herbs remind celebrants of the cruel treatment, and the charoses is to remind those at the Passover table of the clay with which the Jews built the Pharaoh’s palaces.

During the Seder, as part of the traditional celebration, a piece of matzah is hidden for the children to find and a prize for finding it. This piece is later eaten for desert. This is only one of many traditions of Passover, as is the Elijah’s cup and leaning on pillows during the meal.

Passover is one of the most observed Jewish holidays. It celebrates both the happiness of leaving Egypt and remembers the difficulties of the life there and the plagues endured by the Egyptians. Happy Passover!
Getting ready for the “real world” with The Academic Success Center’s help

Fifty-one employers are scheduled to attend ASC’s upcoming Career Fair on April 14

By Rhoda Donat

Most students attend college with the hopes of transforming in­
nate interests, values and per­
sonality traits into a successful and re­
warding career. This can be achieved through various exercises such as class participa­tion, active learning, and home­
work. However, this alone may not be enough.

Some come to college knowing ex­
actly what their goal in life is. They are able to develop the necessary skills needed to achieve their goals from day one. How­
ever, there are others who have no clue what they want to be or where they want to go in life.

For these students who have some­
what of a general focus regarding their career path, there are plenty of opportu­
nities to narrow down their interests and decide on a career goal through various events and counseling sessions.

Assistance in this often lifelong pro­
cess is provided by the Career De­
velopment Center of Montclair State Uni­
versity. The office is located on the third floor of Morehead Hall. The center’s primary goal is to help students find their place in the world’s work force by providing ser­
vice: workshops in resume writing, com­
puter and interviewing skills, placement in diversified credit-earning internships and job search assistance. The center also offers many opportunities to learn about and participate in Cooperative Education.

Career Development helps students from day one—in areas such as choosing a major—until the end when it comes time to finding the right graduate school or the ideal job. According to the literature of­
ered by the office, “Career Development maintains a variety of resources to help you with all aspects of your career plan­
ing. With a 1,000 volume library, a con­
stantly changing web page, a network of helpful alumni, opportunities for credit­
bearing work experiences and a staff of committed counselors, Montclair State University students have all the resources they need to reach and implement a career direction.”

Among the resources provided by the center is the annual Career Fair. The fair is designed to introduce students to various members of the work force. Here students meet with prospective employers. It serves as an opportunity to experience different career possibilities, practice resume writing and interviewing skills. This year’s fair will be held on Tuesday April 14 in the Student Center Ballrooms.

Rosa Lavergne, coordinator of the fair, spent about six months booking agen­
cies, reserving rooms and making the entire event possible. She wished to com­
municate the fact that “many of these or­
ganizations will be looking to hire. Stud­
ents are encouraged to visit and bring their resumes.”

This year’s fair is unlike previous ones. Its focus will not only be geared towards the corporate world as in the past. Attending will be 51 employers from a variety of companies—profit and non­
profit—will be present. Some of the com­
panies attending are: Abercrombie & Fitch, AT&T Wireless Service, Educa­
tional Aids Publishing, Enterprise Rent­
A-Car, the FBI, Immigration & Natural­
ization, Katz Radio Group, Nike Inc., NJ Division of Youth & Family Services, Pru­
dential, UMDNJ, and Valley National Bank. Just to name a few!

The fair is open to all students and all majors. Lavergne said, “I encourage the students to participate in their future.”

The materials are available, so take ad­
vantage of them. Come and participate. Bring your resume and get information.”

Lavergne emphasized that “the future is now.”

The Academic Success Center helps you dress up your resume and more.

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By Michelle Oleski

Can eating breakfast improve your memory? It’s possible, at least in the morning. According to the October 1995 issue of the Journal of the American Dietetic Association, skipping breakfast may interfere with mental func­
tions such as vigilance and memory.

Here’s how it works. During the night, when we are sleeping, our brain slows down and the body’s regulatory mechanisms kick in to supply the body and brain with a constant supply of fuel.

When we wake up, our metabolism also revs up and requires nutrient intake to supply the brain with glucose, its main energy source. Since the brain has no glu­cose reserves, it must be replenished con­stantly. Studies show that sustained men­tal work requires a large turnover of brain glucose.

How does the brain get glucose? Through digestion and metabolism of foods rich in carbohydrates. This doesn’t mean that we should all eat a candy bar for breakfast. Vegetables, fruits, legumes and grains provide plenty of carbohy­drates and an added bonus, fiber. Milk also contains some carbohydrates.

One study done at the University of Health Sciences/Chicago Medical School examined whether eating breakfast had any effect on late morning mood, hun­ger, and cognitive performance. One third of the participants ate no breakfast. Oth­ers ate either a high fiber, well balanced breakfast containing 450-500 calories from 59% carbohydrates and 20% each of fat and protein. Still others ate a low fiber, unbalanced breakfast providing 61% of calories from carbohydrates, 35% from fat and 4% from protein.

Participants were tested for cogni­tive performance 30 minutes after eating and then two and four hours later. Those who skipped breakfast, routinely had hun­ger and performance difficulties on tasks requiring concentration. Though eating breakfast prevented fatigue and irritability, those who ate the balanced breakfast scored higher on tests than those who ate the unbalanced breakfast. Four hours later, those who ate the unbalanced breakfast were as hungry as those who ate no break­fast at all. As we can see, carbohydrates alone doesn’t do the trick, but a combina­tion of carbohydrates, protein and a little
Now that I've given you all a few things to do on these warm days, how about something to keep you busy and fill up these nights!

