Berra throws first pitch

By Steven Bonasia
Special to The Montclarion

Rain did not keep fans from Thursday’s conference opener between MSU and William Patterson University, where New York Yankee’s great Yogi Berra threw the first pitch.

The game marked the first New Jersey Athletic Conference baseball played at Yogi Berra Stadium, and the 143rd meeting by the two schools, said the Office of Sports Relations.

“I don’t care if it’s college or major leagues, there’s nothing like the first game,” Yogi Berra said before he made his way onto the tarp covered mound.

A special day including MSU giveaways, trivia contests, and live radio coverage by WGGT Radio (1500 AM) added to the intensity of the day, said WPU head coach Jeff Albies.

“This is the kind of attention and support college events need in order to be successful,” Albies said.

The rivalry alone had coaches and players excited about the game, but Berra’s presence added much more to the day.

“It allows for one of the finest gentlemen in baseball to be present at the game,” said MSU head coach Norm Schoenig.

After a 25-minute rain delay, Berra, wearing a MSU cap, walked out onto the tarp covered mound and threw the first pitch to MSU catcher Alex Bosch, and the crowd cheered in appreciation for Yogi as he stepped off the field.

He put a lot into this and was nice enough to give a stadium to his university. We hope to play our best and give him a win today,” said Red Hawk shortstop Dave Wurst.

The Red Hawks trailed WPU through seven innings, but a triple by MSU center fielder Dan Wydner drove in one run to tie the score at 5-5. Despite an eighth inning rally, the Red Hawks fell to the Pioneers 6 to 5, failing to win one for Berra.

STRIKE ONE: The former catcher who normally received most pitches, threw the first ball at Thursday’s game vs. William Patterson.

By Jim Davison
Assistant Opinion Editor

Students held an open forum in the Student Center on Tuesday about the US and NATO air strikes against Serbia.

Hundreds attended the event, and both faculty members and students voiced a myriad of viewpoints on the topic, ranging from strong advocacy to fierce admonishment of US involvement in the Kosovo conflict.

Professor Elliott Graff, English professor and organizer of the event, began the discussion by urging all in attendance to state their views.

After Graff, Grover Furr of the English department spoke of the United State’s imperialist interests in Yugoslavia.

Many students and faculty spoke on different sides, such as Peace Corps volunteer Jennifer Turek who moved to tears when speaking about two cousins who had died. Another student stated that our actions were not unjust.

“Milevski chose war,” the student stated.

A student of Music Education characterized our actions in Serbia as a “moral nightmare.”

Professor Tim Watson of the English department questioned what had happened to the peace dividend, the money that was supposed to be made available from a decreased defense budget, which was spoken about by politicians a few years back.

“I think this is great, that 200 people have come out for this,” Watson said, after the discussion.

The rest of the list of speakers includes Eli Garcia, a member of the New Jersey Socialist’s Campaign, a Sister of Charity, a professor from the Spanish and Italian department, and a former refugee.

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OFF THE HOOK: Albanian student Basim Bruncaj answers one of many calls regarding rally invitations and donations about Kosovo.

Albanian student’s family broken

By Kara Richardson
Managing Editor

The phone has been ringing off the hook at MSU junior Basim Bruncaj’s house in Bloomington over the past two weeks. He and his Albanian family receives invitations to rallies, calls to send money and questions about the crisis in Kosovo.

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Although the conflict between Serbs and Albanians has escalated over the past year, Bruncaj said that he was aware of problems for almost ten years.

His family has been sending money to his uncle who was fired along with thousands of other Al-
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**NATO denies Milosevic of a one-day Easter cease-fire**

NATO on Tuesday immediately rejected an offer by Yugoslavia for a unilateral cease-fire to mark the Orthodox Easter.

**Local News**

**Another three DOA in an SUV**

Three all occupants of a sport utility vehicle were killed when it skidded and flipped over on the Garden State Parkway Monday night, police said. The accident occurred shortly before 11 p.m. and remains under investigation.

The victims were identified as Prasantas K. Kansara, 30, and Mitali Kansara, 21, both of Hillside, and Kevin Kansara, 15, of Cliffside Park.

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**FOR THE RECORD**

On page 24 of the April 1 issue of The Montclarion, in the caption under the photo for the story “Red Hawks split first two weekend games,” the featured player is second baseman Craig Conway from Mountainside.

The Montclarion willingly corrects its factual errors. If you think that we have made a mistake in a story please call Editor-In-Chief, Kevin P. Hancock, at 973-655-5230.
**Sprague archives shut doors to students**

**HIDDEN HISTORY: Montclarion Opinion Page Editor, Justin Vellucci's research in the Sprague library archives prompted library officials to close the archives after his November column which revealed poor preservation of university documents.**

By Dan Lombardi

Staff Writer

The Sprague Archives are closed to students after a recent decision to enforce an already present rule.

The decision came after Justin Vellucci's column in a November issue of The Montclarion calling attention to the archives' decrypted condition.

"He [Vellucci] gave us a wake up call," said Patricia Sanders, head of the library's Reference and Information department. "There's a lot of valuable information in there."

"There's valuable archival material and something has to be preserved," said Sanders.

The library hierarchy fears that the contents of the archives are being neglected.

The archives are always locked, but in the past students were allowed access on request, but they were often left unattended with the material.

Disallowing unsupervised access was always a rule for use of the archives, but it was not enforced.

**South American exchange program confirmed by Cole**

By Tasha Wilson

Special to The Montclarion

A faculty and student exchange program was confirmed between MSU and Universidad de Belgranodo, when the Memorandum of Understanding was signed on March 18.

The program may consist of semester-long teaching exchanges, distance learning projects, short-term faculty visits, collaborative research and joint grant proposals.

Dr. Susan Cole, MSU President, said the program will combine English taught Spanish language instruction, Argentine and South American societies, technological, humanities, agricultural sciences, architecture and urban planning.

"MSU will sponsor this program for the College of Consortium of International Studies (CCIS), an organization of more than 100 colleges and universities nationwide. CCIS also attracts students from non-member institutions through its website (studyabroad.com) and its excellent outreach program," Cole said.

Any interested student can visit MSU's web site.
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banians in Kosovo in 1991. Bruncaj said Albanian people lost their jobs as Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic tried to gain popularity with the Serbian people in a nationalism campaign, but according to Bruncaj, that was just beginning.

“My cousin went to a secret school in an old building, taught by Albanian teachers who were earlier fired by the Serbs,” Bruncaj said.

Albanians set up a shadow government as the Serbs slowly lost rights to their culture, Bruncaj said.

“They [NATO] say that this [NATO bombing] is strictly for humanitarian reasons but history does not show response to other humanitarian violations like China and Rwanda,” Bruncaj said.

“In protests against the bombing, a lot of people say that it is for economic reasons,” Bruncaj said. “That might be so. But who cares if it’s for reasons, those refugees would be slaughtered without the bombing.”

As hundreds of thousands of refugees pour out of Kosovo, Bruncaj fears that Serbs are not the victims here, but the murderers.
...SOMEONE GETS HURT: One person was taken to the hospital by the Montclair Volunteer Ambulance Unit yesterday afternoon during a Delta Chi and Pi Kappa Alpha pick-up football game in front of the Student Center. Meanwhile, the university EMS ambulance sits idle in the quad.

