Richardson Scheduled for New PC's

A cycle of new computers every four years may begin

By Jill Nuber
Staff Writer

Before the Dickson Hall computer lab room 280 receives 31 new computers, the computer labs in Richardson Hall rooms 107 and 108 will get new computers.

A total of 35 computers will be replaced in Richardson Hall, averaging about $2,000 a computer. Mary Pierson, the helpline manager of Information Technology, added that the university hopes to make this a routine annual cycle.

There is money set aside to replace faculty PCs in Dickson Hall. Around 22 new PCs will come in, costing around $40,000, Pierson said.

All of the new computers are Dell and will be replaced sporadically during the semester, Pierson said.

“We want to find a time that won’t interfere with classes when we replace the computers. It will probably be done during the weekends,” Pierson said.

Pierson also said that they are going to start replacing the computers in Richardson Hall first, to see how that goes. If there are no problems then they will start replacing the computers in Dickson Hall.

Roy Rogers, acting director of Information Technology, added that the university hopes to make this a routine annual cycle.

“I think the new computers are a good idea, but I’m dismayed at this ridiculous expense. We could get a lot cheaper computers,” one freshman said. “I have a PC that costs $600.”

By Jason Kaplan
Special to The Montclarion

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A New Series On What College Life Is Really About

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A Special Report

Broken Down On The Information Superhighway: Computer Shortages Put MSU Last Among State Colleges

By John Sloan
Director of Computing and Information Systems

A 19 computer labs which house between 8 and 31 computers.

A total of 180 computers are provided to MSU students in 12 public labs, and three more labs in Bobbi, Freeman, and Russ Halls for resident students.

The campus currently has 675 total computers, but the public labs only contain a total of 180 computers, an average of 15 in each room.

This number varies depending on the size of each room.

These computers are supposed to meet the needs of the 13,500 graduate, undergraduate, full-time, and part-time students currently attending MSU.

At WPU, students pay $100 per semester from their tuition for computer expenses.

MSU students pay a technology fee of $3.10 per credit each semester to pay for 100 lab assistants and computer expenses. Often, they also pay the price for the computer shortage by waiting for computer availability.

No matter what time of the year, it is common to see students frantically trying to put together last minute papers. Unfortunately, it is also common to see a line of students attempting to get to a computer in one of the labs on campus.

Students waste precious time, that could be used for studying, trying to get to a computer to type up a paper.

Students must also deal with old, broken down computers. As luck would have it, students end up settling at the next available computer and find it does not have a working A drive. Other times, students will finish typing a paper only to learn the printer is broken down.

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TIRED OF WAITING: In the Blanton Hall computer lab, five students label stickers and try to find available computers. While the priority rule in the labs is that homework takes priority over recreational computer use, some students feel that, because they are paying the lab fee, they should be able to use the computers any time they wish.

What College Life Is Really About

The number of public computers available to MSU students ranks last compared to other state colleges and universities (see chart on P.5 for comparison.)

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East Orange- Ten-year-old Allan Baker was hit by a van last week. His death has left a mark on those who knew him. Allan’s 13-year-old brother Anthony said he heard an accident and knew instinctively that his brother had been involved. Anthony got off the bus to see Allan lying on the ground after he had been struck by a 39-year-old Michael Vick’s van. Ambulances took Allan to University Hospital in Newark, and later, died from massive injuries to the head.

Coral Gables, Florida- The federal judge, who was assigned to preside over the Elan Gonzalez case, was hospitalized last week from having suffered a mild stroke.

graystone-Park Hospital employees have announced that more violent sex offenders are presently residing at Graystone Park State Psychiatric hospital than more two months ago. A top state official promised that the hospital would be more, if not completely, free of convicted criminals within a year. The rising number of Megan’s Law and Sexually Violent Law offenders are sent to reside at Graystone have gone to 27 to 27. According to a new state law, convicted sexual predators, who may not be ready for the real world, can be sent to state institutions like Graystone, and reside until they have completely recovered. So far, only one sexual offender at Graystone has been approved for removal.

Woodbridge- A federal judge ruled against Woodbridge township enforcing a ban on local bank ATM fees. According to U.S. District Judge Joseph Greenaway, Jr., “overwhelming evidence” that the town had the authority to ban ATM fees, may be in violation of federal and state banking regulations. The measure is scheduled to make a final vote on March 15.


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WASHINGTON- U.S. officials declared Monday that they have sufficient evidence that connects a New Year’s Day bomb plot to a Saudi exile. According to the Washington Post officials concluded their decision as a result of confidential informant’s. In addition, officials have proposed to seize foreign police and intelligence officials, who have monitored domestic telephone conversations and other undercover electronic investigations.

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Students with Disabilities Awareness by University Senate

By Karen Clarke
Staff Writer

The University Senate of MSU congregated for their monthly meeting in the Student Center Ballrooms to discuss safety, academic and administrative issues that have been of great concern to the campus community for a number of semesters.

One of the issues discussed was implementing a week devoted to students with disabilities where programs and various literature will be available to students to educate them on subject matters that concern the disabled.

The school closing procedure was a subject that is presently under further investigation. The availability of additional telephone lines and updates that are more frequent are a necessity when weather conditions cause the school to be closed.

