The Montclarion, January 14, 1999

The Montclarion

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.montclair.edu/montclarion

Recommended Citation
https://digitalcommons.montclair.edu/montclarion/833

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Student Newspapers at Montclair State University Digital Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Montclarion by an authorized administrator of Montclair State University Digital Commons. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@montclair.edu.
Pipe burst dampers Freeman residents’ return

By Donald Lambeth
Staff Writer

Campus police responded to a fire alarm on the fifth floor of Freeman Hall at 9:15 a.m. on Jan. 1. Upon arrival, they discovered that a hot water steam line connected to the elevator shaft, which was formerly located in the third floor lounge of Freeman Hall, had failed. Water from the pipe then went down to the Freeman Hall main lobby, affecting two building floor lounges, public hallways and eighteen resident rooms along the way.

In addition, water caused damages to the elevator shaft, which was rendered out of service as on-campus students began returning to Freeman Hall yesterday after winter recess.

In a letter to all Freeman Hall residents from John Goscinski, Assistant to the Director of Residence Life, students were informed that several offices on campus are aiding in efforts to repair damages to common areas and resident rooms.

Freeman/Russ Hall Complex Director John Lowney contacted all students whose rooms were directly affected by water damages shortly after the incident occurred. Many of the students returned prior to yesterday’s check-in to remove damaged valuables from their rooms as well as to file for reimbursement of damaged items from the state of New Jersey.

The Office of Residence Life, the University Risk Management Office, the Office of Environmental Health and Safety and the Physical Plant Office pooled together to survey the extent of the damages as well as assess the needed repairs and the course of action. Recently appointed Director of Residence Life, Dr. Melinda O’Brien, commented, in a recent interview, that she expects all repairs to be taken care of “by the end of spring break.” The extent of the repairs is quite significant. Sofas and chairs in the two floor lounges that were water-logged will be replaced. Carpeting in the lounges and hallways will be removed and new carpeting installed over spring break. Damaged drapes in student rooms as well as the lounges will be replaced by mini-blinds and some students with damaged desks will receive new ones. The computers formerly located in the third floor lounge of Freeman Hall were relocated to the Russ Hall computer lab prior to winter recess and, fortunately, avoided being lost during the incident.

See Burst on P. 3

Fraternity faces sanctions after cops bust beer bash

SGA to prohibit Tau Phi Beta’s participation in Greek Week and the sponsoring of any social activity

By Nicholas P. Curran
News Editor

The Tau Phi Beta fraternity now faces a judicial hangover from both the SGA and administration for violating state alcohol laws at “The Bulls” last bash of the year. A New Jersey State Police sting resulted in the arrest of nine Tau Phi Beta brothers and over 30 MSU students on Monday Dec. 4, according to New Jersey State Police.

Beyond the state legal ramifications of the last bash of the year, Jamie Ruffillo, Director of Greek Affairs, an SGA cabinet position, said the four members of the letter organization’s executive board are expelled from the University for the Spring 1999 semester. They include Treasurer Daniel Doyle, 20, of Bloomsburg; Secretary Robert Jones, 19, of Mullica Hill, and President Glen Lynch, 22, of Bloomfield.

While Dean of Students Helen Matusow-Ayres did not deny the charges brought against the e-board she described them as “inaccurate” and would not discuss the expulsion further due to federal laws.

“Since I have been here there has not been anything of this magnitude,” commented Matusow-Ayres.

The Student Government Association Inc. brought its own reprimands to the organization as well. According to SGA President Anton Wheeler, the judicial committee charged Tau Phi Beta with conduct unbecoming of a Greek organization, which was the nine members’ arrest.

These conditions include 500 hours of community service to be completed by two-thirds of the fraternity, sponsorship of monthly programs that warn the campus community of the dangers of alcohol consumption, and a presentation to the Greek Council on Greek organizations’ responsibilities and appropriate behavior.

Judicial committee members also forbid the organization from acquiring new members, participating in Greek Week activities, and sponsoring social programs on or off campus.

All conditions, in which the organization had no say, must be satisfied by March 22 or their charter will be indefinitely revoked, said Wheeler.

“They are a good organization,” stated Wheeler. “Note they have approximately 125 hours of community service done already.”

Members of the Tau Phi Beta fraternity either could not be reached or gave no comment.

Although the offenses were committed off-campus, University Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures, printed in the 1998-99 Student Handbook state that the University can bring disciplinary charges when students are in violation of “local, state, or federal law on college property, or off campus when such violation has as adverse effect upon the college.”

While revocation of Tau Phi Beta’s charter was discussed, the SGA decided against it to protect student life. Their charter is currently suspended for failure to provide proof of insurance.

“We had to do what was best for the campus,” said SGA Secretary David Pizzi.

“It’s a shame this all had to happen but we didn’t want to hurt student involvement on campus,” said Ruffillo.

Matusow-Ayres hopes that the incident will prove to be a warning to other groups.

“Greek letter organizations have tremendous potential,” said Matusow-Ayres. “But many Greek organizations, among others, do promote social activities with alcohol and are not always careful about who is drinking.”

Despite the consequences Tau Phi Beta is facing, and over forty arrests of party attendees, most students are not thinking twice about attending fraternity parties.

“I thought about it the week after it happened but not any more,” said a member of Phi Sigma Sigma sorority. “You always put yourself at risk when you go to an underaged drinking party.”

“A lot of kids go to parties to have a good time and when they see the cops they usually just split,” said Jerry Somma, sophomore.

See Party on P. 3
The Montclarion is distributed on Thurs­days, and invoices and tearsheets are mailed three (3) days after the insertion date, after which a 1½% finance charge is levied, to sixty (60) days, when accounts are referred to an outside collection agency. All students are welcome to attend. Call for more info.

The deadline to submit advertisements to The Montclarion is the Monday of the week of publication.

Phone Directory

EXECUTIVE BOARD
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF X2541
MANAGING EDITOR X2522
ADVERTISING DIRECTOR X2537
TREASURER X7731

EDITORS
NEWS DESK X7731
FEATURES DESK X2541
ARTS DESK X2541

STAFF MEETINGS

The Montclarion is distributed on Thurs­days, and invoices and tearsheets are mailed three (3) days after the insertion date, after which a 1½% finance charge is levied, to sixty (60) days, when accounts are referred to an outside collection agency.