Endless Summer Nights

It's a little further than most, but it's a great time and worth the trip! I'm talking about the drive-in at Warwick, N.Y. It's about 40 minutes from campus but the completely different experience from seeing a movie in a theater is worth the drive! You get to sit in the comfort of your own car, where you can do pretty much anything you want! You can take off your shoes, recline and put your feet up. As I'm sure all smokers realize, you can watch a new movie while not having to worry about when it's going to end. You can drive balls as long as you want, only paying for the range balls (prices vary depending on quantity). The miniature golf course is both challenging and modern with eighteen complete holes. Miniature golf will cost you around 50 cents a person. Both the range and the miniature golf are open until 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and 9 p.m. on Sundays. They have a friendly's Ice Cream counter located inside the building where you can get a quick snack to cool you off either before or after playing! They also have a great pro shop for you golfers out there!

Directions to Golden Bear from Campus:

Make a left onto Normal Ave. then a left onto Valley Rd. Follow this down to Route 46, and get on Route 46 West. Follow this down approx. 3 miles. Golden Bear is on the east side, so you'll have to make a u-turn. Get off at the Willowbrook Mall exit, and follow signs for Route 46 East. Follow the sign that is labeled "Service Road." As soon as you get onto Route 46 East, you will see Golden Bear on your right! Have a great time! 256-6922 (approx. 10 minutes from school).

Outdoor Sports

Golden Bear is a driving range and miniature golf course and is a great place to go on a warm evening like the ones we've been having. The driving range is a two-story building where you can drive balls as long as you want, only paying for the range balls (prices vary depending on quantity). The miniature golf course is both challenging and modern with eighteen complete holes. Miniature golf will cost you around 50 cents a person. Both the range and the miniature golf are open until 11 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and 9 p.m. on Sundays. They have a friendly's Ice Cream counter located inside the building where you can get a quick snack to cool you off either before or after playing! They also have a great pro shop for you golfers out there!

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Easter in an eggshell

By Gabrielle Wild
Assistant Arts Editor

What do you think of when you think of Easter? Bunnies? Eggs? Little girls in bonnets? Chocolate (mmm...)? Well, although these are all symbols of the commercialism of Easter, there are more significant ones.

As every Catholic should know, Easter is a time of celebration. However, Easter is just not a one day holiday. It is more like a season. Catholics begin preparing for the Easter season on Ash Wednesday. Then there are the trying forty days of Lent that conclude on Easter Sunday. Catholics use these forty days to prepare for the last days of the Easter season. These last days of the Easter season are: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil, and of course, Easter Sunday.

Holy Thursday commemorates the day when Jesus washed everyone’s feet, as well as, the Last Supper. Jesus’ final meal with his disciples. Good Friday is the day that Jesus wore a crown of thorns and carried his cross throughout the town. This was also the day that Jesus was nailed to this cross, or crucified. Good Friday is also known as the Lord’s Passion and is celebrated in three parts: the liturgy of the word, veneration of the cross, and holy communion. Holy Saturday is a day of waiting. It is only until after nightfall that Catholics begin celebrating the coming of the Lord. This is known as the Easter Vigil and it takes place in four parts: the service of light, where everyone carries candles; the liturgy of the word; the liturgy of baptism, where new members are baptized into the Church; and the liturgy of the Eucharist.

Finally, after all of this waiting, it is Easter Sunday. This day is cherished by Catholics because it is the day that Jesus rose from the grave. So, whether you are Catholic or not, remember that Easter isn’t just about dyeing eggs different colors and seeing how much chocolate the Easter Bunny brings you. For some, Easter has a deeper, more spiritual meaning. For Catholics, it is the celebration of Jesus rising from the dead and the sacrifice He made for us so that our sins may be forgiven.

To celebrate this Easter holiday, the Newman Catholic Center is hosting a mass on Holy Thursday at the Student Center in room 411 at 12:15 p.m. There will also be one mass on Easter Sunday at Kopp’s Lounge in Russ Hall at 11 a.m.

Happy Easter!

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**Breakfast and the brain**

**BREAKFAST, cont. from p. 10**

fat provides the best results in overall cognitive performance.

This study and over 30 years of other studies have given us enough evidence to prove that eating breakfast is not only important to overall health and well-being but can also be important on our performance during tests and on the job.

Breakfast Tips:

The American Dietetic Association recommends eating a whole wheat bagel with low-fat cream cheese, adding a banana, orange or pear to your morning routine, trying cereal with skim milk, grabbing a breakfast bar when you’re on the run, and even reheating last night’s leftovers.

Avoid the temptation to be a breakfast skipper by following these quick tips from the USDA’s Human Nutrition Information Service:

- No time? Build a breakfast around foods that are ready to eat or take little preparation time: fresh and canned fruits, milk, yogurt, cheese, ready to eat cold cereals, instant breakfast mixes.
- Take it to go. Try celery stuffed with peanut butter or a meat or cheese spread, dry fruits or vegetable juices. Perk up cereals. Top cereals with fruit or stir chopped nuts like pecans and walnuts into cooked cereal.
- Not hungry yet? Drink juice. Something is better than nothing. Have some bread or crackers later in the morning, then drink some milk and eat some cheese, an egg or peanut butter.
- Don’t skip if you’re on a diet. There’s no evidence that skipping meals will help you lose weight. In fact, studies show that most people who skip breakfast tend to eat more later in the day. Some even select more calorically-dense foods than those who eat breakfast.

