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Stadium beer sales cause alcohol policy confusion

Distribution of beer at Yogi Berra Stadium is raising questions about MSU’s on-campus drinking policy

By Brian Pederson
Assistant News Editor

Alcohol was sold on campus during NJ Jackals games which were played on campus at Yogi Berra Stadium this summer. Many students, however, including SGA President Anton Wheeler are now confused about the school’s policy regarding on-campus drinking. “If the campus is a dry campus, then all aspects of the campus should be dry,” said Wheeler.

The stadium itself is given the ability to serve alcohol to its patrons because it has been issued a liquor license from the state. One precaution that was taken concerning the sale of alcohol during the games was to have the customer buy the beer from the concession stand, rather than to have the beer bought directly to the customer. This in turn cut down on the amount of liquor sold and consumed during the game. “While beer was served, I am certain that in the 42 games we had that we never had to escort someone out,” commented Leo G. Kirk, the Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Floyd Hall Enterprises. Alcohol, only being served from the game’s beginning to the seventh inning was another restriction implemented. Coupled with extra security personnel and the same restrictive mentality, the stadium had no problems to deal with concerning the use of alcohol, according to Kirk.

“Our company has the business risk of operating the facilities, all from private funding. We have received a permit from the state to serve alcohol during our games,” Kirk stated.

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Freshmen a select group thanks to higher admission standards

Fifty-eight percent of students who applied were not accepted

By Christine Quigley
Staff Writer

More than half of the 6200 applicants seeking fall admission were turned away, school officials said.

The large number of rejections partly reflect tougher academic standards, said school officials. SAT scores of MSU’s incoming freshman class have risen an average of 14 points from last year. “Statistically, this is a significant increase,” said Dr. Alan Buechler, Director of Admissions who added the average score was 1100.

SAT scores are not always the deciding factor, Buechler said. There are three aspects of the student that are looked at. These include the high school record, admissions testing and extracurricular activities in and out of school. “Extracurricular activities are looked at in their broadest sense,” said Buechler. Close attention is put in involvement with the community and volunteer work.

ON SCHEDULE: The Richardson Hall Annex construction, involving six different contractors, is currently running smoothly.

Annex construction makes progress over summer

Fair weather conditions and cooperation keeping project on schedule

By Mike Borlakov
Staff Writer

The construction of the Richardson Hall Annex has been in progress since April 7, 1998. At the present time the project is on schedule. “There have been no delays in construction and hopefully the winter weather will be kind,” commented David Yen Associate Director of Architecture and Engineering Services.

The summer months yielded much progress and found the project’s 6 contractors working efficiently together. “I am very pleased with the cooperation between the staff and the surrounding buildings, including the Day Care Center, Student Life and Student Center,” said Yen. The Board of Trustees approved 17.1 million for the project according to Yen who oversaw the acceptance of bids for the project and painstakingly chose the best contractors for the job.

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**Tanker explosion kills 50 in Brazil**

SAO PAULO, Brazil (CNN) — At least 50 people were killed and dozens injured early Tuesday when a tanker truck flipped and exploded on a highway, setting fire to two charter buses carrying religious pilgrims.

Police said another truck and a car were also involved in the accident, which occurred just before 3am on the Anhanguera highway, about 178 kilometers (110 miles) north of Sao Paulo. The two charter buses were carrying about 100 Catholic workers who were returning to Anapolis in the central Goias state from the Basilica of Our Lady of Aparecida, a shrine to Brazil's patron saint in the interior of Sao Paulo state. A spokesman for the Sao Paulo highway police said most of the victims were on the two buses.

U.S. officials claim that N. Korea tested missile

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**McGreevey still on campaign trail**

Jim McGreevey, the Woodbridge mayor who barely lost to Gov. Christie Whitman last fall, is back on the campaign trail. In fact, he never really left. Flush with more than a quarter million dollars from summer fundraising, the PAC is sponsoring the $32,000 ad campaign promoting the Democratic party's "Bill of Rights" for HMO patients. McGreevey also lends his voice to a public service announcement, calling on presidential candidates this November.

The focus is health care, but the McGreevey connected with two outs in the fourth inning off the Chicago Cubs' Steve Trachsel for the historic homer, which punctuated the chase that he began with a grand slam on Opening Day. The attention to health care is somewhat ironic, given the state's faltering Medicare program.

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Companies work together to take on job

Construction is handling the heating and air conditioning. The lab equipment and fixtures are the responsibility of Newlab Furniture and Power Electric is handling electrical systems, fixtures and outlets. Brian Trematore Plumbing and Heating and Weir Welding Company round out the group. Weir Welding is in charge of the fire safety and sprinkler systems. The general contractor is Thomas Construction.

Presently they are working on the relocation of present underground systems, foundation and excavation work. Though minor problems have occurred in dealing with the existing systems, “Everything is on schedule,” Juan Torres said. “Everything is working out well, everyone is working together and there is a lot of progress.”

Originally the project was slated for 18 months of construction and was condensed to 14 months of work in order to better serve the university and students. The facility, upon completion, will house state of the art equipment in biochemistry and molecular biology, as well as individual research labs, allowing students to have a closer working relationship with professors. A student lounge will also be included.

“I'm considering transferring now that I know Montclair will have such a state of the art facility,” said Sean Dougan of Hofstra University.

“I always thought of MSU as a more liberal college and I was pleasantly surprised when I heard about the new building,” commented Jason Strother, a freshman.

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Students enjoying Freeman Dining Hall revamp

The $175,000 renovation is the largest in the facility's history

By Nicholas P. Clunie
News Editor

Students are eating more comfortably in Freeman Dining Hall this semester due to the facility's biggest renovation in its history which were completed this summer. At the close of the 1997-98 school year the university entertained bids from various caterers for the dining contract that included Freeman Dining Hall renovation costs. Sodexho-Marriott, who served students last year, retained their contract and headed up the revamping.

“Can't get a fresher egg than you can cook yourself.” - Kevin Rakowski, Auxiliary Services

“Dining services is not supported by tuition and fees,” Rakowski added. The reconstruction’s details were determined through collaborations between the Division of Student Affairs, Residence Life, Sodexho, Auxiliary Services and students. “The committee met to look at the concept, make some minor changes, decide on colors and do the final tweaking,” said Rakowski.

The goal was described as contemporary by Rakowski. The facility received new furniture, carpets and tile floors. Placement of kiosks and counters were reconfigured as well to allow more fluid foot traffic patterns. Induction stations, a new trend in college dining, was the only significant visible change to the menu.