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Candidate for President

John Griffin

Major: History/Political Science  
Year: Junior  
GPA: 3.12

Experience
- SGA Vice President 96-99  
- President MSU Scholarship Fund 98-99  
- President Pro-Tem 97-98  
- Legislator of the Year 97-98  
- Legislator 96-98  
- Food Service Search Committee  
- Greek Advisor Search Committee  
- VP for Facilities Search Committee  
- All Together Different Multi-Cultural Retreat  
- OSAU American Achievement Award  
- Accepted College Leadership NJ  
- Phi Sigma Pi National Honors Fraternity  
- Honors Program  
- Grange - 15 years of Membership (Community Service)  
- Eagle Scout

Goals
When I came to MSU three years ago, I knew I wanted to be president of the SGA. Well the time is here and I have done what I feel I needed to do to be ready for the challenge that awaits me. I was a legislator since my first semester freshman year, also serving as President Pro-Tempore my sophomore year. I received the honor of “Legislator of the Year” during that time. I then moved on to become Vice-President of the SGA, which I am proud to say has been among the greatest experiences of my life. I have also sat on several committees for both the SGA and campus community as a whole. But my experience is only half of what qualifies me to be president. Some of my other qualifications include my potential to make serious and significant changes. I have spent many years learning the issues that are prevalent on campus. The issues include quality of life, quality of buildings on campus, security, and student services. Another ability I feel makes me best suited for president is that I am fully capable of considering issues as they arise. This is one of the most important qualities that I can bring to the position. My team and I are ready to accept the responsibilities of the leadership positions.

Candidate for Vice President

Mike Kazimir

Major: Speech Communications  
Year: Junior  
GPA: 2.7

Experience
- 3 years SGA legislator  
- VP of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity  
- Multicultural Diversity Weekend  
- Unity Collaboration  
- Project Pride  
- Eagle Scout  
- Fundraising Chair North Jersey Boy Scout Museum

Goals
My decision to run for the office of Vice President of the Student Government came with much thought and consideration. Having been a legislator for three years, I am familiar with the duties and responsibilities of the office. I am confident that my ability and my dedication to the SGA qualify me for the position. However, I intend to do more than merely fulfill the duties of the position of Vice President. I would like to continue the drive for quality programming on campus during the week and especially on the weekends. My goal is that students will no longer only go to classes, but get involved in their campus community. There are a number of other issues facing our campus such as safety, the ability to use the library on a 24 hour basis, the quality of the living accommodations on campus, the quality of food service, the image of Greek Life, and the promotion of student accomplishments not only within our community but also outside the university. I have chosen to run on a ticket with John Griffin for President, Latasha Casterlow for Treasurer, and Nidara Roenker for Secretary, knowing that this TEAM will serve the Students of Montclair with vision and determination. Therefore leading Montclair into the new millennium with the motivation that we can achieve whatever we put our minds to.

Candidates for Treasurer

Latasha Casterlow

Major: Music Education  
Year: Junior  
GPA: 2.6

Experience
- OSAU Vice-President  
- SGA Secretary  
- SGA President Pro-Tem  
- Legislator  
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Rho Pi  
- Chapter President  
- President’s commission on Affirmative Action Representative  
- OSAU Gospel Choir Member  
- OSAU Dance Troupe Member  
- National Pan Hellenic Council Representative  
- Greek Council Representative  
- Admissions Ambassador  
- Resident Assistant - Blanton Hall

Goals
I want to provide the students of MSU the most enjoyable college experience.

Shariff Elhagin

Major: Music Education  
Year: Junior  
GPA: 3.1

Experience
- Chair of SGA appropriations committee  
- Has worked with the current SGA treasurer, president and bookkeeper to learn how to fulfill the position  
- SGA legislator for 2 years  
- Runs an agency for disc jockeys  
- Worked well with organizations all year

Goals
I would like to look into obtaining a blue lighting system on campus, help create a better medical insurance policy, work with organizations to create better budgets and to see more activities and events held on campus. Also I would like to see another 24 hour computer lab on campus.
CANDIDATE
PROFILES

William Guardino
Major: Human Ecology
Year: Junior
GPA: 3.2

Experience
• SGA President Pro Tempore
• 3 year SGA legislator
• President of NJC WaterWatch
• International Peer Mentor
• Honor Student
• Eagle Scout
• Resident Assistant
• Member of C.L.U.B.

I wish to run an efficient but friendly office.

Goals
I wish to promote the SGA and its subsidiary organizations, to work towards the improvement of academic services and to run an efficient but friendly office.

Candidates for Secretary

Nidara Rourk
Major: English
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 3.0

Experience
• Office assistant to Dr. Saundra Collins 11/97 - 5/98
• Office assistant for the SGA 9/98 - present

I plan to enhance the office and duties of the secretarial position by rejuvenating the diminishing aspect of publicity. I plan to start with the legislators, making them aware of their obligation to know the concerns of the students. Secondly, I want to directly impact the student body by flyers, more accessible open forums at least each semester, and overall accessibility and knowledge of the inner-workings of the Student Government Association, Inc.

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Candidates for BOT Student Alternate

Thomas J. Esposito
Major: Business
Year: Sophomore
GPA: 3.15

Experience
• Theta Xi Fraternity, chapter treasurer 99-00
• Greek Council Rep - Fall 98
• 3 year SGO representative - Belleville High School, held fundraising committee chair senior year.

I am extremely dedicated and will not be afraid to stand up for what I believe.

Goals
I will strive to be the most dedicated, most informed BOT representative in years to come. This position requires the holder to have his homework done and know the facts. I am extremely dedicated and will not be afraid to stand up for what I believe is best for the entire campus of Montclair State University.

Ned Gross, Jr.
Major: Accounting
Year: 2nd Year
GPA: 3.26

Experience
• Student leader with Unity Collaboration
• Leader of self-help group
• 20 years of experience in business
• 15 years experience in business dealing with decision makers

Goals
I believe that my various life experiences can and will be a great asset to the Board of Trustees. The following are goals I have as it concerns the services the student body is entitled to. I would like to establish an office and e-mail account whereas all students know and can come into direct contact with their representative. I want to petition the BOT for funds to improve computer services in Richardson Hall as well as throughout the campus. I would like to make sure we as students are represented on the various committees within the administration that we are entitled to. I wish to become more visible to the student body through a monthly column in *The Montclarion* called the “BOT Corner” which would inform all students of decisions directly affecting them. I will be a strong voice for the student body thereby giving them a strong and more visible representative that can achieve positive and direct change. Remember education is a we affair! Together we can make a difference!
Needles and muscles do not mix: the dangers of steroid use

By Lisa Gribbin

The use of anabolic steroids in athletes first began in the United States by weightlifters in the 1950’s. As more synthetic steroids were produced, more athletes began to use them as well. By the 1970’s, steroid use had spread to Olympic events. In 1983, 19 athletes were disqualified from the Olympics for the use of steroids. Statistics compiled by the Center of Substance Abuse Research show that there are as many as one million steroid users in the United States today. Most of these users are 25 years old and younger. Although steroids can be used by men and women, statistics show that male use is generally more common. While steroid use typically was associated with athletes wishing to increase their strength, studies from the Center for Substance Abuse Research at the University of Maryland show otherwise. Many of today’s steroid abusers are non-athletic and are simply trying to improve their appearance.