Sources: ADA and USDA
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MSU picks One Cool Guy in Battle of the Bands

By Kris LaGreca
Staff Writer

Ska returned again to MSU this school year. Last semester it was Ska and comedy. This time, Class One Concerts dished up six bands to battle it out in the “Battle of the Bands” competition. Winner of the competition gets the distinction of opening for the upcoming “Ska Against Racism” tour.

This show wasn’t just a concert, each band had to work hard to earn the ear of each of the five judges. Every band was carefully judged on energy, originality, talent, and overall ability. It wasn’t an easy choice, since all of the bands played very well Wednesday night.

First up was One-Ninety-One. These guys opened the show, but unfortunately didn’t excite the crowd like they usually do. More of a new school punk sound, the band put forth a valiant effort usually do. More of a new school punk sound, the band put forth a valiant effort with songs like “Ska Song” and “One of These Things.” Next up was Right Turn Eddie. These guys aren’t new to the Ratt.

Eddie. These guys aren’t new to the Ratt.

L.A.S.O.’s “El Concierto” was a huge success

By Orlando Ruiz
Staff Writer

The Latin American Student Organization in collaboration with Class I Concerts and C.L.U.B. sponsored a Salsa Merengue Concert on March 28, in the Student Center Ballroom at Montclair State University. The Concert was a huge success with the ballrooms almost filled to capacity.

The crowd was on their feet for Eddie’s best tune, “What Could It Seem to Be.” The vocals were a little off, but were easily overlooked by their quick, punchy sound. After a small breather, One Cool Guy took command of the stage. One Cool Guy is the other band with MSU experience. They danced around stage like it was old hat to them. Once Cool Guy played so tight, you’d swear you were listening to a CD. Horns blared strong, the guitar was loud, and the vocals were strong for their popular songs like “Double-O-Shoo” and “Two Tone World.” The crowd showed an energetic response to their clear Jazz influence.

The next band, Day 19, had the most interesting sound. Their style was definitely more complex, with strong emphasis on the guitar. Though the crowd was skanking to “Suburban Drama,” the best song of any band that night was definitely “The Harmonica Song.” With a harmonica leading the way, more heads were bopping up and down than for any other song. Next to last was Don’t Ask Alex. This band must have brought the most fans, because the floor was packed for songs “Supercharged” and “Out the Door.” These talented fellas displayed original guitar and bass work. Finally, Humble Beginnings were the last to try out for the Battle. This band stuck out with the lack of any brass instruments, but still put on a decent set. People began moshing instead of skanking for Hubmle Beginning’s “Activate.” The singer was recovering from a bout of the flu, but managed with help from back-up vocals from the crowd.

It was a hard choice, but the high school crowd violated their nine o’clock curfew to stick around and hear the winning decision. Kevin Schowebel represented the judges and thanked everyone for coming down. Unfortunately, only one can win; he announced that Day 19 came in third, Right Turn Eddie in second, and One Cool Guy took the lead. The crowd cheered and went home to free their schedules to see One Cool Guy in the upcoming “Ska Against Racism” tour.

The audience was singing along and clapping their hands to the carribean tunes. Michel performed three of their greatest hits which are “Esa Mujer,” “Amigo de Que” and his latest hit “Brujeria.”

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of The Latin American Student Organization, the scheduled for the evening were El Caballo de la Salsa Michel and El Poder del Merengue Oro Solido.

Michel performed for about 55 minutes. The salsa act held excellent control of the crowd. The audience was singing along and clapping their hands to the carribean tunes. Michel performed three of their greatest hits which are “Esa Mujer,” “Amigo de Que” and his latest hit “Brujeria.”

El Caballo de la Salsa Michel y su Orquesta entertains audience.

Unexpected guests La Banda Flakka brought the crowd to their feet.
Hey! Here’s all the important information on your favorite soaps. Make sure to read on to catch up.

One Life to Live: Georgie proclaims her love to a shocked and confused Bo. Despite his rejections and statement of his love for Nora, she crawls naked into his car. Bo finds her in the car when he leaves the lodge, but, unfortunately, Clint and Vicki see them in the car. A startled Tea explains to Todd that although she wanted to kiss him, she was only staying to get an uncontestable divorce. After getting Tea’s message, Andrew storms the penthouse and proceeds to beat up Todd. Todd asks Tea to get rid of Andrew if there’s any chance of a reconciliation for them.

General Hospital: The assassination plot finally came to a head when Tess and her partners set Jax up for a fall at the banquet. Brenda sees the gunman and throws Jax out of the way, taking the bullet herself (only a flesh wound). Viki secures Tess’ partner as Jax’s business partner. Tess recognizes Jax’s business partner Mitch. Jax intends to take matters into his own hands. Mac and Felicia capture Tess and the gunman. Jax explains his plan to Brenda, Mac and Felicia. The police think Jason is behind the fiasco. Bobbie tells Luke that it’s time Laura knew what was going on with Lucky. Katherine gives Luke some disturbing news.

