Blackout plunges campus into darkness; confusion and panic follow

By Christine Quigley and Patricia Hewitt

Staff Writer

A campus-wide power outage on Tues­day Dec. 2, which brought campus activi­ties to a halt and caused several building evacuations and cancelled classes, was caused by a trip in a transmission wire in Cedar Grove, said PSE&G spokesperson Beth Derin.

"Although we have a co-generation fa­cility to supply power when PSE&G has a problem such as a dangerous or supply that power while the workers are fixing the lines," said Ed Oberhofer, Associate Direc­tor of MSU's physical plant. "This explains why MSU had to wait one hour and 15 min­utes for PSE&G to fix the wire.

The fair weather conditions made it easier for maintenance workers on campus to perform their duties. "We shut down all of the large equipment that would be harm­ful coming back on all at once and we checked all of the elevators to see if anyone was stuck. There was one incident in Dickson Hall in which people were stuck between floors," said Oberhofer.

The evacuations stirred up some prob­lems and confusion among students. "I thought that it was a huge inconvenience, but it's something that happens. I just think there should be a little more organization when it comes to letting students know what is going on," said MSU student Stephanie Cassidy, who felt that most students did not know what was happening.

While most people were upset about the outage, Dickson Hall custodian Michael Tumboro, supervisor of Fred Hawk Express, the food truck in front of Dickson Hall, was happy about it. "I loved what happened Tuesday. Due to the fact that the power went out, I was the only one who could provide food service across campus. I had the chance to let everyone know about my services and had better business than I have had on regular days," said Tumboro.

The cafeterias were not in service due to the outage. MSU student Christine Schoenhuber was in the library when the outage occurred. "Everything was okay until I had to use the ladies room and there was no light in there. I got a flashlight from someone and many people joined me.

The power outage affected 13,500 people in ten surrounding areas. Willowbrook Mall in Wayne was out of power for about an hour after a shopping center evacuation. "We were lucky this wasn't a fire and that it didn't happen at night," Romance said.

Hewitt said that the emergency lighting in many of the buildings is insufficient. Many are not func­tioning and some have only enough power to last long enough to evacuate the facility.

Kik Williams, Physical Plant Direct­or, said that reports are being com­piled about the failure of the emergency equipment during the black out. She said that it will be difficult to determine the many factors that the lighting failures from different auxiliary power sources.

The blackout affected the enti­re campus. Jen Pylypyshyn, a sopho­more, said that she had to be escorted up the stairs in Sprague Library. She was assisted up the stairs by a librarian who held a mini-flashlight.

Studying was curtailed in the library, but students were restricted from leaving the second floor be­cause of the dangerous stairwell. Students in the dorms remained in confusion. Students from Bohn Hall evac­uated the four story academic building. Some were paralyzed with fear as they edged down nervously. The only hope for light was an occasional door propped open with a garbage can.

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**Epsy not guilty of corruption**

The jury in the corruption trial of Epsy Schedule, the former agriculture secretary, was released on Wednesday by the almost unanimous verdict of 11 "not guilty" votes. Some of the jurors said they were concerned about the possibility of a mistrial if the case were continued. Epsy said she had no intention of appealing the verdict. She was cleared of all charges.

**Israeli Cabinet suspends troop withdrawals**

JERUSALEM (CNN) -- In the wake of the latest outbreak of violence in the West Bank, the Israeli cabinet decided on Wednesday to suspend any further troop withdrawals until the Palestinian Authority meets a new set of conditions.

Among them: that the Palestinian Authority withdraws from its positions in the West Bank and starts to negotiate a permanent status agreement.

**Police confront suicidal man**

A confrontation between police and a suicidal man who threatened to kill himself by driving into a wallflower garden in the city of Jerusalem ended with the man's arrest.

**Local News**

**Bus accident in Newark injures many**

A pre-dawn accident in Newark involving a NJ Transit bus and a minivan sent more than 40 bus passengers to the hospital and transformed an area near the intersection into a triage center.

