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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 a radiator in the fifth floor lounge had failed.

In addition, water caused damages to the elevator shaft, which was rendered out of service as on-campus students began 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 in- formed 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 di- rectly 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 and reimbursement of damaged items from the state of New Jersey to happen very quickly. Sofas and chairs in the second floor lounges that were water-logged will be replaced. Carpeting in the lounges and hallways will be re- moved 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 lounges will be re- located to the Russ Hall computer lab prior to winter recess and, fortunately, avoided being lost during the incident.

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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. Conn
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. 14 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 Boonton; Secretary Robert Jones, 19, of Mullica Hill; and President Glen Lynch, 22, of Bloomsfield.

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 law.

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

The Student Government Association Inc. brought its own rep­ rinands to the organization as well. According to SGA President Anton Wheeler, the judicial com­ mittee 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 fra­ ternity, sponsorship of monthly programs that warn the campus community of the dangers of alcohol consumption, and a presenta­ tion to the Greek Council on Greek organizations’ responsibil­ ities and appropriate behavior.

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

All conditions, in which the suspension 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 Risk Management, the University Safety and Security, and the University Campus Police are aiding in efforts to repair damages to common areas and resident rooms.

“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

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IT’S THAT TIME ALREADY?

MOVIN’ ON UP: Betsy Montanez (above) moves her things into Blanton Hall using the elevator yesterday to beat the rush expected this week.

BACK TO THE BOOKS: Jocelyn Demers and Sharon Roughgarden shop in the University Bookstore yesterday to prepare for the month.

TAKIN’ A LOAD OFF: Students return to the elevator shaft, which was damaged by a pipe burst in Freeman Hall yesterday after winter recess.

SLEEPING BEAUTY: Jamie Ruffillo, Director of Greek Affairs, sits in his chair yesterday after being expelled from the University for the Spring 1999 semester.

OPINION

Velleius: Keeping WMSG on the air.

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WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

Freezing rain

Freezing rain

Partly Cloudy

Partly Cloudy

Hi: 26° LO: 18°

Hi: 39° LO: 33°

Hi: 43° LO: 24°

Hi: 48° LO: 26°

U.S. NEWS

Jordan announces retirement

Example kills 3 in Arkansas

World News

Brazil devalues its currency

New weapons proposal devised for Iraq

Local News

New Montclair mini-mall to be developed

New Plans revealed for Edison museum

New Directors change the face of the university

What’s New in The Montclarion

EMs Chief and other top officials resign

Whitman’s college appropriations are approved

Over $550 million will be directed toward renovating college campuses. The plan allows schools to grow without raising tuition. The MSU was allocated $28 million.

NEWS DESK

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Party
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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 Hasbrouck Heights and Chris Neto, 18, of East Hanover.

Fifteen kegs valued at $750 and $370 in admission fees were also seized.

Burst
CONTINUED FROM P. 1

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.”

January 25

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.
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By Timothy M. Casey

**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.
FEATURE

A closer look into the holy Islamic month of Ramadan

By Summer Nazral
Staff Writer

As Ramadan draws to a close, it is important to reflect on the effects of the event. Ramadan is the sacred month when 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 in 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.

Muslims fast as a religious obligation upon them, so as to please Allah (God) and to earn His blessings and rewards. The benefits of this blessed month are 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 benefits not only the individual, but also the society as a whole. For example, maybe you mind why a specific resolution was made to this list is virtually impossible. By Carolyn Velchik

Staff Writer

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I promise I will never do it again; tips for the New Year

By Carolyn Velchik
Feature Writer

As soon as that ball drops and we are done kissing our loved ones, or the one person that we can see clearly in front of us, come the resolutions. You know, that huge list of mistakes that we made and hope not to make again in the upcoming year. To most humans, adhering to this list is virtually impossible.

Usually only one force of nature stands in the way of our obeying our list and that is willpower. When told not to do something, the average person will do it anyway, even if the instruction is coming from themselves. When faced with such a task, keeping in mind why a specific resolution was made might be helpful. For example, maybe you resolved to be more responsible at parties. Remembering the beer goggle theory that might be helpful. For example, maybe you mind why a specific resolution was made.