Port Charles: Lark goes to the roof of General Hospital to jump off and Frank unknowingly responds to the call. Frank talks her down but he falls off the ledge. Frank is in critical condition as his friends and co-workers keep up hope. Joe tries to comfort Julie. Lark loses it and Kevin goes to see her in the mental ward. Chris tells the police about Jake and Lark. They bring Jake in for questioning. Ellen gets a job offer from a hospital in San Diego and is disappointed at Matt’s reaction.

All My Children: Dimitri tries to rescue Edmund but finds himself locked in with him as the tide starts to come in. When Jim arrives back in town, Brooke knows something is wrong. Tim goes to his mother’s grave to sort out his feelings about Janet. Tim tells Trevor the real reason behind Janet’s charade. Liza helps Ryan and Kelsey stop Scott and Gillian’s wedding plans. تعد Assures Camille his motives are pure in his decision to help her find the truth. Mato starts to wake up but can’t speak to Hayley. Jake confirms that Mato is on his way to recovery.

The Young and the Restless: Nikki and Victor remarry at her bedside in front of his children and Kay. Nick, however, is confused about the situation. Nikki’s condition is stabilizing. Disturbed by Dianna’s being sad Jack decides to find out for her what Nikki’s condition is. Cole congratulates Nina on getting published. Sharon and Tony console each other on their losses. Cassie blames herself for her find the truth. Mateo starts to wake up and does not recognize her as Sarah.

As The World Turns: Emily finds David and Molly in bed together. Eddie blows up at Margo after she returns from Deena’s funeral. He later threatens her. Lucinda tries to buy Kirk and Sam’s shares of Sarah Ruth’s business, but Kirk refuses. David and Molly get in a fight about the Emily situation. Tom tries to console a heart-broken Emily. An exhausted Jack dreams of Carly. Lisa decides not to help Carly anymore. Carly agrees to let John be her fertility specialist.

Guiding Light: The fully grown Reva clone promises to make a shocked Josh blissful. Cassie and the clone have a huge argument ending with the clone wowing to be around for a long time. Meanwhile, out in the ocean Sean saves Reva (the real one). Cassie and Hart finally make love unaware of Dinah’s devious plot. Ben tells Ross he’s going to take Blake from him. Phillip and Harley realize how strong their love is. Carl threatens Ben and she turns to Harley for help.

The Bold and The Beautiful: Stephanie tries to convince an outraged Brooke to sign the annulment papers she had secretly drawn up. Lauren starts to notice changes in Rush/Johnny’s behavior and calls him on it. The passion begins to rise between the two but falls when Eric arrives unexpectedly. Rick’s condition has stabilized and he goes home. Brooke asks Ridge to come with them and be a family but he declines. Brooke visits Taylor.

Our Lady Peace’s Clumsy falls short too much for the song “Shaking.” “Let You Down” kind of let me down because of all the rhyming lines, such as “there’s a bicycle show, where the bicycles blow.” However, there are some good songs on the album. “Superman’s Dead” is my favorite song on the album. It’s one of those songs that if you saw Our Lady Peace play it at a concert, you’d jump into the mosh pit, singing it at the top of your lungs. But, I wonder if it is really about Superman. The lyrics also make you think. I wonder if anyone does know that the “world’s a subway.”

“Carnival” is a bit of a sad song. Of course, it has a slow beginning, but it erupts soon enough. But, I liked “Carnival” because it is kind of like a ferris wheel, it brings you down and then it brings you up, over and over again.

“Am” is the slow, love song on the album. Maida’s voice doesn’t make it sound like your average love song. He almost makes it sound kind of sinister with his raspy vocal chords. “Clumsy” is the title track of the album. It’s one of the few songs on the album where the entire band is in sync. All in all, Our Lady Peace’s Clumsy is not the best CD, but it’s not the worst. Perhaps with some lessons on lyrics and harmony, the band could transform themselves into a band to be reckoned with.
The Soft Parade brought the mysticism of The Doors to life

By Victoria Tengelics
Arts Editor

I will admit I was a bit skeptical that the Soft Parade, the Doors tribute band could bring the mysticism of The Doors to life. However, last Friday night at Club Bene I was proven wrong. Since I first heard "Light My Fire" years ago, I have wished I could have seen The Doors in person. Alas, I was born too late.

The Soft Parade brought me as close as I could possibly dream to get. Lead singer and founder, Joe Russo, has captured the erotic style that was Jim Morrison. Beside the fact that he looks eerily like Morrison, he sounds exactly like him. With his hypnotic stare and precise movements, his on-stage presence was magnetic. One thing that I thought was cool was how they blended songs into each other.

"The crowd didn’t want the set to end and when the band walked off stage the audience called them back for an encore. They came back and played a few more tunes starting with "Hello I Love You." Other highlights of the evening were "My Eyes Have Seen You," "Five To One" and the sensual "Touch Me." Russo intoned, "I tend to like the slow romantic songs the best." In each song the keyboards, drums and guitar matched the sound and style of the legendary Doors.

"To me it is not an imitation...I go out and put myself in the atmosphere that the music creates." Of course, the music wouldn’t be the match if it is without Carl Kramers (keyboards), Roy Weinberg (drums) and Joseph Bilotti (guitars). Together they brought the crowd at Bene back in time.

