Profile: President Cole readies to paint the picture of MSU's future

By Kevin P. Hancock
Editor-in-Chief

The first things you notice while walking to the corner office of Montclair State University’s new president, Dr. Susan Cole, are the large portraits lining the hallway outside. They’re all portraits of the seven MSU presidents that preceded her—Chapin, Dickson, Richardson, Reid —most of whom now have campus buildings named after them and all of them men. Walk into the office and you encounter an unexpected sight in MSU’s 90-year history. Cole, a short woman with wispy gray hair and a big smile, steps out from behind her large desk and into the glaring carpet that is her new office.

It dwarfs her and its mostly bare walls add to the large look and new aura of the room. It is Cole’s second week on the job and MSU’s first woman president hasn’t had a chance to decorate except for a few items: a few photographs, her framed degrees from Colombia and Brandeis and a poster with an old black and white photo of Esther Hubert Morris, a leader of the woman’s suffrage movement in the late 1800s. The poster is titled “Our North American Feminometers.”

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The bill calls for college campuses to stiffen requirements of accuracy in the reporting of hate crimes and to cover more diverse categories of discrimination.

Current laws only require colleges to report violent crimes, specifically murder, rape and aggravated assault, although these crimes represent less than 20% of hate crimes committed.

The bill would add violent crimes such as bodily injury, burglary, arson, motor vehicle theft or drug and weapons offenses to the list.

Presently, the law covers hate crimes on the basis of race, religion, sexual orientation and ethnicity.

Torricelli’s bill would expand to cover more categories of crimes, including those involving gender and disability.

His bill has been endorsed by Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, which has implemented a comprehensive bias prevention program on its main campus in New Brunswick in order to combat hate crimes.

In a March, 1999, report, biased attacks on hate crimes that occur on college campuses are often omitted from campus crime reports, according to the U.S. General Accounting Office.

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• campus-based child care provided by grants to colleges.
• grants allocated to colleges to improve teaching students with disabilities.
• a college cost breakdown which would better demonstrate tuition increases.

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SOBRIETY checks hailed by Montclair Police

By Rosann DeCosta
Staff Writer

Two people were caught and arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol during a sobriety check that was carried out in Montclair by the Montclair Police Department last week. According to Montclair’s Chief of Police, Thomas Russo, these sobriety checks were done as a sign of good police procedure.

“Motor vehicle accidents are one of the leading cause of nationwide injury. Therefore, it is our responsibility as a police department to alert motorists that we are on the lookout for those who are driving intoxicated and to reassure the residents of Montclair that we are indeed doing our part to prevent any accident that may occur as a result of drunk driving,” Russo said.

Russo also mentioned that sobriety checks were rarely done in Montclair and that the public was always notified ahead of time via The New York Times, The Star Ledger and The Montclair Times.

Kirsten McCumber, a resident in Montclair for five years, thinks sobriety checks make Montclair a safer place.

“Sobriety check is an excellent idea. Drunk driving is not only against the law, it can be lethal,” said McCumber.

Sherry Pine Brown, who has been residing in Montclair for the past 22 years, thinks sobriety checks will send a message to her 11 year old son and will influence
Egyptian officials search for cause of fatal crash

**KAFR EL-DOUAR, Egypt** - Egyptian officials sought on Monday to pin down the cause of a train crash that killed at least 45 people and injured 100 in this northern town.

"We are waiting for a technical committee to check the situation and the reason for the accident," Transport and Communications MinisterSOLEMAN Metwalli told reporters at the scene.

Asked about reports that the train's brakes had failed, he said: "This will be confirmed after the investigation."

The Interior Ministry updated the casualty figures from a toll of 43 dead and 90 injured earlier in the day. KAFR el-Douar hospital data showed 167 people injured, 84 of whom were in serious condition.

**Former communist to form Italy's 56th government**

ROME - President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro on Monday offered to form Italy's 56th government.

Scalfaro asked former Communist Prime Minister ENZO Mattarella to form a new government, starting with a center-left coalition. Mattarella, a hardliner, was considered less likely to form a government.

**Tornado and floods cause at least 15 deaths in Texas area**

HOUSTON - A man was killed by a tornado near Houston and two bodies were pulled from floodwaters in central Texas on Sunday as torrential storms blamed for the deaths of at least 14 people pounded eastward.

An unidentified man died when a tornado swept through Waller County just after sunset, demolishing mobile homes and snatching trees in Brookshire, 35 miles west of Houston.

No other injuries were reported from the tornado, but authorities near southeast Texas spent the day evacuating families by boat after as much as 15 inches of rain fell in some areas overnight.

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For Rutgers & MSU deans
it's more than just business

By Christine Quigley
News Assignment Editor

MSU and Rutgers University's acting business deans have more in common than the same title—they both hold the same household.

Alan Oppenheim, acting business dean at MSU, and Rosa Oppenheim, acting business dean at Rutgers University, are the only married couple in the U.S. currently holding these positions simultaneously.

Alan Oppenheim was appointed acting dean of MSU in 1997. He began his career here as a professor and also served as Chair of the Department of Information and Decision Sciences. He received his undergraduate degree from Polytechnic University and his doctorate in business administration from NYU.

Rosa Oppenheim was appointed acting dean at Rutgers in January 1998. She studied chemical engineering and received her Ph.D from Polytechnic University.

Along with the same Alma Mater, both share wisdom, ideas and expense accounts. Attending the same conferences saves money for both schools.

"We split the hotel bill, not everybody can do that," said Alan.

In the same manner, when it comes to sharing ideas, both MSU and Rutgers benefit from the shared knowledge of this couple. They are not rivals, but team players. Proof of their team spirit is displayed in the two textbooks they put together, "Quality Management: Tools and Methods for Improvement, and Tools and Methods for the Improvement of Quality," published by Richard D. Irwin.

Along with their love for one and other, both love teaching and find that to be the toughest thing to give up for their post as deans. Therefore, when the official position at Rutgers opened up, Rosa did not apply to be a candidate for the position. A new dean has been hired at Rutgers and will take the position over in January 1999.

On the other hand, Alan will be a candidate when the official search for Dean of Business Administration begins at MSU, which will be in the very near future. Having come this far, he is hopeful to continue on this upward slope.

Both Alan and Rosa share their knowledge with two sons. The eldest, who is 24, is attending Columbia Law School while the youngest, who is 19, is a sophomore at Northwestern University in Illinois. Perseverance and skill certainly prove their existence in this family.

Weekend AIDS walk raises money for stricken children

Over $700 was raised during MSSLHA’s first ever Pediatric AIDS Walk

By Michael Mai
Special to The Montclarion

The Montclair State Speech-Language-Hearing Association (MSSLHA) held the first ever Pediatric AIDS Walk Saturday on Reservoir Road near the Montclair State University campus.

A number of MSSLHA’s members, along with their friends and families, gathered near a walking path on Reservoir at 10 a.m. for a five kilometer (3.1 mile) walk to raise money for the Elizabeth Glaser Foundation for Pediatric AIDS.