Emergency medical service personnel transported 17 passengers to seven medical facilities, five in Newark and one each in Elizabeth and Kearny, following the 6:30 a.m. crash. Most of the injuries consisted of bruises, strains and complaints of pain, officials said. None was life-threatening.

"At first, it was overwhelming," said Artis, a bus driver who was without incident and would be sent to the Yugoslavia war crimes tribunal in The Hague.

Krstic was indicted in October on charges of genocide, complicity to commit genocide, extermination and crimes against humanity.

**Community News**

**Student organizations not connected**

While network connections exist in various studio offices, students are not able to access the web or e-mail. Find out why in The Montclarion.
Trapped
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Hour long search for key strands professor in elevator

By Christine Quigley
ANIMAL INSTINCTS: Jackie and Julia, has written a new book on animal behavior.

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A student’s perspective about the land of Tibet

By Daniel Fieller
Staff Writer

Since China invaded Tibet, the Tibetan people have been resisting the imposed rule, in every manner possible. This resistance manifests itself in many forms, from open riots to more clandestine insurrections. The Tibetans that one meets there are willing to talk about the ravages inflicted upon their country by China. They want to help you, but they do this at their own peril, as the brutality they face if caught is remarkable. Their friendships and bravery exceeds all expectations of these forgotten people, as I discovered.

I made the mistake of glancing down from where I was clinging, in the back of a miniature open topped van, only to see a small stream making its way along the bottom of the lush gorge. The van was leaping over so much that the road was no longer visible and even the old Nepali woman, in her sari, who was riding with me, had a frightened glint in her eyes. We were in no man’s land, having passed through the monumental Chinese border post at Zhangmu; we were making our way down to Nepal’s opposite number, Kodari. Both villages are perched in an unbelievable position on the side of a steep ravine, just waiting to slip down and share the fate of the villages are perched in an unbelievable position on the side of a steep ravine, just waiting to slip down and share the fate of the

The border to Lhasa had crawled and bumped his way by truck and tractor over many days. He acquired the essential help of a local tourist guide who was only too happy to have a chance to use his broken English. The guide arranged transport on the wind swept, open back of a lorry and on a tractor to take my friend to the sacred lakes, which are only accessible by local transport, as the roads are almost nonexistent. The trip went ahead as planned after two days, eventually being prevented by an irritable tractor, forcing my companion to travel onwards to Lhasa and attempt the trip again from the other direction. Ten days later, once in Lhasa, he met his former aid by chance, only to discover that the authorities had arrested him, beating and imprisoning him for several days. His charge was telling the “false history of Tibet,” the unofficial version that hasn’t been sanctioned by the Chinese. They found him guilty without evidence and he subsequently lost his job. He paid dearly for his unfalsifiability, which he gave without question to a foreigner.

There are many more realities of repression and generality, of a quest for freedom and of the loss of culture. Where once there were prayer flags flying over a monastery one now sees a red Chinese flag. One is forced to look back on the great loss that these people have suffered and the continuing repression.

The Finance Column: the week in stocks

By Rob Sjolit
Staff Writer

Last week was a good week for the market overall. The Dow Jones rose and there was another NASDAQ explosion. This recent NASDAQ national market boom has shown amazing growth of internet stocks. However, this Monday showed a decline in the Dow Jones by over 200 points and the NASDAQ fell over 60 points. During this period of falling stock prices there was a very high volume as well. According to analysts, holiday shopping appeared to be heavy the day after Thanksgiving. This year internet buying is predicted to increase by approximately 5%. This is a good indicator, considering holiday shopping accounts for a large portion of yearly sales.

Exxon confirmed they will merge with Mobil. This combination will create the largest oil company by far. Prior to any serious considerations Exxon is looking for any violations of anti-trust legislation within this merger. Some economists feel this merger could cause many mergers in the future. It is easy to see that stocks historically have shown huge growth. It is important to understand that, although there has been huge growth, there have been times of decline as well. A prudent investor will buy stock in a proven firm and be prepared to hold onto the stock through possible bad times. Hopefully with patience your investments will prosper and you can achieve your financial goals.

Here are some of the indexes used besides the Dow Jones that investors use to examine the stock market.