After the champagne toast at midnight, many take out their lists of New Year’s resolutions, only to break them a day later.

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By Adam Meyer, Graduate Student
Staff Writer

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 Jetsonesque 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/Carers/CareerServices/Career.html. I clicked on New and I was there. I suggest you pay close attention to password information because remembering this information can save you a lot of time.

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 I can format on-line or cut and paste from a word-processed document. I saved myself some time by having resume information handy such as, my educational and work experience. 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.

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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.

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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 information, 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 andabbles 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 other people in their life may have a clearer view of problems you have overlooked. Receiving feedback is the best way to find out if your goals and strategies for reaching them are realistic. Check with people you respect. 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. Receiving feedback is the best way to find out if your goals and strategies for reaching them are realistic.
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Quality movies are worth the cash

High prices at the theaters seem reasonable as long as the movies are entertaining

By Lynnette Surie

Arts Editor

I t has become discouraging in recent years to see 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 $350 billion dollars on a new batch of movies last year alone.

It seems like the price of a ticket to the movies has 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 “Titanic” movies pushed into the theaters.

A Bug’s Life, released Nov. 20, 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 become a classic. Based on the real life of Hunter “Patch” Adams, Robin Williams takes this movie to the stars and beyond. The storyline in which Williams portrays Adams is humorous as well as factual.

The story contains such fine examples of human nature and kindness and acts after admitting himself to a psychiatric ward, becomes a doctor in order to help people. While facing the challenges of 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.”

John Travolta looks at a toxic river in A Civil Action.

Joe Young, also released on Dec. 25, gives old and young a handle on the injustices that human beings do unto animals. The animatronic puppetry of this huge, but humorous as well as the mechanics behind 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 moviegoers 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 be going to the International Concerned Family and Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal. Tickets for the show went on sale today. Rage’s Tom Morello says, “Mumia’s trial was a gross miscarriage of justice. Just unbelievable. ‘Highlights’ included the prosecutorial (sic) 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.”

No Doubt begins a new album: At the official No Doubt website (wwwnodoc.com) guitarist Tom Dumont says that the band finally found a new producer and will begin work on a new album. “There are two pieces of positive news for us at the moment. Number one, it looks like we’ve sorted out our producer situation, and we expect to finally begin recording again in February. Number two, we plan to record an original song (and film a video) this month which should appear in a movie coming out in March,” said Dumont.

Favorite New Soul / R&B Artist
Big Willie Style, Will Smith

Favorite Latin Music Artist
Enrique Iglesias

Favorite Pop / Rock Artist
Pearl Jam

Favorite Female Country Artist
Shania Twain

Favorite Male Soul / R&B Artist
Will Smith

Favorite Female Soul / R&B Artist
Janet Jackson

Favorite Male Pop / Rock Artist
Eric Clapton

Favorite Female Pop / Rock Artist
Celine Dion

Favorite New Country Artist
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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 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?

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 administration.

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 violin 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.
Saving MSU's Underground & Under-Funded College Radio Station

W hen WMSC General Manager Ted Dillerio was elected as the station's Production Director four years ago, then-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 stalling 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, "The problems continue. The university claimed that the station was having. In the words of one WMSC staff member, "They were just throwing money at us." More time passed. Dean Wilcox retired and Dean Helen Matusow-Ayres, presently the Dean of Students, was assigned to the case.

The problems continued. The university began to ask the university if they would relinquish control of the station's license to the SGA or directly to the students of the university. They also began to question seeking funds from commercial underwriting, Coca Cola leading the pack of those that have offered to support the station. Karen L. Pennington, Vice President of Student Development & Campus Life, was assigned to the case.

The university then signed a contract with technician Steve Pepe to do the needed repairs to the station back in 1996. He worked for over four months and was not paid. The Emergency Alert System, delivered to the station back in 1996, is not yet installed and there have been rumors circulating that administrators have started to panic over the heavy fines that the FCC would place on the university if they discovered that it had not paid to install the system. Louis Anderson, a former employee of the university. They also received a copy of the document, he passed. Dean Wilcox was assigned to the case.

