Student awakes to sexual assault

By Kara Richardson
Managing Editor

A female Clove Road Apartment resident was sexually assaulted by a man who climbed into her bedroom window early Tuesday morning last week. With a sexual predator on the loose, high ranking MSU administrators admit they could have altered the campus in a more timely fashion.

A man described as an African-American male, mid 20s, medium build and approximately 5’9” in height entered her first floor apartment at 3:18 a.m. according to MSU Police. The victim of the sexual assault said that she awoke to a strange man touching her leg. As he continued to touch her and tried to climb on top of her, she was aware that it was not her boyfriend, she began squirming toward the wall in fear. Finally, the man scurried out of the apartment and fled on foot.

She tried to call Campus Police immediately but a phone was off the hook in another room, making it impossible to call out for help. One of her roommates, who was sleeping in the next room, discovered $50 missing from her wallet.

“This guy seemed to know what he was doing,” the victim said. “It is scary.”

According to the Director of Campus Safety and Security Philip Caléne, an email was sent out to the campus community the day after the incident.

Many students said they did not receive an email on Tuesday. Flyers were not posted and safety meetings did not occur until later Tuesday.

A security resident in their apartment. “When I awoke to cold hands on my leg, a body was creeping up her bed from beneath her covers. In her groggy state, she thought her boyfriend was making a surprise visit.

As the man’s torso was completely on the bed, he tried to climb on top of her. After she was aware that it was not her boyfriend, she began squirming toward the wall in fear. Taken with fear, she did not scream.

“What are you doing?” she said, trying not to panic.

“I want to lick your pussy,” was all he said.

She struggled, whisking away his advancing hands into her shorts. As she struggled more, the man got up quickly and ran for the door.

He looked like a trapped animal, not knowing what to do this [give cops guns],” said Pennington. “If the community decided it was necessary then it would be done.”

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“Properly trained police should have weapons available to them to protect themselves,” said Matusow-Ayres.

Before the break-in and sexual assault on Tuesday, one security guard was assigned to patrol the area. The day after the assault, one guard remained to patrol the area.

After the armed robbery took place, the administration held meetings for Clove Road residents to voice their concerns, made counseling readily available, and removed the lone security guard and placed two police officers on patrol at the apartments.

“One incident might not be enough to do it, but two certainly are,” said Matusow-Ayres.

Some residents’ suggestions, such as moving all the female students to apartments on higher floors, and installing security cameras are now being seriously considered, according to Matusow-Ayres.

“Next year, we probably won’t be putting women on the first floor,” said Matusow-Ayres.

Arming campus cops discussed after robbery

By Dan Lombardi
Staff Writer

Arming campus police is under consideration, after the sexual assault and the armed robbery this week.

The two crimes occurred within 12 hours at the 303 Clove Road Apartment section.

Campus police should be better equipped even if it includes guns, Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington said.

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Shot fired in armed robbery

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Staff Writer

Masked gunmen forced their way into a Clove Road Apartment late Wednesday night. They locked the occupants in the bathroom, shot once, and left after stealing cash and other items.

“I got a phone call from the girls next door,” said Mike Roberts [not his real name], one of the apartments’ residents. “They said that some guys were ringing their doorbell but they didn’t know them, and that it must have been for one of us.”

Roberts said he went down to the Clove Road Apartment’s 303 section front door and saw an unfamiliar man standing there.

After he opened the door, the stranger grabbed him by the throat and pushed him to the ground. Another perpetrator, wearing a ski mask, approached from the side and placed a revolver to his forehead.

The perpetrators forced Roberts up the stairs to his apartment where he knocked on his door. After his roommate opened the door, four or five other masked assailants, rushed in and started screaming. A few of them had guns, said Roberts, and one was carrying a car club.

The assailant locked the apartment resident in their bathroom.

“I just heard a lot of noise like they were tearing the place apart,” said Roberts.

After some time locked in the bathroom the door was opened and one of the gunmen pulled one resident out, and quickly closed the door.

Roberts heard more rustling and then a gun shot rang out. Afterwards, everything was momentarily silent.

“I thought they were gonna come in and do us one by one,” said Roberts.

His roommate said that the gunmen had left and it was safe to emerge.

He heard something, and someone said it sounded like a gunshot,” said neighbor of the victims. “We didn’t think it was anything until about an hour later when another student told us what happened.”

The bullet was found lodged in a closet, and was recovered by
Argument over abortion
director not ready to rule

(Reuters) — India's Con­gress party said on Tuesday it was still not in a position to form a government with outside support from regional, caste-based parties with which it would support Communist Party of India (Marxist) leader Jyoti Basu as prime minister.

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Holy wars tear into Indonesia

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4/4 Female reports while on campus she was towed to a repair facility.

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4/19 Female student reports that she was being harassed by someone who had been removed from the building. She returned to her room and found a note on the door. The note was not sexual in nature.

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4/20 There was no one in the building on 4/19.

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4/22 A group of masked males entered Stone Hall on the report that a male, wearing a bag and carrying a machete, was a vicious serial killer are now being sought to view him as a moral philosopher and caring friend who desires to escape execution. In the final days of the pen­al phase, Ng's lawyers have pre­sented a litany of testimonials to his good character from a parade of witnesses, some of whose roles have been criticized on the down­right bizarre. It's no surprise that family members and talk of Ng's abused childhood in Hong Kong. But more than a dozen other wit­nesses called by Deputy Public Defender William Kelley threw yet another twist in a trial that has be­come one of California's longest and most expensive.

Some were upsetting citi­zens: former Marines, prison guards and a 66-year-old woman who was briefly Ng's lover. To­gether, they spoke of the 38-year­old defendant in almost reveren­tial tones.

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For the Record

What's to come in The Montclarion

Racial profiling goes to trial

The attorney general yester­day announced the first indict­ments in a year-long investigation of the State Police, accusing two troopers of lying about the race of dozens of motorists they stopped on the New Jersey Turnpike and illegally searching their cars.

Troopers James Kenna and Michael Orsini are charged with lying about the race of the motorists stopped and searched in a 13-month-old Bhariahly Janata Party-led rally in a confidence vote on Saturday.

Some of those parties are determined not to let Congress rule on its own. One of them, in an ap­parent snub to Gaylord Nelson, has said that it would support Communist Party of India (Marxist) leader Jyoti Basu as prime minister.

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President B.J. Habibie con­demned the act, and called it an at­tempt to sabotage the June 7 par­liamentary elections in Indone­sia, who have known little but automatic rule, will experience their first democratic poll in more than six de­cades.

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World Series trophy at museum

By Raghad Al-Haddid
Special to The Montclarion

The New York Yankees 1998 World Series Trophy was presented to Yogi Berra by New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani on April 5, and it will be displayed in the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center beginning April 14.

The trophy was placed in the Museum and Learning Center not for profit, but in honor of the Berra’s career as a major league baseball player. Yogi Berra has a 19-year career, and his last play was in 1965.

Dave Kaplan Executive Director of the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center said:

“The Trophy carries 30 flag bearers and every year the Trophy is created in the same design and shape as the first Trophy that was created in 1968.