NASDAQ:
- NASDAQ: The National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations is an index which consists of many internet and computer companies.

Standard and Poor 500:
- Similar to the Dow Jones Except it contains 500 large companies. It is often used as an indicator of the general market.

Russell 2000:
- This is a collection of smaller companies. This can be used to obtain a broader perspective of the stock market.

As an incentive to invest in stocks, I would like to present you with some interesting facts.

Investment type: value in 1919: Value in 1997:
- Treasury Bills: $1.00, $21.49
- Long-Term Government: $1.00, $52.93
- Bonds: Long Term Companies: $1.00, $85.17
- Bonds: Common Stocks: $1.00, $297.17
MINDOVERMATTER
By Dr. Susan Herman
Managing your Mind
Part 2 of a 2 part article

This is second part of a series designed
by Dr. Rob Gilbert
to help you develop a positive men-
tal outlook. The one thing in life you
can command is your own mind. Whatever
negative people and situations you face, you
can always choose a positive attitude. This
requires practice and a strong commitment.

SUMMARY
Part 1 of this series discussed develop-
ing the ability to direct and control your own
mind. This will allow you to develop the skills
for having a positive mental outlook. The
two of the processes described were Creat-
ing a Structure For Yourself and Using Lists.

VISUALIZATION
Visual images can reach into our deepest
mental levels. They make powerful mental and motivational tools. It can help
to actually have pictures of positive people,
places, or things that you have in your life
or want to have. Put the pictures where you
will see them every day. An example: Imagi-

You are feeling sorry for yourself.
- You are blaming someone or
passing judgment.
- Your pride is hurt.
- You are being set up.

Each time you recognize a negative
thought, counteract it with an immediate,
forceful, positive thought. An example:
When a fellow student forgets to call you
about his/her notes remember when he/she
invited you to a party. This helps you to
counteract the negative feelings and intro-
duces something positive about the same
person. Tip: If the thought is about you—"I
can't accomplish that"—treat it as you would
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your own capabilities.

If your negativity is expressed in wor-
ing, focus on ways to make a positive re-
sult happen. Write the best outcome down
on a card. Keep checking the card to re-
mind you of what you really want. Whenever the worry ap-

Negative thinking is our worst enemy.
You may not realize that you are thinking
negatively unless you consciously inspect
your thoughts. Negative thoughts are usu-
ally motivated by one of the following four
thoughts:

1. You have buckled your seatbelt. Put
the key in the ignition. Started the
car. But when you put your car in
drive and step on the gas, it only inches for-
ward. What’s the problem?
   "You have not released the emergency
brake. If you don’t, you’ll struggle to get
out of the parking lot!"

2. You are the same with you. If you want to go
anywhere in life, you’ll have to release your
own emergency brake. If you don’t, you’re
going to struggle too.

Emergency brake is the little voice of self-doubt in your mind that’s overly
centered with what other people think and say about you. It’s the voice telling
you to play it safe and hold back.

One of the characteristics of world-class
people is that they are not afraid to hold
back. Just watch Evander Holyfield
box or Tara Lipinski skate or Whitney
Houst on sing.

And what about Sammy Sosa and Mark
 McGuire? Not one of their 136 home runs
this past season was hit on a checked swing.

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hit on a checked swing. This past season
her close friend, giving a half-

A way to solve this problem is to have
fewer children. Couples should limit them-
themselves to 2 children as the absolute maxi-
mum. If the world average of children per
couple lowers to 2 or below, the popula-
tion will stop expanding. Education of con-
traceptive use should be more widely spread.
Over 60 percent of babies born are unplanned
ones. If we can stop this, a huge obstacle
will be overcome.

The adoption of a national population
policy, as well as a reduction of wasteful
consumption, and a development of safer
contraceptives will help reduce the popu-
lation and make the world a much easier
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Positive thinking spurs you to action.
Take 15 to 20 minutes when you can con-
centrate. Use this time to study and think
about yourself. It helps to use a notebook
to record your results. Throughout this ar-
ticle emphasis has been placed on writing
down positive things. It helps to see things in writ-
ing and it improves your commitment to
yourself.