The turnout of 14 raised somewhere between six and seven hundred dollars for the Foundation according to MSSLHA co-President Susan Gass.

"We are pleased with the donations we got," Gass said.

"The money will be sent to the foundation for use in the areas of drugs, education and more comfortable living for children stricken with HIV and AIDS."

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Local residents share mixed feelings regarding sobriety checks

by Michael Mai

A recent survey showed that of the 513,000 people living with the disease in the United States today, over 6,000 are pediatric cases.

MSSLHA, located in the Speech Building on the MSU campus, is a branch of the National Speech-Language-Hearing Association, which holds Pediatric AIDS Walks annually at their affiliates around the country.

Gass and Monderic run the MSSLHA with faculty sponsorship from Dr. Emma Cortese.

Those who attended the walk were treated to a scenic landscape and clear, mild weather. The changing leaves dotted the walking path while the mild autumn weather allowed walkers to enjoy a comfortable day.

The general consensus among the walkers was that it was nice to do something helpful for such an important cause.

At the conclusion of the walk, MSSLHA gave water bottles to those who raised the most money.

Food and drinks were made available to everyone involved before festivities concluded. Dr. Cortese addressing her fellow walkers.

If interested in giving a donation to MSSLHA call 655-4232.

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By Michael Mai

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Cohe sees university as ambitious

this fact, much more is at stake. MSU is in a transition period, growing faster than it ever has before. The man responsible for jump-starting much of that growth, former president Dr. Irvin Reid, left last September. Now Cole has ahead of her the task of filling Reid’s big shoes and big office. Officially president on September 1, Cole is still getting accustomed to the feel of the campus and still looking to get a full understanding of MSU’s biggest issues and problems, but it will not be long before the decisions she makes affect everyone in the MSU community.

While Cole is proud of what she has accomplished as a woman, she is eager to prove that she is more than just the first “woman president.” Really, Cole doesn’t see what the big deal is.

“I think that it is really interesting that it was as exciting and interesting of a fact for the MSU community. I first learned of it when I read a headline,” says Cole. “When I was appointed president they sent me some of the press and I saw a headline in one of the Jersey papers read - ‘First woman appointed head of MSU.’ It had never even occurred to me that that was an issue for the campus.”

Cole chooses to look at the issue differently:

“I don’t think of myself as a woman president. I think of myself as a president. As a woman, one can bring a different perspective to the job as a president. I think that’s really important.”

Previous president of Metropolitan State University and former English professor. Cole holds three degrees in English and literature - a BA from Rutgers University as Vice President for University Administration and Personnel from 1980 to 1992 and then moved on to be president of Metropolitan State University in Minneapolis from 1993 until last year. It was her time at Rutgers and the people she worked with there that she has particularly fond memories of.

Alongside portrait of Morris on Cole’s office wall hang photographs of former Rutgers Executive Vice President T. Alexander Pond and former President Ed Bloustein, both of whom Cole worked closely with.

“They were immensely intelligent and that is an attribute that I really admire in people. They were risk takers and that’s where real accomplishments are born,” says Cole. “We did a lot of exciting things at Rutgers those days. They were willing to leap off a cliff in the morning and assume that by evening they would have learned how to fly.”

Will Cole be jumping off of any cliffs soon?

“I really do try to take risks. I also think that I try to help people not be afraid.”

Pond, her friend and former co-worker, is very optimistic about what Cole and her way of thinking will bring to MSU. “I have been enormously impressed with her ability to rally the university community interest in moving forward,” said Pond. “With MSU’s new standing in the world, it is very promising that they have turned to a person like Susan. I’m going to be watching very closely.”

“With MSU, standing in the eyes of the world around it is always top priority. You only have to look at the proud headline on its Alumni Life newsletter: ‘MSU is one of the top 5 northeast regional universities, according to U.S. News and World Report.’ According to Pond, Cole will be able to continue MSU in that direction.”

“Rutgers charged itself to substantially strengthen its standing in all the services it provided then. Susan was one of the central coordinating officers in achieving that,” he recalls. “She was our secret weapon.”

Cole chuckled at Pond’s description. “I think that both [Bloustein and Pond] had an enormous number of ambitious ideas to build Rutgers and I was the person behind the scenes to put the pieces together.”

Now at MSU, Cole’s role will be anything but “secret.” The collective eyes of the MSU community are upon her. While Cole says she enjoys jumping off cliffs, she also seems a bit shy of the falling off the edge when dealing with specific issues affecting MSU. For now, Cole is taking the cautious approach.

“How does she feel about issues surrounding Greek life on campus?”

“I don’t have a generalized opinion right now. I think I need to know more about it and understand what some of the issues might be.”

The possibility of bringing alcohol back to campus for students?

“It is a serious subject and I would not want to jump to any conclusions on it one way or the other. I think we need to think carefully about this.”

Should MSU police officers be carrying firearms?

“There is another area where I would not jump to a conclusion. I would want to study that area very carefully before I came to a conclusion on it,” she said.

Her answers are calculated and cautious. Even at Cole’s first appearance before the MSU community at the 1998 MSU faculty/staff introductory meeting in September she spoke very generally and did not have any bold statements about what she stood for, or what her plans were. However, not everyone is seeing this as a bad thing.

“It would scare me if she came in with an agenda,” said Dr. Karen Pennington, Vice-President of Student Development and Campus Life.

For Cole, the potential and motivation is there to make MSU a better institution, but exactly how that will happen remains a question mark.

“I think that this is and should be an ambitious university,” she says. “I think that as we enter the 21 st century and move towards the 100 year anniversary we are going to see an institution that is even stronger with a better reputation than it has today.”

If Cole wishes to step out from behind the “woman” president view many have of her, and into the eighth president of MSU that she wishes to be, she will need to make her mark, and that time is sure to come in the near future. She is reassuring that her transition period will not last long.

“I think we’re going to get into stride pretty fast.”

At that time, the foundation for her presidency has been laid, and there is still plenty of space on Cole’s wall to fill. That photo of Esther Morris hangs in her office now, and someday Cole’s face will hang in the hallway alongside MSU’s other presidents, representing another woman who was in an unusual role for her time. What will people think of when they see her portrait?

“It all depends on how successful she is in her job.”

“It’s fun to try and make the world a better place and try and make an institution really serve society,” Cole says.

Only time will tell if she will be able to accomplish that goal.

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Sunshine rays bring first parade in 3 years

By Carolyn Velchik
Feature Editor

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unshine shone through the sky and blippy faces filled the crowd as Homecoming 1998 kicked off on Sat­
urday, October 17. The day was filled with exciting activities and an MSU group effort by its SGA Organizations.

The parade filled bagan with a Street Fair down Valley Road, which was orga­nized by the Alumni Association. A clow was set up where the little children laughed and caricatures were drawn for all interested by talent artist Jason Alders. Face paint­ing decorated little hands and cheeks while hot dogs adorned the hands of each parent.