A thousand fans have already visited the Museum and Learning Center since its opening on April 14, said Marty Apple, an employee of the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center.

The Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center was founded by The Friends of Yugi, Inc. in October of 1997. The first goal behind its development was to enhance young people’s education by using their interest in baseball. Lawrence Peter “Yogi” Berra, 73, grew up in a neighborhood called “The Hill” on Elizabeth Street in St. Louis. A childhood friend, Bobby Hofman gave Berra his nickname after watching an Indian movie. He thought that the Hindi man resembled Berra in the way he walked.

Berra joined the team as a catcher with Aaron Robinson, Charlie Silvera and Gus Niarhos in 1943. Berra became the Yankees manager in 1964 and then in 1973 he became the New York Mets manager. As a manager, Berra won pennants in both leagues.

Berra was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1972. As player, manager, and coach, Berra earned 39 rings. He received an honorary doctorate from Montclair State University and now has a Museum and Learning Center built in his honor by his friends.

“The reason behind building the Museum and Learning Center is to celebrate its heritage and to make the campus function as effectively as it can,” said Lynde. “Our role is to work with all parties involved to make the campus function as effectively as it can.”

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Lost & Found

One of these dogs must be Spade!

By Kristin Anderson
Special to The Montclarion

A male allegedly holding his penis or masturbating encountered three female students on separate occasions, while on the Sprague library’s second floor.

According to police reports, the victims said that the unknown perpetrator attempted to converse with them as he stood completely exposed before them.

Each victim gave a similar description of the perpetrator, Sergeant Rosado of Campus Safety and Security said.

The library guard regularly monitors the floors at specific times throughout the evening. If not walking, he is available at his desk, Hunt said.

Whenever possible, Hunt also said that she checks the library for sleeping or suspicious students. She emphasized that students should always report any criminal, uncomfortable or threatening incidents that occur to the library guard or to the on-duty reference librarian.

A similar incident of lewdness also occurred recently off-campus in Montclair where a male, fitting the three victims’ descriptions, exposed himself to passing vehicles, Rosado said.

These are the first cases of lewdness she has encountered in her 2 1/2 years working at Sprague, University librarian, Judith Hunt said.

If apprehended, the suspect will be charged in Essex County Court.

Public masturbation is a form of exhibitionism providing a thrill or rush from shocking others and improper behavior. The act could also substitute substantive relationships that the person cannot maintain, psychologist Dr. Todd Weisman said.

One female student said she felt that there is not enough staff in the library. Although the act itself surprised her, the fact that no security was in evidence when any of the three events occurred did not.

Valeska Milan, a student studying with a male friend in the library, admitted she felt less safe and believed more campus security was necessary.

Masturbator exposes penis to three female students

By Justin Velucci
Opinion Page Editor

A letter calling for the resignation of Dean Rachel Fordyce, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, began circulating among campus faculty and students last week.

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David Spade Sophie Marceau

A comedy about a guy who would do anything to get the girl of his dreams - and did!

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STARTS APRIL 23 AT A THEATRE NEAR YOU.
Two Montclarion contributors win journalism award

By Maureen Samedy

An expose on Dr. Research and “Following the Money Trail” won awards for two Montclarion contributors, Justin Vellucci, 19, and Mary Kate Frank, a graduating senior, will officially receive the Harold Friedlander Memorial Journalism award April 26.

Nightmare

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She shivered when she looked at the window frame, still black with fingerprint powder.

She still feels frigid hands on her and every noise causes panic. What was once a person job of taking out the garbage has become a buddy system.

“When does this fear end?” she asked.

“I hope soon.”

where to go,” she said. As he ran away, he gave Miranda one more look before she shut the door in panic. A neighbor caught a glimpse of the perpetrator. The man looked twice at the neighbor before he fled.

Meanwhile, Miranda pounded on her roommates’ door. The two other girls awoke to get someone inside as they patrolled out-with flashlights.

A cordless phone was missing and off the hook. They had to rip the cord from the wall and call out from another phone.

As campus police arrived at the scene, Miranda and her roommates were anxious to get someone inside as they patrolled outside the apartment and searched the woods with flashlights. The girls found the cordless phone in their kitchen wrapper in a towel with her roommate’s wallet minus $50 on top.

“This person must have known what he was doing,” Miranda said.

Her apartment was swarming with people. Montclair State Police, Little Falls Police and the Passaic County Forensic team scavenged for evidence. Miranda said the administration was supportive and quick to respond.

“I never thought I would say this but I love police. I am always so happy to see them now,” she said.

She and her roommates evacuated the apartment. Two days after the incident. After she and her roommates moved to their new apartment, she huddled close to her boyfriend.

The air was thick with smoke. As her roommate spoke about the administration’s concern, Miranda picked up the phone, next to which four police detective business cards were thumbtacked.

She went to pick up some mail in her old apartment. She went back to the door and tugged it behind her to assure security. When she visited the old apartment, she said, “I hate this place,” under her breath.

Three stripped mattresses were piled in the living room. Miranda’s favorite sheets were among the evidence collected by the Passaic County Forensic Unit. Outside the bedroom window, the mud was still scarred with the boot print of the intruder. The screen showed evidence of tampering.

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Mary Kate Frank submitted her highly publicized investigative article entitled “Term Papers for Sale” about Dr. Research’s business of selling term papers. Frank is an English major.

“It’s been an amazing year for me, and I’m thrilled and honored to be given the Friedlander Memorial Journalism award,” said Frank.

Frank has been accepted to the New York University journalism graduate school. Out of a national selection from 16 people, Frank was chosen for a program by the Poynter Institute Journalism Fellowship this summer in St. Petersburg, Florida.

“I want to work in print journalism in NYC, and write fiction on the side,” Frank said.

The winners’ reception will be held at the Philip Cohen lounge in Dickson Hall at 7 p.m.

To be considered for this award, one must have exhibited notable journalistic accomplishments while at MSU.

The Harold Friedlander Memorial Journalism Award is the first of its kind, and was established by Professor Moe McGee. The award was instituted to commemorate Harold Friedlander, a MSU graduate from the class of 1950.

Robbery

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The gun shot did not hit the room­mate, but it was meant as a warning shot, said Roberts.

The kinds of events happen on every campus,” said Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington.

“None of us can be completely safe anywhere. There is violence in society,” said Dean of Student Life Helen Matsuw-Ayres.

No arrests have yet been made regarding this incident, said Matsuw-Ayres.

Although repeated attempts were made, the Office of Safety and Security refused to comment on the incident.

“I was just told by my director that I was not to talk to the press. If inside or outside agencies contacted me, I was to direct them to Dr. O’Brien,” said a resident assistant.

“Itally told them to tell it in the web of bureaucracy.”

The incident forced the Student Govern­ment Association and College Life Union Board to move the Thursday night “Cam­ pus Drive In” to the Quad, instead of the usual Clove Road parking lot.

The university was worried the men might come back, said Pennington.

“I have full confidence the police will find them,” said Matsuw-Ayres. “They’re well trained police and have solved big crimes before.”
FUTURE UNCERTAIN: Rachel Fordyce, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, has been the target of a recent letter circulating among CHSS staff. Fordyce was unavailable for comment. Six telephone calls were made to both her office in Dickson Hall and her home.