These articles have presented a short
course in how to manage your mind to think
more positively and enhance your motiva-
tion to stay on track and do well in what-
ever you want to do. It is important to practice
these exercises just as you would work out your
muscles to develop a stronger body.

The more you work at it, the stronger and
more positive you will become.

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Does it irk you too?
By Stephanie Materazzi
When someone does not flush because they
want to save on the water bill.

Staff Writer
By Matthew Avarch
Zero Population Growth
The earth's population is growing at an
alarming and dangerous rate. In 46 years,
the world's population will have doubled.
Something needs to be done.

As more people are born, more re-
sources are used. As more buildings are
built, more forests are destroyed and air
polluted. We do not have enough food and
resources to support all of these people. As
of now, over 750 million people suffer from
malnutrition. That number will skyrocket
as the world's population grows. Farmlands
are decreasing and the entire ecosystem is
suffering.

 Regional-wide, steps are being taken to
reduce the number of children. This is not
only limited to the United States but to
other countries as well. In India, the gov-
ernment has passed laws limiting the num-
ber of children a couple can have.

In December, December
- International Students Organization, 12:30-2 p.m. SC 419
- Enlightened Eating, 3:30-4:30 p.m. BL Hall
- Lecture: "A duel of words and reason" 4 p.m. Recital Hall
- O.S.A.U. sponsors a TOUCH OF REALITY- a
   poetry group, 7 p.m. SC Ballrooms
- Get an early start on your Christmas shopping.

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Monday
- L.A.S.O. meeting, 3:30 p.m. SC Cafe C
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 3:30-4:30 p.m. BL Hall
- Narcotics Anonymous, 3:30-4:30 p.m. BL Hall
- NACCF meeting study hall, 7 p.m. SC Cafe C
- Urban Poetry and Hip Hop Slam, 8 p.m. in The Ratt
   poetry group, 7 p.m. SC Ballrooms

Tuesday
- Commuter Breakfast, 8:30 a.m. Commuter Lounge
- Global Expo, noon-2 p.m. Memorial Auditorium
- Free Pool, 12-2 p.m. SC Game Room
- Double Helix, Molecular/ Biology Club, 4 p.m. MA 258

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Thursday
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- S.A. meeting, 3:30 p.m. SC Cafe C
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Evelyn Forever's brand of bubbly pop music will enthuse you

Laura Lifshitz
Staff Writer

Evelyn Forever takes you to delectable heights! It's tastier than Withy Woonka's chocolate factory and livelier than newlyweds on a honey-moon. Nostalgic feelings come over adults and the burning passion of teenage lust comes up and when Perri joins in, Matt, the animalistic drummer, also sings on their CD. Young fans to old skin vocally and rock much more comfortably with their new CD.

With tunes like "Crush" and "Baby Blue," this may satisfy more than your sweet tooth. The longing voice of Eddie Yoo on the track "Crush" singing: "Cause I gotta crush on you, and I don’t know what to do, cause I can’t take my eyes off you," should be appreciated for its pure simple emotion. It's life and love, that's Evelyn Forever's beauty.

Evelyn Forever clicked like a live wire on stage, and despite the occasional inside joke, their comfort on stage has grown. While straining a bit from the pop-punk strands of songs like "SPIN!" on their debut album they hit the sounds of classic unadulterated rock 'n roll, and even blues on "Cry.", "I'll say goodbye to that's what you want me to do and I'll never give you..." Mathew McMillen's latest work, Progressions 2, in wood and slate is also featured.

With many pieces sculpted out of bronze, James Croc's Viking Cup and Dolores Saino's Twofold are both in yellow bronze and are very nice to look at. Two bronze pieces by Dora Dillman were on display. Entitled Mother Child, these greenish colored statues are very lovely. Fabio J. Fernandez's Wrightian Construction has an ancient feel to it.