The players, a Class One Organization of the Student Government Association, par­ticipated in the Street Fair by doing their rendition of “The Time Warp” from the movie Rocky Horror Picture Show. This spirit filled day began with a Street Fair down Valley Road, which was orga­nized by the Alumni Association. A clow was set up where the little children laughed and caricatures were drawn for all interested by talent artist Jason Alders. Face paint­ing decorated little hands and cheeks while hot dogs adorned the hands of each parent.

A limey's Homecoming

By Daniel Feller
Staff Writer

W hilst I’ve been here I’ve been met with friendly reactions wherever I’ve gone, even when I’ve been noticeably ignorant about the U.S., which seems to be all the time. I had been expecting more of an Anglophobia and to be aimed at more than for Homecoming. “That sounds like a limey thing!” I said, half-jokingly, that people still called us that, it just made me laugh. Who else could think of such a stupid name to call us by?

On that note, even better than being called a limey was Homecoming, no limey to be seen, only true hearted Ameri­cans voting for their Homecoming King and Queen. Everyone was hand on heart when their national anthem was played and 1 more person with 1 more flag could have seen who had what to offer the reputation of their fraternity, sorority, or organization as a whole. The actual car from the ’70s TV show. Why is it called football when they barely kick the ball? Never mind. All the roadblocks were great, America at its core, it was all one big build up to the parties after­wards. Everyone was on a high and even though we won the football game, naturally, on a dry campus the celebration was easy enough to engage in.

The theme of Tau Phi Beta, BULLS, and Sigma Delta Tau as they reinaugurated “A Chorus Line.” With gold, gold, and more gold kicked in at the speech giving in the dance and kicklines, their dancing reenacted the award winning Broadway show.

All the parades, floats, and, of course, the American football game were there. Why is it called football when they barely kick the ball? Never mind. All the roadblocks were great, America at its core, it was all one big build up to the parties after­wards. Everyone was on a high and even though we won the football game, naturally, on a dry campus the celebration was easy enough to engage in.

And how could we forget Phi Alpha Psi, S.E.N.A.T.E? Although disqualified from Homecoming due to an insecure float, their show went on after charges were filed by the crowd for their performance. “Back to the 70’s” was their theme, focusing on the scandals and misfortunes of Bill Clinton during those years. Adding Monica Lewinsky, Jimmy Hendrix, and Elvis gave effect and then by changing the theme to the 1870s, they in­terpreted Indian life and its relation to the mistrials of Bill Clinton during those years.

Hippies and army men filled the roadetu­mal, and white makeup and the appearance of change. It is no accident that this phenomenon, stated Joe Robbins, president of the Panhellenic Council, while at the same time stressing that “more organizations should participate. Homecoming is not only for the Greek com­munity; everyone should be represented.”

The Vice President of C.L.U.B., Lori Algare, closed by saying, “I would like to thank everyone who participated in Home­coming. Congratulations to all of the win­ners!”
Organizations come together to build 1970s themed floats

By April Marie

Staff Writer

This past weekend here at MSU so much has been going on. Why? If you haven’t guessed already, HOMECOMING was a big hit! The theme was Back to the 1970s and Friday through late Saturday was jammed packed with events. There was a football game (vs. William Paterson, which MSU was victorious), family weekend, and a parade that was very well put together. There were lots of new and exciting things to see out on Valley Road, but the highlight of the show was FLOATS, FLOATS and more FLOATS!

On late Friday evening at 9 p.m. into early Saturday morning until 2 a.m., sororities and fraternities with the help of C.L.U.B. (College Life Union Board) were wide awake to ensure that everything went smoothly for Saturday’s parade. C.L.U.B. played a very important role in this weekend’s events. C.L.U.B. was in charge of the float building and parade. When homecoming chair Sorin Diaconescu, a senior here at MSU, was asked why he joined the club he responded with these words, “Homecoming brings the whole campus together, it’s important.”

All together there were 16 fraternities, sororities and organizations working toward a common goal: having fun and floating to impress. A float that would take us back to the disco scene that gave a glimpse into the future that was the 1970s. Members of both organizations showed their theatre talents by acting out characters from the cartoon. Delta Chi and Sigma Sigma Sigma’s theme was Planet Funk. Their float was in the shape of a Volks Wagon Bus. It had an eye-catching Disco Ball, Lava Lamps with the shape of a Volkes Wagon Bus. It had an theme was Planet Funk. Members of both organizations showed their theatre talents by acting out characters from the cartoon.

Delta Xi Delta and Alpha Iota Chi called their float Studio 54. Studio 54 was a club that was topic of a lot of controversy because anything that was illegal was allowed in Studio 54. The float portrayed a disco scene that gave a glimpse into the 1970s.

Phi Sigma Sigma and Zeta Beta Tau’s theme was The Vietnam War which began in the 1960s, but started the new decade of 1970s. This fraternity and sorority built an army tank in which soldiers came up out of and hippies stood by protesting. Most of the fraternities and sororities had exactly what they were going to do planned out. However, Phi Alpha Psi (SENATE) was unsure of what they were going to do. The theme of their float was “We’re Still Working On It, we have 12 hours left and they decide what their going to do the night before the show.”

Phi Alpha Psi, SENATE, takes a twist on their Homecoming float by tearing off a piece of their sign to allow for an Indian from the 1970s to make an appearance.

Delta Xi and Sigma Delta Phi, the winners of BEST FLOAT, were incredibly impressive with the theme of Star Wars. They were influenced to do Star Wars as their theme because it was such a hit when it came out in 1977. On their float they had a disco ball and a death star that floated and opened up while X-Wing fighters flew through. A great effort was made by all of the SGA organizations that participated this year. Although the night brought cold weather and many people pledging some of these organizations had a lack of sleep, overall everyone had a blast recreating the 1970s!

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Carbohydrates break down into blood sugar to give your body fuel and brain the food they need to work. The thermogenic effect of food is highest after breakfast. In other words, more of the food you eat at breakfast will be released as heat than at any other meal of the day. This means that the calories you consume early in the day will be more likely to be used to fuel your activities and less likely to be stored as fat.

Fruit will give you an initial boost, complex carbohydrates like bagels and whole grain breads and cereals will give you a more sustained rise in blood sugar. Protein, and even a little fat, will stay with you longer to restrain those hunger pangs until lunchtime. Milk and dairy products are great because they offer protein and carbohydrates. Try to balance foods from all the food groups (grains, vegetables, fruits, dairy, and meat alternatives) in your meals.

It is difficult to sit down to breakfast before that 8 a.m. class? Try to grab some alternatives (in your meals).

If you are confined to the dining halls, choose the 100% juices that are available. The fruit bar is a great place for quick, easy, nutritious fare. Avoid the sugar-sweetened cereals (all that sugar will make you more tired). Whole wheat toast is a good choice that is always available in the dining halls and will provide you with carbohydrate and fiber. Two or three times a week, you could sandwich some scrambled eggs on that toast. Or, opt for an omelet filled with peppers, onions, tomatoes or any vegetable that you like and they are willing to supply along with some low-fat cheese.