Advertising Policy

BILLING

The Montclarion is distributed on Thurs­days, and invoices and tearsheets are mailed three (3) days after the insertion date, after which a 1½% finance charge is levied, to sixty (60) days, when accounts are referred to an outside collection agency.

ON-CAMPUS
Full page - $168.00
Half page - $103.00
Quarter page - $50.00
Eighth page - $32.00
Classification ads (top to 30 wds.) - $10.00
Call the advertising office at 973-655-5223 for a complete listing of discounts packages.

OFF-CAMPUS
Full page - $310.00
Half page - $200.00
Quarter page - $125.00
Eighth page - $80.00

Saturday Weather Forecast

THURSDAY
Freezing rain Hi: 26° LO: 18°

FRIDAY
Freezing rain Hi: 39° LO: 33°

SATURDAY
Partly Cloudy Hi: 43° LO: 24°

SUNDAY
Partly Cloudy Hi: 48° LO: 26°

U.S. News

Jordan announces retirement

It is being trumpeted as the end of an era, the final act of the greatest sportswoman of our time. But now that Michael Jordan has announced his retirement, in maybe the most publicized farewell in sports history, it somehow seems to be more than that.

Now, a shaky league seems destined to plunge further into uncertainty. Now, the most highly recognized athlete ever to play a game slips farther from the unceasing glare of public life.

"Everyone has [his] own reasons," said Jordan, resplendent as always in a charcoal suit and gold tie while sitting next to his wife Juanita in a packed press conference at the United Center in Ch­icago. "The game is bigger than Michael Jordan."

World News

Brazil devalues its currency

Brazil stunned global financial markets Wednesday with a devaluation of its currency and the resignation of the currency's staunch defender Gustavo Franco.

Franco, president of Brazil's Central Bank, was one of the prime forces behind Brazil's four-year economic recovery, deftly guiding the world's eighth-largest economy back from its financial troubles.

He was succeeded by Francisco Lopes, the bank's director of monetary policy.

At the same time, the Brazil­ian Central Bank announced it would effectively devalue its currency, known as the real, through more flexible currency and inter­est rate policy.

New weapons proposal devised for Iraq

French diplomats at the United Nations have put forward a proposal for a new weapons monitor­ing system to prevent Iraq from developing weapons of mass destruction.

The system would be overseen by a new independent commission.

Local News

New Montclair mini­mall to be developed

A traffic consultant hired by the Montclair Planning Board said the Ha­hne's building into a $20 mil­lion mini­mall will not have a negative impact on the neighbor­hood, according to township As­sistant Planner Mike Zichelli.

That means the board will probably vote on the proposal at its next meeting on Feb. 8.

The study at the applicant's expense will be comparable to the traffic fic generated by delivery trucks that would be expected.

New Plans revealed for Edison museum

The owner of the historic build­ing adjacent to the Thomas A. Edison museum on Main Street has made plans to renovate the area. The museum is now closing.

A traffic consultant hired by the Montclair Planning Board said the Ha­hne's building into a $20 mil­lion mini­mall will not have a negative impact on the neighbor­hood, according to township As­sistant Planner Mike Zichelli.

That means the board will probably vote on the proposal at its next meeting on Feb. 8.

The study at the applicant's expense will be comparable to the traffic fic generated by delivery trucks that would be expected.

New Plans revealed for Edison museum

The owner of the historic build­ing adjacent to the Thomas A. Edison museum on Main Street has made plans to renovate the area. The museum is now closing.
Party
CONTINUED FROM P. 1

Despite arrests most students are not wary of future fraternity party raids

The SGA and administrative sanctions stem from a sting operation run by the New Jersey State Police. The fraternity members were charged with selling alcohol to minors and selling alcohol without a liquor license after the police broke up the bash held at a Paterson catering hall Dec. 14, according to Star-Ledger reports. In addition to the members named previously, the others that were charged were:
Nicholas Polidora, 21, of Upper Montclair; Chris Blum of Lodi; Curt Banicki, 20, of Bergen field; Patrick Halm, 18, of Lakewood; Anthony Russillo, 19, of Hanbrouck Heights and Chris Neto, 18, of East Hanover.
Fifteen kegs valued at $750 and $370 in admission fees were also seized.

Freeman residents get a wet welcome back

“We have to make sure that all residents know what happened,” commented O’Brien. While details are still sketchy as to why the pipe failed in the first place, several sources within the Maintenance Department as well as in the Office of Residence Life claim that theories about the pipe freezing due to the heat being turned down or off are not sufficient. “I don’t think it’s that,” stated O’Brien, “It’s really not an adequate explanation.”
Kiki Williams, Director of the Physical Plant, was unavailable for comment.
“The whole thing’s a real mess, but I’m glad to see they’re cleaning everything up,” commented one Freeman Hall resident whose room was damaged by the incident, “What a way to start the new year.” While students voiced their opinions over the lack of elevator service when moving back in after winter recess or over the smell of mold in many rooms left sealed before break, maintenance worked at restoring heat to all of the rooms and fixing problems resulting from the water damages. The elevator was operational again yesterday afternoon. Residence Life hopes to rectify the immediate problems with affected rooms and common areas shortly and Dr. O’Brien stated that her biggest concern was in “responding to residents as soon as possible and preparing for the opening and the student’s return to campus.”

Reach Higher
(908) 688-0100
www.summitbank.com

Please call our *Voice Box* system 24 hrs, 7 days/week, and use Box #4400 for the positions below.
• PT Tellers
  Glen Ridge, West Caldwell

When you join the Summit family, you will receive an attractive salary, a comprehensive benefits package and more than enough room for substantial growth. EOE M/F/D/V

*Voice Box* is a registered trademark of VOICE BOX SYSTEMS, Inc.

Monday January 25 is the final deadline to turn in your application for a scholarship from the MSU Alumni Association.

Did you turn yours in yet? Do it TODAY!

Drop your completed scholarship applications at the Alumni House, 34 Normal Avenue - directly across the street from the Football Field.
Questions? Call the Alumni Office at 655-4141.
Applications that are late and/or incomplete will not be accepted.
The Cast of Possible Side Effects: Top Left- Matt Donnelly, Jim Festante, John Frusciante, Justin Lloyd, Steven Booth, and Tom Schmidt. Bottom Left- Rebekka Johnson, Michael Mintz, and Tamra Malaga. The troupe entertained the campus community at their second annual "Ratt Bash."