There are many other pieces that were not specifically mentioned, each one is worth going to see. Each piece of this group show will make you think and come up with your own meaning. Make sure to go to Gallery One to experience the artwork of some of MSU's talented artists for yourself.
BillBoard Top Ten

1. Garth Brooks - Double Live
3. Jewel - Spirit
4. Mariah Carey - #1’s
5. Celine Dion - These Are Special Times
6. The Offspring - Americana
7. Ice Cube - War & Peace Vol. 1 (The War Disc)
8. Alanis Morissette - Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie
9. ‘N Sync - ‘N Sync
10. Jay-Z - Vol. 2 ... Hard Knock Life

Thurs, December 3
Check out Forms of Thought in Gallery One

Orchestra concert,
Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Fri, December 4
Check out Galileo's Discourses Concerning the Great World Systems in University Gallery

Works a Foot, Life Hall Dance Space, 8 p.m.

Sat, December 5
Miracle on 34th Street,
Memorial Auditorium, 4 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Crista Orefice, soprano,
McEachern Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Sun, December 6
Dennis Johnson, trumpet
McEachern Recital Hall, 3 p.m.

Works a Foot, Life Hall Dance Space, 2 p.m.

Mon, December 7
Deicide, Obsessions, Randolph, NJ

Tues, December 8
The Offspring, Irving Plaza, NY

Wed, December 9
A Perfect Murder, Free movie, Commuter Student Lounge, SC rm 104, 8 p.m.

If there are any exciting and worthwhile events you know of that would like to be placed on this calendar, feel free to contact Lynette at x 5241.

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The Voice of Montclair State

Do you feel that your residence hall has adequate laundry facilities?

“When my mother comes to campus to do my laundry, she says there are not enough open washers. She has to wait a long time. This problem needs to be alleviated.”

John Griffin, SGA Vice President

“No, I don’t. In Russell, there are four washers and six dryers. They are always dryers open, but never any washers. I don’t think that there are enough of either. In Freeman, it’s a joke. Last year, almost half of the washers and dryers were always broken.”

Christine Dale, Human Ecology

“No, they’re always full and we don’t have enough.”

Katie Croose, Biology

“No. [In Freeman] there are seven floors and nine washing machines. That’s not a lot for all of these people. We pay a lot of money to live here and we should be able to have a decent number of machines.”

Thomas Damskans, Spanish

Question of the Week:
Are GER requirements too restrictive or excessive?

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MAIN EDITORIAL

Safety Questions Shine Brighter In The Darkness

The entire university and the surrounding community were thrown into darkness at approximately 12:25 p.m. on Tuesday, and, outside of the panic of the ensuing hour and a half without electricity or on-campus phone services, all that remained at the end of this incident were questions.

When the power went out in the Student Center Annex, emergency systems and back-up power generators did not light the halls and, instead, students were found roaming out of offices with butane lighters and candles. Within moments of the blackout, SGA legislators began entering the offices distributing flashlights. In Dickson Hall and other academic buildings, classes remained in session, again, despite the absence of emergency electricity. Initial reports spread rapidly throughout campus of students being trapped in stalled elevators. EMS was unofficially inaugurated in a baptism of fire as ambulances rushed around campus, in search of students injured during the blackout. By 1 p.m., the electricity and emergency systems still not operational, Little Falls Police and Fire Department officials were roaming the halls of the Student Center Annex in search of what many claimed was a burning smell. Many questioned what would have happened if a fire had broken out in the Annex while power was out across campus. Eventually, the Annex was evacuated, students stumbling through darkened hallways, wondering what had gone wrong.

And what did go wrong? While PSE&G was the initial and primary culprit of the power outage, affecting the towns of Montclair and Cedar Grove in addition to the MSU campus, students cannot help but wonder why the university was not better prepared for such an emergency.

The last time that a power outage of this magnitude hit campus was on April 26, 1997, what Kiki Williams, then Director of Facilities Maintenance, referred to as “a once in a lifetime incident.” During that “once in a lifetime incident,” which lasted six hours and was caused by the shorting out of three separate fuses, only the MSU campus was affected and the emergency generators worked. Did we learn any lessons then? Will we now?

Though the response time from local police and fire departments, as well as campus police and EMS, was impressive, the lack of emergency systems or any kind of back-up power generator was anything but comforting. Why were we not better prepared?