Fordyce succeeded Philip Cohen as Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences in 1992. Prior to her taking the position at MSU, Fordyce served as Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She also served as Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Connecticut State University and Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Fordyce received bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral degrees in English at the University of Pittsburgh.

“I’ve taken on a job I like very, very much,” said Fordyce in the September 7, 1992 edition of Insight. “I respect the people here [at MSU] and the institution.”

Recommendations regarding Fordyce’s reappointment will be made within the next two months and go before the MSU Board of Trustees in June.
Special science course fee could be instituted FY2000

By Brian Pedersen
Assistant News Editor

The request for a special course fee was discussed at the University Senate meeting last month.

The fiscal year 2000 is the tentative date when the request may be instituted, but no decision has been made, according to a request form from the Office of Budget and Planning.

The special course fee is an added expenditure for science labs and other courses that may involve extra equipment or materials.

"To run an art program with lots of overhead and supplies is a very costly venture," said Harry Schuckle, vice president of Budget, Planning and Information Technology.

"I think there is a great misunderstanding," said Dr. Gregory Waters vice president of Academic Affairs and Institutional Advancement. "For years, there have been courses with specific course fees. The Board Of Trustees only approves fees that affect a large number of classes."

"My concern is that special fees should not create a burden for students with financial difficulties," said Arlene King, Chair of the Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership.

"Sometimes we all carry the burden to see to it that there is a certain amount of equality that we don’t eliminate people with capabilities who may be in financial need," said King.

Also at the meeting, Information Technology gave a brief regarding the new e-mail system on campus.

"Some significant software problems have not been updated. By getting the software fixed, we hope to have fixed the computer problems," said Lynn Truesdell of Information Technology.

Students will remain on alpha accounts, but faculty and staff may switch from Saturn to E-mail accounts, according to Truesdell.

Among the various issues discussed at the meeting were a parking update, a report on the guidelines for outdoor artwork, and a request for additional childcare space and staff.

Assault

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til Thursday after an armed robbery that occurred on Wednesday night. The flyers combined two events, advising students to take "extra precautions."

"I don’t think they intended to have anyone to know about this," said the victim’s roommate Kristin Marthinson. "I think they wanted to keep it as quiet as possible."

Melinda O’Brien, director of Residence Life, said that she had to wait for the go ahead from Campus Police to put out a residence hall alert.

Many residents voiced their anger about not being informed about the sexual assault until after Wednesday night’s armed robbery said O’Brien.

"The flyer did not go out as quickly as it should have," Dr. Karen Pennington, Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life said.

Director of Public Information, Phyllis Miller said that she was aware of both situations on Thursday morning when she received an inquiring call from Channel 7 News.

Since the sexual assault, both Matusow-Ayres and Pennington have counselled the victims and secure the Clove Road Apartments.

Marthinson said that they were lucky that they were not crime stricken earlier. She said that their Clove Road Apartment was plagued with security problems including a screen on a front window that popped out on contact and a broken lock on their front door that were ignored by maintenance.

"This guy [the intruder] made it hard on himself by going in through her room," Marthinson said.

O’Brien said that many problems came to her attention when several Clove Road Residents had similar complaints, and that she has sent physical plant to assess each apartment for security.

Pennington said she has looked into a plate barrier that would prevent anyone from prying the screen off from the outside. The current estimate for the barriers is $44,000.

"We are looking into additional lighting, prickly bushes and the possibility of cameras," Pennington said.

The USA Security officer has been replaced by two uniformed MSU Police Staff and a marked Police car in the Clove Road Complex said O’Brien.

"We are close to Route 46, Route 3 and the Garden State Parkway," Matusow-Ayres said. "No one should have to live in fear but they should take the proper precautions."
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FEATURE

"Fiery flame" competes for Wannabe VJ on MTV

By Kristen Anderson

MSU undergraduate Laura Lifshitz utilizes her talent to place third in competition

It was obvious she had made an impression on the judges, Da Brat, MTV VJ Matt Pinfield, Steve Harwell, lead singer of Smash Mouth and Joey McIntyre, during the semi-final round. They voted her, out of the 12 semifinalists, to be one of the five "Wannabes" to move onto the finals on Saturday.

Although falling short of first place, Laura Lifshitz has definitely captured MTV and the nation with her zany, crazy attitude.
A kiss can be deadly: the dangers of Meningitis

By Lisa Gribbin
Assistant Feature Editor

D o you ever take a sip out of someone’s drink? How about taking a bite with another’s fork because you can’t resist just trying a little? How about kissing your significant other? If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, you may be putting yourself at risk for Meningitis, a potentially fatal disease that is affecting college students today.

Meningitis, an infection easily spread through direct contact with oral secretions (this includes kissing, coughing, and sharing utensils), can lead to a swelling of the brain and spinal cord. There are two different kinds of Meningitis, which are viral and bacterial. The viral infection is a more common form of the disease and is not considered as serious as bacterial Meningitis. This strain of the virus is easily spread and causes outbreaks in a specific area. If left untreated, this type of Meningitis can lead to hearing loss, seizures, amputation and brain damage. It can even be fatal. However, if the virus is detected early, it is most often curable. There is also a vaccine available to prevent the contraction of the disease.

According to statistics from the American College Health Association, there has been an increase in Meningitis outbreaks in college activities that surround college life. Crowded places such as classrooms, dorms, and bars as well as practices such as smoking and drinking alcohol all contribute to making a student susceptible to contracting the disease. The ACHA recommends that students “consider a meningitis vaccination to reduce their risk for potentially fatal meningococcal disease.”

Nancy Ellson, director of the Health and Wellness Center at MSU, said, “This is a vaccine-preventable disease, and one you never have to have.” Ellson and her staff recently sent letters to the parents of MSU students who live on campus explaining the importance of getting vaccinated against Meningitis. She stressed that there has not been a recent outbreak in the campus community.

“We sent letters to inform the parents of the increased risks college students face and to promote awareness of the need for immunization,” she said.

If you would like to learn more about meningitis and the precautions available to prevent developing the disease, you can contact the Health and Wellness Center in Blanton Hall at x4361. If you wish to be vaccinated against the disease, MSU is administering the Meningitis vaccine on Wednesday, April 28th. The vaccine will be given at the Student Center and in the Sprague Library for a fee of $3.50. You can also call 1-877-4-vaccess or access the web at www.vaccess.com for more information.

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- Sensitivity to Light

Your life is in your hands: protection from crime

By Lisa Gribbin
Assistant Feature Editor

H ave you ever been afraid of being robbed or attacked? If you have, there are ways to learn how to protect yourself. The National Crime Preven­
tion Council provides information to help prevent people from becoming potential victims.

Statistics from the FBI report that 13 percent of crimes reported to police are violent crimes such as aggravated assault, robbery, forcible rape and murder. The remaining 87 percent are those referring to property crimes. The National Crime Prevention Council reports that in 1994 there were 111 violent victimizations for every 1,000 teenagers and young adults in the United States. The victim not only experiences an emotional loss, but a financial loss as well: Personal crimes generate $105 billion annually in property, productivity losses and medical expenses.