The audience was psyched from the moment the lights dimmed and when they opened the show people were already gathered by the stage dancing. As they went into "Break On Through" I couldn’t help but join in. Russo sang with the same intense fervor of Jim Morrison. When he broke into "The Soft Parade" it seemed as if he almost became Jim as he screamed, “You cannot petition the Lord with prayer.” Throughout the night the audience was invited to join in the songs. It seemed as though everyone was singing "When the Music’s Over."

The energy in the club was intense as the night progressed. Since Club Bene is one of the few clubs/bars in the area that the band plays where people under the age of 21 can get in, there are always a lot of young people and Russo feels it creates a "special energy." Russo played to the crowd just as I imagine Jim would have, his on-stage presence was magnetic.

"I knew that performing the music of the Doors was something that I could make successful. I decided to take my musical ambition and put it together with the affinity I had for the music of the Doors. I combined that with my natural similarities to Jim Morrison. Then I developed a concept for a show. It had to be something special, something that would do justice to the incredible power the Doors had on stage." In my humble opinion they have done that and more. The band came together in 1990 and, although some of the members have changed, the style has not. The Soft Parade has toured all over the world including Germany, where there are extremely popular and France, Italy, Spain, Holland and Israel.

Joe Russo of The Soft Parade bears an uncanny resemblance to Jim Morrison.

One King Down’s Bloodlust Revenge is truly amazing.

By Jeff Kaminski
Staff Writer

One King Down is a straight edge hardcore band from Albany. For those of you who do not know what straight edge means, it is the abstention from smoking, drugs, or alcohol. Formed in 1994, they have put out two records to date. The first was entitled Absolve, and was released on Trainwreck Records...

... "Ab solve." starts off slow then gets the fast paced movement going. "De-fiance" has some awesome breaks and is another well-written song. Overall, this is one great CD. The energy that is on Bloodlust Revenge is incredible, and it shows in their live shows. One King Down is currently recording a new record, which should be out sometime in late May or early June, so be on the lookout. The band will also be playing Screwy Louie’s in Kearny, NJ on Tuesday April 28, so definitely head on down and show your support.

Bloodlust Revenge has incredible energy
"Grease" celebrates 20 year anniversary on the big screen

By Rosanna DeRobertis
Staff Writer

The much anticipated, re-released "Grease," was back on the big screen on Friday, March 27. The phenomenal 1978 musical hit returned, celebrating its 20 year anniversary as one of the most successful musical pictures ever.

The excitement could be heard everywhere from radio announcements to TV broadcasts to newspaper headlines. Without realizing what was happening, we were lead back into the past to the year 1978 and even further back to the simpler era of the late 1950's.

As the eight o'clock crowd entered the theater, it struck me that a couple of teenage boys were wearing leather jackets. Coincidence? I think not. Patiently, but urgently, we seated ourselves to wait for the splendid classic to come alive.

Upon the conclusion of the millionth preview, Danny and Sandy were reunited as they experienced their "Summer Nights" at the beach. The crowd went wild with an applause that lasted throughout the whole "Grease" introduction theme song.

As the movie progressed, the crowd continued to be a united bunch, constantly singing to the popular tunes and whistling at every possible moment, most often for the swinging moves of John Travolta. This was no ordinary night at the movies; in fact, it seemed more like a live musical than a motion picture. The togetherness and joyous feeling of the whole audience seemed unreal compared to the cranky and rude behavior one usually experiences at the theater. Perhaps the most shocking point of all came when the T-Bird gang, consisting of John Travolta (Danny), Jeff Conaway (Kenickie), Michael Tucci (Sonny), Kelly Ward (Putzie) and Barry Pearl (Doody) began singing "Greased Lightning."

Not only was the crowd singing along, but when the song reached the point for the hand motion associated to the tune's chorus "Greased Lightning, go Greased Lightning," the whole theater participated at the exact moment, making it seem as though a choreographer had arranged the whole display. No one missed a beat and when it was time to clap, at another major point of the song, the precise clapping rhythm was completed with perfection, again not once missing a cue. It was truly amazing to witness how "Grease" captured our nostalgic hearts all over again.

For some of you who are completely unfamiliar with the hit, it is a musical picture about high school kids having fun as well as experiencing some minor hardships. Their fun lasts throughout the whole movie with events such as the bonfire excitement, dance competition, car racing spectacle and, ultimately, the carnival on the last day of school.

In between this fun, however, they share common teenage dilemmas, including pregnancy, love and the peer pressure to smoke, drink and have sex.

The primary characters include John Travolta as Danny Zuko and Olivia Newton-John as Sandy. After their summer fling, the lovers part thinking they will never see each other again, but then Sandy winds up at Danny's school, Rydell High School. Olivia (nominated for the Golden Globe Award for Best Actress in 1979) is seen as an outsider at Rydell.

Throughout the movie, she is constantly trying to fit in with the popular girls known as the Pink Ladies, who pressure her to change her "pure" personality. Rizzo claims, "she looks too pure to be pink." The Pink Ladies are Stockard Channing (Rizzo), Didi Conn (Frenchie), Jamie Donnelly (Jan) and Dinah Manoff (Marty). The great thing about "Grease" is that it does not base the whole movie on Danny and Sandy's lovers' quarrel, but on the rest of the gang as well.

The movie's musical hits range from "Hopelessly Devoted to You" (nominated for an Academy Award in 1979 for Best Song) to others like "You're the One that I Want," "Summer Nights," and "Greased Lightning" to name but a few.