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Four years ago, shortly before Ted Dillerio's tenure as Production Director, an independent media corporation, Press Broadcasting, purchased 106.5 FM to its present location at 90.3 FM. WMSC and Press Broadcasting parted when the technician climbed the station's tower. Curtis Jackson, then the Executive Assistant to the Vice President of Student Development & Campus Life, was assigned to the case.

Speaking for itself:
Education beyond "broken English"

"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 classroom and the internet). If I felt that I would be prevented from doing well in the way 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 students and staff of Montclair State University (not to mention agnostics and atheists).

Dr. Jerry Klyob, Institute for Community Studies
Every once in a great while, an author arises and defines the values and standards of his/her generation by using words so masterfully that all are held in awe. Their principle works have the power and the influence to set the literary worlds afame. These authors are not traditional by any stretch of the imagination, but, rather, revolutionary in all facets. I'm sure if I really wanted to - if I was REALLY bombed - I would consider such a path. But the last time I WAS really bombed, I think I soiled myself. I can't picture Shakespeare or Ayn Rand in said predicament. Hemingway, maybe, but that's the extent.

So you can imagine my dismay when I came to the conclusion that FINEGAN'S WAKE had the intellectual depth of the scrawl on a men's room stall, only not in limrick form. First, I was angry. Then I was sad. Then I was angry again. Then I was bitter. Then I was angry yet again. It was like being in an emotional dryer. My head hurt because I kept bonking it up against a wall going "MUST... BE... INTELLECTUAL... MUST... BE..." you get the idea. Until one fateful night, I had a vision. A vision of Jennifer Love Hewitt in a kiddie pool full of purple Jello wearing nothing but a... Woopsie, wrong vision! That night, a voice spoke to me from afar. I knew I should listen because the voice didn't ask me to pull down my pants or worship celery; clearly, this was not one of the usual voices I hear. And it didn't sound like Popeye on crystal meth, either. It said, "My child, your eyes are my path. You must save yourself from the darkness and realize your true destiny. Only then can you fulfill the prophecy. Now go and get some pizza. Leave it outside the door across the hall."
The Horoscope Never Lies

CAMPBELL (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

Gregarious displays here. Your lover is a fast
head of beer designed by Highland to stir up beakers,
 traps to your own desire when they tend to the
bathroom.

PENSACOLA (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

The first day of school is new and: cheerless. Late
snores will soon and was poor, cousins will tend
when you enter their classrooms and out of pen-
measures to extricate terrific derails.

ECLIPSE (Mar. 20 to Apr. 19)

Don’t set your two as a canister with your
social life. Introduction using getting loneliness in
the term of your personality and turn them to the
dark side.

APOLOGY: (May 20 to Jun. 20)

Greet your partner with class from; classes, and move
in the forest for aцинге life. You’re sure of any
Frederick, stultification, roars, and scoring. Then a bear
with out pips.

TAURUS: (Apr. 20 to May 20)

Go on your path, withdraw from classes, and move
in the forest for a simpler life. Toil will at last
in the dark.

GEMINI (May 21 to Jun. 21)

This week it pays to mix business with pleas-
re, but don’t let it get out of hand. If poor bears
wants to wearing mother and diwells, then the lost will of
them.

CANCER (Jun. 22 to Jul. 22)

You are paid a visit by the Fly this week, and are
forced to make a choice; you or the coffee pot. You don’t
and hated water and poor co-workers order online.

LION: (Jul. 23 to Aug. 22)

The first dag of school is rising and cheerful. [ove
friend and cousin) discovers love. ‘I t ce love is just
a, but to be in love.

VIRGO: (Aug. 23 to Sep. 22)

You have a certain "pr or space gap." In French,
that means that you make need soap and water. Come on.
If the French think you sound smart, YOU SPEAK
FRENCH!