According to information from the Crime Prevention Council, women are significantly less likely than men to become victims of violent crime. However, they still experience more than 2.5 million violent events every year, including rape and other sexual assaults, especially women aged 15-24. This age group has the highest risk of becoming a victim of a sexual assault.

The checklist, formulated by the National Crime Prevention Council, can help you analyze your own dangerous behavior and make the appropriate changes so that you can better protect yourself from harm.

- Walk by yourself early in the morning or late at night?
- Leave your purse open so anyone can peek in and know your home address or phone number?
- * Let your thoughts wander while driving or walking?
- * Leave your car doors unlocked, even if it’s only for a short period of time?
- If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, you might consider changing a few habits to safeguard yourself from a possible attack. If walking alone at night, call someone to walk with you: a friend, a security guard, anyone. Don’t leave your purse or wallet out in the open so anyone could find out your personal information, and always lock your doors, even if you’re just running out for a second.
- When you are driving, always make sure you have enough gas, water, oil, etc. so that you don’t break down late at night. Avoid parking in isolated places with dim lighting. If you suspect that someone is following you, drive to the nearest brightly lit place such as a gas station or restaurant, or go directly to the police or fire station closest to you.
- When using mass transit, try not to doze off. Keep a watchful eye out for anyone that appears suspicious. If you feel uneasy about getting off at a certain stop, don’t. It’s better to be safe than sorry.
- If someone does approach you with an intent to rob you, don’t resist giving up your personal belongings. Give up whatever you have to your car, jewelry, wallet, whatever the perpetrator asks for. Report the crime immediately to the local police.
- If you wish to learn more helpful tips to protect yourself against a possible attack, contact the National Crime Prevention Council at www.ncpc.org. Remember, when it comes to protecting yourself against harm, your life is in your hands.

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Sharing intimate moments with your significant other, including kissing and sharing a drink, could lead to the infection Meningitis.
Going the extra mile straight to graduation: Kenneth Key

By Vanessa Benfatto

Staff Writer

Occupational success can begin by treating others respectfully and taking time out to lend a helping hand. Kenneth Key’s job in College Hall’s Financial Aid Office lives up to the philosophy of patience and respect. “This is a place where we [the employees] help find out what the students’ problems are and then help them so they can go out into the world and solve them,” said Key.

Going to the Financial Aid office may be frustrating for students who are unable to get help from a person who is patient and understands what they do not, but Key does understand because, once upon a time, he was an undergraduate at MSU. As a transfer student, Key returned from Japan and found it difficult to get financial help.

So, Key decided to help other students who deserved and needed financial aid. He has been processing veteran paperwork for 19 years in order for students to receive GI education benefits and military education money towards their education.

Having worked in the financial aid office for nine years, Key understands what kind of help the students need and according to fellow employee Margaret King, “...makes a lot of the people feel very welcome and gets to know them.”

“He interprets the students needs and knows the best way to help them,” said a fellow employee, Michele Deleva.

As for Key he said, “I know that I can help students out and I don’t mind taking the extra time...plus, the most rewarding thing is to see a student graduate.”

Key not only likes helping students get financial aid so they can graduate, but enjoys carrying out good service. “Good service now is good but distant...The oompf team, for and with the students. “I feel the service defined by Key includes working as a team, for and with the students. “I feel the service now is good but distant...The oompf team is not there.”

“Key is one of the few who takes the time to help a student and genuinely seems to care,” said student Chris Lundy.

As a continuing MSU student with his wife, Key is still aware of the financial struggles in or out of the armed services and in college. This is why he is vice-president of the Commercial Workers of America Union Association on campus and a member of the President Affirmation Act Commission.

Key gets involved on campus groups because he wants to help diversify the college and because he believes in equal pay for equal work.

If you work hard enough, you’ll get ahead,” said Key. Working well means enjoying teaching, helping and sharing with others. In this way, we not only teach others, but grow and develop by teaching ourselves.

Kenneth Key helps students to figure out their problems so that when they are out in the world they can get the solution by themselves.

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The Mystery of Edwin Drood: a wonderful comedic killer

By Lorenda Knisel
Staff Writer

The Mystery of Edwin Drood, a play presented by the Theatre and Dance, but a play within a play. The actors, whom many students know from other performances, are portraying actors in the elaborately, and self-consciously crafted Theatre Royale, a 19th century musical hall.

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Drood breaks the engagement and disappears. Also in love with Rosa is Neville Landless (Nathan Melville) who is arrested for Drood’s murder, but is soon released for lack of a body. Fearing that Rosa loves Landless, Drood confesses his love and threatens to further implicate Landless in the murder unless she returns his love.

Drood’s story ends unfinished as Dick Datchery, a lingering detective, is introduced. From here on, because of Dickens’ demise, no one is sure who he intended the murder to be or if there was a murderer at all. It is uncertain as to whether Drood is dead or not.

At this point, it is up to the audience to decide, through both a show of hands and rounds of applause, what ending would be most suitable for Drood. In every performance the murderer and the detective are different, depending on the audience’s vote. As well, the audience gets to vote on what two characters get to have a final romance. Given the possibilities, the play has a multitude of different endings. The best part about it is that it’s all up to the audience.

Leaving Memorial Auditorium, Theatre Royale becomes just another construction. Through welcoming the audience into the world of actors performing a play within a play, The Mystery of Edwin Drood does more than entertain. It involves.

For that reason alone, it should be seen as several cuts above the rest. If you want to see mystery, romance, wit and all-around great entertainment, go see The Mystery Of Edwin Drood on April 22, 23, 24 at 8pm or on April 23 at 1pm in Memorial Auditorium.
The Nerds had the energy, but were lacking support

By Kristen Anderson

The Nerds, a cover band, played a free show sponsored by C.L.U.B and C.I.C. on Tuesday April 13. They played to a small crowd in the Student Center Ballroom, though the show was open to all MSU students and guests.

While the band was full of theatrics and energy, the majority of their audience was lacking in energy for most of the evening. The Nerds; Stretch-Guitar, vocals, Spaz-Bass, vocals, Biff-Percussion, and Mongo-Keyboard; kept their intensity during their entire set despite the fact they were playing to an audience who gave them little feed back and restrained applause. They kept at it, even though in a stand up room only venue the majority of the small crowd chose to sit on the floor.

Some life did come into the audience when the band introduced their saxophone player, a current MSU student, Scott Solomon, who has been playing with them for two years.

Though far from the majority, a select few did dance and move during the performance. However, most watched the entire show as if they were watching a theatrical stage show...not a live band!

During one of their songs, when everybody actually seemed into the music, the band pointed the microphone out for the audience to sing the chorus without them...you know the saying: it was so quiet you could have heard a pin drop...well...yeah, you get it.

The Nerds cover line up for the evening included such popular songs as Sugar Ray’s “Every Morning” and Violent Femmes “Blister in the Sun” as well as old favorites like “Mustang Sally” and “Sweet Caroline”. When the band played a cover of the Brian Setzer Orchestra’s hit song “Jump Jive and Wail,” believe it or not, a lot of people actually danced besides the few who had been dancing all evening.