“Can’t get a fresher egg than you can cook yourself,” boasted Rakowski. Students interviewed applauded the changes. However, there were mixed responses regarding the food quality. “It’s important for a place where you eat to be clean,” said sophomore Beth Krawiec. “I wish they would have improved the food though.”

The Freeman Dining Hall constructed in 1963, received two renovations previous to this summer’s. A minor one was made in 1990, and a more significant improvement was made to the service line in 1992.

NEW & IMPROVED: Sodexho employee Mona Keith works at the carvery section of the renovated Freeman Hall Cafeteria.

Freshmen

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Class of 2002 raising MSU’s academic standards

“I definitely feel that standards have risen at MSU,” said Ophelia Johnson, admissions ambassador and senior. “I feel that this is a positive thing because we are getting a more select and qualified group of individuals.”

Mike Luzzi, 18, one of the 2600 freshmen who were accepted said that the change from high school to college has been a positive one.

“My classmates seem to be more intelligent and mature than those in high school,” said Luzzi.

Dr. Radner, an English Professor, sees new freshmen every year in his Freshman Composition classes.

“The students have been improving over the years, and my new freshman classes have to re-inforce my observations,” said Radner.

Along with the majority of New Jersey residents, international students also find MSU to be a high standard school.

“I was one of the last international students to be accepted,” said Christine Schoenhuber, 20, of Germany. “The standards are tough, and I did feel that it was a challenge to get in.”

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A little more than a week has gone by and many students have spent a tremendous amount of time getting into the groove of things. Yet students aren’t the only ones trying to get on their feet, someone else who is very important in our Montclair community has spent an infinite amount of time settling in also... The one, the only, our President, Dr. Susan Cole.

For Dr. Cole, the transformation to MSU has been a very smooth move. Although not completely settled in, everyone has been very helpful in making her feel at ease. She has met with large groups of faculty, administrative staff, and student leaders. Each group has shared an impressive amount of openness, interest, and information that has made her very comfortable. When she stepped into office there were no emergen­cys or anything she had to deal with right away. “MSU is a stable, mature institution with no problems,” she boasts proudly.

When Dr. Cole was asked about how she felt being the 1st female president here at Montclair, she responded with words such as these: “A president is a president.” Dr. Cole has resigned with the adjusting that being a “woman president” is obviously important because everyone notices, it’s different, and it’s a good thing. “I will be different, not because I am a woman, but because I am a different person, and each human being has a different set of ideas and way of doing things.” Being a women president does not effect her and she believes that eventually a woman president will be the usual thing to see. After being here for a week Cole hopes that she has set a positive tone for the rest of the year. She has witnessed Montclair as a warm, open, inclusive institution that she will nurture in terms of creating opportuni­ties and forming a strong community. To do these things she will promote communica­tion and participation with both students and faculty. “The potential of Montclair State University is very great,” she proclaims.

According to U.S. News and World Re­ports, MSU is one of the best institutions in the North. However, our president is convinced that no matter how high our rank gets there is no reason why we should stop working. Our goal here at Montclair, above whatever rankings out there, is “We want to make MSU the very best university that it can be. Good always can be better,” she assures.

Cole plans to serve Montclair as far into the future as she can see. At this moment she spends most of her time getting ac­quainted with the university, faculty, and students. Producing a clear vision of how we want to grow the university into the 21st century is very important to her. She intends to accomplish our growth by making plans and setting priorities so we can accomplish all that we dream.

The thought of being president never even crossed Cole’s mind years back when she was teaching at the City Uni­versity of New York since she was pleased with her job at the time. It wasn’t until she stepped foot for the first time into Metro­politan State University that she realized that be­ing president was the best job for her. She was presi­dent at Metropolitan, and now is thrilled to be presi­dent here at Montclair State.

Indeed we have learned a host of things about Dr. Cole, but she, too, has learned some vi­tal things about us at MSU such as (1) the kind of people...everyone she has met has been sincere, (2) the wonderful diver­sity of our community and “the different backgrounds, races, and ages make our uni­versity a very alive atmosphere,” and (3) the evident pride that many have about MSU.

The longing for the familiar has plagued human beings since the be­ginning of time. Most of us associ­ate very strongly with the place we call home. Even when you look forward to leav­ing home it can hurt to actually be in a new place.

For many first year students, the univer­sity may be their first experience living away from home for an extended period. The usual sources of support are no longer present to help with the transition to the unfamiliar environment. But homesickness can also affect sec­ond, third, and fourth year students after an adventurous summer with friends and family.

Homesickness affects students in many different ways. Some stu­dents get very swept up in the ex­citement of new friends and activi­ties and forget about their former life entirely. Some students are very excited in the beginning only to find, after several weeks, that they are starting to miss what was fam­i­liar and wish for a visit with friends and family. Others dread the unfa­miliar surroundings from the begin­ning and are sad and miserable for a period of time that can range from a few days to an entire semester. The problem can be compounded for an international student or a nontraditional student who lacks the support factors that traditional stu­dents have of common culture and common interests.

Each of us has a different toler­ance for change and has learned different methods for coping with unfamil­iar surroundings. Homesickness can be a general term that represents grieving, feel­ing sadness, anxious feelings, loss of mean­ing, disappointment, or being lonely. Some­times it can become a more serious depres­sive situation if the person cannot begin to meet his her needs for love and belonging with new people. In those incidences it is important to find someone professional to talk to.

Here are some basic strategies which can help moderate feelings of homesickness:

1. Remember that homesickness is a temporary feeling for most stu­dents. Give yourself some time to adjust to your new surroundings.

2. Get involved with other stu­dents, classes, and student activi­ties. The sooner you adapt to your new surroundings, the less intense will be your feeling of discomfort in missing home.

3. Call or write home, but avoid getting into the habit of go­ing home every weekend. This is especially important during the beginning of the school year.

4. Talk out your feelings with a friend or residence hall coun­selor. Just getting feelings off your chest can provide a sense of relief.

5. If these feelings persist or become so intrusive that they im­pair your daily activities, you may benefit from talking to a counsel­lor. If so, call 973-655-5211 to schedule an appointment.