A shake made in a blender can be a great way to start your day. Ask the food service managers in the dining halls to make these available. Otherwise, maybe your mom has one she can give you for your dorm room. Start with a banana, add other fruits along with low-fat yogurt or milk that you keep in your microfridge, or get them in the dining hall. If you are a vegetarian, keep fortified soy milk in small aseptic packages to blend for a quick morning fix.

By lunch time the salad bar is ready in the dining halls and you can find some of your best bets there. Start with a foundation of the darkest green available, including broccoli, romaine lettuce or spinach. Add some colorful vegetables like peppers, beets, carrots, cauliflower, some bean salad or tofu for protein, maybe some low-fat cheese and a few sunflower seeds for extra crunch. Top it with a little of your favorite low-fat dressing or simply go without dressing.

The soups can be very tasty, but be careful. The creamy soups can be high in fat and many of them are highly salted. Grilled vegetables and stir fry can be a good choice as long as they are not swimming in oil. Another quick choice is a bean burrito from the Taco Bell Express, but I can't vouch for its fat content.

When choosing meats, opt for those that have been broiled or grilled with little added fat, rather than the fried versions. Since the Ratt is now open until 2 a.m. you can get a late night snack. Go for the pizza with vegetables on it. Remember 5- A-Day? Also remember 5-A-Day is the minimum amount of servings of fruits and vegetables you should be eating. More active people should be choosing the greater number of servings from the food pyramid, i.e., three to five vegetables and two to four fruits. So if your caloric needs bare greater it may be that you should be eating nine-a-day! But don't feel obligated to wait until midnight to begin your quest for five fruits and vegetables. Start early. In fact, if you don't eat all day, you'll be so hungry at night that you'll eat the first thing you see, which may not be the best thing to put in your mouth. Besides, having one huge meal at night can set the stage for your body storing all those calories as fat because it thinks you have been starving.

To ward off the temptation to skip meals, especially when you just can't get to the dining hall, try keeping these thoughtful snacks in your dorm/microfridge:

- Low fat yogurt
- Apples, pears, grapes, raisins
- Low fat cheese sticks
- Tuna, packed in water
- Baby carrots, celery hearts, snow peas, beans
- Instant oatmeal packets
- Fat free milk
- Peanut butter (to go with the celery and raisins)
- Popscorn, of course

Keep your favorite sweet cereal on hand to eat when you are craving cookies. That sweet, crunchy craving will be satisfied, you'll have avoided the fat contained in most cookies and as a bonus, you'll probably have gotten quite a handful of vitamins and minerals, as most of those cereals are fortified.

But a word of caution: pour out only a serving size into a bowl, lest you eat more than you had intended.

Encourage the dining hall manager to add a tortilla bar stocked with low fat options such as beans, tomatoes, scallions, bell peppers of all of colors, shredded spinach, romaine lettuce, broccoli, a few black and/ or green olives for garnish, salsa, low-fat shredded cheese, chicken or turkey and/ or tofu can work in a tortilla. Whole wheat pita bread can be stuffed with anything from scrambled eggs to salad to stir-fry, so ask the food service manager about providing some. It wouldn't hurt to encourage the dining hall manager to provide ingredient statements and nutritional information for the food that is served.

Remember, good nutrition may not give you the understanding you add to ace that physics test, but it can give your brain the energy it needs for the activity that must occur in order for you to be attentive and alert for it. And always make your requests known to the food service manager. He/she will pay attention. Be an advocate of good health request more vegetables that you like and less cooking in the dining halls!!
Two speakers from the NJ Division of Youth and Family Services were invited to explain their jobs and the importance of DYFS on October 7 in Dr. Zilbergeld's Psychology 292 class. The speakers were representatives of two regions of NJ, Joann Pierce from the Atlantic County Division of Youth and Family Services and Anna Marie Brown from the Camden County Division of Youth and Family Services. The speakers shared with students a brief history of the organization that has its roots back in the 1800s. The lecture on the evolution of DYFS showed its slow growth in both size and ability to perform its task. Presently, DYFS has the right to remove a child from an abused home without the consent of the parents. Although this is seemingly a violation of the parents to raise their children, DYFS investigators have been given this leverage to allow them to protect the children with the best possible result. All DYFS investigations also must follow a very specific and accurate investigation procedure.

DYFS employees not only offer help to the children, but help is also provided for the abused parents. Counseling dates for an entire family are arranged and closely followed by DYFS and its employees. Depending on the progress of the family, DYFS has to make the determination of what would be best for those children from an abusive environment.

However, DYFS can not do its work without the help of the general population. It is important for all of us to know of the signs of a possibly abused child.

These signs are:
- repeated injuries
- neglected appearance
- unexplained medical behavior
- disrupted behavior
- isolation

DYFS has a 24 hour a day hotline to answer to any possible cases. If you know or suspect such abuse on a child and are calling in good favor, the toll free number is 1-800-792-8610. All calls made to DYFS are confidential.

A bi weekly column focusing on the realities of Latino life and culture

By Orlando Roiz

THE MONTCLARIAN

On September 21, 1998, Hurricane Georges began its path in devastating the Caribbean basin. The countries that were most affected by the Hurricane were Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Haiti. The death toll and overall destruction of the island is larger than the official data that has been reported. Homes have been destroyed, plantations are flattened, water is polluted with dead bodies and debris, the damages total over 3 billion dollars. Hurricane Georges has terrorized the Caribbean, Florida Keys and the Gulf Coast. More than 300 people have been reported dead and more individuals have fled.

In an effort to help the victims of Hurricane George, The Latin American Student Organization (L.A.S.O.) started the "L.A.S.O. Hurricane Relief Fund." The initiative has been a huge success. On October 1 and 7, L.A.S.O. held a table with an open microphone in the Student Center Quad where many donations of all sorts were collected. L.A.S.O. collected food, clothing and medicines for the victims of Hurricane George. We have collected a total of twenty-five boxes, fifteen of clothing and ten of non-perishable foods and medicines. The funds were used to purchase items that are of a necessity to help alleviate the pain and suffering for the people of the Caribbean. The items will be equally distributed by the Red Cross to the people of the Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and Haiti.

L.A.S.O. would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the help from students, faculty, administration, student organizations and especially our advisors Valentin Soto, Carlos Ortiz, and Carmen Reyes Cuevas for their generous contributions to the "L.A.S.O. Hurricane Relief Fund."


Feature

Health Therapy is a useful agent against illness

By Lisa Gribben

Health care in America has always been subject to controversy and change. Each year there are new products on the market promising to work better than the next. It is easy to forget that many old products did not disappear because they didn’t work.

However, the use of herbal therapy has been around for centuries. Although not the selected choice of many medical professionals, many people are now turning to these therapies instead of the traditional pharmaceuticals. Research and studies prove that certain herbs are effective in treating many common ailments.