In addition to that, they are still contemplating the possibility for evening classes to continue as scheduled. Although morning classes would remain cancelled due to inclimate weather.

Sharita Belcher, a night student said, "If morning classes are cancelled, evening classes should be as well because in the past few years when it has snowed, the majority of my teachers have cancelled classes due to the fact that they lived it was too dangerous for them to get up to the campus anyway. The turnout wouldn’t be worthwhile or safe."

The Senate also discussed unfinished business in regards to deciding if the B.O.T or the Senate members should have the opportunity to vote on a faculty representative. Presently, the final decision made on the candidate has been made solely by the B.O.T. With the opportunity for the Senate to have input in the matter, a majority would be more involved in making a well-rounded decision on the outcome.

The purpose of having a faculty representative on the B.O.T is to provide a diverse outlook from the perspective of another faculty member who wasn’t a part of the actual senate, but the E-Board would have more control over various internal decisions that would only regard the B.O.T.

Dr. John Specechio, Human Ecology professor said, "The Senate would have more control to pick a strong candidate," for faculty representation, and by being able to vote for the person we would be able to use our democratic influence.
What's Open When?

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Possible solutions for the computer shortage proposed; not settled

to house the computers. Rooms are only able to fit a small number of computers, and MSU has a shortage of rooms to put them in.

Computers are constantly breaking down, and it is more expensive to fix broken computers than to buy new ones. The acquisition cost for a new computer is between $1,000-2,000, while repairs on an old machine could run up to as much as $5,000. MSU currently spends $5.5 million to run both the private and public labs. According to Harry Shuckel, Vice President of Budget Planning and Information Technology, all new computers will be bought within the next year, replacing the old machines in all the labs, including the department run labs. This will cost $310,000 and funding will be provided from student tuition and state allocations. From then on, the computers will be replaced every four years, Shuckel said.

Dickson Hall is scheduled to receive 31 new computers, costing approximately $62,000, at about $2,000 per computer, and Richardson Hall is also expecting 35 new computers at the same price per computer. Shuckel agrees that labs can get busy during peak times, especially during the day and exam times. To make more computers available during these peak times would only temporarily solve the problem. During slower times, the extra computers would break down from lack of use.

During these peak hours, some students will not stand on line to use a computer.

"That's ridiculous," Ed Wheeler, a management major in his senior year, said about the long wait. "There's no way I'd wait an hour. I'd rather use my friend's computer."

According to the Guidelines for Responsible Computing, which explains the rules and regulations students must follow while in a computer lab, action is supposed to be taken by system administrators when the labs are not running smoothly.

To try and accommodate the needs of all students, lab assistants are required to ask students to leave the lab if they are not working on an assignment for a class.

Christine Sandholt, a senior illustration major who has worked in Finley's lab for two years, said that she feels the priority rule is very fair.

"Definitely...If there's a student waiting with a report due in two hours and they're waiting for somebody to check their e-mail, that's not right," Sandholt said. "If there's a line, we always try to kick those people out."

See LAB on P 5
Tom Gebbia, a former lab assistant employed from July 1998 to August 1999, differs about the priority rule. He said, "I don’t think course work should be a priority. The students are paying for use of the labs out of their tuition," Gebbia said. Gebbia believes that computers should be available to all students at any time, no matter whether the computers are being used for course-related work or for leisure.

Gebbia explained that when he was a lab assistant he never enforced the rule, except once when a lab assistant was waiting to use the labs and was told to wait. Gebbia said, "I don’t think course work should be a priority. The students are paying for use of the labs out of their tuition," Gebbia said.

"It’s common courtesy that students with work get on first," Fogg said. Commuting students without access to computers at home could also use the labs during off hours, especially during the night, but most computers are not on campus during those hours.

Another problem is the selection the students make about what lab they want to use. According to Fogg, certain labs seem to be more popular than others. One reason could be that some labs have newer machines than others, and a second reason is that some labs have PC’s while some have Macs.

While there appears to be no solution in the near future, Fogg proposed some ideas. One idea was to build a large lab on either side of the campus. "It would be nice to have another building or two," said Fogg.

Among the highest issues on top of the priority list at MSU, including parking and housing, is constructing an academic building. Shuckel said, "It would be nice to have another building or two," said Fogg.

The problem here is that students may also complain about the smaller labs being closed as they may have been more convenient for students to use before or after class. Students attend MSU to learn and gain the best possible education, and they are entitled to have available the proper sources that will enable them to learn.

While no concrete solution seems to be formulated, the administration continues to contemplate solutions.
A Day for Chimere
By Yasemin Tuncay

A day in memory of Chimere McRae and all other victims of domestic violence will be celebrated on March 29, sponsored by the Health and Wellness Center.

The Counseling and Psychological Services and other members of the university community will also be participating, Susan Skalsky, Director of Wellness Services, said.

This day will be called “Healthy Relationship Day,” and will consist of seminars and workshops where students and others members of the University Community can attend and learn how they can do their part to reduce domestic violence.

A violence prevention session will be offered for men as well as similar sessions for women discussing how they can protect themselves from abusive relationships.