Good clean fun

Photography Editor

At the conclusion of the Fall 1998 semester, while the rest of the campus was busy studying, there was plenty of activity to help students relax and forget their academic stress.

Possible Side Effects, an improv comedy troupe composed of MSU students, organized a major event they called "Ratt Bash." After hours in the Student Center on Dec. 10, they brought the house down with their hilarious comedy scenes and upbeat spirit.

The event featured three live bands and another comedy troupe from The College of New Jersey. The event attracted over 300 people that were rolling in the aisles by night's end. PSE sold T-shirts bearing their name, made to look like "Free Sex," and gave out pizza, soda, and their information booklet to all audience members. Prizes were awarded at the conclusion of the show to reward audience members who participated.

PSE, a chartered organization of the SGA, plans to hold shows and workshops every week this semester.
As Ramadan draws to a close, it is important to reflect on the effects of the event. Ramadan is the sacred month where all Muslims fast from first light till sundown, abstaining from food and drink. They resume their life thereafter. It is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. Depending on the phases of the moon, it begins ten to twelve days earlier each successive year.

Fasting during the month of Ramadan is the fourth of the five pillars of Islam, which all Muslims must follow. The other four pillars are the declaration of faith, the 5 daily prayers, the yearly zakah (alms-giving to the needy) and finally the pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in their life, if they are able to. Each pillar is meant to provide a foundation by which a person purifies him or herself, both spiritually and physically.

Muslims believe that Ramadan confers great blessings. The Revelation of the Quran started in this month, which is the reason why it is so sacred to all Muslims.

Ramadan is a difficult month to be in. Muslims fast as a religious obligation upon them, so as to please Allah (God) and to earn His blessings and rewards. The benefit of this blessed month is too much to be counted. The main function of fasting is to make the individual pure from within. Fasting awakens the conscience of the individual, and at the same time provides strength. It reminds each individual of those who are less fortunate, makes one realize the suffering of those deprived and promotes a sense of kindness to those who are in need.

As a result, fasting during this month provides not only the individual, but also the society as a whole. For example, maybe you realize why a specific resolution was made when faced with such a task, keeping in mind why a resolution was made. One may be able to accomplish these resolutions by staying strong. Remember if in the end you fail at accomplishing your goal, you can always try again; tips for the New Year are able to. Each pillar is meant to provide a foundation by which a person purifies him or herself, both spiritually and physically.
W

While walking on campus, I kept overhearing: "I have to get a job when I graduate, but I can not seem to find the time to look!" I agree because I am a busy student as well and finding the time to search for a job has proven difficult. Luckily, we are in the age of Jentenage job search tools: College Central and JOBTRAK. These two web-based tools are free and at my fingertips. Both of these services provide jobs listed specifically for MSU students, the ability to post my resume on-line, career information and much more.

I located College Central and JOBTRAK through the Career Services web-site: http://www.montclair.edu/College Central and JOBTRAK. These two web-based tools are free and at my fingertips. Both of these services provide jobs listed specifically for MSU students, the ability to post my resume on-line, career information and much more.

College Central is a regional job listing service sponsored by the MSU Alumni Association. Services therein include a Student Central link. I posted my resume at this site which can be updated at any time and remains in Student Central through the summer after I graduate. It can be submitted directly to employers and can format on-line or cut and paste from a word-processing document. I saved myself some time by having resume information handy such as, my educational and work experience (past/present employers, dates/months of employment, and skill-oriented accomplishments).

Resume page links provided me sample resumes, but be aware of grammar employment, and skill-oriented accomplishments.Resume page links provided me sample resumes, but be aware of grammar employment, and skill-oriented accomplishments.

In addition to posting and updating a resume, College Central offers a search for jobs link. New listings appear regularly, so check often. My job search results reflect the criteria entered and the jobs posted to MSU.

JOBTRAK is a nationwide, full-time job listing service for MSU students and alumni, which exists in partnership with Career Services. Upon entering JOBTRAK, I filled out a user profile and resume which can be updated whenever I log on. My user profile contains brief information similar to a resume, while including employment preferences and demographic information.

JOBTRAK provides extensive career services, which answered my myriad of questions and provided guidance. Specifically, the job search tips section ran the gamut from networking with employers to negotiating my salary. An extremely helpful section exists within ow to conduct an effective job search. Here, JOBTRAK outlines successful strategies ranging from self-assessment to obtaining a job offer and continuing career plans. City snapshots allowed me to conveniently compare and contrast two cities according to demographic, economic, and climate information. A salary calculator was available as well.

It is not difficult to see the wide range of services offered by College Central and JOBTRAK. I'm able to look into the specifics of jobs: salary, education requirements, location, responsibilities of a job and a contact person's name, number phone, and e-mail address. As two of my job search tools, these services allow me to search for, and be searched by, potential employers. In conclusion, College Central and JOBTRAK provide the busy student with thorough and literally profitable job search tools.
MINDOVERMATTER
By Dr. Susan Herman

Achieving your goals: the secret is focus

Focusing is the process of bringing together resources to accomplish a goal. First you need a plan. Then you need focus to carry yourself through each step of that plan. Focusing is particularly important when the task at hand is difficult, different and/or prolonged. An example of this is writing a paper. You focus step by step, gathering facts, organizing your structure, writing the text and editing the text.

The crucial element is having something to focus on. What we focus on is called the goal. Without a goal the mind wanders and becomes situation-oriented, responding to the environment rather than to an internal sense of focus.