Most of all, be patient with yourself. Try to think about things you enjoy and that you could do to have fun in your new environment. College can be a challenge and it can also be an opportunity for real growth and pleasure.
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**Voices**  
A bi-weekly column focusing on the realities of Latino life and culture

By Joe Serrano  
Staff Writer

I would like to dedicate a few minutes to reading this introduction. What follows is a completely new addition to *The Montclarion*. It will be featured bi-weekly as part of the features section.

Voices will consist of material written primarily by Latino students on Latino issues. It is my aim to inform as well as to present individual perspectives on the realities of Latino life and culture. Ideally, this section will represent the variety of voices of the Latino community on campus.

Voices is inspired by the reality of the steadily increasing Latino population on campus. Because the section is in its early stages and because it is a new function of the Latino Culture Education Committee of L.A.S.O., its focus may vary throughout its existence. If and when it does, it is no more than a symbol of our constant effort to bring you the best. Following is the first article of this new tradition.

**Million Youth March**

Harlem wanted to rise Saturday afternoon. Malcolm X Boulevard became the stage where six thousand voices screamed to be heard. Six thousand cheered and chanted and held their fists high as they echoed the call for Black unity and youth empowerment. I was one of those screaming voices. My fist was one of those fists.

I decided to go to the Million Youth March for several reasons. I wanted to hear what was going to be said. I wanted to support the underlying ideals of the march — minority and youth empowerment. I wanted to learn more about my African roots and participate alongside my Black brethren. I wanted to be part of something important and historical. I wanted to incite my revolutionary and reformist tendencies.

After finally penetrating the wall of NYPD Blue surrounding the area, I began to pierce the attraction in an attempt to reach the front. I quickly noticed that the overwhelming majority of the participants were Black. I was expecting a more diverse minority representation even though it was a Black rally. I ignored the notion and continued to squeeze through the multitude.

I arrived just before the march finally took stage and commenced the event with a series of religious rituals. Most of these rituals were foreign to me and other Latinos to scream the cries of liberation and equality and the others not. Just as many there were in the streets that particular day, but the entire campaign against oppression was not only strengthened the march that day, but the entire campaign against oppression.

In deep contrast, the ralliers on the street were much more open. They encouraged me and other Latinos to scream the cries of freedom and justice with them. We yelled, we laughed, we held silences and reflected together. In that sense, it seems that Latinos and other minority groups were better acknowledged. At that scale, on that micro-level, Latinos and all other minorities present were part of the Million Youth March.

Those on the street, interacting at a personal level, understood even without realizing that the gathering was a rally of all oppressed people demanding liberation and social, economic and political justice. The organizers and speakers did not seem to understand this or to acknowledge it.

In my opinion, the speakers and organizers failed to see the big picture. They didn’t seem to realize that the problems encountered by Blacks can only be solved at the root cause. Violence and oppression will not cease where one group was granted liberation and equality and the others not. Justice will only survive in its absolute form: owned by all people.

The ones who hold the concentration of power in this country are a small group. The oppressed minorities, if united, are the majority. The only way that the owners of the power are able to keep the power is by dividing the minorities. The organizers of the march would have been wise to encourage the unity of all minority groups, and use that as their core message. Instead they compromised the success of their campaign by monopolizing the microphones and virtually excluding participation of any other minority group.

**Keep your eyes on the prize**

It was commencement day. Reverend Robert Schuller proudly watched his son receive his bachelor’s degree. After the ceremony, his son reflected on how happy he was to graduate but also how hard it was to get through college. His dad reached out and gently touched the tassel hanging down from his son’s cap and said, “The tassel is worth the hassle.”

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- Conservation Club meeting, 4:15p.m. S.C. Annex, Commuter Lounge
- Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship meeting, 7:30p.m. S.C. 412
- Football Pep Rally, 8:00p.m.-10:00p.m. Panzer Gymnasium
- Eco-TipA
- PowerPoint Workshop, 8:30a.m.-12:00p.m. Call x5449 to sign up!
- After partying all week, go to the library and get some #1. IT WILL BE DIFFICULT.
- Date Rape Seminar, sponsored by Phi Sigma Sigma, a class 4 organization of the S.G.A., 7:00p.m. S.C. Balcony
- L.A.S.O. meeting, 3:30p.m. S.C. Cafeteria C
- Delta Xi Delta Rush BBQ, meet at the S.C. revolving doors 8:30p.m.
- Come out of the Closet and be a Jew, 9:00p.m. S.C. 416
- Lambda Sigma Omega, Montclair General Membership meetings, 3:00p.m. 113 SC Annex. All students are welcome to attend.
- Robert Schuller proudly watched his son receive his bachelor’s degree. After the ceremony, his son reflected on how happy he was to graduate but also how hard it was to get through college. His dad reached out and gently touched the tassel hanging down from his son’s cap and said, “The tassel is worth the hassle.”

**Eco-Tips**

Did you know... that thousands of marine mammals and sea turtles die every year (even here on New Jersey’s coastline) because they swallow plastic shopping bags? Since plastic bags are lightweight, they fly off of garbage barges, then drift on the surface of the water looking very much like jellyfish. When animals eat these pseudo-jellyfish, the plastic blocks their digestive systems and they die a horrible death; they are unable to excrete and become poisoned by their own waste products.

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Sorority and Fraternity RUSH:
the what, where, when, why, and how

By Stephanie Materazzi

What: Rush. Rush, Rush, Rush. It appears like Rush is the only thing that goes on in September. Whether you are a new student or one who already have their mind set as to which Greek life organization they would like to join, don’t be afraid or too stubborn to check anything out. Sometimes a person will come to you where to go (Yes, it is okay if you go by yourself). Rush allows you to safely explore various kinds of organizations and see what they stand for as far as the business aspect of an organization goes. Rush flyers are opportunities for you to get in touch and meet with a particular fraternity or sorority to see if any common interests exist between yourself and that particular niche of people. People who already have their mind set to a particular fraternity or sorority to see if they are suitable for you is all a part of Rush. While you might be staying in one of the beautiful, luxurious Montclair residence halls or commuting into our very spacious parking ground, you will sooner or later come across numerous, inviting Rush flyers. Rush allows you to safely explore various kinds of organizations and see what they stand for as far as the business aspect of an organization goes. Rush flyers are opportunities for you to get in touch and meet with a particular fraternity or sorority to see if any common interests exist between yourself and that particular niche of people. One popular Rush event would be a mixer between a sorority and a fraternity. This type of party allows you the opportunity to meet other Greeks on campus. Don’t worry about transportation, safe rides are usually provided.