The Center for Substance Abuse Research at the University of Maryland defines anabolic steroids as substances that promote the building of muscle tissue or the accumulation of nitrogen in muscle protein. Altering the male sex hormone testosterone creates the steroids.

An anabolic activity such as exercise results in an increase of muscle mass. Similar results, however, are achieved by the use of anabolic steroids. A person’s muscle tissue will increase when they take the chemically manufactured steroids. Many people combine rigorous exercise with steroid use to achieve their desired results.

As the person focuses on what they think is a stronger, better body, they face many imminent health dangers. When the male body begins using anabolic steroids, his body stops producing testosterone naturally. When the male body stops producing testosterone, the production of sperm stops as well. It has been determined that many steroid users will have fertility problems in the future.

The use of anabolic steroids has been shown, in some studies, to cause an enlargement of the heart. The muscle cells in the heart grow faster than the blood vessel supply can keep up with. This occurs and creates an area of the heart with poor circulation and leads to the death of new cells, which can cause a heart attack. Steroid use affects the immune system by increasing the activity of cells that normally attack infection and bacteria. The cells become so overactive that they can attack the tissues of the body, leading to the development of autoimmune diseases.

Liver damage can also result depending on the type of steroids used, how much you are using, and how long you have been using them. Certain chemicals in the bloodstream increase when damaged. These chemicals signify possible liver damage. According to studies, anabolic steroid users have up to twice the level of these chemicals in their bloodstream compared to those who are not users.

Males can develop a condition known as “gynecomastia,” which changes the anabolic steroids into the female sex hormone estrogen. Breast development results from this process. Although there have been no studies conducted that suggest permanent damage to brain tissue, users of anabolic steroids do show a change in their emotional behavior and users tend to become more aggressive.

The use of anabolic steroids can result in many dangerous consequences that can be permanent and fatal. You may develop a heart or liver condition, suffer from extreme changes in behavior and attitudes and experience bouts with infertility.

If you or someone you know is using steroids, you should seek help for this type of drug abuse. Talk to a friend or medical professional. If you would like more information about steroid use and its effects, you can contact the Center for Substance Abuse Research at the University of Maryland at www.cesar.umd.edu.

Stress Management

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TUNE INTO NEXT WEEK’S EDITION FOR WAYS TO HANDLE YOUR STRESS!
Stepping goes beyond just a method of transportation

Phi Sigma Sigma and Greek Council sponsor philanthropic step show

By Kristen Anderson
Staff Writer

Many people falsely believe that Greeks do nothing but party and drink. The Greek community, however, is out to disprove that and make an example for others to follow.

They have set a goal to accomplish one philanthropic event a month in order to help out the local community and finally verify that they truly do more than just party.

On Monday, March 29, Phi Sigma Sigma, in conjunction with the Greek Council, sponsored a step show in the Student Center. According to Jillinda Briggs, who helped coordinate the program, proceeds from the event were donated to a local woman’s shelter in honor of Women’s History Month.

Numerous groups participated in last week’s step show including: Groove Phi Groove, Swing Phi Swing, Iota Phi Theta, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Phi Beta Sigma, Lambda Theta Phi and Sigma Gamma Rho, as well as others.

The step show, however, almost did not happen. At the last minute, the show was cancelled for unknown reasons. After the decision was made to reinstall the show, some organizations were given 72 hours or less to prepare.

Due to the short notice, many groups felt that the show was lacking and could have been better with more organization.

“Basically, the event would have been better if the organizations which participated were given notice more in advance,” Wilel Fanfan, brother of Groove Phi Groove social fellowship incorporated.

“The event was not well advertised. Flyers went up at the last minute. I have never attended one before and I found it to be a very enjoyable experience.” Briggs explained that the purpose of such charitable events is to unify the community of Greeks while pointing out to others the positive things they do.

The step show was certainly not the first philanthropy accomplished by the Greeks. Just last month, for example, a date auction was held. The money collected from it benefited Hale House, a facility specializing in the nurture and care of babies born addicted to drugs and alcohol, as well as babies born with the HIV virus.

There are also several things tentatively planned for the future. Throughout Greek week a Read-a-Thon will be conducted, the winner of which will receive 40 points towards winning overall Greek week. Additional proposed community service endeavors include either a softball game or handing out food to the homeless in Penn Station.
Looking into technology

By Abigail Burford
Special to The Montclarion

If you grew up in a large extended family, you know what an amazing feat it is to organize a successful family gathering. To bring different generations and distant cousins together for a special occasion takes planning and imagination. The same applies to campus events for disparate groups in a university community.

The Technology Expo presented by the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, in collaboration with Information Technology, was just such a special occasion. On March 25 in Cohen Lounge, Dickson Hall, faculty members from many different disciplines, networking and computer services personnel, student assistants and other members of the MSU community participated in an afternoon of stimulating discussion of educational technology.

As Dr. Rachel Fordyce, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, put it, "what I liked best was the turnout: faculty, staff, and IT all working together." Dr. Jim Nash, Professor of English, also noted the heterogenous nature of the happy crowd. "It was great that so many people cooperated to make it happen and that so many people not normally involved with technology attended." One of the presenters at the Technology Expo was Mr. Eliot Graff, Instructor of English. He presented course materials he had designed with WebCT. "I was most impressed with my colleagues' desire to embrace the new technology coupled with a healthy dose of skepticism regarding that technology's efficacy in the classroom. I was constantly buffeted with comments like, 'Wow! That is amazing! But from a pedagogical perspective, will it help, or is it an MTV-style approach to making the classroom more exciting?' Rather than embracing the technology as a new quixotic non-improvement, our faculty is deliberately discussing the advantages: easier to experiment; wary to be romanticized."

Another presenter was Ms. Cindy Meneghin, MSU Web Manager. "I was very pleased with the input I received on the website. People told me what they want to see; to see the integration of popular audio streaming and video streaming are."

Dr. Susana Sotillo, Associate Professor of Linguistics, who gave a presentation on PowerPoint, also enjoyed learning about WebCT and RealNetworks. "I had a chance to see state-of-the-art software and hardware. Our colleagues in CHSS and IT were extremely helpful."

There she is...Mr. America?

By Carolyn Vetelhik and Lisa Gribbin
Feature Editor and Assistant Feature Editor

When thinking of beauty pageants, most recall Miss America strutting down the runway in a bath­ing suit or evening wear. But what if it was Mr. America? The sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon presented this event in the form of Deepher Dude held on Monday, March 29 in the Student Center ballrooms.

For $15, anyone could sponsor a male model to compete. The five that walked the runway were David Pizzi, sponsored by Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, Haitham Omar, sponsored by Delta Phi Epsilon sorority, Patrick Tumillo, sponsored by Theta Kappa Chi sorority, James Day, sponsored by Sigma Delta Tau sorority, and Matt Mayernick, sponsored by Sigma Delta Phi sorority.