Problems in focusing.
1. Setting the wrong goals. Although many people think they have goals, they really don’t.
2. People do not know how to reach their goals. Their methods of reaching goals are inadequate.
3. Lack of interest in the goals. People who set goals to please others do not care if they achieve them.
4. They wonder if their goals are still valid. They question whether they still want the same goal(s).
5. They discover that their goals are no longer attainable. A student realizes that his major will not be able to help him/her get the job he/she wants and loses heart. Some people have an especially difficult time focusing.
6. Anxiety can distract you from your goals. If you are easily distracted, or if you distract yourself with compulsive cleaning, phone-calling, eating etc. you are using symptomatic activities designed to relieve your anxiety.
7. Underachievers don’t focus because they fear the outcome will result in failure and rejection. Paradoxically, they may also fear success and acceptance.
8. People who are very involved with their feelings need to learn how to reflect on and control their emotions. Feelings are important, but it takes thinking and logic to make goals realistic.
9. Disenchanted people refuse to compete and reject the goal-setting process. It is important to know when to fight and when not to.
10. Overachievers can become addicted to focusing because it is reinforcing. They tend to keep increasing their goals and can wear themselves out.

HOW TO STAY IN FOCUS

Asking for feedback is the best way to find out if your goals and strategies for reaching them are realistic. Check with people who respect you. Although you may think you have clear goals and a good strategy, other people in your life may have a clearer view of problems you have overlooked. Review your goals regularly to make sure they are still in focus and are the ones you want. It’s important to refocus often so that you don’t lose sight of what you are trying to accomplish.
Quality movies are worth the cash

By Lynette Surie

It has been discouraging in recent months, with the rise of movie theater prices and the fall of quality movies. It is true that moviemakers are spending astronomical amounts of money for the production of feature movies today, take 1998's blockbuster Titanic, for example—it was wonders why the audience, costed, crowded, directed, and cast, for which it claimed 11 Oscars. Yet Titanic seemed to be the shining star in recent years. Broccoli has also spent millions on flops such as Water World and so-so movies such as Scream and Scream 2. Many film critics hate it but the public thought it was the ticket rush to the movies last year alone. It seems like the price of a ticket to the movies is justified anymore. "All right" movies are not worth the $8.25 to get in and the $40 concession price any longer, which was until a new batch of movies such as Titanic and movies rushed into the theaters.

A Bug's Life, released Nov. 2, was not just your run-of-the-mill kiddie flick. While it was extremely entertaining to the younger generations, older generations flipped over it as well. Directed by John Lasseter and Andrew Stanton, this animated film is a sure bet to be a movie classic. With the expansion of computer animation, a full-length animated picture becomes so realistic that one can forget that it is a cartoon. Animation has come such a long way since Snow White, the first full length animated picture. With all the rapid advances being made in this field, who knows where movie technology will be in another year. The animation alone makes the price of a ticket reasonable, yet with the voices of Kevin Spacy, Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Dave Foley, Madeleine Kahn, Dennis Leary, and Phyllis Diller, the ticket price seems like mere pennies.

Patch Adams, released Dec. 25, is another year with a rush to go to the movies. Based on the real life of Hunter "Patch" Adams, Robin Williams takes this movie to the stars and beyond. The man in which Williams portrays Adams is humorous as well as factual. A man who brightens our lives and make it just a little bit easier to smile each day. The story contains such fine examples of human nature and kindness in the true story of admitting himself to a psychiatric ward, becomes a doctor in order to help people. While facing challenges in school, his kind, humorous nature takes hold of the patients in the hospital and his fellow students. The move is really thought-provoking as it shows what a little laughter can do for a person. It really shows that a human's compassion is truly "titanic."

Joe Young, also released on Dec. 25, has claimed $10 million suit by former director Edward Zwick, the film was well worth the wait, and deserves all the acclaim in the world. A Civil Action stars John Travolta as slicker-than-ice lawyer Jan Schlichtmann who goes through a breakdown of his ego while helping a kid's residents of a local town in the process. With his lawyer expertise, he starts a suit on two multimillion dollar companies for the sake of the dying and sick; the quest to win becomes moral, not financial. Travolta really shows the range of his acting abilities in this film. It is a far cry from the Saturday Night Fever and Pulp Fiction and shows that he cannot be typecast. It is dramatic as well as funny, and well worth the price of a ticket.

Overall, the movies that have arrived in theaters during the holiday season have proved to be worth their price. Aside from the uncomfortable seats, flypaper floors, and super fattening food, movie theaters really have something to offer us in the entertainment field. The only thing viewers will have to hope for is that there is no plans for a Spice World 2 or a Halloween SO.
Abu-Jamal Benefit Set: Rage Against the Machine has recruited the Beastie Boys and Bad Religion for a benefit concert in support of imprisoned writer/activist Mumia Abu-Jamal. The show will be held at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford on Jan. 28. The proceeds will go to the International Concerned Family and Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal. Tickets for the show went on sale today. Ruge's Tom Morello says, "Mumia's trial was a gross miscarriage of justice. Just unbelievable. 'Highlights' included the prosecutorial misconduct, intimidation of witnesses by the police, suppression of evidence of Mumia's innocence, a jury illegally purged of African Americans, a hostile racist judge and a prosecution who argued for the death penalty based on Abu-Jamal's political beliefs! Mumia is an outspoken revolutionary, a hero to millions around the world, and we will not allow his voice to be silenced. We join with Amnesty International in demanding a new trial for Mumia Abu-Jamal. This is no ordinary show. We are playing for a man's life."
**MAIN EDITORIAL**

**Water Ravages Freeman Hall But Res. Life Offers The Solutions**

Residents of the first five floors of Freeman Hall were pleasantly surprised upon returning to their rooms on Tuesday. A hot water steam line "failed", supposedly the technical term, over recess and was not discovered until campus police responded to a fire alarm triggered by steam on the fifth floor at approximately 9 a.m. on Jan. 1. The water from this steam line had been going long enough and strong enough that rooms were damaged all the way down to the first floor of Freeman Hall, as were lounges, laundry rooms, hallways and the infamous, malfunctioning Freeman Hall elevator. Welcome back, everyone, and Happy New Year.

What was more impressive than the damages caused by this recent display of the quality of on-campus buildings, however, was the response from administrators.

The newly-appointed Director of Residence Life, Dr. Melinda O'Brien, responded to student concerns with a degree of grace, even scheduling building meetings to introduce herself and explain the aftermath of the incident. In a letter to all Freeman Hall residents, John Goscinski, Assistant to the Director, stated, "We want to be sure that all your needs, questions and concerns have been met." And met they were. Several administrative offices combined their efforts to ensure that student concerns were addressed to the fullest.