Herbal therapies have been always been used in history to treat ailments. When pharmaceutical alternatives began to produce, use of these therapies began to diminish. By the 1940s the use of herbal therapy began to diminish in the U.S., although it remained prominent in many other countries. Commerically produced pharmaceuticals began to dominate the world of medicine. However, in the last twenty years, there has been a renewed interest in using the therapies of the age. Many studies regarding herbal therapy have been conducted and have shown that many different treatments are capable of solving things from the reduction of headaches to depression.

The article published in Prevention magazine entitled "Move Over Aspirin" discusses many effective herbal treatments. According to Vanry Tyler, Ph.D. and Anna DeMardeosraco, Ph.D., two experts in the field of herbal medicine, there are many natural therapies that are beneficial to the common and many common human illnesses. Feel the onset of a cold approaching? Echinacea is proven to help reduce infections that might affect the immune system. It can be very effective if taken as soon you have the first signs of a flu virus. Black licorice (best if taken in low-dose) helps sooth a persistent cough. An herbal treatment called Feverfew has been shown to help reduce headaches and migraines. Although it "doesn’t help them while in progress," it helps reduce the number of attacks that one can suffer from.

Chamomile is proved to have a calming effect on an upset stomach.

Today, although they are only a small percentage of therapies that have been shown to help illnesses such as the common cold, there are other herbal treatments that help in more serious ailments. According to a study which examined to effects of St. John’s Wort on a group of 1,000 depressed people, 80% of the people studied showed mood improvement. Its effectiveness is similar to pharmaceutical anti-depressants, as it targets the same neurotransmitters in the brain. A chemical found in hot peppers creates a person’s risk of heartburn. Garlic, which is a common herb used daily by many, has antibiotic properties that help prevent infections in some people. According to the article, it also "inhibits production of cholesterol," which makes it less prone to a heart attack.

As with any alternative type of therapy, there are controversies surrounding the therapies versus the traditional medicines. There are many pros and cons surrounding the use of herbal therapy as opposed to pharmaceutical treatment. Deborah Sampson, R.N., NPC, and nurse practitioner, explained some of the controversies surrounding the use of herbs as medicine.

Herbal therapies are not well regulated as pharmaceutical products, although the FDA is currently fighting to change this regulation. However, the FDA is also expressing concerns regarding the welfare of the U.S. population. Officials are concerned with people either spending money on treatments that won’t help them, or being taken advantage of by people who are taking advantage of others. According to the article, it simply ask your family health care practitioner, they may not have all the answers, but they are aware of all the possible treatments that are available. Since people are responsible for their own health and well being, it is important that each individual does research before trying any herbal therapy. Although there are many controversies surrounding the use of herbs, there have been many studies to support their use in helping common ailments. Herbal therapy has been used since the beginning of time to act as medicine. Even though pharmaceutical products are now the mainstay of any pharmaceutical company, herbal medicine are starting to be more accepted and there is a movement to be more aware of alternative options that each one of us have. If you would like to learn more about herbal therapy, you can call the phone number to the National Center for Natural Health, the Health Fair being held on the campus of Montclair State on Wednesday, November 11 will offer many presentations about the benefits of herbal therapy.

Feature

Inspirations

By Roger Gilbert, Ph.D.

The Twenty-Five Year Test

"It's not how much time you put in, it's what you put into the time."

On a hot August day, a crew of men were working with their pickaxes and shovels on the railroad tracks out in the middle of the desert. All of a sudden Bill McCallahan, the president of the company, drove up in his limousine. He looked over the crew and pointed to one of the oldest men there and said, "Charlie, is that you?" Charlie, proud to be noticed by the president, shouted back, "Sure is, Bill." The president mentioned for Charlie to come over. Charlie wiped the sweat off his brow, put on his tie shirt and climbed into the air conditioned limousine. As the limousine drove off, Charlie was busy walking off the tracks with his pickaxe and shovel looking back at the president of the company, "Why do I have to work so hard when you just sit up there in that limousine?" This was a question that every worker on the railroad tracks knew.

"Charlie, it's not as simple as that. I wonder what you would do if you had to work for 25 years. People are losing their jobs in this country. You're lucky you have a job. You should be grateful for what you have."

"But Mr. President, what do you mean? I mean I'm here day in and day out for you, Bill, and you're just out here walking around in a limousine." He was about to say something else when Charlie's voice stopped him. He turns and faced the president of the company and asked, "What did you lose, Bill?" The president turned and faced Charlie, his face expressionless. "I lost my job, Charlie, and I'm out here looking for another one." "Well, if you want to know the truth, 25 years ago I started working for minimum wage but Bill started working for the company as a young boy."

Twenty-five years ago, Charlie was looking for something to do while Bill was looking to do something. Twenty-five years ago, Charlie was looking for something to do while Bill was looking to make a difference. For the past 25 years, Charlie was in a job, while Bill was in his job.

The key question:

Twenty-five years from now, do you want to be a Bill, or do you want to be a Charlie? For those interested in learning more about this article, you can call to hear Dr. Gilbert's daily motivational messages, call Success Hotline at (973) 743-4690.
Jayne Reaves and Alma Muniz were elected 1998 Homecoming King and Queen, presented at halftime.

Dave Gorman, of Senate, shamelessly demonstrated his skill in twirling bottles during the Homecoming King pageant.

The new MSU EMS squad proudly marched beside their new ambulance in the parade, letting everyone know that they should be in active service on campus soon.

Tracie Trelfa and Karyn Deming of Sigma Delta Phi perform a swing dance for the Homecoming Queen pageant.
Dr. Gregory Waters, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, and President Dr. Susan Cole cruise down Valley Road, leading the parade.

Jaime Drapczak and Lisa McNichol and the rest of Theta Kappa Chi were in high spirits.

The cheerleading team got the crowd energized to begin the festivities.

Theta Xi and Sigma Delta Phi ended their performance with a bang, including an explosion and smoke.

The CLUB volunteers pose for a group shot after a hard day’s work.

Sigma Delta Tau kicked up their heels to close their Chorus Line with Tau Phi Beta behind them.

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and Delta Phi Epsilon sorority showed what would happen if The Brady Bunch collided with The Adams Family.

The sisters of Phi Sigma and the brothers of Zeta Beta Tau put in the extra effort it takes to have a successful Homecoming presentation.
Latin American Student Organization (LASO) got some help to play Bam-Bam for their flashback to the Flintstones and the 70’s.

Delta Chi and Sigma Sigma Sigma did a little ‘Kung Fu Fighting.’

Mike Sangee of Phi Alpha Psi (Senate) worked to get the crowd pumped up for the ‘lively’ show to follow.

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Alpha Iota Chi and Delta Xi Delta were the only twin sorority pairing for the parade. They enthusiastically pooled their efforts to produce a creative dance routine and a colorful float to fit the 70’s theme of the parade.

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The cheerleading squad put up this stunt during their routine.

Two CLUB members take a peek from behind the Homecoming backdrop.

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The Montclair Fire Department was happy to make a visit to the MSU campus to participate in the parade instead of a false alarm at Bohn Hall.
Melissa McQuade shook her stuff at the Homecoming Queen pageant last week for Sigma Delta Tau Sorority.