The men competed in five categories: talent, interview, MSU and Greek wear, formal and MSU Greek attire. The final part of the competition was a cheer off that measured which candidate received the loudest applause. John Griffin, Vice President of the SGA, Dean Harris, Dean of Students and Matthew Kane, Director of Blanton Hall, judged the crowd's reaction to the hopefuls.

The title of Deepher Dude, sponsored by Sigma Delta Phi, was awarded to David Pizzi, who received a 2-month membership to the Powerhouse Gym. Runner-up Haitham Omar was given a large slice of pizza from Pizza 46 and movie passes. Patrick Tumillo placed third and received tanning sessions.

The main objective of the pageant was to raise money for cystic fibrosis, Delta Phi Epsilon's national philanthropy. The fund-raiser collected over $300 that was donated to help in the fight against the disease. The fraternities and sororities of MSU participated in the event by sponsoring one of their members. Greek members were charged $15 to sponsor each selected participant. Each attendee of the pageant was charged $3 at the door, and was given a ticket to be eligible to win door prizes that included gift certificates to various restaurants, movie tickets and gym memberships. Additional tickets could also be purchased for $1, or $3 for an army of length.

Deepher Dude, has not been held in 3 years, but its resurrection proved to be a great success. Amy Countryman, the coordinator of the event, commented "It was a great turnout for not having Deepher Dude for such a long time. I would like to thank everyone who participated."
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4. Once you complete all of the above steps, you are ready to participate in the “Assignment Process.”

ASSIGNMENT PROCESS
1. Bring your validated RF100 card to the Blanton Hall Atrium on April 21 or 22. The date you will be permitted to select your room assignment depends upon your label on the RF100 card. (schedule on other side)
2. If you wish to select roommates or suitemates, present ALL applications during the appropriate entry date and time. NOTE: The student with the earliest time appointment can present all RF100 cards, only one person will be permitted to submit the completed application(s).
3. Once you are admitted to the room selection arena, you are to go to the table which represents the hall you wish to live in to reserve your specific room for the next academic year.
4. You must have a group of four (4) in order to reserve a complete suite. Students applying without a roommate will automatically be assigned to the next available space in a particular building.

PLEASE NOTE: If you do not participate in Room Selection for the 1999-2000 year on April 21 or 22, you WILL NOT be guaranteed a room. If you have concerns or questions please contact the Office of Residence Life ext. 7447.

Fall 1999 Room Selection Schedule
Blanton Atrium
April 21 & 22

The time you will be permitted to select your room assignment depends upon your class standing as of February 1, 1999. For example, if your label says Senior, you should arrive at the Blanton Atrium during the time designated for Seniors. Please arrive no more than (10) minutes before your time slot; however, you may arrive any time after your appointed time.

CLASS STATUS AS OF 2/1/99
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Junior (58+ credits)
Sophomore (26+ credits)
Freshman (less than 26 credits)
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DATES & TIMES

April 21, 1999 (9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.)
April 21, 1999 (10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.)
April 21, 1999 (1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.)
April 21, 1999 (3 p.m.-5 p.m.)
April 21, 1999 (7 p.m.-9 p.m.)
April 22, 1999 (DAY TWO) OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS
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If you believe your room application label is incorrect you must obtain a “Credit Evaluation and Projection Form” from Academic Advising.

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*Current senior residents must pick up their room selection booklet from the office of Residence Life.
The question is, what is the “Matrix”? 

By Andrew Ruiz
Staff Writer

S eems in the last few days the question on everyone's lips is: “What is The Matrix?” Unfortunately the answer is a piece of formula sci-fi that, while predictable, may be just quirky enough to stand out from the crowd. Maybe.

The Matrix is the latest for the Wachowski brothers, Andy and Larry. Featuring Laurence Fishburne and Keanu Reeves, The Matrix is typical science fiction, with just enough in the plot to give the illusion of intellectualism. The strongest aspects of the film are the powerhouse performances of Fishburne and virtual unknown Carrie-Anne Moss, along with a genuinely good bit of cinematography with the scene in the incubator. You'll know it when you see it.

The basic premise of this action adventure piece is reminiscent of a William Gibson novel. The plot, such as it is, revolves around the audience in bite sized pieces, so if you want the full effect of the film suggest to skip the rest of this paragraph. The protagonist here is Thomas “Neo” Anderson (Reeves), a computer programmer and a freelance hacker. He is obsessed, for reasons left vague to the audience, with finding out what the “Matrix” is. He believes he is close to a universal truth when he is approached by a leather clad female hacker/warrior known as Trinity (Moss). She tells him that he's in danger then suddenly disappears. Neo, pleased at first, has a run in with some MIB, CIA, FBI, whatever you want to call them, they're the bad guys, wearing black Armani suits and toting dark glasses. Now convinced, he follows Trinity to a meeting with a man named Morpheus, excellently portrayed by Fishburne. Morpheus offers young Neo a choice, the kind that make or break an action flick. Then the film begins to pick up momentum, as all of Neo’s illusions are shattered, or perhaps “obliterated” is a better word. Anyway, go on would be to spoil the plot, so I’ll stop here.

Suffice it to say, by the end of the movie, you will know what the “matrix” is, and you will wonder why you ever cared. The surrealistic view that the Wachowski brothers sold so carefully in the first act is destroyed by the closing action sequences. Imagery that was impressive the first time it was shown is questionable on the second iteration. By the end of the film, the audience has seen the same effects so many times that they seem tame, if not downright corny.

To sum up the film in one word, adequate. It is not a waste of time to go see it, and some of the early action sequences are quite enjoyable. However, it is not the intellectual piece that many are claiming. Feel free to beat anyone about the head who comes out of the theatre saying, “Makes you think.” It doesn’t. The writers dropped any possible intelligent statement midway through the movie. In fact, the only question I had in my mind as I descended the soda machine was “Is there any more of that stuff?”

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Ozzfest announces dates: (Reuters) This year’s OzzFest tour has been subtitled “The Last Tour with Black Sabbath.” As previously reported, the tour will begin May 27 in the Coral Sky Amphitheater in West Palm Beach and it will also include: Rob Zombie, Slayer, Deftones, Primus, Godsmack, System Of A Down, Judas Priest, Drain STH, Static-x, Hidge, Pushmonkey, Slipknot, Puya, Flashpoint and Apartment 26.

Backstreet’s back all right: The Backstreet Boys will release their second U.S. album, Millennium, on May 18. It is the follow-up to their self-titled debut album, which just received the prestigious Diamond Award from the Recording Industry Association of America (R.I.A.A), signifying sales of over ten million copies in the United States alone. To kick off the release of their new album, the Backstreet Boys will perform in an hour-long Disney Channel special titled, appropriately enough, “Backstreet Boys In Concert.” The concert will be taped in New York City in front of 1,800 fans on May 11 at the New Amsterdam Theater. The Amsterdam is currently the home of the Broadway production of Disney’s “The Lion King.” The special will world premiere on July 10 at 7:00 p.m. EDT. The Boys will also release their first single from Millennium titled, “I Want It That Way” on April 12, and the band has just completed a video for the song, directed by Wayne Isham. The single is already the most requested song at New York City Top 40 radio outlets. An official truck listing for the album has not yet been confirmed, but “I Want It That Way,” “Redirect Fan” and “I Need You Tonight” are three of the tracks from the upcoming album. The Backstreet Boys plan on launching an extensive world tour this summer in support of Millennium.
**Family fun at MSU**

**By Victoria Tengelics**  
Staff Writer

MSU presented the Cleveland Signstage Theater company in their production of “Peter Rabbit” on April 2. It was a lively children’s show based upon Beatrix Potter’s classic tale.