One maintenance worker wandered into The Montclarion office asking, “What happened? What’s going on?” Standing in darkness, hearing the initial horror stories and the raving of students trapped in shower stalls, in elevators, in unsafe classrooms and stairwells, wondering what could have been done to prevent the panic and minimize the damages, we are left wondering the exact same thing.

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Consciousness Is The First Step:
Learning to Help Others

Many people agree that one of the biggest problems on this campus is not the administration or the parking or the dilapidated buildings, but the increasing level of apathy among students. Participation is down at campus events, despite the rallying cry of many who are involved. Everyone, it seems, is complaining about how nobody cares about anything. I don't think this is true. All of the students on campus do have deeply-rooted passions and I feel that they do care very much about certain issues. The problem instead lies in whose passions are placed: everyone, in my opinion, seems to care about the wrong things.

The only reason that people seem to take notice of anything more is to see if it directly affects them in any way. If it does not, they see no reason as to why they should give it a second thought.

We have gained a very myopic worldview in our time and don't even seem to realize it. We have placed blinders over our eyes and become numb and ignorant to the world around us.

It doesn't matter if people are starving or hurting near us, just so long as we get our money's worth on our meal plan. The rest of the world then takes a back seat as we continue to argue for better parking arrangements. I will admit that I also guilty of such selfish behavior and am ashamed of myself.

I am not saying that these concerns are completely without merit. It isn't completely fair to expect that we would be able to appreciate what we have and take a step back; we may realize that there is a world outside of this campus and there are people existing outside of our own private circles.

There no longer seems to be any sense of obligation to fellow human beings. If we don't know them, we shouldn't care about them. I suppose that it is a sad and inevitable trend. We need to get a sense of what is going on in the world around us. Unfortunately, many of us choose to keep our eyes closed. I still find myself turning away at certain things which I would rather not think.

But rather than ignore the countless acts of injustice that surround us, we should become more aware of them. Yes, they are disturbing, which is why we should do something about them instead of hoping that they'll just go away. We have to stop acting as though we're living in a perfect world.

The issues that I have addressed deserve far more attention than I am capable of giving. I hope to explore many of them further.

There are no easy solutions and I do not wish to offer any. Obviously, something must be done. If we are to come out of injustice, consciousness is the first step that we need to take.

Training Students for Tomorrow
at Target High Schools

I have heard of Bergen County or Morris County Technical School. Paramus Catholic, Pope John, The NYC School of Performing Arts or Bronx Science Academy? These secondary education institutions have existed for years as an option to students choosing to specialize in a particular study or subject based on what they plan to do in the future. All of these schools are target high schools.

Target schools are not a new concept but have recently been receiving public attention. In simple terms, a target school is any school that a student attends to study a specific subject. If a student chooses to pursue a career in the performing arts, shouldn't they be able to attend a specialized high school that will focus on the performing arts? A student who plans to play college football needs to gain the exposure in order to be recruited. A school such as Paramus Catholic draws recruits because of its excellent reputation in sports. Students who wish to become electricians should be given the opportunity to study at a technical school that can certify them after graduation. These schools have been pulling students out of mainstream public system into specialized high schools for years in all counties and in all states.

Target schools can now be found reaching out to students for all different types of subjects. There are schools for the advancement of computers, sciences, business and pre-medical studies. Students go through a series of rigorous standardized tests, interviews and interviews to gain entrance to some target schools.

Take, for example, The Bergen County Technical Academy, an institution comprised of five different academies. One academy is designed to be a vocational school where students are given the opportunity to learn hairstyling, auto-mechanics or plumbing in order to become certified after graduation. The other four academies are focused on business, medical studies, science and computers. These students receive a well-rounded education which consists of many of the same types of courses that are offered in a public high school. They just have more specialized courses and are given the opportunity to get a head start on their career by being exposed to the new advances in technology, by working in a small selective competitive environment, and by earning internships.

Two major problems surround students who attend schools such as Bergen County Technical Academy. Interested students are often discouraged from applying by their public school systems, who are fearful and resentful of the redistribution of funds from them to another private institution. Public schools also often feel as if target schools pull their best students that would have reflected excellently upon the system.