Rush does not mean that if you meet with a particular group you have to stick with them until the end (although you could). Rush welcomes and invites everyone including freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors, transfers and commuters. Don’t ever think it’s too late. For all of those who already have their mind set as to which organization they would like to join, don’t be afraid or too stubborn to check anything else out. Sometimes a person will come to you and say that they are interested in what Montclair Greek life is all about because his/her sibling or a friend is involved in a particular fraternity/sorority. Sometimes that person will automatically have their mind made up about what they will join just because they have that one friend in the only sorority/fraternity they’ve heard about. I’m not saying that your friend isn’t cool nor am I saying you don’t know what your getting yourself into, all I’m saying is don’t make any quick decisions before you check out all options of Rush. Rush is here to help you, not hurt you. So get in touch with organizations that appeal to you.

Check out both National and Local Rush. There are some differences between the two, but finding out which one is more suitable for you is all a part of Rush. While some of us like the idea of our organization being on many campuses, others enjoy the idea of being one independent group on one campus. I hope you have a great year at MSU. Good Luck and Be Safe.

P.S. Rush is free!!

By Toni Ann Bongiorno

Some Food For Thought...

A sample of how MSU students get creative during mealtime

E very year students at MSU hope that the food in Blanton cafeteria will look a little better and become a bit more edible. Unfortunately, it never does. Upon returning to campus, students are faced with the grim reality that it’s still the same food (although the ambiance of the cafeteria has been known to undergo transformations). As a result, students are forced to either eat the meals the way they are presented or become a little creative. Some of this rather unique creativity has captured my attention.

A few of our classmates live up their meal by melting shredded cheddar cheese over their french fries in the microwave. Then there is the pasta salad folk. They will mix anything in their bowls ranging from Italian dressing to cottage cheese. Several of my friends enjoy mixing ketchup and mayonnaise as a topping for hamburgers while some like to spice up the drink selection by mixing Sprite and fruit juice together. This creates a spritzer type drink perfect for any meal. One girl gave me the tip to make my own egg salad. She literally slices an egg and mixes it with mayonnaise right at the table. Then she proceeds to pour a little spoonfuls of it on a cheese sandwich. Yummy! As interesting as these concoctions are, my favorite idea involves pairing a scoop of ice cream between two chocolate chip cookies.

To many, these things may seem normal and appetizing, but the following ideas could truly turn your stomach. These are the combinations of foods that people eat at the same time. One particular individual placed a burrito on the same plate with a portion of chocolate pudding. I saw another person eating cheese omelet, cake, cereal, Mountain Dew and fruit punch for brunch. One girl had a taco, corn, french fries, and chicken parmesan. Someone willingly admixed a breakfast of a bowl of Banana Nut Crunch cereal, a pickle, and a scoop of whatever ice cream was left in the freezer!

What really makes me wonder are those people who eat eggs and spaghetti within the same meal. Two mates I spoke with informed me that they indulge in pizza with mustard or steak sauce. Another friend of mine eats pineapple chunks and pieces of chicken in the same mouthful. Some Blanton diners go as far as combining a plate of broccoli with a bowl of frosted flakes and chocolate milk! Isn’t your mouth watering at this very moment?! So, next time you’re enjoying some fine dining in Blanton, take a look around for some new ideas. As weird as these combos may look and sound, you might want to give them a try...hey, you never know.

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By Daniel Fieller  
Staff Writer

Well, the weather is finally returning to a more homely feel for me. Gone are the hot and humid days unbroken by even Hurricane Bonnie, and back is the torrential rain and overcast days, just to make me feel at home. I doubt that there is any coincidence that today is the first day of lectures. No there couldn’t be, could there?

Over the past week I’ve managed to move into my new environment. Despite lacking most of the essentials for living, my flatmate and I have made it quite acceptable. In the process I’ve uncovered dollar stores (high quality establishments where one can buy a pan with about the same amount of metal in it as a coke can), adapted to the car-towing inci­dents. A police car, alive with flashes and loud speakers blaring, drove up and down outside my hall informing the car-owning residents that unless they moved their vehicles they would be towed away to an unknown destination. Everybody ignored them, preferring to push the image of their beloved car being removed from their minds until the police returned. This sent several cars scurrying to a new parking place. By this stage I was looking forward to seeing a car be hoisted away never to return, but although waiting until late into the night the police never carried out their promise.

Daniel Fieller is an exchange student from Nottingham Trent University in England. He is over here for a semester and each week he will be writing about his experiences in the U.S.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Stretching the Salty Sweetness of a Princess

By: Kristian Anderson
Staff Writer

listening to the self titled album of the band Stretch Princess is sort of like eating chocolate covered peanuts - somewhat sweet yet not unbearable. Their CD itself is filled with catchy lyrics that glue themselves inside your mind. For instance, in the song titled "Sorry" the chorus: "When you're high I'm down on you. What you need, I've heard it all before. It's just the same thing, it's just a better view," echoes long after the song itself has ended.

This album has the kind of songs you find yourself unconsciously humming as you wait for your next class to begin. The kind of songs, whether or not you particularly like them, you just can't seem to forget. However, the bands combination of pop and alternative should make for many pleased listeners.

Stretch Princess is headed by lead female singer Jo Lloyd, who has a Juliana Hatfield quality to her voice. Only add a little more salt and less sugar and pair her voice with faster and somewhat harder music and you have the ingredients that make this CD so different. (Think pairing a toned down Juliana Hatfield with a toned down Everclear.)

Expression and emotion seems to flow from the vocal chords of Lloyd effortlessly. The combination of her voice and the music is like an explosion of angst and angels. The two don't seem like they should go together, but the compliment one another perfectly... (Sort of like chocolate covered peanuts.)

No, this is not a bubblegum album, nor is it a depressed boo-hoo album either. It's just somewhere in-between the two. This is the album you put on after you just had the most horrible day to help release whatever emotions are locked inside.

Some of the songs fill you with an embarrassing urge that makes you want to grab the nearest brush and sing along...hoping of course that your always absent roommate doesn't decide to walk in at that precise time. While other songs on the album can help make those all too long repressed tears finally show. Sometimes one song can even do both.

This album is the one to use when you need to release emotions bottled up inside of you. You'd definitely feel better after doing so. Listen to a copy of Stretch Princess grab a box of tissues and a hair brush and hope your roommate is away for the night.