As MSU children’s shows are usually interactive, children were able to make their own rabbit ears for Easter and other related crafts before the performance started. Although it got off to a rocky start with technical delays, those who chose to stay for the performance were thoroughly entertained. Designed for the hearing impaired, the actors used sign language, as well as their voices, during the performance to say their lines. For some of the parts such as Peter Rabbit and his sisters, the vocals came from offstage as the actors signed their lines. The use of sign language added a nice touch to the play, allowing children who couldn’t hear the chance to see what was being said and better understand the story.

For those not familiar with the tale, it is the story of the mischievous Peter Rabbit who ignores the warnings of his mother and his sisters, Flopsy, Mopsy, and Cottontail, and sneaks into old McGregor’s garden. He gets lost in the garden after eating too many vegetables and gets chased by Mr. McGregor. He finally does get free of the garden and realizes that his mother was right all along. Upon his return his mother decides that he has been through a lot and forgives punishing him.

The children loved this play, becoming very excited as Peter is being chased by Mr. McGregor. Even the adults found the show amusing. As usual, MSU hosted a delightful family program.

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**Musical theater joins students**

**By Vanessa Benafatto**  
Staff Writer

Where can one hear “Something conclusive, something repet­itive,” from the song Comedy Tonight?

Right on Friday evening in the McEachern Recital Hall at 8 p.m., are Broadway Night, featuring various songs from Broadway musicals performed by students of the music and theater departments.

The two-act show includes songs from the musicals “Les Misérables,” “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the For­um,” “Chess,” “Phantom of the Opera,” “Civil War,” “Cabaret,” and more.

The purpose of the show is to “bridge the gap between the music and theater department, and incorporate awareness and acceptance of musical theater in art and academic pursuits,” said cast member, Alex Kubic.

According to Pete Bush, “Musical theater has become like a dirty word,” in Montclair’s theater and music department. The purpose of the show is to make students and faculty members aware of the interest and enthusiasm many students exhibit for acting and music combined.

Bush, who had his own theater company in Tom’s River, is not only directing the show but also starring in it. He has invested a lot of time, money, and effort into this project but to him it is worth it.

“I think each department could use a little help from each other,” said Bush.

According to theater minor and cast member, Beth Waysek, having the two departments work together would open up more doors for the theater and music majors, and make both parties lives easier.

“The art behind musical theater is the incorporation of vocal talent with persuasive acting... It is about doing the whole thing, not just one thing, well. Indeed, the idea of musical theater as a major would particularly help singers and actors because they could develop more than one talent.

In a college that is closely connected to the city where Broadway is located, many do find it strange that musical theater is not an option in those departments. Perhaps, Broadway Night will not merely open eyes and ears, but hearts as well, for that is what music and theater are about: heart and commitment.

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**Hip - Hop Top 10**

1. Mobb Depp - Quiet Storm
2. Nas - Nas I Am
3. Masterminds - Bring It Back
4. Raekwon & Am. Cream Team - Giant Size
5. Black Moon - Two Turntables & A Mic
6. Demastas - Feel No Guilt f. Nine
7. The Last Emperor - Secret Wars Part 1
8. Aphillayation - Dry Tears
10. Rahzel from The Roots - All I Know

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**Haze - WMSC 90.3**

Thursdays 7-9 p.m.
Re-Birth of a Nation

As the dust of the Civil War finally settles, a small group of former slaves creates a new community in the farm country of Indiana. With them they bring their hopes for a new start, not just for themselves but for America itself. But the past never lets anyone go free without a battle.

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| **Monday, April 12th** | • **Blow up games** 11am-3pm  
SC Quad - Bouncy boxing, Rock wall, Human Bowling  

**Devs Game**, bus leaves @ 6pm behind SC - tickets are $10 purchased at the CLUB office SC Rm 112 x5232 |
| **Tuesday, April 13th** | • **Blow up games** 11am-3pm  
SC Quad - Off with your head, Velcro Olympics, Bungee Run  

**Nerds Concert** at 8pm - SC Ballrooms - Free Admission! |
| **Wednesday, April 14th** | • **Twister Tournament** 12pm SC Quad  

**Yankees Game**, bus leaves @5pm behind SC - tickets are $10 purchased at the CLUB office SC Rm 112 x5232 |
| **Thursday, April 15th** | • **BBQ** 12pm - 2pm SC Quad  

**DRIVE-IN!** featuring “There’s Something About Mary” & “Footloose” - 9pm & 11pm Clove Road Lot 28 |

* For more info contact C.L.U.B. at X5232  
* rain location for games in SC Ballrooms.  
C.L.U.B. is a Class One Organization of the SGA.
How do you feel about the five percent tuition increase proposed for Fiscal Year 2000? I think that, if they raise it five percent in 2000, they’ll raise it again and again until we all do something.

Jordan Yanco, Marketing

Although I have a tuition and fees waiver and I am not directly affected by the hike, I am still concerned for other students who are not as fortunate. If, however, there is one thing that can lessen the pain caused by the proposed hike, it’s the fact that MSU is still the best educational value in New Jersey.

Joan Kanner, Psychology/Spanish

This happens every year. Education should be the primary focus of the state. It should be the primary focus of society...it’s the future.

Sabaustin Skenderli, Political Science

I feel that they always just rush into an increase. It doesn’t seem like they really go over the options...at least, they don’t tell us about the options. They do all of this in Trenton without even going to MSU or looking at students who need to struggle to pay tuition.

Rob Blauvelt, Political Science/French

Although I’m against the increase, it seems that the school is forced to do this because of cutbacks from the state. The problem lies with Whitman and the legislature in Trenton.

Besim Bruncac, Geography

I believe that the administration should fund-raise or get corporate sponsors to get the money to avoid raising tuition.

Dragon Toubonie, Political Science/Speech

Question of the Week: Do you feel that NATO should continue its bombing campaign in the former Yugoslavia?

Let your voice be heard!

Call 655-7616 or e-mail VellucciJ@alpha.montclair.edu to respond.
The End of One Student's Years at MSU

I t is a difficult truth that everything in life must come to an end, and as I write these words, an aspect of my life plays out its end.

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Awakening from Complacency and Addressing the Crisis in Kosovo

Right now, there is a man somewhere in the city that thinks about nothing but the government's drops. We are seeing the new frontiers of medicine, computer technology, artificial intelligence and other areas, it incites the will to be pre- parred.

I think that we, the students, have grown to see the value and necessity of men's independence and, in turn, the dangers of comfort.

Perhaps it is right to drop bombs, but what, re- ally, have they accomplished? More people have turned too fast to an end.

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"[In Kosovo], we may have turned too fast to violent methods of defense."