Physical Plant workers removed water from floors and from the fifth floor lounge, repaired broken radiators, cleaned student carpeting and water-damaged tile floors, and spent hours struggling with the elevator. A representative of the Office of Environmental Health and Safety, Terry Stempel, went room to room with Freeman/Russ Hall Complex Director John Lowney answering students’ questions about the vinyl mattresses (which were not damaged) and the growth of mold on the tile floors. Dolores Pierce and the University Risk Management Office helped students file forms with the state of New Jersey to reimburse them for their damaged valuables.

Though several sources within both Residence Life and the Maintenance Department spoke poorly of Freeman Hall’s overall structural condition, complaints were not in the course of designated action and the speed at which things have started to be repaired has impressed even those who suffered most from the incident. It’s just a shame that it takes something of this magnitude to get administrators and students working to repair problems on this campus and at this university.

Though the cause of the steam line’s failure is still vague and somewhat unclear, the aftermath is anything but that. Though many have shouted over the need for better foresight, for Residence Life to take better care of the residence halls over extended recesses, they should be applauded for the job they are doing in cleaning up after the mess. For the newly-appointed Director of Residence Life, introduced to the campus in a baptism of fire, not to mention the dozens and hundreds of students directly affected by the incident, it’s unfortunate that such a mess ever had to happen in the first place.

---

**OPINION**

**The Voice of Montclair State**

Should on-campus students be permitted to remain in their residence halls over winter recess?

Yes. Some of us either have nowhere to go for three weeks or have a very uncomfortable place in which we must return to. I think that they only close to give the Residence Life staff the time off, but they really don't think of where the students will go for that time.

Charles Flannery, M.A. Candidate: Counseling

I feel it is wrong to not permit residence hall students on-campus stay at their dorms. I think that it is up to the student to make the decision if they want to stay or not. They are big enough to figure out how to provide themselves with food. I don't see any effect to it. So, what is the point?

Y. DeCastro, No major given

I don't think that we should have to leave campus over winter recess or spring break. Some people have to travel far distances and others have obligations with their jobs. We should have the option to stay.

Charmaine Walker, Accounting

For a related article on what happened when students went home over winter recess, turn to page one.

**Question of the Week:**

What should be the first issue addressed by newly-appointed Director of Residence Life Dr. Melinda O'Brien?

**LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!**

Call 655-7616 or e-mail VellucciJ@alpha.montclair.edu to respond.

---

**THE MONTCLARION**

113 STUDENT CENTER ANNEX, UPPER MONTCLAIR, NJ 07043

e-mail MONTCLARION@patriot.montclair.edu

Phone: 973-655-5169 or 973-655-7804

**EXECUTIVE BOARD**

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF • Kevin P. Hancock

MANAGING EDITOR • L. Richardson

ACTING TREASURER • Timothy M. Casey

EDITORS

NEWS • Nicholas C. Chase

OPINION PAGE • Justin Valacchi

ARTS • Louise Sutro

FEATURE EDITOR • Carolyn Wirth

HUMOR • Chris Flannery

SPORTS • Sue Sterling

PHOTOGRAPHY EDITOR • Timothy M. Casey

COPY EDITOR • Michelle Whitehead

LAYOUT EDITOR • Jay Renee Schick

ASSISTANT EDITORS

NEWS • Amanda Johnson, Brian Pulver, Aisha Rima

OPINION • John Weir, ProPho • Christopher Pacer

COPY • Lisa Selbo • CANDIDIST • Jane Weik

AD & LAYOUT DESIGN • Kevin P. Hancock

PRINTING • North Jersey Press

CIRCULATION • 7,000

**ADVERTISING DIRECTOR** • Kevin Schwobel

Advertising Phone: 973-655-5237

**FACULTY ADVISER** • Professor Ron Hollander

**The Montclarion** is a class one organization of the Student Government Association, Inc. of Montclair State University. Published weekly, except during exams, summer and winter sessions. The Montclarion is funded in part by student fees distributed by the SGA. The views expressed in the opinion section, with the exception of the main editorial, do not necessarily reflect the views of The Montclarion.

**The Montclarion Mailbox Policy**

* All letters must be typed. * Letters exceeding 500 words will not be considered for publication. * Once received, letters are property of The Montclarion and may be edited for length, content and style. * Letters will not be printed unless they include the author’s name, major, social security number and phone number or e-mail address. * Only one letter by an author will be printed each month. * Submission deadline: Monday, 10:00 a.m. * Letters may be submitted through e-mail to VellucciJ@alpha.montclair.edu or sent to The Montclarion - Att: Opinion Page Editor, Montclair State University, 113 Student Center Annex, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.
Saving MSU's Underground & Under-Funded College Radio Station

When WMSC General Manager Ted Dilorio was elected as the station's Production Director four years ago, then-Dean, General Manager Al Reisman and station member Frank Riley were struggling with requests for new equipment and better funding from the university. From most descriptions available, they might as well have been butting their heads up against brick walls, as administrator after administrator stalled and denied the station's requests. It seems that the more that things change, the more they stay the same.

In the September 24, 1998 edition of The Montclarion, the front page boldly declared, "I found your article "Staff angered at Cole for prohibiting decorations" misleading and unnecessary antagonistic. First off, in a note distributed ten days before your publication date, Dr. Cole stated that the only restrictions were against decorations with specific religious connotations for two of the more public areas of the university. As a staff member, I am not angered about this in the least. As a public institution, it would not be appropriate for university space or resources to be used in a manner which could be construed as supporting one set of religious beliefs over any other. This is an appropriate position which shows sensitivity to the myriad of religions embraced by the university."

John E. King, Sociology

Speaking for itself: Education beyond "broken English"

Gee! It's lucky that neither Sigmund Freud nor Albert Einstein taught at Montclair State University. Their broken English would have been so troublesome and not worth the effort to understand them.

John E. King, Sociology

Taking responsibility for ourselves: In defense of Dr. Thiruvathukal

I was so angered by the attitudes toward Dr. Thiruvathukal that for the first time in 3.5 years, I am prompted to write to The Montclarion. I had Dr. "T" for General Oceanography over a year ago. I initially had to concentrate in order to understand her use of jargon, but I feel the commitment to do well. I sat in the front of the class room and paid attention. If I didn't understand anything that he said, I asked.