The Boogie Box is a medium size bar type spot in Secaucus. But it isn't just that. I had the chance to speak with John Ferreira, the owner and part of a family of club owners, (his brothers own Tequila Joe's and Kamikazes). He holds a lot of pride for his establishment, "I know that we have the best staff and most friendly patrons out there today..." It may not be surprising that you haven't heard of this place before. John went on to tell me his theory of business. "In one day I could go out and spend $1,000 in advertising, and that weekend I may get 100 new customers, but the place would be chaos. New people wouldn't feel like they fit in to the established crowd, and the older customers may feel overwhelmed with new faces. I would much rather have my place pass by word of mouth and grow gradually. It would make the adjustment much easier."

One lazy Wednesday night I decided to check out the weekday action, and found myself in the middle of a karaoke night. Never having been to one, I found it to be quite amusing. I had a blast listening to my friend Jenn and Tracy belt out what were some of the best sounding tunes that night. Artie, the one Man Party, is the master of the karaoke box, and a super funny guy. As the karaoke goes, it was interesting to see that Artie played dance and classic rock songs between screeching renditions of popular tunes, most places do straight karaoke.

Thursday was so much fun that I decided to check out College Night on Thursday DJ Vinsmum spun the best of NYC House, Underground music, and Flashback Techno. We all danced our pants off. There is a nice dance floor, mirrored walls and monde sound system in the place. It is a great place for people who like to dance and also for people who just like to hang back and have a few beers.

If dancing is not your thing, there are also two pool tables in the back, a pinball machine, and during the week they have dart and ping-pong. There are really so many different articles in the establishment that everyone can be happy.

My totally favorite thing about the Boogie Box is that on Friday and Saturday night there is a huge crowd of 100 to 200 people in the place and everyone is nice to each other! In many bars and clubs these days, someone could bump right smack into you, and they would give you a dirty look or just walk away. The patrons and staff are so nice and personable at The Boogie Box that it is almost like everyone is your friend. After all the times I have been there, I have not seen one fight or had a single person shoot me a dirty look.

It is really great that everyone who works there is a character, as well as friendly. You have Scotty, the bartender in boxers - Mike, the Frank Sinatra freestyle techno head - Heather, who always reminds me of an Austin Powers super-psy chick - and Wayne, Ozzie, and Brian, who I know less well, but they always find a way to make me smile.

Coming up at the Boogie Box are two live band shows, one on Friday, September 18th, and another on Friday, September 25th. I really suggest checking them out. Even if you are part of a local band, John is always willing to give you a shot. So if you are intrigued by this, or wish to play there, call John at (201) 271-0310.
Mercury Hits Zero

By Dominic Banks

D eserter's Songs, the latest musical installment of the group Mercury Rev, has failed to carry the group's tradition of good music making. The lyrics have effective meanings, but the musical tone is less invigorating. It is a fact that the first song of any album is at times its best, however, the beginning track, "Holes," has demonstrated an utter sadness and disappointment in me.

The band consists of Jonathan, vocals, acoustic guitar, chamberlin strings, Grasshopper, guitar, reeds, vocals on #6, woodwinds), Adam Snyder, (B3, mellotron, Wuritzer), Dave Fridman, (piano, bass, mellotron, back-up vocals), Suzanne Thorpe, (flutes), Jimy Chambers, (clavinet, harpsichord, drums). They have all joined together to deliver a less than enlightening portion of music.

"Holes" key vocalist, Jonathan, has indicated a sense of sadness and grief in his singing whereas the music's tone suggested morbid dreariness. It would appear that the song is telling a story about an individual who is such in spiritual agony that he is searching for inner peace and a person to reach out toward. However, other vocal singers, such as Grasshopper and Dave, add an abundance of melancholy to the song. "Holes" should be considered as a song for a disorganized funeral service for someone not very well liked.

The third ballad, "Endlessly," is a telling of a dream as stated in the first verse: "staring at the sky, wearing thru the crowded streets leaving you again endlessly." Throughout this song, the verses as well as the the music and vocals, are light and tranquil. It seems to describe someone driven by "Fate" to find happiness and leave his/her old life behind. In truth, it is a unique simile to tell the public that happiness is worth achieving.

There is no singing which accompanies the musical score. The music can be referred to as a comforting tone or perhaps even a dancing tune as it is lively enough to give the most inanimate human being a will to live life to a very finite extent.

The sixth song, "The Happy End," is the most unusual amongst the other songs. There are no vocal singers, only the musical score. The music successfully flows along with the lyrics as the story unfolds. It is indicated in the song that whenever he drives along the highway his lost love haunts his memories. The incident is survived. Unlike the others, this song has a true sense of meaning in an unforeseen car accident wherein it is the driver only that is the survivor.

The ninth song, "The Funny Bird," doesn’t quite indicate any meaning in its lyrics. The musical score is efficiently composed and the singing is not disoriented. However, the music title fails to coincide with the song itself. Next time, Mercury Rev, create something that makes sense and goes along with the music. The tenth song, "Pick Up If You’re There," is the most unusual amongst the other songs. There are no vocal singers, only the music. The tone is likely to make the living teenage generation drop to their knees and lose all hope for life. Furthermore, the melody is most likely duplicated from an anthem played during a recent memorial service, but the song title suggests that people who have suffered from a personal loss or tragedy must pick themselves up and move on. In my opinion, this song is a clever message hidden within such melodramatic and depressing music.

Finally, the eleventh song, "Delta Sun Bottleneck Stomp," is not the great ending it should have been. Sure, the music is fairly decent, but, once again, the lyrics were not as enlightening as expected to be. The last song was not anything to get all excited about.

Mercury Rev has done an insignificant job at creating such ridiculous music. Hopefully, they have learned that tasteless lyrics and unsettling vocals are not the most fascinating of music. Maybe their next CD will offer death and extreme depression to their audience. We can only hold our collective breath.

The Dixie Chicks

Harmonize our Hearts

By Angelo Marchetti

W hen my younger sister asked me to accompany her to see the band, the Dixie Chicks at the NJ State Fair, I was a little hesitant to reply. Being an avid lover of all types of music, especially country, I was interested in hearing the group perform so I agreed to go. But just hearing the term "Dixie" and "Chicks," I immediately got this instant flash of red and white checkered outfits and oversized Sixteens. I’m glad I stayed unbiased.