Learning why the United States thinks we should be involved in Kosovo is not enough. Learning why we should not be involved in Kosovo is not enough. We must call into question our proposed motives for bombing. To do this, we must educate ourselves on this matter beyond what we see in the news everyday and beyond whatever point of view you may read here.

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Looking to the real victims in Kosovo

This is in response to Kara Richardson’s 4/1 article which explored the Kosovo crisis through the eyes of a Serbian national. Although Richardson’s article is objective in its portrayal of a certain human element in this political crisis, her lack of knowledge about the conflict allows her to unintentionally commit an injustice, as she likens aggressors to victims and fails to discuss the plight of the main enemy of the conflict.

Richardson neglects to present the actualities of the conflict as she fails to demonstrate the reality of Serbian aggression. This has brought upon more than $25,000 Albanian refugees who have been forcibly uprooted and driven from their homes by Serbian brutality. How can one portray the hardships of the aggressive battle in a conflict while completely ignoring the truly victimized party? Is this beyond comprehension?

Assuming that Richardson’s failure to discuss the pain and suffering of the victims in this conflict stems from ignorance, I would like to start from where she left off by briefly analyzing the victimization and genocide of Kosovo’s Albanians.

In order to understand the current quagmire in Kosovo, one must familiarize oneself with the potential of fascism and its exclusivist tendencies. I will say that fascism as practiced by the Serbians is the same fascism advocated by the Nazis as they hauled “inferiors” to their death in the 1940s. The recent attacks on Serbia are not aimed at innocent Serbians, as depicted in the article, rather they are an attempt to minimize the Serbian government’s insatiable lust for innocent Albanian blood.

The Kosovo Albanians, who happened to be the main victims in this conflict, initiated this crisis because of their unwillingness to have their rights continually trampled upon. Anyone harboring doubts regarding Serbian bloodlust is asked to observe the wasteland Serbian butchery created in Bosnia where close to 85,000 innocent Muslims were murdered in cold blood for their apparent refusal to accept a sub-human status of servitude in their own country. In light of the history of the region and the trying circumstances facing the Kosovo Albanians, I maintain that one must begin to appreciate their stubborn insistence on attaining independence. As the history of their neighbors in Bosnia proves, the Albanians of Kosovo can either pursue freedom or continue to be killed en masse.

Despite outright massacres, the Albanians have held to their aspiration, acquiring independence. Just as Patrick Henry declared, “Give me liberty or give me death,” the Kosovo Albanians are turning to the world, shouting “Freedom or death!” Such a demand cannot continue to be ignored much longer. Although unintentional, Richardson has followed a course analogous to that of the Serbs in that both have denied the existence of the ethnic Albanians. While the denial of the former, is benevolent and undertaken with the pen, the denial of the latter is dangerous and undertaken with the result of death.

Richardson gives her readers the impression that the Albanians do not exist, and, in doing so, exposes any attacks against Serbia as unjust.

Although the suffering of innocent Albanians should be recognized, it should be done without the compromising the existence and rights of the Albanians who are truly the party in need of sympathy.

Ribhi Huzien, Biology

Response to Following the Money Trail: Getting involved is essential

Dear Mr. Vellucci:

Congratulations on your excellent coverage of “A Serbian Crisis in the Making” (from Following the Money Trail). I was especially impressed with your “opinion page” remarks: “If the Board of Trustees really wanted to foster a positive educational environment, they would lobby, in a sense, for better teacher salaries.”

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The importance of public service in publishing the MSU payroll

Dear Mr. Vellucci:

A belated congratulations for your special issue listing all of the MSU salaries. It’s a significant public service to bring budgetary figures into the light of day, so that the public at-large can begin to understand how much we pay our politicians.

I know it was hard for you to obtain this information.

I cannot remember the last time that The Montclarion did this, if ever! Good for you!

Grover C. Farr, Professor - English Department
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**President**

John Griffin

John Griffin will bring to the position of president a wealth of experience with the SGA, as a representative of the student body, a legislator, President Pro Tempore, and Vice President. His goals are clearly-stated and feasible: extended hours at Sprague Library, the opening of an on-campus video store or one-screen movie theater, a blue light system ensuring stronger campus safety, a wealth of on-campus events and stronger publicity to inform students as to what’s going on at MSU. He has the experience to know how to get things done within student government and a genuine interest in improving the quality of campus life for MSU students, ensuring that his plans and decisions will be developed, informed, and enforced as a result of student concerns.

**Vice-President**

Mike Kazimir

As a legislator for the last three years, Mike Kazimir has learned how to get things done within the SGA. As part of the Griffin/Kazimir/Rourk/Casterlow ticket, he plans to focus his energies if elected on improving the quality of life in MSU residence halls, working to better campus Food Services, and acknowledging the accomplishments of MSU students outside of the boundaries of campus. He supports the proposal for extended hours at Sprague Library and the installation of the campus bluelight system. He has also served as Vice President of Pi Kappa Alpha, and hopes to establish stronger lines of communication between the SGA and Greek organizations.

**Secretary**

William Guardino

The one thing that spoke loudest for Guardino’s dedication to serving students through the SGA was the fact that, whether he is elected or not, he promises to stay active within student government. The SGA’s current President Pro Tempore, Guardino has served as a legislator and chairperson on several committees. Guardino’s key focus seems to be on informing students about the operations and procedures of the SGA and activities on campus through stronger publicity and increased attempts to cater to student needs. Guardino has been the author of many bills within the SGA this year, as well as assisting in several campus projects (such as the recent parking survey), and will be hard-working, dedicated addition to the E-board if elected.

**Treasurer**

Latasha Casterlow

When David Pizzi resigned from the SGA E-board position of Secretary, Latasha Casterlow was there to step up to the challenge. A strong-willed, determined and well-spoken individual, Casterlow summarized what she feels makes a dedicated SGA representative in one word: FACTS (Flexibility, Accountability, Credibility, Tenacity, Stability). Casterlow, who is running on the same ticket as Griffin, Kazimir, and Rourk, supports the idea of extended hours at Sprague Library (described by Casterlow as an attempt to keep commuters, constituting the majority of the student population, on campus), the initiation of the bluelight safety system, and the fostering of a stronger line of communication between the Student Government and all Class I, II, III, and IV organizations.

**BOT Alternate**

Ned T. Gross Jr.

The position of BOT Alternate is a sensitive one - one with roles and parameters differing slightly from the rest of the SGA E-board. Gross has a wealth of ideas on how to work within the infrastructure of MSU’s Board of Trustees while keeping student interests at the top of his, and the board’s, agenda. He supports the establishment of an office for the BOT student representative in the Student Center Annex, an e-mail address where students can directly send their questions and concerns, and a monthly column in The Montclarion, titled “The BOT Corner,” where students will always be kept up to date on happenings at board meetings. Gross is a highly informed and vocal individual, exactly the type of person that students at this university would want to represent them on a highly-important, decision-making entity such as the board of trustees.

Make a difference: VOTE!