I consider being a student my occupation. In old age I want to retire. To do my job without some concentration and focus, I think that it is extremely unprofessional for any student to blame their grade on the professor's accent. Come on. Realistically, this is college, not grammar school. It is time to take responsibility for our actions (this includes the class attending). If it felt that I would be prevented from doing well by the professor talks, I would drop it. I recommend that others do the same instead of placing blame.

Sarah Faulks, English

Supporting President Cole's holiday decoration policies

I found your article "Staff angered at Cole for prohibiting decorations" misleading and unnecessarily antagonistic. First off, in a note distributed ten days before your publication date, Dr. Cole stated that the only restrictions were against decorations with specific religious connotations for two of the more public areas of the university. As a staff member, I am not angered about this in the least. As a public institution, it would not be appropriate for university space or resources to be used in a manner which could be construed as supporting one set of religious beliefs over any other. This is an appropriate position which shows sensitivity to the myriad of religions embraced by the university and staff of Montclair State University (not to mention agnostics and atheists).

Dr. Jerry Kłoży, Institute for Community Studies
It was determined later on that our championship violated regulations and wore a steel-toed army boot, but I swear as hell wasn't going to mention it to her. There's no way I'm messin' with anyone who can split the uprights with a cinder block.)

I looked in the mirror later that day, and knew that I was no longer the ignorant fool who twenty-four hours ago was banging his head against a wall and chanting. I was now a man who not only ran face-first into a wall, but who had also smashed heavy concrete, turning his foot into this purple, paingable appendage the size of a Volkswagen. Clearly, I had changed for the better. I needed a new name. "Fins" would not do anymore. Two suggestions, "Old Silly" and "Mr. Silly Patty" would not cut it. I needed something indicative of who I was. I am now FINZ. I feel so different.

Naturally, FINEGAN'S WAKE needed to be buried like the stinking, fly-infested corpse it had become. I wanted something more honest, more in touch with the people. I considered calling it PURE CRAP FOR YOUR DIGESTING PLEASURE, but that painted a nasty picture. UNCLE FINZ' BEER SHRINE was another possibility, but my mother might read this column and get offended. I couldn't let her know that I drink beer and enjoy it. She might have a coronary and ground me for two weeks. No, I decided to rename this column THE BULLY PULPIT because that's what it is. There's no news here. Nothing is objective. My purpose is not to inform, but to spread my own tainted dogma. I can say anything I want. "Watch. "Mr. Rogers needs a beating."

"Courtney Love is a stinky bitch."

"Taco Bell is the official restaurant of Hell." Wow, was that fun. I just delivered the news. Eat your heart out, Dan Rather.

It is determined later on that our champion violated regulations and wore a steel-toed army boot, but I swear as hell wasn't going to mention it to her. There's no way I'm messin' with anyone who can split the uprights with a cinder block.)

I looked in the mirror later that day, and knew that I was no longer the ignorant fool who twenty-four hours ago was banging his head against a wall and chanting. I was now a man who not only ran face-first into a wall, but who had also smashed heavy concrete, turning his foot into this purple, paingable appendage the size of a Volkswagen. Clearly, I had changed for the better. I needed a new name. "Fins" would not do anymore. Two suggestions, "Old Silly" and "Mr. Silly Patty" would not cut it. I needed something indicative of who I was. I am now FINZ. I feel so different.

Naturally, FINEGAN'S WAKE needed to be buried like the stinking, fly-infested corpse it had become. I wanted something more honest, more in touch with the people. I considered calling it PURE CRAP FOR YOUR DIGESTING PLEASURE, but that painted a nasty picture. UNCLE FINZ' BEER SHRINE was another possibility, but my mother might read this column and get offended. I couldn't let her know that I drink beer and enjoy it. She might have a coronary and ground me for two weeks. No, I decided to rename this column THE BULLY PULPIT because that's what it is. There's no news here. Nothing is objective. My purpose is not to inform, but to spread my own tainted dogma. I can say anything I want. "Watch. "Mr. Rogers needs a beating."

"Courtney Love is a stinky bitch."

"Taco Bell is the official restaurant of Hell." Wow, was that fun. I just delivered the news. Eat your heart out, Dan Rather.

I went to a bar to celebrate my new di­rectives, but just as I raised the beer to my lips, the question kicked in again: "IS BEER GOOD?" To find out, I asked the man sit­ting next to me, who turned out to be none other than the wisest philosopher of them all, Socrates. I figured that since I had noth­ing to lose, I asked Socrates, "Master, is beer good?"

He said, "Nay, bother me not, lest I shall booz you in the ass."

"But master," I implored, "There is only me, and I must know. Is beer good?"

At that moment, Socrates, the most in­fluential thinker in Western history, turned to me and asked, "My son, does beer allow you to become more free with your thoughts and feelings?"

"It does."

"And does it make everything funnier?"

"That it does."

At this point, Socrates raised his beer...
The Bully Pulpit II: Socrates vs. The Frog People

CONTINUED FROM THE PREVIOUS PAGE

and asked, "And tell me, could you have written any of your columns last semester without it?"

And I said, "NO! NEVER! MY COLUMN WOULD HAVE BEEN CRAP WITHOUT BEER!!"

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

"Your column is not already crap?"


"Beer pong, o Sage of Athens?" I asked.

Are YOU An Aspiring Wiseass?  
Do Acquaintances Hate You AND Your crappy jokes? 
Are You Willing To Give Me Money To Appease Your Own Ego? 

If you’ve answered “Yes” to these questions, you may have what it takes to write for the Humour Section! You won’t notice that you are slowly pissing away your college experience because the benefits are amazing! Here’s a sample: 

- Throw Stuff At Ed Flannery’s Gigantic Front Teeth! 
- Get Bombed And Pass Out With Finz! 
- Piss Off Everyone! 
- Perfect The Art Of Tray Smashing! 

...and that’s just the stuff I can tell you about!

So come on down to The Montclarion and ask for Finz. He’ll bend over backwards. Then you can kick him in the ribs!

THE HUMOUR SECTION

We aren’t family, but we fight anyway!