If you missed them on April 13, you can see The Nerds at any of their numerous NJ club appearances. They frequently play clubs such as Birch Hill in Old Bridge and TradeWinds in Sea Brite. Sure, they may only be a cover band, but their gimmick is hilarious and their covers sound great!

If you want to know where to check out the Nerds in concert you can call their Hotline at 1-877-THE-NERDS.
Drive-in still a good time, even with low attendance

By Chris Wood

On Thursday, April 14, the annual drive-in was held. This years movies were the eighties classic Footloose and the recent comic farce There's Something About Mary. The drive-in was moved from its usual location, lot 28, the parking lot opposite the Clove Road apartments, to the student center quad. The move seemed to prompt a drop in attendance.

Despite the low numbers, the crowd seemed to enjoy themselves fully. The night was filled with memorable experiences for everyone, such as the sight of a movie screen in the Student Center quad. The whole experience during this film could definitely be described as nostalgic. Everything from the costumes to the slang phrases used during the film were a blast from the eighties.

The first of the two movies to play was Footloose, the eighties classic starring Kevin Bacon, John Lithgow, Dianne West, and Sarah Jessica Parker. The movie follows a young man, Ren MacCormack (played by Cameron Diaz), as he tracks down and woos his high school crush, Mary Jensen (played by Cameron Diaz). Ted's quest for his long lost high school crush is full of comic disasters. The crowd seemed to enjoy this movie. First and second-time viewers were all laughing at this comedy's hysterics.

Footloose was followed by the farcical modern day romance There's Something About Mary, starring Ben Stiller, Cameron Diaz, and Matt Dillon. The movie follows a young man, Ted Strohman (Ben Stiller), as he tracks down and woos his high school crush, Mary Jennings (played by Cameron Diaz). Ted's quest for his long lost high school crush is full of comic

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Adria Gottle, French

“We need inspiration to vote. Maybe they could put a flyer in student mailboxes. I really think that if they had more publicity, more people would vote. I didn't even know what all of the candidates looked like.”

Claudia Hargain, Biology

“They should make the students know that the SGA does stuff for them.”

Wilel Fanfan, Molecular Biology

“I think we need to have more contested positions in student government. That brings out the best of people.”

Kathleen Brennan, Undeclared

“Announce it more. People don't really know where to go.”

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“Please do it over the radio, and put up signs.”

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“What's the solution? Well, instead of suggesting that USA Security guards who man the front desks and security booths during late-night hours do their jobs more effectively, or Campus Police schedule more patrols of Clove, Campus Police did what they do so well. They offered: “No comment.” With students in a panic, and national media descending upon the campus, the only suggestion that has surfaced is to arm campus officers. Now, when they're off writing parking tickets as students are being held up, they can carry a gun. Wonderful. Dean Helen Matsuw-Ayres and VP Karen Pennington support it. Why shouldn't we? While officers carrying guns might prove effective in cutting crime in the long run, it doesn't seem to be a completely useful suggestion in the present circumstances.

What was the administrative response to the panic? With Campus Police not saying anything about the pending investigation or the measures being taken to ensure that this would not happen again, worried parents and students alike were directed to the Office of Public Information. Wonderful. An e-mail regarding the sexual assault was apparently sent out on Tuesday by the Director of Campus Police Philip Callister to all MSU Alpha addresses, but no student seems to have received it. Wonderful.

We at The Montclarion, as student journalists, understand that there are very rarely easy answers to serious issues and problems. There are sketchy details about the nature of these crimes and things that need to be ironed out that cannot be explained or understood after the incidents. However, at The Montclarion, as students, however, do not understand how an armed robbery could take place only two days after a sexual assault, in the same building, with “heightened security.” We do not understand why the administration seems more concerned with Freshman orientations being tainted with questions about safety than about the real safety issues facing students already here. And, finally, we do not understand why nobody is providing answers to this simple question: Why?

Until we can answer, or even attempt to answer, that one urgent question, no student, in Clove or otherwise, is safe.
What’s In a Name?

The Role of Personal Identity in the Yugoslavian Conflict

"Peace is what keeps our lives intact, our identities strengthened, and our futures reinforced."

I recently changed my first name in court. It became official a few days after the first bombings in Kosovo. Through my fleeing identity crisis, I was persuaded to put this issue aside, however, and focus my attentions on the refugees in Kosovo.

My name change was published in the newspaper, but I don’t feel like I had any choice about myself. I felt a tinge of importance seeing my old name in print. My new name was my own undisputed testimonial to approaching 40 years old, wackiness, or just the freedom to choose a new name. It soon became a mere aside to the turmoil that was brewing far off in another land.

In the increasing NATO air strikes and the banner of who is responsible for this disaster, I started to list the agencies that required some documentation of my name change.

My national identity, social security, mortgage, credit card, school and various others came to mind. There wasn’t a place untouched by my presence as Lory Meyers, right down to the town library and an A&P checking card.

In quieter times, I was urged to reflect upon the identity that this name brought me for over 38 years. I felt stirred by the mixed emotions of my new name, certainly knowing that there is no longer a Lory Meyers. Do we become our names or do our names become us? Certainly they intermingle.

Still pressing was the front page of almost every newspaper. Everyday more and more Albanians are forced at gunpoint to flee from their homes and belongings. They had to witness the brutal murders of their loved ones and watch in anguish, as their towns were set ablaze. 450,000 people walk side by side in 6-foot-long columns in an attempt to avoid land mines. Horrendous, I thought.

For here I lay in bed wondering who I am with a different name or the lack of identity that once went with my old name. At the same time, the young and old alike in Kosovo wonder where their next meal will come from or where they will lay their heads down to sleep. The atrocious situation in Yugoslavia seems very remote. It is difficult to imagine 450,000 people stranded without control or regard, as difficult as it would be to imagine violence disrupting life in our contained and protected homeland. I thought about the Yugoslavian people as individuals and not just one big mob scene.

I imagined how many people were on life sustaining medication, children in need of formula, women with their menstruation, women about to give birth, the exposure to the elements, having to watch family members die and to know that you must keep moving. It was more than I could bear.

Conversely, when I thought about their vital records at banks, hospitals, schools, employment and governmental agencies all being destroyed in order to strip them of identity, I became enraged. Does it take a mass identity-stripping for all of us to realize how grateful and appreciative we should be to our country? Or, does it take a horrific situation on human dignity to be humbled to some degree?

We take many events and happenings for granted in this country. The one integral facet of this country that we should not ever take for granted is peace. This may not seem like much. Yet, peace is what keeps our lives intact, our identities strengthened and our futures reinforced.

It may take time for my new name to take shape. But I know that I have time. For the people in Kosovo, each day further annihilates them from who they are and where they belong.

It is truly a dreadful situation. And, deep down, I, as an American, feel some responsibility toward these half-forgotten refugees forced from their homes, loved ones and lives. Maybe my responsibility lies in part to their absence of identity. Now when I think of my name change and the freedom I had in choosing to do so, I am compelled into realizing how insignificant it is compared to the nameless people far off in another land.