The other problem with specialized students is that they are not seen as well-rounded and often their education is not seen or compared to other institutions. Target school students, however, are just as qualified, if not more qualified, for acceptance into colleges as they are to public or private school than a specialized academy.

In the next few years these schools will have built a reputation and will be more easily accepted by students to be compared to other applicants. It is important first to realize that these students are highly capable and motivated in order to go through the process of being accepted to such high schools. They should not be penalized for knowing what they are interested in studying as their career and focusing on it as early as the high school level. These students should be commended for their perseverance and should not feel guilty for leaving a school system to study at a specialized school.
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By Ed Flannery

Adored by Women, Feared by Men

A lot of people have features on their bodies that they don't particularly care for. Some people have bad skin, others are overweight and still others are pathetically underdeveloped muscullarly. I have all of these things, but that doesn't bother me at all. I am faced with a much bigger problem. In fact, one of my problems is that I have the two biggest front teeth in the history of stupid looking facial features. You may think I'm exaggerating a little, but I swear, these things are a problem. I'm proud to say that I've never met very many people who enjoyed looking yard work. Imagine how tough it would be for you if your dad used to flip you over and rake the leaves with your teeth. Sure, the lawn always looked immaculate, and I guess it wasn't too bad as compared to the way my dad used my gigantic chompers to scrape the ice off the driveway.

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The Horoscope Never Lies

By Mr. Panhead

Next Week's Question:
“What's the deal with Dennis Rodman?”

The Section asks:
“Who is the last person on earth you would want to be stuck with in a black out and why?”

“Oprah Winfrey. She's just an annoying, ugly bitch.”
- Mark Ceriani
Psychology

“Bill Clinton, for obvious reasons!”
- Irene Green
English

“My mother, because she is a psychopathic manicurist.”
- Julie Fleming
Psychology

“I don’t know. Barney the dinosaur. He’d sing.”
- Anonymous

“Edward Francis Flannery IV. That guy creeps me out. Have you ever seen his teeth?”
- Chris Finegan
Nude Economies

“Dennis Rodman. I might end up married to him.”
- Anonymous

“My brother... because he'd cry.”
- Anonymous

“I don't know. Barney the dinosaur. He’d sing.”
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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
Your stars secretly hate you. So does Cancer. Foil Cancer’s evil plans and don’t eat the brownies. You DON’T want to know what’s in them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
Your stars were on their way to the house of Aries, but they made a wrong turn and ended up in a fraternity house. THEY’LL have a good week. Yours will be godawful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
You are startled during a barrio commercial when the Taco Bell chihuahua instructs you to kill your family. Better do his bidding before he gets angry.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
It’s time to experiment: stick your nose in a jar of ammonia and then inhale violently. See if that does anything for you, maggot.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
Business is booming this week as your stars knock over a liquor store. Investments are unstable. Get hammered on cheap wine. At least it’s guaranteed.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
Taurus is quite the social butterfly this weekend. That’s a lot nicer than saying you will run around at a party with your under­wear on your head.

GEMINI (May 21 to Jun. 21)
Your stars indicate adventure in the upper left quadrant of your chart. Foil Cancer’s evil plans and don’t eat the brownies. You DON’T want to know what’s in them.

CANCER (Jun. 22 to Jul. 22)
Sagittarius deserves to die. Make Sagittarius brownies with a little “added extra something.” Your stars will put those nude pictures of you on the world wide web. Consider becoming a Leo.

LEO (Jul. 23 to Aug. 22)
Love is abound for Leo this week. The inflatable doll you ordered will arrive. Note: “Smack My Bitch Up” is not a love song. Don’t slow dance to it anymore.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sep. 22)
You will have a torrid love affair with Horoscopes writer Chris Finegan and feel very dirty afterwards. Your stars will mock you and will become a recite! Sorry!

LIBRA (Sep. 23 to Oct. 22)
Business is booming this week as your stars knock over a liquor store. Investments are unstable. Get hammered on cheap wine. At least it’s guaranteed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
You will have a monkey on your back this week. All attempts to get the repulsive, foul­smelling little bastard off will only result in repeated clawings. That hairy puke isn’t going anywhere.