The re-release of "Grease" proved to be a huge success opening weekend when it came in second at the box office. It will only be at theaters for a few more weeks so before you decide you are not interested in watching an old movie classic, remember you are missing the once in a lifetime opportunity to experience true happiness and fun at the movies.

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They have even had the opportunity to share the stage with original Doors' guitarist Robby Krieger in France at the celebration of Jim Morrison's 50th birthday; Russo said, "As a memory it was a very special night...it was a thrill." Russo explained that "the atmosphere in the room" is what makes a performance a good one to him. The Soft Parade has gone through some rough roads to make sure they do not disappoint fans, once even battling a gas strike in France.

The Soft Parade has released a maxi-CD of original music entitled Little Red Book. Although the band has already worked their original music into their shows in Europe they have yet to perform

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The SGA has nobody to blame except themselves

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First, the entire election was conducted on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday. Three days of voting is hardly sufficient to get enough students into the booths. Some commuters don’t even come to school on any of those days. By holding the election process so quickly, the SGA didn’t offer the students an adequate opportunity to vote.

Second, the SGA did virtually nothing to publicize the elections. There are probably a few thousand students who didn’t even know that an election happened earlier during the week. Where was Public Relations Director Ihor Andruch? Why didn’t he organize a campaign on campus simply to get the message that elections to decide the future of the student body were about to take place? SGA representatives should have been sent to every classroom on campus to let the voters know what was going on. Instead, they all just sat back and watched as nobody voted.

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Although a few more real races might not have been so bad, it isn’t the students’ fault that they didn’t care. The SGA gave them no incentive to care. With any luck, president-elect Anton Wheeler is the person who can turn the SGA around. Wheeler has already proven himself to be a charismatic speaker with a vision of what MSU could be. All he needs is the support of the student body to rejuvenate the SGA and turn this university into the positive growth environment that it could be.
The killings of five innocent middle school students by their own classmates on March 24 in Jonesboro, Arkansas, serve as a sobering reminder of the violent nature of our nation and the increasingly young age of our violent offenders. Mitchell Johnson, 13, and Andrew Golden, only 11, viciously gunned down their fellow unsuspecting classmates after pulling a fire alarm so they could run. This chilling act of violence and other gun related crimes that you only have to turn on your evening news to hear about every day prove more and more that stricter gun control laws are desperately needed in this country.

Many proponents of gun control will argue that laws such as stricter purchasing and registering standards are needed, and that longer waiting periods for licensing should be enforced. Well I’m going to go one step further than that - the purchasing, use, possession or even mere existence of any kind of firearm in the hands of anyone other than a law enforcement or military official should be banned. If that means repealing the Second Amendment, then so be it.

Opponents of gun control will argue with you that if someone wants to kill someone, they will, whether it is with a gun or a butter knife. Granted, but that thinking does not in any way justify the sale and use of an object that has one purpose and one purpose only - to kill.

Last time I checked the law books, murder was no place in American society. It is with a gun or a butter knife. Granted, but that thinking does not in any way justify the sale and use of an object that has one purpose and one purpose only - to kill.

for violent crimes committed by misguided youth. And yes, those individuals and their parents are very responsible for their actions and the result of their actions cannot be solely blamed on guns. Everyone should take responsibility for what they do, but the naked truth is that they don’t. So why put an object that makes it so easy to take someone else’s life in such proximity to these people?

Guaranteed, less people will die if potential murderers could not find guns and had to resort to using Cadillacs to kill people. Guns just make it too easy for the innocent people so they can protect themselves? Most guns bought off of the black market were probably purchased through legal means to begin with anyway, and then sold off or stolen.

I know I said that guns should be banned even if it means repealing the Second Amendment, but in reality that is not necessary. The Second Amendment does not guarantee any and all citizens the right to carry firearms. In 1939, the Supreme Court decided in the US v. Miller, that possession of a firearm is not protected by the Second Amendment.

The Way It Is

By Kevin P. Hancock
Managing Editor

Jonesboro proves that guns have no place in American society

guns in this country each year. Three years ago in 1995 - 21,597 people were murdered with firearms, over 12,000 of them with handguns. Guns make killing easy. As the breakdown of any kind of family values continues in this country, and the number of children growing up with absolutely no guidance or idea of the differences between right and wrong grows, so does the potential for a generation of potential murderers.

Handguns in homes are not protecting our families. They are killing them.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...

Guzman is right; racism does exist at Montclair State University

Dear Jose,

I saw the article in The Montclarion and remembered the caballero Jose L. Guzman who shared a class with me. I applaud your courage in expressing your opinion. Others may not agree with you but they have to listen to you.

There is no arguing that racism exists at MSU. In a world where so many people are at each others throats in so many areas because of narrow racial, ethnic, religious or other biases, I wonder if there is any oasis where it doesn’t exist.

I am confident there are others here on the faculty and staff who marched for civil rights in the 50’s and the 60’s (I did) and some who put their lives on the line

Andrew M. Rouse clears up a mistake in her most recent article

Letter to the editor:

In the March 26 issue of The Montclarion I wrote about the Unity Collaboration Multicultural All Together Different Retreat, it might have lead the reader to think Mrs. Alicia Herms-Weaver was a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. However, Alicia is not a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc., she is a sister of Sigma Delta Tau where she became a member at SUNY Stoneybrooke.

I would like to apologize to Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. for any convience.