Theta Xi Darth Vaders shuffle in with Sigma Delta Phi in front of their 'Disco Star Wars' float.

Senate 'murdered' the 70's and the crowd.

Tau Phi Beta and Sigma Delta Tau won the 'Best Performance' category, finishing second overall.

Players, the student theater group, performed "Time Warp" from The Rocky Horror Picture Show as a preview to their upcoming production on campus.

Sigma Sigma Sigma and Delta Chi strike a group pose at the conclusion of their performance.

The Brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Symphonia performed the National Anthem before the football game Saturday night at Sprague Field.
**Insane Clown Posse Gets the Crowd Wet**

By Lynette Surie  
Arts Editor

On Thursday, October 15, Insane Clown Posse held a slamming concert at Roseland in NYC. I had the pleasure of being there and having a first hand view of their wild show. I have never seen them live until that night and had the pre-conceived notion that they were vulgar jerks that did not know how to speak about women and how to be decent human beings. I felt that they had the dirtiest mouths and the worst tempests, not to mention that most of the children from my era are scared to death of clowns since the movie IT by Stephen King.

When I arrived at Roseland, there was this awesome punk band on called Phunk Junkies. They were so animated and had some really great tunes. The latest CD, Fear of a Black Planet, is excellent. The lead singer, Soulman, was such a violently jumpy person that it made his sound even better. The whole crowd was going nuts for them. After their set was over, there was a mad rush to their booth where some of their merchandise was being sold and I picked up their latest CD. They can be found on the web at www.phunkjunkies.com for tour info and merchandise.

After about a 15 minute set change, Insane Clown Posse came on stage with their usual Carrie attitude. The stage opened up to reveal both Shaggy 2 Dope and Violent J in cages labeled “Freaks.” With the Carnival music in the background, the lights went out and then the Freaks were revealed. One over zealous teen in the crowd yelled, “I want to F*** you mother F***ers UP!” I swear the crowd pulsed with enthusiasm.

ICP fueled the crowd with their outlandish and freakish music.

Never before has this writer been to such an outrageous concert! These frighteningly painted characters set fire to the fans, well, not actually on fire, but close enough. Steam rose from the thrilled fans in the mob pits. ICP has a reputation for having lots of fights break out at their concerts, but I did not see one fight. Everyone was so into the music and catching bottles of Payko, a seemingly soda type substance, that no one was interested in picking a fight.

For the sympathy of the janitors, ICP tossed out two liter after two liter of this beverage upon the crowd. The people were jumping for the empty, half full and full bottles being thrown, shaken, and poured all over them. Wild is the only word that uttered out of my lips throughout the evening.

The second poet was Dr. Carol Stone, an English professor at Montclair State University. Dr. Stone’s poems, such as “In the Middle of Nowhere,” “Fortune,” “Sweet Charlie,” and “Dream Finger,” were very artistic and descriptive of reality. She was not only excellently fluent in her dialect and tone, but she was articulate in the rhythm and intricacy of her poetry.

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**Four Walls Spices up the Dinner Hour**

By Dominic Banks  
Staff Writer

4 Walls, the campus literary/art magazine, successfully presented its spectacular extravaganza of music and poetry on Wednesday, October 14 in the Ratt. The Walls Jazz Band opened the show as the crowd entered the Ratt. This dynamic band consists of Ken Adessa (drums & bass), Brian Bonacci (saxophone), Nick Afflitto (trumpeter) and Russell Marsh (piano).

The 4 Walls Band performed well together and the originality of their songs was impressive. Their jazz skills are excellent, powerful and compelling. The music lasted for 10 to 20 minutes, which began with the best opening I have ever heard.

Their second piece of music succeeded tremendously in outdoing the first, as a result of its ingenious rhythms and melodies making it truly intriguing. The 4 Walls Jazz Band was so outstanding and systematic in their performance that they can easily embarrass and outmatch some of today’s highly efficient or internationally renowned jazz groups.

Nick Afflitto was excessively fearless, magnificent and majestic in his playing. Brian Bonacci’s saxophone was one of the most powerful musical factors on stage. Russell Marsh’s piano playing was as excellent and splendid as the skillfully bold drumming of their overall group leader, Ken Adessa.

The one true element of the band was their unity as a whole and as a team that truly gave them the great ability to entertain the audience immensely. After the band finished they sent three poets from 4 Walls courageously stood before the audience to recite their poetry.

The first poet to begin was Laurie Finkle, who boldly spoke her poetry before the entire crowd. Her poetry was as talented as the intelligent rhythm of the verses she spoke. The one poem that was absolutely spoken with grace and fluency was Laurie’s dedication poem to her late grandmother, called “To My Beloved.” In my opinion it was a well-written and beautiful piece of literary art wherein she displays her gentle longing for her beloved grandmother.

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The Magic School Bus Makes Children Smile

By Lynette Surie, Arts Editor

On Saturday, October 17, Memorial Auditorium hosted The Magic School Bus for two shows. The Magic School Bus is originally a cartoon that teaches children different lessons by means of the magic bus that takes them to different places, times and imaginations. It is a really great show for kids. The audience consisted of mainly children and their parents, but I caught many of my fellow classmates sneaking a peak.

The lesson Miss Frizzle’s class learned that day was about light. There was a really nice light production that was put on for about five minutes of the show that the kids in the audience really seemed to enjoy. The actors used song and dance to teach science, math and different things about life. I even found myself learning something about light and the properties of it. While I know some of the matter which was taught in the show was too involved for anyone under 9, some of the younger kids repeated what the actors explained.

“Song really is a good tool of learning,” said Teresa Hindler, parent of a pre-schooler. “I not afraid of shadows anymore,” said Garret, a very well spoken seven year old, who also refused to give his last name.

Next time the School Bus stops by Montclair, try to catch it. They put on a wonderful show and you may even learn something.

“*A Bright Idea*,” an original musical production for children entertained audiences both young and old at MSU’s Memorial Auditorium.

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FRIENDS DON'T LET FRIENDS DRIVE DRUNK.
Mellencamp's new release

John Mellencamp has done it again with his latest release *John Mellencamp,* producing a pure rock 'n' roll album with soul. Mellencamp produced this CD with co-producers Mike Wanchic and Paul Mahern at his studio in his home in Belmont, Indiana. Since his debut CD *Chestnut Street Incident* in 1976, Mellencamp has been known for music that tells the stories of small town America, it's not flashy but rock from the heart. Who could forget classics like "Jack and Diane" and "Hurts So Good?" John Mellencamp follows in that tradition and is sure to become a classic.

Mellencamp's band consists of very talented musicians who play a variety of instruments: Dane Clark (drums, percussion), Toby Myers (bass, vocals), Miriam Sturm (violins, keys, vocals), Mike Wanchic (guitars, vocals), Andy York (guitars, Indian instruments, vocals) and Moe Z. MD (guitars, loops, vocals). The violin has been a key instrument in many of his songs and is not lost on this CD, combining well with the masterful guitar riffs and drumbeats. John Mellencamp has a back to roots feel to it and any long time fan of Mellencamp's will appreciate its energy.