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Wrestling team returns home with three first place finishes

By Betsey Montanez
Staff Writer

Last Saturday the Montclair wrestling team traveled down to Kutztown, PA to wrestle in the Kutztown Invitational. The tournament consisted of 14 teams in which the Redhawks finished fifth. Due to injury, only half the team wrestled. Even so, the Redhawks rapped up the tournament with three first place finishes. This was the highest number of champions any one team had. Dominic Dellagatta (157 lbs.) showed fans why he deserved to take first place in his weight class. In a total of five matches, Dellagatta was never scored upon. He beat his other two opponents with decision of 10-0 and 7-0. Dellagatta dominated his weight class. He took his opponents to the mat early on in his matches, wrestling with great technique. Dellagatta gave a performance truly deserving of the Most Outstanding Wrestler, instead it was team Capt. Florian Ghinea who took the award. Ghinea (141 lbs.) was returning to Kutztown seeded first after having placed first in the tournament last year. He received a bye in his first round and went on to pin his next two matches. It wasn't until his final match that Ghinea received some competition. He pulled out a close 6-5 decision to capture his second title. Also capturing a second title was senior transfer Todd Going (197 lbs). He took first last year when he wrestled for Delaware Valley at a 190 lbs. Going was also seeded first and received a bye his first round. He continued on through the next three rounds with decisions of 15-2, 3-0, 2-0. He finished up by pinning his opponent during the finals in the first period with a fall time of 1:53.

The Redhawks will be wrestling this weekend in the Coast Guard tournament and will begin their dual meet season this Tuesday.

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MSU defense plays major role in stopping the Cougar's offensive attack

By Paul Lewiartz

Staff Writer

The MSU women's basketball team played its first home game last Saturday against the Kean University Cougars. MSU romped Kean 83-55 in a game which saw four MSU players score in double figures. The MSU offense was running smoothly with floor general Wykemia Kelley running the floor and the offense. With her smooth and flowing ball handling, she guided the team to another win, which gives MSU a 2-2 record on the year. Although it was Felicia Ingram who blew up for MSU, simultaneously blowing up Kean. Ingram had her best overall performance in her 2 years at MSU with 14 points, 9 assists, 5 rebounds, 6 steals and 3 blocked shots. She absolutely scorched the Kean defense, exposing every weakness that the Kean defense seemed to have. She was not alone in her scoring spree, Marlena Lawrence had a game high 19 points on the day with an absolutely flawless game. Lalaethera Holland came off the bench helping the overall offensive performance with 15 points, 9 rebounds in just 21 minutes.

The offense being as perfect as it was could not have been alone and it wasn't because the defense complemented the offense by causing a whopping 41 turnovers on Kean including 24 steals, 5 coming off of the bench freshman Jennifer Seiden.

MSU expects a really big year, especially from junior forward Felicia Ingram, and senior guard Wykemia Kelley who will no doubt have big seasons.

"We definitely have a floor general in Wykemia Kelley, she will be the make and break backbone of this team as our point guard, a returning all conference player from last year. Felicia Ingram also looks very strong in her efforts, has a nice outside touch, has tremendously developed her ball handling skills, her defense has stepped up a notch. She will be one of those players who will be looked upon to take us to the next level," said head coach Gloria Bradley.

MSU is really a very talented team with a deep bench full of players and anything short of the NCAA tournament would be a disappointment to the coach and to the players. "Our goal is to make the NCAA tournament and anything short of that would be a disappointment. The goal is to make the NCAA, just going to the conference playoffs, we've done that in past years, it's not going to be easy getting there this year, it's never easy getting there, but that's not our ultimate goal, our goal is the Big Dance, the NCAA," said MSU head coach Ted Fiore.

"As a coach you're always nervous especially for your first home game. You just have to hope the guys make a good impression. I felt Jermel had a strong game defensively and Anthony was very good on the offensive end. Scott Clark was also one who impressed me tonight.""