**POLLING HOURS**

- **Saturday, April 10**
  - Dickson Hall • 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
  - Monday, April 12
  - Student Center • 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
  - Blanton Hall • 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
  - Tuesday, April 13
  - Dickson Hall • 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
  - Wednesday, April 14
  - Student Center • 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
I fiddled idly with the sleeves of my Armani suit as the limousine drove Sherry and me to our destination: Deceptions. That was the name of the club where we, ironically enough, were to attempt a major deception of trying to appear as males when we were so obviously not. Sherry was practically a triple D in bra; otherwise if size F existed she was there. Her boobs seemed to come out of her ears. It isn’t like I stood there and watched her “friends”, as she called them, but every word she said was emphasized by her chest. Lesbian or not—no one bard to notice. However, she was tall, which, in this case, would do her good. We were eventually able to disguise her boobs by tying them down and flattening them. The only problem was she could hardly breathe. Right now, she was breathing in little gasps, which under different circumstances may have tickled me into laughter.

We had tried on various outfits to fit our roles as men - Sherry’s parents had dough - so I was wearing a ‘fly’ Armani and she was sporting a rather dashing Versace suit, I had always wanted to wear expensive clothing, but for a woman. I mean, this was not exactly the solution I had desired for my present circumstances, present circumstances being that I was well…single. I could only bite my lip and wonder as to the final resolution of this farce.

I tried to talk Sherry out of it. I told her we just could not pull it off because there were certain delicate unmentionables we did not want to wear, or at least not to be seen. I even tried to explain this to her.

The conclusion of my disguise was a fake goatee. I bound certain parts of my anatomy, which in my case weren’t too difficult, darkened my skin and roughened my body. Of course, I knew many who shaved their mustaches but still and all…

I decide to stay with the idea. Sherry laughed. “All in all, it sounds like a very promising evening doesn’t it?”

I was not the only one who found this amusing. I was unable to control myself and I started to laugh. I don’t know why, but I just couldn’t help it. I mean, it was just too funny. So, I continued to laugh, and Sherry joined in. We were laughing so hard that we were practically rolling on the floor. It was truly a wonderful evening, a time I will never forget. I hope you will too.”
I would like to apologize to all those who looked forward to my section last week only to find that I had, as an April Fools' Joke, made the crossword and wordfind impossible.

I was just trying to be a good editor and stuff.

But it was wrong of me to do so. I am deeply sorry. I should have known better. I should be beaten mercilessly. I'm shut up in this little room with no windows and an average temperature of 300 degrees.

The voices in my head told me it would be a hoot, and I listened.

I don't know who I am half the time. I have pasta in my underwear. And who keeps frying baloney?
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The Horoscope Never Lies

Taurus (Apr. 20 to May 20): A visit to a maximus security prison is just what the doctor ordered! You need your own way. And you let know the prison officers you were planning to steal on the black market.

Gemini (May 21 to Jun. 21): Many work places Gemini under stress. They need your work ethic. You show up on your head, but you grow a killer beard. You look like the guys from ZZ Top. Rock out!

Cancer (Jun. 22 to Jul. 22): Queen has way of excitement because last week soaked. To find bored in your desk drawer an explosives permit for 200 pounds of T.N.T. To blow up Flglomer and Fireplug. Mother ignores it completely.

Leo (Jul. 23 to Aug. 22): To have remarkable gas mileage for a sport utility Vehicle of your Class. But you tip over at every corner; killing passengers and pedestrians alike. Mother is very disappointed in you.

Virgo (Aug. 23 to Sep. 22): Your classes you registered for got cancelled. Take new ones. To sign up for "Ristorante of Ely's Restaurant". "Naming the Residents since Tomah's", "Psychics for the Rich", and "It's 8am, let's just stap The River In Ely.".

Libra (Sep. 23 to Oct. 22): Your mom isn't around and you have so much fun! You don't look both ways before crossing. You make a face and it doesn't stick like that: Too guilty with your food. And you jump on the bed. Take that mom! I'll show you!

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): You aren't around and you have so much fun! Too don't look both ways before crossing. You make a face and it doesn't stick like that: Too guilty with your food. And you jump on the bed. Take that mom! I'll show you!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): A visit to a maximum security prison is just what the doctor ordered! You need your work ethic. You show up on your head, but you grow a killer beard. You look like the guys from ZZ Top. Rock out!

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19): Richard Simmons shows up at your door uninvited. He barges in and hypnotizes you. You will sweat to the oldies! You will shake your bootie! You will kick his scrawny ass!

Aquarius (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18): The classes you registered for got cancelled. Take new ones. You sign up for "History of EARL", "Naming the Presidents since Trump", "Tribes for Birds", and "It's 8am, let's just stap The River In Ely."

Pisces (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20): Stormy, your loyal friend, needs a weekend retreat. This weekend, you pay a real dining queen in Ely's Restaurant. Get a strategy, a case of Budweiser's "Red Rock", and some pastries from the kitchen. Go out!

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The Intramural Basketball season comes to a close, most of the playoff matchups have been decided. Playoff action starts this Sunday, April 10. Games in the single-elimination will go on until the championship game on Wednesday at 8:15 p.m.

One of the two games remaining to be played Thursday night have major playoff implications. If the Pirate Eyes (7-5) defeat the Underdogs (2-10), they will secure the number six spot in the playoffs and a first round bid. If the Underdogs manage the upset, the Eyes take the seven seed and play the Underdogs again Sunday night in the first round, and the Syntschaholics (7-5-1) will take on the number three team, The Swarm (10-3). The winner of the game against the Underdogs will be faced with the ominous challenge of Feel Deeze (12-1), whose sole loss came on a disqualification.

Elsewhere, the undefeated Regular Season Champions, ONN (13-0), will await the winner of a Sunday night match-up between the Theta Xi Underdawgs (6-7) and the Blanton Bearcats (6-7). Although both teams have the same record, Theta Xi took the higher seed by beating the Bearcats 44-21 earlier in the regular season.

In another tight pairing, number four Fast Break (8-3-1) faces number five Team Undecided (8-5). Fast Break won the regular season game against the Riddlers, but this is the playoffs, and anything can happen.

### Last Week's Results

**Thursday, April 1**
- Bearcats 58, Undecided 51
- Soc Drinkers 54, Syntschaholics 44

**Sunday, April 4**
- Pirate Eyes 61, Syntschaholics 38
- Fast Break 68, Soc. Drinkers 45

**Monday, April 5**
- No Games Sceduled

**Tuesday, April 6**
- Feel Deeze 75, Theta Xi 31
- ONN 67, Underdawgs 47

**Wednesday, April 7**
- Feel Deeze 68, Soc. Drinkers 38
- Undecided 47, Theta Xi 34

### A Look Ahead

**Thursday, April 8**
- Pirate Eyes vs Underdogs, 8:15
- Fast Break vs OTD, 9:15

**End of Regular Season**
- See Playoff Bracket for More Info

### Playoff Bracket

1. **ONN**
   - **First Round**
   - **Sunday, 10:15**

2. **Feel Deeze**
   - **Tuesday, 10:15**

3. **The Swarm**
   - **Monday, 10:15**

4. **Fast Break**
   - **Tuesday, 8:15**

5. **Undecided**
   - **Monday, 8:15**

6. **Pirate Eyes**
   - **Sunday, 8:15**

7. **Syntsch.**

8. **Theta Xi**

9. **Bearcats**
   - **Monday, 8:15**

10. **Underdawgs**
    - **Monday, 9:15**

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- Tie shoes
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- Baby steps
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smashed his first homerun of the year. This scored two runs, and the third was scored on a bloop RBI single by Mark Migliori.