FORBIDDEN WORDS 1999
**ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR** responsibilities include: ADULT CHOIR REHERSAL, SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE, and OCCASIONAL SPECIAL SERVICES. Salary negotiable. Contact Rev. Ken Smith, Caldwell United Methodist Church, 973-226-4410, 9-12, M-F

If you have some creativity and like the world of fashion... Nationally known bridal designer needs full or part time help in her studio in Montclair. Call 973-237-0784

Models Women 18 yrs. and over of different races to model for outdoor photo project. Tasteful nudity. Pay or will exchange for photos. No experience necessary. (973)395-4054. Reliable only.


---

**CHILDCARE WANTED**

**PIT SITTER** needed for 7-month old boy and 3-year-old girl in Upper Montclair home approx. 15 hours/wk. Nonsmoker, experience, references required. Please call 509-2421

**SEEKING CHILDCARE** for toddler girl in my Little Falls Home, approx. 30 hrs/wk. Flexible. Must have solid academics/ experience/ sensitive drive/nonsmoker/ references. $7/hr. Call 276-1276

**PIT BABYSITTER** wanted for 3 children. Tue-Friday 2:30-7pm. Some occasional evenings. Nonsmoker. Must have own transportation. Please call 669-3705 (West Orange)

**CHILD CARE PIT** Responsible student with drivers licence and own car to supervise two Montclair school children, ages 8 and 14, every Thurs. and Fri. after school from 2:30 to 6:30pm. Salary $10/hr. Call 748-5759

Glen Ridge family seeks smart, loving, college student who is available 3 days a week from 1-6pm as a housekeeper/nanny who can also handle some office work for this literary agent/mom. Please call 973-743-2779

---

**Help Wanted**

PICTURES FRAME IT! Looking for responsible person to do custom framing for a mfg. Willing to train the right person. Great skill for an art student. Call 973-772-0026 (ext. 103) for interview. Clifton area.

---

**Services**

Feeling anxious, stressed, depressed? Overeating, drinking, or drugging? Experiencing relationship problems? Psychotherapy with a skilled, caring professional can help. Call 973-743-2779

---

Have Fun- Raising Funds for your Clubs, teams, & Groups. Earn up to $500 or more! Put our 25+ years of fundraising experience to work for you. CALL NOW for details on FREE CD of your choice. 800-592-2121 ext. 725

---

**Calico Kitchen**

**Family Restaurant**

235 Route 46 • Totowa, NJ 07512

We are pleased to offer **all College Students** with a current valid ID card the following offer. Come dine with us any time of the day or night and spend $10.00 or more and save 10% off your total check

or spend $20.00 or more and save 20% off your total check. Visa or Mastercard accepted!

Want to spend some quality time with someone special? Enjoy the warm heat and the atmosphere of our large fireplace during the cold winter months, and the coziness of our family type restaurant!

We also offer top shelf spirits at low, low, prices! (w/ID)

You will certainly enjoy our food that has been labeled by others as “IT'S JUST LIKE MY MOTHER USED TO MAKE!”

---

**HOME WANTS YOU**


We are pleased to offer **all College Students** with a current valid ID card the following offer. Come dine with us any time of the day or night and spend $10.00 or more and save 10% off your total check

or spend $20.00 or more and save 20% off your total check. Visa or Mastercard accepted!

Want to spend some quality time with someone special? Enjoy the warm heat and the atmosphere of our large fireplace during the cold winter months, and the coziness of our family type restaurant!

We also offer top shelf spirits at low, low, prices! (w/ID)

You will certainly enjoy our food that has been labeled by others as “IT'S JUST LIKE MY MOTHER USED TO MAKE!”

---

** Classifieds **

**Jobs**

**PIT SITTER** needed for 7-month old boy and 3-year-old girl in Upper Montclair home approx. 15 hours/wk. Nonsmoker, experience, references required. Please call 509-2421

**SEEKING CHILDCARE** for toddler girl in my Little Falls Home, approx. 30 hrs/wk. Flexible. Must have solid academics/ experience/ sensitive drive/nonsmoker/ references. $7/hr. Call 276-1276

**PIT BABYSITTER** wanted for 3 children. Tue-Friday 2:30-7pm. Some occasional evenings. Nonsmoker. Must have own transportation. Please call 669-3705 (West Orange)

**CHILD CARE PIT** Responsible student with drivers licence and own car to supervise two Montclair school children, ages 8 and 14, every Thurs. and Fri. after school from 2:30 to 6:30pm. Salary $10/hr. Call 748-5759

Glen Ridge family seeks smart, loving, college student who is available 3 days a week from 1-6pm as a housekeeper/nanny who can also handle some office work for this literary agent/mom. Please call 973-743-2779

---

**Photography**

**THE MONTCLARION**

Vol. 78 No. 15

January 14, 1999

---

**Montclarion**

VoL 78 No. 15

January 14, 1999

---

**Montclair**

PIT SITTER needed for 7-month old boy and 3-year-old girl in Upper Montclair home approx. 15 hours/wk. Nonsmoker, experience, references required. Please call 509-2421

---

**Classifieds**

**PICTURES FRAME IT!** Looking for responsible person to do custom framing for a mfg. Willing to train the right person. Great skill for an art student. Call 973-772-0026 (ext. 103) for interview. Clifton area.

---

**ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR** responsibilities include: ADULT CHOIR REHERSAL, SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE, and OCCASIONAL SPECIAL SERVICES. Salary negotiable. Contact Rev. Ken Smith, Caldwell United Methodist Church, 973-226-4410, 9-12, M-F

If you have some creativity an like the world of fashion... Nationally known bridal designer needs full or part time help in her studio in Montclair. Call 973-237-0784

Models Women 18 yrs. and over of different races to model for outdoor photo project. Tasteful nudity. Pay or will exchange for photos. No experience necessary. (973)395-4054. Reliable only.