RESPONDING TO ALLEGATIONS THAT KOSOVO IS AN IMPERIALIST ACTION

There are several things in Professor Furr’s letter (The Montclarion, April 15) that I wish to confront in examining the numerous issues in Professor Furr’s letter. The suspicion of corporate interests in Kosovo should not overlook the moral and political issues that would still be present if NATO did not intervene in Yugoslavian President Milosevic’s political and military machines.

Balkan neighbors are frightened of this war spread to its borders. The conflict between Serbs and Albanians has gone on long enough that a systematic and powerful operation must be undertaken to bring some meaning of peace and sense of security to Europe.

When one thinks about the possible presence of corporate interests in exercising the so-called “oil motive,” one must also consider the other number of conflicts that have taken place in the Caspian Sea region, notably Turkish reprisals against Kurdish, and Russian attacks on Chechnya. In either of these cases, the U.S. could have justified having an occupation force of NATO troops to separate the belligerents.

Under the guise of the NATO flag, American corporate interests would have access to, and eventual control of, oil pipelines, many of which lead to the Balkans. That is assuming that many pessimists’ accusations that corporate interests are behind every government action is accurate.

This assumption, however, possibly true for many cases, does not hold for the Kosovo intervention. The infrastructure of Yugoslavia would be so badly damaged before the capitulation of the Serbs that whatever economic gain possible would mean nothing for the billions of dollars of military commitment and the subsequent rebuilding and loss of life that would occur. Even politicians will not sacrifice their public opinion and careers for such a possibility just so corporate interests can benefit. Furthermore, there is too much racial tension in the region to effectively exploit cheap labor. So, how valid are these sources and articles that suggest an oil motive?

The letter also erred in claiming that capitalism is behind imperialism. This is inconsistent with factual history. For example, was capitalism behind the Soviet motives for invading Afghanistan in 1979? Some would argue that economic motives of “state capitalism” drove the communists to invade this country, but “state capitalism” is an oxymoron, and capitalism did not exist in this “utopian society.” In Afghanistan, communist repression forced 3 million people to flee to Pakistan and 1.5 million to Iran.

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I was dragged to a strip club to pose as a man and she couldn't even handle my extensive vocabulary level. I reluctantly walked out into the arena of raging, lustful, bulls, or, rather, men, and stopped to listen to a song from the Rocky Horror Picture Show, "I'm Just a Show Transvestite.
Weston had changed into ostrich plumes and was now wiggling around with two others. A "Pig Man," adorned in a real life, honest-to-God pink pig skin coat, with smellably black ears and a curly white tail. The other dancer, stripper was sporting the most enchanting color of velvet that I had ever seen. Of course, it was ruined by the fact that he was dressed as a girl, or was it a grizzly. And there was a big ugly green worm—also made of velvet that decorated his person. But it was definitely unique. Tacky, but unique. As the man in the velvet fruit turned, I saw Sherry creep onto the stage ready to strike. Oh, God save the Queen! I was about to leap on the stage in the chance that I could rescue her from disgracing herself, but then a riot broke out.

It was raining liquor.
People were throwing food, drinks, clothes, and I sensed, in a few seconds, the pitch. The best idea was to flee and quickly. Finally taking initiative, I grabbed Sherry's hand— I did not care if anyone thought we were gay, lesbian, or undecided —and ran to the exis in a shower of vodka cascaded down from the balcony. Bottles were thrown and shards of broken glass were everywhere. The sound of discordant shouts echoed off the walls. Tipsy, stoned and highly frustrated with their sexual lives—or lack of —the men were getting downright rowdy. And I felt like I was in the middle of the fall of Rome. People everywhere screaming, running and cursing while rubble paraded down the track.

"Where are you going? The director says it is time for you to go," a giant brute of a bodyguard thundered.
I was not going to let this big bully frighten me! I was not some rag doll to be taken about lightly! Shaking his hand from my person as if he were some odious cockroach-like creature I adjusted my tie and coat before signing to answer the fiend.

"That is all very well, but tell your director that it is time for me to quit."
The bodyguard spat at Sherry and spit in my eye. Verbally speaking, that is, she told me to go fish in the most flattering manner.

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**GOOD MORNING!**

**I SAID GOOD MORNING!**

**IF I CONVINCE THEM THEY DON'T EXIST, I WON'T HAVE TO PAY THEM.**

**AS REQUESTED, I DID A "TREAT MANAGEMENT" ASSESSMENT.**

**I CONCLUDED THAT THERE WAS NO RISK OF ANY MANAGEMENT.**

**DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ADD?**

**I'LL GET BACK TO YOU.**

**THE SMARTEST THING I COULD DO IS FAIL Miserably AND BLAME IT ALL ON YOUR INCOMPETENCE.**

**I JUST REALIZED IF MY PROJECT IS A SUCCESS, MY JOB WILL BE ELIMINATED.**

**THE SMARTEST THING I COULD DO IS FAIL Miserably AND BLAME IT ALL ON YOUR INCOMPETENCE.**

**I HAVEN'T MOOSED IN A WHILE.**

**MY MANAGERS ARE INCOMPETENT, ARROGANT, MICRO-MANAGING MISOGYNISTS.**

**THAT'S ONE UNDER "TIME OF MOUTH."**

**I DON'T THINK SO.**

**THEN YOU DO YOU EXPLAIN YOUR OVERSIZED HEAD?**

**BUT THE REAL PROBLEM IS YOUR TIGHT PANTYHOSES!**

**TELL ME WHAT MORALE ISSUES YOU HAVE. I'LL SUMMARIZE THEM UNDER THE APPROPRIATE CATEGORIES.**

**ALICE, YOU BLAME OTHERS FOR YOUR LOW MORALE.**

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**LIFE IN HELL**

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**WHY ARE YOU SO ANGRY?**

**BECAUSE MY FEELINGS ARE TOTALLY JUSTIFIED.**

**BECAUSE I grew up in a HOME MARRIED SPOUSE WAS NORMAL, AND EXPECTED.**

**BECAUSE NO ONE listens unless you YELL.**

**BECAUSE THE BUSY SOUNDS ME A PAIN OF CONTROL AND POWER.**

**BECAUSE PEOPLE WOULD DO WHATEVER YOU SAY IF YOU DIDN'T MADE ENOUGH.**

**BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS IN LIFE TO BE ANGRY ABOUT.**

**BECAUSE YOU NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT EVERYTHING IS ALL YOUR FAULT.**

**BECAUSE I'M NOT ANGRY.**

**answers**

**wordfind**

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- X W U T R T Q O N V O N S Y S
- N L J I G F A O A I T F E L E
- D C A Y X W V D L R O W W C R

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

**Blood**

**Central**

**Commercial**

**Eye**

**Fog**

**Land**

**Left**

**National**

**Piggy**

**Reserve**

**Right**

**River**

**Savings**

**West**

**World**

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**The Poor Man's Viagra.**
Occupations
By John Frucianti
And his trained bear, Bobes.

If there's one thing I can't stand, it's annoying people. Now, your definition of annoying may very well be different from my definition of annoying. If this is so, I find that quite annoying.

I am a writer. As a writer, I'd like to offer advice to anyone reading this who happens to be a writer: keep it secret. If you don't, this will probably happen to you.