The State Fair grounds, located in Cherry Hill, was all bustle with people of all different races, sex, and ages. Looking around, I saw children, as well as adults donned in "Dixie Chicks" pictures or wearing pins stating the groups motto: "Chicks Kick Ass." This got my curiosity going as the time came for the group to perform. Entering here, the Dixie Chicks: Natalie Maines, Martie Seidel, and Emily Erwin. These are three twenty-something women who know how to do it all; sing, harmonize, play instruments and get an audience involved in a show. They started off their concert singing a few songs off some of their previous independent albums, as well as their three top ten chart hits, ‘‘There’s Your Trouble,’’ ‘‘I Can Love You Better,’’ and their current hit, ‘‘Wide Open Spaces,’’ which is the title track of their latest album, recently gone platinum.

About after six or seven songs, the girls talked a bit with the audience, introduced themselves and explained the meaning behind their group’s name. It turns out the Dixie Chicks have been around for a lot longer than I thought. Their name was taken from the Little Feat song ‘‘Dixie Chicken’’ but was then shortened to the ‘‘Dixie Chicks.’’ After twos of the original four members of the band left, Emily and Martie teamed up with Natalie, who make up the lead vocals of the band. Besides playing the stage with an incredibly powerful set of vocal cords and thrashing around the stage during numbers with the other two chicks, Natalie has learned the acoustic guitar in order to fit in better with the rest of the band. Along with Martie on the fiddle, dobro and mandolin and Emily on the banjo and guitar, the three have a perfect harmony that focuses on a straight-down-the-road country package full of contemporary style rich with dauntless spirit, heartfelt emotion and daring enthusiasm. After the concert ended two encore later, I had to sit there and enjoy just to take in my experience. These girls definitely were not what I had in mind when I had agreed to accompany my sister to the concert. There was something else there, that even now, I’m not sure about. Perhaps it’s because these girls are unlike anyone else that there right now (i.e., one hit wonders and groups that ultimately fall apart after one record). They have their own style and aren’t afraid to take risks in their career as a group, or perhaps it’s the songs they choose to sing and perform, or perhaps it’s just because they’re chicks, and well, as their motto goes: ‘‘Chicks Kick Ass.’’ (Make sure to check out the CMA Awards on September 24th where the Dixie Chicks are up for the Horizon Award and the Best New Group Award!)
ice, water guns, toilet paper and corsets—what do all of these things have in common? If you’re an average movie viewer, absolutely nothing. If you’re a fan of one of the most successful cult movies of all time, it’s a recipe for absolute pleasure. For the past twenty-three years, “The Rocky Horror Picture Show” has captured audiences worldwide.

The script was originally written by a young, New Zealand actor by the name of Richard O’Brien. He blended his obsession with bad science fiction and rock ‘n’ roll with a skillful hand, penning the short musical, “They Came From Denton High.” The work was expanded into a full-length piece and revamped with a new title, “The Rocky Horror Picture Show”, a campy, vapid tale of an innocent couple getting caught up in the猥锁快闷 worming revolution in the form of a mad, transvestite doctor. The play was produced in 1972 at the Royal Upstairs Theatre in London where it won “Best Play” of 1973. The following year, it was brought to America where it played successfully in Los Angeles and, ironically, closed after 69 performances in New York. (No pun intended.) In 1975, a movie musical of the play was produced under the Hollywood direction of Michael White and Jim Sharman. 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The Voice of Montclair State

The responses from last week’s question:

What issue do you think should be the first priority of recently appointed MSU President Susan Cole?

All responses were anonymous:

“I think she should create new weekend programming to discourage students from leaving after their Friday classes.”

“I want to say ‘parking,’ but there should probably be something more important than that.”

“We have a new President?”

This Week’s Question:

How do you feel about alcohol being served at Yogi Berra Stadium, despite MSU’s “dry campus” stance?

Call 655-7616 to respond. Students and faculty are reminded that when leaving their comments, they are also to leave their name, major and year (if applicable).

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New Jersey Schools Help Protect Students from Themselves

Police officers will soon be visiting New Jersey schools on a daily basis. They will not be there to give the "don't use drugs" or "stop-drop-and-roll" speech, but to prevent students from being shot.

Many New Jersey high schools have already implemented metal detectors as a deterrent to violent crime. Governor Christine Whitman has recommended that school districts around the state use local law enforcement to protect the students while they attend class. This is part of a new antiviolence initiative meant to settle the nerves of worried parents in the wake of shooting sprees in schools across the country over the past two years. The shootings in Arkansas, school districts in America must win back the confidence of parents that their children are safe in school. I don't think he faces any threat of violence. This new program will stand to save lives, but will not come easy or free. When a student sees a cop patrolling their hallways, they could easily become paranoid that they are in a dangerous environment. That could lead to more students taking things into their own hands. This could trigger a Cold-War style arms race in hallway lockers. Nobody wants to live "under the gun," but when faced with a shoot first or get shot situation, most will choose the former.

This program will put an added strain on the towns to pay overtime to the officers. When dealing with the lives of these students; money is no object. There is no choice but to resort to the decision of police patrol in schools. The school districts will have to adjust their budgets to accommodate the costs by eliminating other programs.

"America has become a nation of prostitutes."

The Voice of the Individual In the Shadows of Big Government

A few hundred years ago, a bunch of radicals and revolutionaries sailed across the Atlantic Ocean to escape the tyranny of an oppressive monarchy. At least that was the ostensible reason for leaving behind the European continent and its generations of political and social hierarchies. Once they set foot on the soil of the “New World” (as they coined it, inappropriately enough) it was clear that freedom, equality and justice for all were definitely not being served on the menu.

Any rudimentary history lesson will reveal what happened next, just with a few little white lies and a generous helping of revisionism (After all, it is the winner who writes and rewrites history, it is not?). The natives of this “new world” were systematically and conveniently disposed of before anybody could murmur the word “genocide.” Any individuals who differed from the status quo in regards to politics and, especially, religion (Salem! Salem! Salem! And to think they fled religious persecution in the first place) were stoned to death or worse. Local democracies, where the individual voice was a significant one, grew into state governments and colonial congresses and beyond.

By the time that our forefathers (or your forefathers, depending on where you draw the line) started scrabbled down a bill of rights, a fresh new hierarchy of power was built and installed. Meet the new boss, kids: just like the old boss, but without the crowns and the castles.

Flash forward to the last years of the twentieth century. Technology has proven to us that the world is a much smaller place then we had ever imagined it to be before, and, as a result, individuality seems to be an idea as watered down as democracy itself. Government no longer just watches us, it holds our hands and scolds us every time we step out of line.