The Red Hawks managed to touch homebase four times in the sixth inning making the score 11-5, but failed to narrow the lead further. Wydner went 3-4 with and RBI, sophomore Dave Wurst finished with two RBI’s, while sophomore Scott Allan and senior Alex Bosch both had two hits.

Montclair defeated Rowan in the second game 6-4 after breaking a 1-1 tie to take the lead in the bottom of the fifth with four hits in a row that scored two runs, making the score 3-1. Second baseman Craig Conway hit an RBI single making the lead 2-1, which was followed by Francia’s RBI single for the 3-1 lead. MSU’s fourth run came off an error by the Profs.

Rowan fought back and scored three runs in the top of the eighth inning making the score 5-4, which would be their final time scoring.

Montclair visited Ramapo College last Friday in a conference game and were defeated 6-5 by the Roadrunners.

Ramapo enjoyed the lead for a while after senior Mike Pasch scored Carl Lorelli in the first inning on a sacrifice fly. The Roadrunners added three more runs in the fourth inning. However, Montclair fought back to take the lead in the top of the eighth with the bases loaded, and finished the inning 5-4. Ramapo’s sophomore right fielder Chris Niskock then smacked an RBI single in the bottom of the ninth leading to the Roadrunners’ 6-5 victory.

Senior Jason Schuchard enjoyed his first win of the year for Ramapo, giving up one run on two hits, and striking out two. Kevin Rakowski-Kuhlman was the losing pitcher for the Hawks, falling to 0-1 on the year, giving up two runs on two hits, six walks and five strikeouts.

In last Saturday’s game against William Paterson University, the Red Hawks were defeated 6-5. The legendary Yogi Berra came out to MSU to throw out the first pitch to start the Red Hawks conference season in a game that wasn’t decided until the last inning.

Montclair fought back from a 5-2 deficit and made it even at 5-5 in the bottom of the eighth inning. William Paterson rallied in the top of the ninth to win 6-5.

For MSU, Francia was 1-4 with two runs batted in, while Kermizian was 3-5. The Red Hawks will return to action today to take on Rutgers-Newark in a conference game to be played at Rutgers-Newark.

**This week’s RED HAWK ACTION**

**Thursday, April 8**
- *Baseball @ Rutgers-Newark, 3:30 p.m.*
- *Softball vs. Felician (DH), 3 p.m.*
- Men’s Golf @ Moravian, PA, 1pm

**Friday, April 9**
- *Baseball vs. Kean University, 3:30 p.m.*

**Saturday, April 10**
- *Softball @ Kean University (DH), 1 p.m.*
- *Baseball vs. NJ City University (DH), 12 p.m.*
- Women’s Lacrosse @ Philadelphia Textile, PA, 1 p.m.
- Men’s Golf @ Millersville, PA

**Sunday, April 11**
- Men’s Golf @ Millersville, PA

**Monday, April 12**
- Men’s Golf MSU Invitational
- Men’s Lacrosse vs. Centenary College, 7 p.m.
- Men’s Tennis vs. East Stroudsburg, PA, 4 p.m.

**Tuesday, April 13**
- *Baseball vs. E. Connecticut, 4 p.m.*
- *Softball vs. William Paterson (DH), 3 p.m.*
- Women’s Lacrosse @ The College of New Jersey, 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 14**
- Men’s Lacrosse vs. Kean University, 7 p.m.
- *Men’s Tennis vs. Ramapo College, 3:30 p.m.*

- * NJAC matchup  
  BOLD - Home game  
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Alexandra Lamont
Outfielder
Sophomore
5-3
Hawthorne, NJ
De Paul HS

MSU Softball

Male Athlete of the Week

Dan Wydner
Centerfield
Senior
6-0
Port Murray, NJ
West Morris Cnt. HS

MSU Baseball

Sophomore outfielder Alexandra Lamont went 4-5 with four RBI’s on Monday at Richard Stockton College, and went 2-3 against Drew University last Saturday in a non-conference doubleheader played at MSU’s Quarry Field.

Senior centerfield Dan Wydner was superb this past week tripling in last Saturday’s game against William Paterson, going 5-9 total in two games against Rowan University, and also leading the NJAC in triples with four.

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MSU softball too hot to handle; cruising along with winning record of 18-3

By Tess Sterling
Sports Editor

Montclair State University’s softball team had another excellent week sweeping both Drew University and Richard Stockton College, improving their record to 18-3.

In the first game against Richard Stockton, Montclair State came out strong scoring the first two runs of the game. The Red Hawks first run was scored by junior infielder Tara Wisz off an RBI single to right field by senior infielder Jamie Lascik. This hit advanced sophomore outfielder Alex Lamont to third, and she subsequently scored when sophomore Kim Caruso smacked an RBI single to second base. Montclair State would go on to have four single-run innings, making the score 6-1 in their favor.

For MSU, Wisz was 2-3 with an RBI, and Lascik was 3-4 with two runs batted in. The winning pitcher was Sue McCarville who gave up five hits, one run, two walks, and striking out five, improving her record to 13-1.

The second game of the doubleheader against Richard Stockton proved to be as fruitful in runs as the first. Although Montclair came up empty in the first two innings, they produced multiple-run innings thereafter.

For the Red Hawks, Lamont was 4-5 with four RBI’s, junior infielder Lisa Czarnecki was 2-4 with one run batted in, and sophomore Evelyn Morozzi was a perfect 3-3 with four RBI’s. Sophomore pitcher Caruso won the game on the mound, pitching five innings with five strikeouts, one walk, and four hits. With this win, Caruso improved her record to 5-1 on the season.

Montclair State University women’s softball will next be in action today at Rutgers-Newark in a conference game starting at 3:30 p.m.

By Tess Sterling
Sports Editor

Montclair State’s baseball team went 2-3 this past week, losing to William Paterson University, Ramapo College, splitting with Rowan University, and defeating Division II Adelphi University. Their record now stands even at 10-10, NJAC 1-3.

In the game against Adelphi University played at MSU’s Yogi Berra Stadium on Tuesday afternoon, junior Frank Francia hit a two-run single, while senior Dan Wydner smacked a three-run triple which were all the runs Montclair would need for the victory. The Red Hawks were behind 1-0 at the beginning of the third inning, when Francia drove in runners from second and third with a two-out, two-run single which made it a 2-1 lead for MSU. Wydner cleared the bases in the next inning with a triple down the right field line making it a 5-1 lead.

The Panthers retaliated, however, scoring in the fifth inning making the score 5-2. However, with great defensive plays by the Red Hawks, Adelphi failed to put the score past 5-4 in favor of Montclair.

For the Red Hawks, senior lefty Mike Orth had the victory, giving up one run and two hits in three innings of play. He improved his record to 2-0 on the season. Senior outfielder Brian Kermizian was 3-4.

In a conference doubleheader against Rowan University at the Yogi Berra Stadium on the campus of Montclair State, the Red Hawks managed to split the games with the Profs. In game one, MSU was defeated and fell to 8-10, 0-3. They were down early by the score of 3-0 in the top of the first after junior centerfielder Mike Dickson