One day you will be sitting somewhere quiet, trying to enjoy a book about the possibility that there may be someone who stands behind you at all times making obscene gestures at your back. Suddenly someone will approach you, most likely a male. This person, upon approach, will proceed to rip you from your peaceful enjoyment to extol upon you some startlingly disjointed series of words that in his mind hang together to form a joke. The "joke" will, of course, end with a great burst of laughter to the effect that this is not a joke at all, but perhaps the most exquisitely profound thing you will ever hear. It is a joke. It is a joke.

Never have I seen the occasion arisen when I have gone to a party and someone has said to me, "Listen, writer, I have a slight pain in my superego, could you tell a quick joke for me?"

So we've all got our problems. Perhaps the best way to go about it is not to tell anybody what we do for a living. Some would suggest we lie about it, but I caution against doing that. I once told a woman at a party that I was a veterinarian, and ten minutes later, the woman brought me her horse.

I think the only way to avoid these problems is to allow people to exchange occupations for about one week every six months or so. This way people could see what it's like to be a doctor, or a writer, or a veterinarian, and certainly they would no longer want to have anything to do with anybody's job besides their own.

Next time that guy comes up to you on that park bench and interrupts your work with an ambitious yet flat-footed joke, calmly hand him your notebook and say, "Here, why don't you finish this?"

At this point you may be thinking, "Now what you're suggesting about trading jobs I would never work. I could think of ten reasons right now why the whole thing will go away."

Well, if you were to say that, I'd find it very annoying. Here, why don't you finish this?

Editors' note: at my house, we haven't done the dishes in a week. It's disgusting. You should try it.
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Making a difference through participation

By Jason Lampa
Sports Consultant

On Friday April 23, Professor Ben Schatfer’s Leadership in Recreational Services class will be going on a field trip to the First Montclair House on Walnut Ave in Montclair, a retirement community in Montclair.

The students in the leadership class have been working the entire semester planning the event, willing to share their talents and energy with the occupants of the retirement home. Activities such as singing and friendly athletic competitions have been planned for Friday and the students are looking forward to the visit.

“The field trip gives us a great opportunity to give our services to the members of the Montclair community,” said Pierre, the leader of the field trip. “I’m excited about the event and believe we are ready.”

Professor Schatfer, who has been supervising the event from the start is pleased with the effort he has received from his students on the project and is confident that things will go well.

“They have worked hard throughout the semester to make sure Friday is a hit,” said Schatfer. “They are ready for the assignment.”

The project is worth 25 points for the students so they all know the importance of the field trip for themselves and to the senior citizens. The pressure is being felt throughout the class, but most students feel they are ready for the assignment.

“The Leadership in Recreational Services class is just one of the many courses in the Leisure and Recreation Studies program at MSU. The degree gives students the opportunity to enter the fields of Commercial Recreation, Travel and Tourism, and Therapeutic Recreation at the supervisory level in management and marketing. Courses in budgeting, programming, and marketing give the students the tools to succeed in the business.

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Baseball
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Belson who has been criticized for his inconsistency and sometimes lacking of luster gave a flawless performance against the Rutgers Camden hitting squad.

It should be also noted that the Rutgers Camden pitching effort did make six errors and a total of thirteen walks. The Rutgers Camden pitching proved to be no match against the flawless and well balanced attack of Belson. Belson looked like an assassin out there, picking off guys like a combat general on the battlefield.

Rutgers Camden pitchers looked like wounded ducks in a manure pond. Whatever effort or skill they thought they had should be re-evaluated and placed in more stable situations like perhaps piano lessons. These wins might be all that the Red Hawks need in order to start a winning streak into the post season. What the Red Hawks need to do to win in the post season is simple; forget about their record which doesn’t reflect on their tremendously talented team and play like the teams which came before them.

I haven’t covered MSU Baseball before this season but the one thing that the Red Hawks possessed in all those championship years and which is not far different from all championship teams is heart and selfless character.

The Red Hawks always seem to try their best and they leave it out on the field. There are no egos on this team and they have started playing as a unit.

The post season is still an open ended question, there is a chance they will get in and there is a chance they won’t. But the one thing which cannot be questioned is the desire of the Red Hawks to play and love the pure game of baseball and play it the way that it should be played with heart and character.
Male Athlete of the Week

Greg Belson
Righty Pitcher
Junior
5-11
Staten Island, NY
Tottenville HS

Baseball

Junior right-hander Greg Belson pitched a shut-out game against Rutgers-Camden in a conference game played at Rutgers-Camden. In the victory, Belson pitched six innings with just four hits, striking out eight, and walking none.

Female Athlete of the Week

Jeanelle Husth
Midfielder
Sophomore
5-7
Hightstown
Hightstown HS

Lacrosse

Sophomore midfielder Jeanelle Husth scored three goals and had two assists to lead Montclair State in a victory over New Paltz, NY. The game was played this past Tuesday at New Paltz.

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Kicking the ball as a team, not a player

By Pius K. Essandoh III
Staff Writer

Many athletes who come to Montclair State University came from schools where they were the "go to guy". But now, they have to adjust to not being seen in that role. This is very true of George Mendoza, who was one of the sensations of the soccer team this year. Mendoza is only a freshman, but by looking at him play, you wouldn’t think so. He has been playing soccer since he was twelve years old, but one would never know. He is one of the many athletes on the soccer team who have to step up their game, since All-American player Marlon Pollard won’t be there.

Mendoza is one of the people who can just come to college and humble themselves to better the team. Simply put by Mendoza, "There is no 1 in team." Even he himself didn’t think that he would encounter the success that he did this year.

"Coming to the college level, I thought that I would basically adapt my first year, and in my later years have some success," said Mendoza. This is an athlete who comes in with the right idea of not trying to be the man, but wait for his time to shine by taking on his proper role.

Mendoza, along with his teammates, are engaged in spring soccer which is a pre-season type atmosphere in which the team tries to gain momentum. They also try to give the team some chemistry by getting used to the new players.

Mendoza is also what a coach looks for in an athlete. In that, he knows what his weaknesses are and what he can improve on. That is why he rates himself between a seven and a half to an eight on a ten-point scale, with room for improvement. He is also a coach’s dream because he doesn’t carry himself in a cocky manner.

If you kept up with the soccer team this year, you would know that Mendoza had a good year. He credits his success in being able to make the transition from high school to college, to Pollard. He views Pollard as a big brother, and a person who pushed him to the limits.

Mendoza is the real deal. He has incredible talent and athleticism. He gives 1 10% everytime on the field, and was able to humble himself and take on a role to help his team win. He and his teammates have shoes to fill next year, but with Mendoza and the core of good players coming back, the soccer team will prove to be entertaining next year.
This week's

RED HAWK ACTION

Thursday, April 22
Softball @ Caldwell College (DH), 3:30 p.m.
*Baseball vs. Rutgers-Newark, 3:30 p.m.
Men’s and Women’s Outdoor Track & Field, Penn Relays @ Philadelphia

Friday, April 23
*Baseball @ Kean University, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 24
*Baseball @ Richard Stockton (DH), 12 p.m.
Women’s Lacrosse vs. Vassar, NY, 2 p.m.
Men’s Tennis @ New Paltz, NY, 1 p.m.