Our voices only truly register in the public schools they once held so dear. Dow Jones indicators weigh more heavily than the spin doctoring, poll manipulating and ethical wafting of a halfhearted, sooner-to-be-forgotten President. It's no wonder that big government thrives.

We'd sell our last shreds of freedom to Big Brother to ensure ourselves that 5-bedroom house in suburbia with the white picket fence and the satellite dish. We'd accept living under a government resembling an umbrella of crooks and thieves before we chose to live in a society without a car in every garage, a meal on every table, a television in every room. (At what price freedom of speech, young man? I don't know. How's the dollar measuring up in the international market these days?)

The public is fed lies and half-truths through microscopic soundbites that tell them how to think, how to feel and who to see.

The Opinion Page Section of The Montclarion

Columnists scheduled to appear during the Fall 1998 semester:
Justin Buffer
Tim Carney
Tom Casey
Ed Flannery
Will Gibbs
Jose Guzman
Kevin Hancock
Luis Jimenez
Jamie Ruffalo
Justin Vellucci
Troy Wills
Christine Zielinski
Khalid Muhammad the Ringmaster and the Million Youth March

On Saturday, September 5, 1998, a group of Africans-Americans converged on that sleepy little hollow known as Harlem to vent. It was called a Million Youth March. My own son, being one of the attendees, was able to give me something of an eyewitness interpretation of the event. He said that there were many speakers, sounding like they had rehearsed speeches from the 60's. Some made valid points, but overall, a sound plank of concerns was not presented to the government.

For the finale, Khalid Muhammad himself addressed the group. Or should I say, attempted to incite the group. It wasn't enough that the NYPD turned out in massive numbers; they were backed by a full police entourage. It was enough that police helicopters buzzed the crowd like Huesies looking for Viet Cong. It wasn't enough that young people had come to hear what they believed to be a positive source. No. The Ringmaster just had to crack the whip one time at those who would jump through the hoop of burning fire. Thank God no one obliged him.

Khalid Muhammad represents no one. He speaks for no one. He leads no one. He incites no one. This is just a fashionably dressed poverty pimp with a penchant for Rolls Royces, Hollywood dames, and the timehight. He would encourage young people to confront a seething armed phalanx while he is surrounded by men sworn to protect his life with theirs. How hypocritical.

In an age when racism is thick enough to cut with a knife, our young folk certainly don't need the rabid mouthings of a man gone mad. There's already enough hate and stupidity to go around without the likes of this bald handy fanning the flames even higher. Without a doubt, there are concerns that must be addressed, but not in a manner that does further harm to the very victims of racism and hate. Like every parent, I was concerned about my son going to this event. At 23, I could certainly not stop him, but I did encourage him to be careful and prayerful. To young whites I say do not be concerned about Mr. Muhammad. He is, at best, a very confused and divided man with visions of grandeur. He has no army or weapons. He can do no harm. He can only hurt himself and those who would follow him. To young blacks I say choose those who you follow carefully. Look more at what they do than what they say. If there is no hint of humanity and humility about them, be on your way. Yours is a higher calling than rivaling racism and hate with your own. Hate is not found in the flesh, but in the spirit.

Thomas A. Hutchines
Maintenance Department

Greeks Shifted Again by Poorly Planned Orientation Expo

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to a new school semester. I would also like to especially welcome the incoming freshmen and wish them all the luck. In fact, a lot of luck because from what I hear their orientation session was a nightmare. These new students were rushed from program to program and were never given the full orientation experience that they had the right to. As an ex-Owl, I find this disturbing. These sessions are set up to acquiesce with life at Montclair and not to inundate you with hours of information. While I do understand the major time restraints on the program, I have a gripe how the program showed Greeks no respect in relation to the Greek Expo.

Every year there is an Expo with food and entertainment and the students get to interact with the Greeks for about two and a half hours. This summer the sessions were cut down to an hour and maybe 25 students out of the 300 would walk by the tables. It is a known fact that the sessions were cut one day short and packed with even more lectures for the students to sit through. My sources tell me that the students had such a packed schedule that they were given no hour to relax and it fell during the time our tables were set up. These sessions have been a vital part to Greeks and all organizations over the years because of the interactions made with the students. Why was our Expo put on the NSE's pay-no-mind list? Why do Greeks have to get the shaft because the NSE wants to save a few bucks and cut the session shorter? These questions plague me but I don't surprise me because it's just the same dumping on we're used to. It's just a different year.

Every student that came by the table said that they were miserable and fired and really didn't want to be there. The organizations' tables are the most positive aspect of the orientation because the students feel comfortable talking to and meeting actual students. Yet, we're the program that gets cut. This is an absolute insult and a disgrace to all of the organizations' members who took time off work, their summer and their schedules to come meet the incoming freshmen. As Greek Council President, I would like to apologize, for I don't expect anyone truly responsible for this atrocity to do so. I would especially like to apologize for not making more of an issue out of this when it was taking place. Many organizations, OWLS, and administratos have expressed this same concern and I have every confidence that this situation will be remedied by next summer because the dumping on us stops now.

Lou Cuomo
President Greek Council
Political Science
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THANKS TO MY CONSULTING 200, I’M WEATHER: YOU THAN YOU.

AND I’M CUTER. OBVIOUSLY, THE ONLY THING LEFT IS PERSONALITY.

SHOULDN’T YOU BE SPREADING DISEASE SOMEWHERE?

I BUILT A RING WITH A TINY COMPUTER IN IT.

IT ONLY DISPLAYS ONE CHARACTER AT A TIME.

THEN WHAT GOOD IS IT?

NO TIME FOR CHAT. I’M SURFING THE NET.

DON’T MAKE ME COME OVER THERE.

WEAVING PROCESS

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Trade In Your Honey For A Nut

By Teresa DeFabrizio

Humor Mistress with Sidekick Joy Selnick

The smell of dry leaves is creeping into the air. Trees are slowly starting to change colors, and summer is winding down. Fall is upon us, bringing multi-colored leaves, the school semester, and my favorite, furry friends. In fact, some of you may even have seen me on campus for the last few years feeding them and chasing them up trees. Hey, some people are dog people, others like baby seals and the whole sea mammal bit, but I’m nuts over these little guys. (Sorry, very bad pun.) Sometimes, I think I deal with them better than I do men. Here’s my tongue-in-cheek look at the air.