---

**Exceptional Summer Opportunity** Camp Wayne, NE. Counselor Specialists for all Land/Water Sports. Golf, Tennis, Outdoor adventure; Mtn. biking, Rockety, A&C, Drama, Radio, Video. Please Call 888-549-2963

---

**CHILDCARE WANTED**

**PIT SITTER** needed for 7-month old boy and 3-year-old girl in Upper Montclair home approx. 15 hours/wk. Nonsmoker, experience, references required. Please call 509-2421

**SEEKING CHILDCARE** for toddler girl in my Little Falls Home, approx. 30 hrs/wk. Flexible. Must have solid academics/ experience/ careful drive/nonsmoker/ references. $7/hr. Call 276-1276

**PIT BABYSITTER** wanted for 3 children. Tue-Friday 2:30-7pm. Some occasional evenings. Nonsmoker. Must have own transportation. Please call 669-3705 (West Orange)

**CHILD CARE PIT** Responsible student with drivers licence and own car to supervise two Montclair schoolchildren, ages 8 and 14, every Thurs. and Fri. after school from 2:30 to 6:30pm. Salary $10/hr. Call 748-5759

Glen Ridge family seeks smart, loving, college student who is available 3 days a week from 1-6pm as a housekeeper/nanny who can also handle some office work for this literary agent/mom. Please call 973-743-2779

---

**Services**

Feeling anxious, stressed, depressed? Overeating, drinking, or drugging? Experiencing relationship problems? Psychotherapy with a skilled, caring professional can help. Call 973-743-2779

---

Have Fun- Raising Funds for your Clubs, teams, & Groups. Earn up to $500 or more! Put our 25+ years of fundraising experience to work for you. CALL NOW for details on FREE CD of your choice. 800-592-2121 ext. 725

---

**The Montclarion**

WANTS YOU

WRITERS, COPY EDITORS, AND PHOTOGRAPHERS...

CALL 5169
Sports rewind; looking back on the holidays

By Tess Sterling and Paul Lewiarz
Sports Editorial Staff

There seems to be no New Year's hangover for Montclair State sports, as all sporting teams are showing signs of improvement. MSU wrestles with consistency

The Red Hawk Wrestling team didn't see much action over the break winning at Hunter College, NY, losing at Wilkes, PA, and taking first place in the Invitational Tournament at Hunter, NY. Top contenders at these events were Romi Ratel (141 lbs., 4-3), Dom Dellegatta (157 lbs., 14-0), P.J. Rapps (174 lbs., 7-0), Todd Going (197 lbs., 15-1), and Florian Ghinea (141 lbs., 16-2).

The wrestling team will have their next match on Jan. 16 at Copin, MD.

Swim teams stay above water

Men's and Women's Swimming fared well during the break. The men's team improved their record to 2-4 while the women's team were consistent at 3-4, 1-2 NJAC.

The top swimmers for the men's team were Gil Castillo, Brian Hoffman, and C. DeBari. Castillo was the top individual in the 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle, and 200 freestyle, while Hoffman claimed second place in the 50 freestyle, 200 freestyle, and the 200 backstroke. DeBari placed first in the 500 freestyle, 1000 freestyle, 200 individual medley, 100 backstroke, 200 breaststroke, 200 butterfly, and the 400-medley relay.

For the Red Hawk women's swimming team, the top 3 individuals were Joanne Fusco, Elissa Kaplan, and A. Sivo. Fusco dominated the freestyle races, capturing four of five categories. She also won the gold medal in the 200 individual medley, 100 butterfly, and 400 freestyle relay. Meanwhile, her teammate Kaplan was victorious in the 100 backstroke, 200 breaststroke, 200-medley relay, and the 400-medley relay. Sivo captured the gold in the 100 breaststroke, 200 breaststroke, and shared first in the 200-medley relay.

MSU's women's team will next meet against East Stroudsburg, PA in the Panzer building at 1 p.m. Both teams will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 20 in Misericordia, PA at 7 p.m.

Basketball slam dunks in 1999

The MSU men and women's basketball have been perfect this new year winning all their games to date.

The men's team had struggled through the beginning of the season with a record of 2-5, but has won all its games in 1999 to reach the .500 mark for the second time this season. The Red Hawks success has been attributed to their star forward, senior Anthony Peeples, and sophomore forward and Yugoslavian native, Milenko Beric. In three wins for MSU, Peeples scored 82 points, and has now scored 202 points in ten games. As a reward for his hard work, he was named the ECAC Metro Player of the Week. Meanwhile, in three games Beric has scored 64 points, and recorded double-digit rebounds in all three games. In the game against Ferrum College, VA on January 6, he scored a career-high 33 points to help his team defeat the visitors.

Montclair will next match up against Richard Stockton on Jan. 16 at 4:00 p.m.

The Red Hawks women's basketball has also been excellent this new year. They will now embark on one of its most significant times of the season as the next five games will be played against NJAC opponents, and only one game being played at home. These games are very important if MSU expects to be invited to the conference tournament at the end of the year.

The men's team had struggled at the start of the season with a record of 2-5, but has won all its games in 1999 to reach the .500 mark for the second time this season. The Red Hawks success has been attributed to their star forward, senior Anthony Peeples, and sophomore forward and Yugoslavian native, Milenko Beric. In three wins for MSU, Peeples scored 82 points, and has now scored 202 points in ten games. As a reward for his hard work, he was named the ECAC Metro Player of the Week. Meanwhile, in three games Beric has scored 64 points, and recorded double-digit rebounds in all three games. In the game against Ferrum College, VA on January 6, he scored a career-high 33 points to help his team defeat the visitors.

Montclair will next match up against Richard Stockton on Jan. 16 at 4:00 p.m.

The Red Hawks women's basketball has also been excellent this new year. They will now embark on one of its most significant times of the season as the next five games will be played against NJAC opponents, and only one game being played at home. These games are very important if MSU expects to be invited to the conference tournament at the end of the year.

The season, Marlena Lawrence is averaging 12.6 points and 9.2 rebounds a game, Felicia Ingram is averaging a team leading 10.7 rebounds and 11.5 points, and Wykemia Kelley averages 8.9 points, 6.3 rebounds, and 5.7 assists a game. Stephanie Ellerbe leads the team in three point attempts with 54, and three pointers made with 12.

The Hawks will next take on Richard Stockton on Jan. 16 at 2:00 p.m.

Hockey has the winning edge

The Montclair State men's hockey team demolished William Paterson for the second time in regular season play. The game was called in the second period when the Red Hawks had a 12-0 lead.

Anthony Rosillo had a double hat trick, scoring six goals and an assist. Frank Arena had two goals, while the Nick Lawlor and Nick Cashar line proved successful, as they each notched a goal and an assist.

The Red Hawks next game will be on Sunday, Jan. 17 against The County College of Morris at 7 p.m.