LIBRA (Sep. 23 to Oct. 22)

You accomplish little this week as the episode of
the Brady Bunch where the gang all go to Hawaii is
broadcast. You record it and watch it over and over.
Don’t accomplish roe, goor miserable excuse for a hAm a
population.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Toil accomplish little this Week as the episode of
the Brady Bunch where the gang all go to Hawaii is
broadcast. You record it and watch it over and over.
Don’t accomplish roe, goor miserable excuse for a hAm a
population.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Keep your compassion this week as efforts against
the jet. We don’t want a report of last week
when you throw a tantrum in the middle of the Rath
because they were out of cigarettes wings. Twin cops
to kick in the jet. kicking on display!


wordfind
GOLD GLOVE
THIRD BASEMEN
H N K E H B A Y W T R O L J G
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Q P N G A M E K M B Z J N T
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R P O M L K I T D I M H C S

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all
directions-forward, backward, up, down and
diagonally.

Bell
Boys
Caminiti
Boggs
Boyce
Nettles
Pendleton
Gatti
Malzone
Bailey
Santo
Rader
Reitz
Robinson
Schmidt
Ventura
Wallace

THE MONTCLARIAN Thursday, January 14, 1999
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!

Dilbert®
by Scott Adams

IN THIS WEEK’S "WALLY REPORT," I’VE DECIDED
TO DAVEST IN YOUR WEBSITE BUSINESS.
DO THEY KNOW YOU’RE LAZY AND
INSIMUN?
WHAT’LL YOU CREATE...
BESIDES ACCOUNTING IRREGULARITIES?
YOU’LL GET NO MORE FUNDING UNLESS
YOU MUFFER EMPTY INTERNET WORDS
THAT MAKE US Swoon/

YOU'LL GET MORE FUNDING UNLESS
YOU MUTTER EMPTY INTERNET WORDS
THAT MAKE US Swoon/

VENDY CAPITALISTS
GAVE ME MONEY TO
START A WEB-BASED
BUSINESS.

I DON'T OWN A WEB-BASED
BUSINESS. I'M JUST AN ENGINEER WITH A
COOL PONYTAIL.

THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR
US.

WE LIKE TO GET IN EARLY.

VENTURE CAPITALISTS
DESPITE YOUR COOL
PONYTAIL, YOU SEEM TO
HAVE SQUANDERED OUR INVESTMENT.

YOU'LL GET MORE FUNDING UNLESS
YOU MUTTER EMPTY INTERNET WORDS
THAT MAKE US Swoon/

HOURS YOUR INTERNET START-UP
COMPANY COMING?

MY PLAN IS TO BE THE DOMINANT
INTERNET SOURCE FOR TUNA
SANDWICHES.

SO, IF I BUY ONE,
YOU SHIP IT OVER-
IGHT?

NO, YOU HAVE TO COME PICK IT UP.

FORBIDDEN WORDS 1999

LIFE IN HELLL

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**Child Care 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.

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SPORTS RECAP
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 Ratet (114 lbs., 4-0), Dom Dellegatta (157 lbs., 14-0), P.J. Rapps (174 lbs., 7-0), Todd Going (197 lbs., 15-1), and Florian Ghinea (148 lbs., 16-2).

The wrestling team will have their next match on Jan. 16 at Coppin, 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 were consistent at 3-4, 1-2 NJAC.

The men’s team was victorious over Adelphi University, NY on Wednesday’s victory over Ferrum. Were consistent at 3-4, 1 -2 NJAC.

The top swimmers for the men’s team were Gil Castillo, Brian Hoffman, and C. DeBarri. 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. DeBarri 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 Tournament at Hunter, NY. Top contenders at these events were Marlena Lawrence is averaging 15.6 points and 9.2 rebounds a game, Felicia Ingram is averaging a team lead ing 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 200 p.m.

Hockey has the winning edge

The Montclair State men’s hockey team demolished William Paterson for the second time in the season tournament at the end of the year. The Hawks will next take on Richard Stockton on Jan. 16 at 200 p.m.

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, sophomore 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-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 this 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.

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Anthony Rosillo had a double hat trick, scoring six goals and an assist. Frank Arena had two goals, while the Nick Lawlor and Nick Casbar 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 Mennen Arena at 7 p.m.

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COMING NEXT WEEK
Player profiles and sports trivia.