TEN REASONS WHY SQUIRRELS ARE BETTER THEN MEN:

1.) They’re cute, furry, playful, and hot-tempered (Hey, just like Italian men! Whooops, I wasn’t supposed to let that slip. . . .)

2.) They chase after nuts and their tails, not other women.

3.) Squirrels can be trained to perform tricks like balancing on a tightrope, or jumping through hoops. Now, try to do that with your boyfriend.

4.) So what if they carry a few dozen communicable diseases, so do most of your brother’s friends, for that matter.

5.) They’re a cheap date; one $1.29 bag will separate him from his nuts and he’ll behave.

6.) If a squirrel is acting up, you just find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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Beating up Cards Fabrics Fibers Picking Phasing and Weave Yarn

Packaging

Picking

Shedding

Shuttle

Warp

Weaving

Woven

Yarn

And now, for something completely different: It’s bigger than “Titanic”, more powerful than a speeding cola after “Taco Bell”, and raises your whites brighter...the Comix Xpress is coming your way next issue. See some of the best original strips and one-shots around. For anyone interested in appearing in future issues contact Teresa at extension 5109. (You must be able to draw shade, and reason with an I.Q. of at least 12 . . .)

Life got you down? Here’s some uplifting, reassuring words from our sex-column writer:

IF YOU ARE READING THIS, SEND ME TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS RIGHT NOW OR GOD WILL KILL ME, NO REALLY! Now, let’s see how much money I get . . . Check out Chris Finegan’s twist on life, liberty, and the pursuit of beer with “FINEGAN’S WAKE” appearing next issue. Take that, you two-bit Sally.

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SEX TIPS FROM YOUR MORAL SUPERIORS

IN THESE TROUBLED TIMES, WHEN OUR MOST EXEMPT LEADERS ARE REVEALED TO BE LEWD CARNAL FILTH-HOUNDS, WE MUST TURN TO OUR MORAL SUPERIORS FOR SEXUAL GUIDANCE.


WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE UNIVERSAL TRUTH THAT ANYONE GETTING MORE SEX THAN WE DO IS NO BETTER THAN A RUTTING, DEGENERATE PERV-MONKEY.

YOU KNOW THAT CALM, CLEAR-HEADED PRESENCE OF MIND THAT COMES FROM REPRESSING YOUR SEXUAL DESIRES? WE MORAL SUPERIORS HAVE THAT.

WE’RE NOT SAYING WE’RE HOLLIER THAN YOU, WE’RE SAYING WE’RE HOLLIER THAN YOU.

BY TERENCE DELLABRIDGE

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WE'RE IN A RELATIVELY NEW WORLD WHERE COMIC STRIPS ARE TAKING ON A NEW ROLE AS A FORM OF ART AND CULTURE.
A really great 8 year old boy is looking for a really great sitter at my house in Montclair. You would help me with my homework and cooking dinner. The hours are 3pm-8pm, 3-4 days a week. You need a car and a driver’s license and you must want to have fun! Hey! It also pays well. I have a great mom so call her or leave a message at 973-509-6915.

Babysitter needed for occasional evenings. Must have experience with infants. References required. Call (973) 655-1030.

Child Care - Responsible person with car needed afternoons 2-6 to watch boy, 12, girl, 9. Upper Montclair. References required. Call 744-5829 evenings or leave message.


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Looking for responsible college student to care for my 2 year old son on Thursdays between 1-6:30 pm. Pay negotiable. Please call 338-0447.

Experienced babysitter wanted, 1-3 weekday mornings and occasional evenings for 3 and 5 year old in Upper Montclair. Must have own car and clean driving record, non-smoker, honest, responsible, love kids. References required. Call 655-0766.

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The numerous awards and pictures that decorate the walls in the office tell a lot near post. He is known as a man accomplished in collegiate victory. The awards show a commitment to excellence, and pictures show the close-knit relationship that he shares with the MSU college athletes, coaches, and students.

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Over a decade and 11 national awards later, Al Langer is still working as hard as ever to be the best at his profession. “I strive for perfection and expect the same for those who work for me,” said Langer. “This is a competition and I want the best and consider myself to be.”

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Coach Giancola has high hopes for a winning season

Red Hawk Football opens its season Saturday in a crucial game against Cortland

By Kara L. Richardson
Assistant Sports Editor

Finishing with a 6-4 record in the 1997 season, Head Football Coach, Rick Giancola looks forward to the 1998 season with great anticipation. "The guys have a taste of what it is like to have a champion ship team. They saw how close they were to having a 8-2 or 9-1 season. It gave them motivation to come back in the '98 season."

This week finished up the pre-season, which Giancola was impressed with. The grueling three week commitment consisted of six hours on the field, one hour of weight lifting and evening meetings each day. Giancola said, "In camp there are fewer distractions. Just football."

"The team had a good attitude. We had some pretty tough and hot days. They fought through." The team even met on a hot and sticky Labor Day. Severe lightning storms forced the team indoors to practice in the sauna-like temperatures of Panzer Gymnasium.

The Red Hawks will have a squad of mostly veterans this year, including their entire defensive lineup. "This is ahead of where we started a year ago," Giancola said. Last year, the coach had an almost entirely new set of players to work with. Now he is fortunate to be building a team that has a majority of sophomores.

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Saturday's home opener also provides the team with pressure. With a 1-4 record against Cortland, the team is preparing for the big game. "Every club wants to get off to a winning start. Last year we lost 14-28. We had opportunities that we didn't capitalize on. Hopefully we will this year." The Saturday afternoon match-up is at 1:30pm.

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Red Hawk Tennis causes a raquet in NJAC

By Jason Lampa
Sports Editor

The MSU women's tennis team improved their record to 2-0 on the season by defeating the much improved Ramapo Road Runners in seven out of nine matches on Wednesday afternoon at the Red Hawk Courts.

Leading the way for the Red Hawks were first and second singles player Senior Christel Jakober and Junior Nicole Fredricks.

Jakober, after struggling to win the middle of the match, said Fredricks, "I think I may be getting a cold." Fredricks, a former tennis star at NV High School, won her match against Ramapo's Kristen Palo in straight sets, 6-2, 6-1. "I started to get a little tired in the off season," this is the first year that the 16 year veteran coach has had a team with four captains taking the lead. The team votes for the next year's captains at the end of each year. Sam Mickens, Ed Grayt, Keith Izsa, and Reggie Johnson received all of the votes from the team. The four leaders proved to be good role models in the off season. Giancola said "They pushed everyone to train hard."

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