Mellencamp is a gifted lyricist whose songs have a message about social injustice and the common man. He doesn't just sing it, he lives it. Mellencamp lives simply in Indiana away from the glitz and glamour of big city life. Mellencamp's music questions the status quo without resorting to the screaming and screeching of the harder music of today. His vocals are not abrasive but smooth and clear. "Your Life is Now," is the first single released from the album and is a song about standing up and changing your life and the world: "In this undiscovered moment/Lift your head up above the crowd/We could shake this world/If you would only show us how/Your life is now." His songs range in style and speed. I especially like "Miss Missy," which is an upbeat little tune that blends the varied instruments well, creating a unique tone. It's hard to pick out any one song in particular because all 12 tracks on the album are excellent.

Mellencamp, along with artists Willie Nelson and Neil Young, formed the organization Farm Aid, the purpose of which is to bring to light the struggles of America's farmers. There have been twelve Farm Aid concerts in the past; the most recent one was on October 3, 1998. Mellencamp continues to be an active participant along with many other noteworthy artists.

Among his other interests Mellencamp is also a painter and he has recently published a book of his works entitled: *MELLENCAMP: Paintings and Reflections,* which will be released on October 23, 1998. He is donating the profits from the book to "VH-1's Save The Music" program, who will use the money to supply school children with musical instruments.

Long time fans of John Mellencamp will definitely want to add *John Mellencamp* to your collection. Those who have not really heard of him (Where have you been?) will appreciate his simple rock style that seems to have faded out of fashion with today's new musicians.
Campus Life Found During Homecoming Weekend

As the parade floats coasted down Valley Road, students began to realize that this was not what they were usually treated to if they remained on the MSU campus on the weekends. By Saturday, images of empty parking lots, vacant residence halls and a Student Center more closely resembling a ghost town were replaced with scores of people wandering around campus, watching the parade as it winded through the streets of Montclair.

Those who regularly attend athletic events were amazed by the masses who came out to watch MSU beat William Paterson University 12-7 in the Homecoming football game. Tricky Tray, Parents Day, and other events gave students initiative to not wander home. Clove Road was bursting with parties and the Greek fraternities and sororities proved, yet again, what campus unity and school spirit are all about.

For the weekend of October 16 - 18, if only for an instant when compared to the remainder of the academic year, MSU held in its hands and inside the walls of its campus something in which many schools take pride and cherish: campus life.

Not enough credit or respect is given to C.L.U.B. and the Greek organizations who organize the events of Homecoming year after year with no reward or compensation outside of the knowing that they contributed to student life and, possibly, winning a trophy for their efforts. Week in and week out, however, somebody slanders the Greeks here at MSU for being inconsiderate of those outside of their ranks or for being apathetic about student activities beyond the realm of Greek life. The fact of the matter is that, without the fraternities and sororities, Homecoming weekend would be a pale imitation of what it presently is. Let us not forget this when October 23 rolls around and, again, the same 20 or 30 people are sitting in Blanton Dining Hall, complaining about how everything on campus dies after the commuters and semi-commuters shuffle out of their classes and dorm rooms on Friday afternoon.

The question, then, is how to create this sort of environment on a regular basis. Though there are only 2,000 residents here at MSU, sources in Auxiliary Services have stated that roughly 70 - 80% of them leave campus on the weekends. Efforts to encourage commuters to remain on campus also seem just as menial and aimless. If the administration, working with the SGA and various campus organizations, can schedule events and activities of interest to keep people from wandering off campus once their classes are finished, maybe Homecoming weekend will not be a scenario alien to us year-round.

Students have reported to The Montclarion that some fraternities and sororities spend as much as $3,000 for the events and planning of Homecoming weekend. While that sum is extremely high for organizations that are often viewed so critically, spread among the remainder of the academic year, MSU held in its hands and inside the walls of its campus something in which many schools take pride and cherish: campus life.

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**VIEWPOINT**

Accepting the Responsibility and Caring for Others

Just recently, a young man who attended Rutgers University passed away after drinking too much at a bar and falling down a flight of stairs. He died of his injuries a few hours later, from hemorrhaging of the brain. In the course of those few hours, what was going on? As he was lying down, his peers believed that he was just totally wasted, which is an uncommon scene for college students. So, they let him pass out. By taking just a few moments to assess a situation places a whole new perspective on how we react. It is important to assess a situation places a whole new perspective on how we react.

The second reason that I state this position is that it preserves differences in traditions while, at the same time, curtails the idea (specifically in this setting) that different means have superior and inferior modes when directed to the same end. Naturally, there are a range of objections that can be justified against this, too.

For instance, it is hard to determine whether actually celebrating and interacting with another perspective really changes the way that we project our particular identity and so forth. In the long term, it is sufficient to say that this could be the case but I think that it does more to heal wounds.

I realize I am at a juncture where my thoughts are not adequately developed to address such an issue, but I would hope that a discussion can follow so that the validity of such a principle can come to fore as a living reality.

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**The Need to Understand Culture and Cultural Diversity**

Culture has always been an eminent interest of mine, as it is relevant to the way normativenss is achieved, the manner by which felt differences are expressed and the capacity of these differences maintained. I, therefore, readily accept the notion that monolithic structures that necessarily tend to live up to one ideal set of norms, rituals and practices. Rather, in many instances, there seems to be an inner working in the heart of those who live and believe differently. We remind the students, faculty, staff and administrators at this university that discrimination, harassment, threats, vandalism and violence against homosexuals are crimes. We declare again our intention to aggressively pursue all perpetrators of such crimes with exposure, moral denunciation, expulsion from the university, and legal prosecution.

We extend our profound sympathy to Matthew's family and friends. We share in their grief at this terrible loss and in their shock at the abruptness of that grief. We appreciate and share their concern that the blame for this hate crime not be misdirected.

Matthew's murder.

We reaffirm our political and moral rights to choose our romantic partners, to form and function as families— or not to, to practice religion—or not to, and to study and work and set up house without being attacked by people who love and believe differently. We remind the students, faculty, staff and administrators at this university that discrimination, harassment, threats, vandalism and violence against homosexuals are crimes. We declare again our intention to aggressively pursue all perpetrators of such crimes with exposure, moral denunciation, expulsion from the university, and legal prosecution.

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The 1970's brought us Billy Beer, flair bell umbrellas, "Saturday Night Fever" and sex will cause you to wake up next to something you normally would not poke with a stick. What I am specifically referring to are the attitudes themselves. If Gerald Ford were ever accused of receiving drugs today are still vital to our collective well-being. Look at Viagra and medicinal marijuana. Or my favorite drug, Prozac. Drugs today are still vital to our collective well-being. Look at Viagra and medicinal marijuana. Or my favorite drug, Prozac.