Monday, April 26
Men’s and Women’s Track & Field, CTC Championships

Tuesday, April 27
Softball vs. St. Thomas Aquinas (DH), 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 28
Men’s Lacrosse @ Neumann, NY, 4 p.m.
* - NJAC matchup
BOLD - Home game
DH - Doubleheader

By Paul Lewiars
Assistant Sports Editor

In an effort to broaden the Sport pages at The Montclarion, we will begin a series of articles chronicling great athletes right here at Montclair State University.

What are the criteria for a great athlete you might ask? First, he or she must participate in two sports or more sports. At least one of the sports must be played for Montclair State University and the others can be played or coached in the athletes own recreational time. The recreational sport can be a mainstream sport or any sport not normally found in a college athletic atmosphere. In any case, the athlete must demonstrate high proficiency at all of his/her respected sports.

Secondly, the athlete must possess an extremely high desire and proficiency to win. Thirdly, the athlete must be a role model to his/her other athletes and a pillar to the community. Yes, these athletes do exist right here at this school.

The first athlete which I came across fits these guidelines better than most. His name is Alexander Ogwu (freshman), age 19 and he is an outstanding multi-dimensional athlete. In addition to running track for the MSU track team, Ogwu also is a first degree black belt in Karate. He is a multi-talented athlete with a desire to win at all costs. Here is his story.

Ogwu was born in Lagos, Nigeria. Like many other immigrants, he came to this country with great dreams and ambitions. Ogwu is living proof that America is the place to chase one’s dreams. At an early age, Ogwu began practicing Karate and subsequently achieved the very high and prominent Black Belt status. But his true love came out when he became interested in Track.

“T’d say it started in about 1988, Seoul Games in Korea. I watched Carl Lewis and other athletes, especially Ben Johnson before he started using drugs and I said to myself, someday I want to win a gold medal. That became my goal from that moment on,” said Ogwu. He also spoke about how Johnson disappointed him because of his steroid use and the place that drugs play in the athletic community.

“I feel that I would be much more happy if I won without any type of drug use. It would mean a lot more to me because that would mean that I would have had to work harder for it,” said Ogwu. One of the reasons to Ogwu’s great clarity and discipline can be accredited to his long and hard years of martial arts training which is he says developed in him his tremendous discipline which he later translated into running track for MSU.

“I started Karate in 1992. One of the primary reasons that I started practicing Karate was because of my brother’s influence. It definitely developed in me a great sense of discipline.”

Ogwu’s specialty in track centers around sprinting. “I love sprinting. It kind of gives me a rush. It’s definitely my favorite discipline,” said Ogwu. His desire doesn’t end at the college level. He sees himself running on some professional level after college. “I always wanted to reach a professional level, become a very prolific athlete.”

Not only is Ogwu an outstanding athlete, he is also a model to his friends and fellow athletes. He is also an outstanding member of his community. Unlike many other athletes, Ogwu looks on today’s athletes as role models. “Donovan Bailey is definitely my number one idol. I absolutely love everything about him.”

Talking to Ogwu, you realize very quickly that he is a very smart and introspective young athlete who has a very bright and rewarding future in front of him. Only from talking with Ogwu, I could sense the tremendous amount of heart and desire that this man possesses.

Unfortunately, Ogwu is not active on the track team this semester because of an injury due to over training. But he is more than anxious to get out there and show his stuff. Next semester is only five months away and he cannot wait until it rolls around. In fact, Ogwu is already talking about the Olympics in 2004. Wow, what an athlete! If you would like to be considered for this series of outstanding athletes, or know someone whom you feel meets the criteria, please call Tess or Paul at (973) 655-5241.

By Paul Lewiars
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Offense, defense and a little bit of pitching prove too much for Rutgers-Camden

By Paul Lewiarz
Assistant Sports Editor

The question all season has been whether or not the Red Hawks would be able to get the necessary chemistry from their very young team in order to be able to win? MSU has responded well over the last two games.

The two wins solidify the Red Hawks mark to 16-11 and 7-4 in the NJAC. It is a great accomplishment from a young team struggling to find an identity. With just a little over ten games left, the Red Hawks will have to stay on the ball and play some of their best ball in April and into May.

One constant variable for MSU has been the power hitting of Frank Francia. Francia scorched Camden with his flawless hitting. He had two hits with four at bat and two RBI's. Francia was not alone in his effort as Dave Wurst went 2 for three with two RBI's and two runs scored. The afternoon ended with the Red Hawks victorious over Rutgers-Camden 10-2 in the double header.

MSU pitching has always been a strong variable over the years and as any baseball fan knows pitching as the offense and defense are all integral parts to a winning combination. Scott Allan, George Gallagher and Patrick Reed all combined for a consistent overall effort to give the Red Hawks the win.

The other notable contributors to the Red Hawks offensive attack were Craig Conway and Dan Wydner who provided the necessary spark off the bench which MSU so desperately needed.

The Red Hawks second game against Rutgers Camden also ended with MSU atop Rutgers Camden 3-0. The shutout proved to be one of pitcher's Greg Belson's best pitched games.

SEE BASEBALL ON P. 24

MSU's winning streak ends at 15 with four straight losses

By Tess Sterling
Sports Editor

Montclair State University's women softball team ended their winning streak at 15 this past week, losing doubleheaders to both The College of New Jersey and Rowan University on Monday and Tuesday respectively.

Despite the four straight losses, MSU still stands strong with a record of 28-7, NJAC 4-4.

The game against Rowan University was played at Rowan, with the Red Hawks losing the first game by the score of 2-1, and the second 7-6. In the first game for Montclair, centerfielder Toni Milito was 1-3 with an RBI, while teammate second-base person Tara Wisz went 3-3 with one scored. In the second game for MSU, Milito was 1-4 with two runs batted in, first-base person Evelyn Morozzi was 1-4 with two RBI's, pitcher Kim Caruso went 2-3 with an RBI, catcher Jamie Lascik was 2-5 with one run scored, and rightfielder Alexandra Lamont was 1-3 with two runs scored. The losing pitcher was Susan McCarville, ending the game with a record of 19-4.

The College of New Jersey proved to be a very powerful force against the Red Hawks as they defeated them 3-4, and 2-0 in a conference doubleheader played at MSU's Quarry Field on Monday evening.

In the first game, the Lions scored first and added four more runs with two out. These runs were scored as a result of an error. MSU did retaliate in the fifth inning, scoring two runs as Wisz and Lascik both had RBI singles, making the lead 5-2.

The Hawks scored again in the sixth inning, making it 5-3 when Morozzi hit a sacrifice fly.

Montclair's final hope came in the seventh inning with runners on first and second, with one out. However, Caruso smoked a line drive which was smothered by shortstop Kristen Coyne, who recorded the double play to end the game.

Montclair State women's softball team will return to action today playing away at Caldwell College at 3:30 p.m., in a non-conference doubleheader.

SPORTS TRIVIA

Righty pitcher Steve Trongone ended last season with the best ERA. What was it?

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA

Tara Wisz.

EXCEPTIONAL ATHLETES

Assistant Sports Editor Paul Lewiarz, writes his first in a series of exceptional athletes.

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