Sincerely,

Andrea M. Rouse
Clinton’s sex scandal raises questions about the presidency and the Democrats

To many of you, the Clinton Sex Scandal is nothing more than a bunch of garbage that does not concern you. You probably feel as though what (or who) a man (in Bill Clinton’s case, this term is used very loosely) does in his spare time is his business alone. Therefore, you probably think that the sexual escapades of the president (or her husband) will not have any hindrance on his ability to run the country.

Well, it is correct that Bill Clinton’s adultery does not interfere with his running of the country. But, if indeed he did cooperate with Vernon Jordan in getting Monica Lewinski to lie under oath, he did break the law. This is a violation against his job description; in order to hold the office of President of the United States, one must not commit any felonies. Obstruction of the justice process is a big felony.

If President Clinton is guilty, this will not be the first time he has committed a felony. We quickly forget that he dodged the draft during the Vietnam War. Until the draft dodgers were pardoned by President Jimmy Carter, they were (and should still be) felons.

Granted, if I were alive during the Vietnam War, I would not have approved of the United States getting involved in it either. After all, the reason we got involved in it originally was to protect French interests anyway. We, the mighty mighty United States, had to go ego-tripping across the Pacific once again to stick our noses in a matter that did not concern us. Our involvement in this war can be attributed to the Kennedy and LBJ administrations. Finally, we wound up getting our clocks cleaned by the Viet Cong (a group of soldiers that are among the dirtiest fighters of the modern day).

But John F. Kennedy was not persecuted and jeered due to inconclusive evidence by a federal judge in Arkansas (Clinton’s home state...what a coincidence!). Even though Jones and her lawyers are said to be launching an appeal, it does not look like this matter will no longer be taken seriously.

Why is it that Bill Clinton can walk out of another scandal smelling like a rose? On April 1, the Paula Jones sexual harassment case was dismissed due to inconclusive evidence by a federal judge in Arkansas (Clinton’s home state...what a coincidence!). Even though Jones and her lawyers are said to be launching an appeal, it does not look like this matter will no longer be taken seriously.

Mr. Clinton on the other hand has had several million of our tax dollars thrown into the furnace to fuel investigations on Whitewater, campaign financing, and the sex scandal. My score shows Nixon-1, Clinton-3, America minus several million dollars.

I am not attempting to make this into a lynching mob for our president. My purpose in choosing this as my topic for this week’s column is twofold.

First, I want you the reader to actually see the full picture. For so long, you have all been spoon-fed a one-sided perspective. Therefore, you are not getting the whole truth. A healthy dose of conservatism is exactly what you need!

Second, I am trying to make you realize that what Mr. Clinton is being accused of is a dishonor to the Office of President, to the people that voted for him (not once, but twice), and to every American. The president is supposed to be a representative of the United States to the world at large. If Bill Clinton actually did cheat on Hillary Rodham Clinton, then what does that say about the people that he represents?

Sexual immorality is no laughing matter, and it is a big deal. Not only is it condemnation to one’s own soul, but it is also damaging to one’s family. Even though I may not like the Clinton’s personally, I know that I would be shocked, heartbroken, and confused if my father was being accused of cheating on my mother. How do you think Chelsea feels? Don’t you think that her peers talk behind her back day in and day out? How would you feel if this were your father that cheated on your mother?

Furthermore, if he did indeed have sex with Monica Lewinski, it would be just plain disgusting. Mr. Clinton is close to 30 years older than her, and Lewinski is only six years older than Chelsea Clinton. Therefore, Mr. Clinton is old enough to be her father. This doesn’t sound very presidential or American, it sounds more like an episode of Jerry Springer.

For a man that claims to be a Christian, Mr. Clinton surely does not act like one. A Christian man is supposed to be true to his wife and loving to his family. This was the whole premise of Promise Keepers. The only appearance Mr. Clinton made at Promise Keepers was flying over the Mall five times in his noisy, overpriced helicopter.

In closing, I would just like to say that if Mr. Clinton is guilty of any wrongdoing that he should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. After all, many people say that Mr. Clinton is just like any ordinary American: Prosecute him like one!

By William J. Gibbs Jr.
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Beef: America's #1 killer

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Don't think meat is not addictive. It contains substances to keep you craving for it. That's why White Castle commercials have that "What You Crave" advertisement. I dare you to just try and stop. It actually the #1 drug and it has America hooked. There are several other reasons for not eating meat. One is that it takes 4 times as much grains to feed animals, than for a human to consume it directly.

Plants are the original source of energy for all living things, as they store the energy of the sun through photosynthesis. A person who does not eat a lot of meat not only taxes nourishment from the original source, but their diet is more economical with regards to cost and the best utilization of available land. Sea food is very good for you, but that too can be taken to excess.

Another more interesting fact is that a Human digestive system is not one of a carnivore. His or her teeth are designed through mutation, for biting and mashing original vegetables. This is why people tendizer and cooks meat to make it more edible. Diet alters the person’s very appearance, from human to animal, as well as his or her nature. Meat eaters are much more violent. The human liver is proportionally smaller than that of a meat eating animal, and not built to handle filtering of animal poisons. Also the alimentary canal, which is short in carnivorous animals to speed poisons through quickly, is quite long in a human. As it is in any vegetarian animal. Thus creates a stacking process in the human stomach.