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Troll

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said that The Wicked Troll Woman liked Lynette almost as much as she liked the Prince. She claimed them both for her own. As Lynette learned in one of her courses, she never spoke to the troll in person, but over the phone, night after night, the troll called for her. Lynette was caught in her trap the first couple of times, but as the calling got more routine, Lynette learned to hang up and ignore the wicked non-woman.

Every day the troll would make the Prince’s magic belt clip, (pager) beep and beep. Every time she did this, the prince would get more and more upset, unless Lynette was there to comfort him. She soothen his inflamed heart and calmed him. The two became closer and closer until they fell in love. This angered the Wicked Troll Woman so much that large scratches began to form in the doors of Lynette’s (bright green Geo-Metro) coach, and time and time again her answering box became possessed with evil messages. Even as Lynette became frustrated with the troll, her love for the Prince held strong. She informed the law makers of the evil ways of the troll and became free of her threats for a while, but that still did not free the Prince.

The Wicked Troll Woman was not happy unless she was making their lives miserable. She would try her hardest to make the two so very upset that at times they would lock themselves into the house to make sure she could not get at them. More often than not the Princes’ magic porch and communication box, (cell phone) would ring and ring until the prince almost lost his mind. They went to a sorcerer to get the access to the troll called for her. Lynette was there to comfort him. She would get more and more upset, unless the troll called for her. Lynette was caught in her trap the first couple of times, but as the calling got more routine, Lynette would lock herself into the house and ran up a $800 bill and over $6,000 on the troll's magic Visa, Discover, and even the Warlock obeyed, and with a flash of lightning from his finger, the troll woman appeared before them.

She was forced to grovel in front of the Wise Mistress for disturbing her prize Prince and his love Lynette. She was sentenced to a long horrible fate of digging caves with her mouth and a restraining order so she would never be able to see the handsome Prince again. She vowed that that would never stop her, so the Warlock said, “If thou ever botherst them two again, thou will be dead!” (we can only hope)

As for the Prince and Lynette they lived happily ever after, still being very much in love, and never being plagued by the evil Troll Woman again. Sometimes at night they can still hear her digging and screaming, hopefully she will never bother them again. Ever.

This is a true story. The characters’ names have been changed to protect this girl named Nicole, AKA the Wicked Troll Woman. Please use caution, for though she may not bother me anymore, she can still bother you.
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Despite Bratcher’s (Safety) break up a pivotal pass in the end zone late in the second quarter, I just reacted and saw the ball. The Montclair State University Men’s Ice Hockey team came out flying in their first scrimmage against William Patterson on Wednesday October 14.

What saved the Red Hawks from what would have been an absolute crushing defeat, was a spectacular effort on behalf of their defense, and a couple of lucky bounces that wound up going their way. Junior linebacker Ken Ford led the way for the Red Hawk defense, accumulating 18 tackles. Golden, a senior from Morristown was unable to break free from the grasp of Ford and the rest of the Red Hawk defensive unit. The taming of the elusive Golden for all intents and purposes shut down the WPU offensive attack. Although Ford was the defensive star of the game, a different member of the Red Hawk defensive unit, senior safety Jason Bratcher, made the defensive play of the game. With MSU leading 1-0 in the third quarter, WPU had the ball on the MSU six-yard line, looking as though they were ready to take control. On second down, Golden dropped back to pass, as his offensive line held back a ferocious Red Hawk rush. Golden realizing that he was running out of time fired a bullet to his tight end in the end zone that looked as though he had caught the ball. Bratcher had his eyes on the play the entire time, and when it looked as though tight end had it is grasp; Bratcher nailed him, sending the go-ahead score and the receiver into the ground.

The Red Hawks were out of danger for the moment due to Bratcher’s outstanding effort, but would still face another threatening situation, this time coming in the fourth quarter. DiVirgilio, who returned in the second half, handed the ball off to Lewis who fumbled the ball in the backfield. The ball rolled deep into WPU territory, and had at least five or more chances to pick up the ball and carry into the end zone. The Pioneers were unable to pounce on the ball, and the Red Hawks recovered ending the WPU threat.
Hawks victorious as Chesney captures 100th win

By Tess Sterling

This Homecoming weekend proved to be very successful for MSU’s men soccer team. They improved their record to 11-1-2, defeating Rutgers-Camden by the score of 2-1 at MSU’s Pittser field before a crowd of 232, and defeated SUNY-Old Westbury this past Tuesday at New York. Saturday’s win also gave head coach Rob Chesney his 100th career victory as the MSU coach, and an overall record of 100-47-9. Congratulations Coach Chesney!

At New York, MSU won by the score of 2-1, with goals by freshman back George Mendoza, and senior midfielder Marlon Pollard. The Scarlet Raiders finally succeeded in cutting the lead to 2-1 with 12:00 left in the match when sophomore forward Ryan Van Osten (Audubon) slipped a shot to the far post from 15 yards out. The key players in this game were Mendoza who had 1 goal and 2 shots on goal; Yusuf with 4 shots and an assist; Pollard who had 1 goal and 2 shots; and Alex Luna who finished the game with 4 saves for MSU.

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The Scarlet Hawks finally scored in the first half when the Red Hawks were awarded a penalty kick after Mark Sa was taken down. The second goal of the game came in the 29th minute off a feed from senior midfielder Marlon Pollard (Guyana), who blasted a shot from 20 yards. The shot deflected off the hands of Scarlet Hawks goalkeeper Ryan Sexton (Cherry Hill), giving the Red Hawks a 2-0 advantage going into the second half. "This was a nice win, although there was no extra emphasis just to get 100 or because it was Homecoming. It was just important to get a win," said head coach Rob Chesney on winning Saturday’s game.

Junior tailback runs for 172 yards on 28 carries to lead Hawks to Homecoming win

By Paul Lewiarz

The Montclair State Red Hawks (5-1) held the William Paterson Cougars to come out on top 12-7 in an ugly game that featured 16 penalties (10 by MSU), eight fumbles (6 by MSU). It was the MSU defense that stood out throughout the game, as the overall offensive effort was inconsistent throughout the game. Montclair State played a flawless game defensively with a number of players coming up big in the game. Keith Iza, Jason Bratcher, Sam Mickens and Sam Mills all had big defensive plays throughout the game. Iza (LineBacker) who played with pain throughout and a sprained ankle said, "When you play William Paterson, pain has got to be put aside, you have to go after the ball for four quarters."

"It was just important to get a win."

- Head Coach Bob Chesney

The Cougars got on the scoreboard first when they converted a fumble by Ron Lewis (RB) on the MSU 12-yard line and scored in two plays on a four-yard run by Vernos Wilson (RB) which was only the second rushing touchdown allowed by MSU’s defense all year, Montclair quickly rebounded by making the score 7-6 when they converted a fumble by quarterback Jamie Golden on the 27 yard line. Lewis ran the ball in for the touchdowns, although the extra point was no good, wide left by Vic Meseke (Kicker).

Ron Lewis with just 18 seconds left in the first half ran for a 71-yard touchdown, which broke the Cougars spirits and backs. It would be the last score of the game for both teams, as MSU’s 12-7 lead stood firm. Lewis later said about his