Note the untruth that that you need meat or that you will lose weight if you don’t eat meat. Herbivores are much larger than Carnivorous Animal. Look at the Dinosaurs! The herbivore dinosaur was much bigger than the Carnivore Dinosaur.

Meat also has e-coli in it which causes bloody diarrhoea, other sickness and has caused thousands of deaths around the USA. Also the newest epidemic Mad Cow’s disease, which is also causing many deaths especially in Europe. Remember when you eat something that’s dead you are making that death apart of you. You become the cow! You enter the death cycle and exit the life cycle. Vegetables contain energy from the sun therefore you continue the life cycle. You are what you eat! Cow’s are also very cowardly animals. They are scared of cows and the making that fear apart of you.

Let’s look at a top ten killers list from The National center for Health Statistics (1995). The list goes as follows: #10 Cirrhosis 25,222 deaths, #9 Suicide 31,284 deaths, #8 HIV 43,115 deaths, #7 Diabetes 59,254 deaths, #6 Pneumonia (flu) 82,923 deaths, #5 Accidents 93,320 deaths, #4 Chronic Lung disease 102,899 deaths, #3 Stroke 157,991 deaths, #2 cancer 538,455 deaths, and #1 Disease of the Heart 737,563. Hmmm! The top two disease for death is Cancer and Heart disease. Could these deaths have been caused by eating meat? Fast food has proven to produce cancer, e-coli, and deaths! Newsweek magazine did a cover story on meat last year titled, “Can Meat Kill You”. Newsweek also presented the facts on Meat causing deaths also! This is the reason why Fast food is so cheap, the government is trying to kill you! Did somebody say McDonald’s? Think Again! Fast food, SLOW DEATH! Stop the death cycle.

America needs tougher gun control laws

and Amendment unless it has some direct relationship to the preservation of a well regulated militia, as stated in the amendment. Such an example of this would be the National Guard, not private citizens looking for a false sense of security. There are many local laws across the country that ban handguns, and these laws have not been found in violation of the Second Amendment.

Some will argue that if everyone had a gun, crime would go down out of fear that if you attacked a person they might be armed. We live in the United States of America, not the “wild, wild west.” That same theory applied to the Cold War when the world stockpiled up on nuclear weapons because everyone else had them. The result - the world lived in fear of total inhabitation for years until someone had the common sense to say let's start getting rid of these weapons, because they can only lead to death and destruction. The same must apply here.

If we wish to be a nation that somewhat resembles a civilized society, the sale, use and possession of firearms must be banned. There is no place for guns in our country and incidents such as the one at Jonesboro are proving that everyday. To quote MSU student Chops Kandil, from last week’s “Students Speak Out!” - “All guns should be banned from the whole world. Everyone should just carry around flowers.” Well said.
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I have no excuse for this week’s section, except for my chronic laziness. Any complaints or negative feedback on this week’s one-page humour™ section will be ignored by me, John J. O’Sullivan. You might as well yell at a shrubbery.

Cheers, JJO’S
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Men’s tennis catches fire after slow start to season

Hawks on a two game winning streak with victories over Caldwell, Western Connecticut

By Jason Lampa

Sports Editor

The Montclair State men’s tennis team is on a roll, winning two matches in-a-row this week over Caldwell and Western Connecticut after winning just one of their first five matches of the season.

Men’s Tennis

“I give the guy’s on this team all the credit in the world,” said Head coach Brian McLoughlin. “It’s tough to keep up the intensity when you’re on a losing streak, but this time it has really come on strong.”

The team had a little bit of set back with an injury to first singles starter Mike Mocera, but he should be back very soon.

The team will get an added addition during the second half of this season with the help of Gonzalo de Castro, who will be joining the team shortly.

“Gonzalo is going to be a wonderful addition to this team,” said McLoughlin. “He’s a good athlete and has the potential to be in the middle of the lineup during the last half of the season.”

One of the leaders of this team, who has played on the tennis team at MSU for the past four years and has been a big part of this recent surge, is senior Mark Lawson.

Lawson, as sociology major, moved up to first singles from second singles in MSU’s last two victories due to the injury of Mocera. He has proven he can play at the top, winning both of his matches.

Lawson, who will graduate in May, put his tennis career on cruise control this season, due to the heavy course load he has taken this semester in order to graduate on time.

“My tennis game has been hurting a little this season because I don’t get the same opportunity to practice with the team as much as I would like to,” said Lawson.

“With classes winding down, I am looking forward to improving my game the second half of the season and hopefully making a run in the conference tournament.”

Though Lawson’s collegiate tennis career in winding down, there may be a chance to continue playing at a higher level.

“I have gotten to know some of the more notable sponsors and I will meet with Adidas in July to talk about future opportunities in the sport of tennis,” said Lawson.

“I got to put together a portfolio from all the matches I have played in since ’88 and show it to them, hopefully I get a chance to become a professional.”

Looking at what Lawson has done so far in his both his academic and athletic career, it would not be a surprise to see him touring the circuit.
Last at bat heroics save one from doubleheader for Hawks

Saladino’s two run double caps four run rally to win first game; Hawks drop second game 8-2

By Jason Lampa

Senior outfielder Wendy Saladino capped a four-run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning with a two-run double as Montclair overcame a 3-0 deficit to win the game in its final at bat in a game played at The Quarry Field in Upper Montclair on Tuesday.

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Men’s tennis on a hot streak with 2 straight wins.