“We would appreciate students volunteering and participating,” Skalsky said.

Study Abroad in Mexico to Begin
By Jill Huber

Main is a new study abroad possibility for MSU students starting this summer. MSU’s Spanish/Italian Department and the Global Education Center are sponsoring this initiative aimed at enhancing the university’s Spanish language program.

It will be held May 18 through June 20 at the Universidad del Valle de Atemajac (UNIVA) in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Dr. John Hwang, program director and professor in the Spanish/Italian Department, said.

For $1,850 plus tuition, which is about $1,000 less than any other MSU study abroad program, participants of this program will get a chance to live with a middle-class, Mexican family, selected by the UNIVA International Studies staff.

Two students will share the rooms and they will get two meals per day. There will also be excursions to places like Mexico City where the Anthropology Museum, Chapultepec Park and Teotihuacan will be visited.

Guanajuato will also be visited, Hwang said.

Students must register for six credits, with one of the classes being Perspectives on Latin America and the other, a choice between Spanish I, II, III or IV. Students with advanced language skills can choose to take a Capstone Course in Latin America and Latino studies. A GPA of at least 2.5 is required. All of the courses meet the MSU general education requirement and Perspectives on Latin America also fulfills the multicultural awareness requirement, Hwang said.

The program is geared towards beginning students. UNIVA is a private university and there are only around six to seven students in each class, Hwang said.

Hwang said he already visited three of the host families.

“There were all very nice. The whole house will be at the student’s disposal and they cater to the students diets,” Hwang said.

An open house will be held on Monday, February 28, in Dickson Hall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be videos about Mexico and refreshments will be served at the meeting.

To find out more about this program, students can contact Hwang at (973)655-7508 or Escobar at (973)655-7511.

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NJ State Treasury Reimburses for Cost of Living Adjustment

By Molly Meyers
Staff Writer

A total of $884,000 will be received from the NJ State Treasury as partial reimbursement for the cost of living adjustments (COLA) to staff salaries. This funding of $884,000 represents only 80 percent of the COLA to salaries, leaving a balance, which is normally absorbed by the college, according to the budget. The remaining 20 percent of the COLA is expected to be up to $550,000. This figure represents about 90 percent of the COLA which is what MSU had expected.

Schuckel stated that the COLA funding simply means we will not have to dip as deep into the small operating budget reserve that we always set aside each year for various contingencies.” Schuckel said.

MSU’s total operating budget is over $120 million, so the $330,000 represents a small portion of the university’s total budget.

According to Schuckel, the additional funding is unlikely to change increasing tuition costs.

“There will always be some type of increase in tuition, but we [MSU] have been fairly low,” Schuckel said.

Schuckel stated that tuition at MSU is the lowest of the state colleges and universities, and that the budget for fiscal year 2001 has yet to be calculated so future tuition increases are unknown at this time.

Schuckel hoped that future plans would include bringing tuition up to the mid range of NJ colleges and universities in order to remain competitive with the quality and diversity of programs offered.

“In our sector of nine state colleges/universities, excluding Rutgers and NJIT, we have the lowest tuition,” Schuckel said. “That’s the right strategy because eventually that turns into a question of what kind of quality that brings to the programs we offer.”

50 percent of the cost of living increase,” Schuckel said. “They [the state] didn’t tell us at the beginning of the year what they were going to give us, so I had to make an estimate and I thought they would give us no more than 50 percent of the cost of living increase,” Schuckel said.

Due to the robust economy, the state was able to fund about 80 percent for fiscal year 2000. This amount was $330,000 more than MSU had expected.

“The more generous COLA funding simply means we will not have to dip as deep into the small operating budget...”

- Harry Schuckel, Vice President of Budget, Planning and Information Technology

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WHERE’D IT GO?

I’M MELTING...: Last week, this shapely snowman stood outside Stone Hall. This week, the temperatures will be in the 50’s and 60’s.
Cinderella was first dressed in rags and then turned into a beautiful princess in a gown and a white wig. This is not much different than the women being presented at the ISC’s annual presentation, Cotillion.

On Friday, Feb. 18, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., sorority women got all dolled up for an event that they many have anticipated since getting their invite into Cotillion.

The women who were initiated within the past year have the privilege of getting “presented” at this event. They wore white dresses and gloves, while their dates wore tuxedos, much like in Cinderella. Other attendants of the night wore dark dresses, while their dates were suits.

The night began with cocktail hour. One main open bar was running at this time, and there were two long tables filled with food. Dishes like chicken and peppers, ravoli in cream sauce and penne pasta were served.

The main room was adorned with flowers and balloons. Many sat around drinking and eating, anticipating the time when they would see their sisters presented. Stairwells and fountains were in the cocktail room. Many took advantage of these photo spots before the girls to be presented left the room.

Halfway through cocktail hour the women and the others gathered into the presentation room. The three open bars in the room were closed until the presentations ended.

The sororities that were presented were organizations under the Inter-Sorority Council or Panhel subhouse of Greek Council. This included such organizations as Delta Phi Epsilon, Phi Sigma Sigma, Sigma Delta Phi, and Theta Kappa Chi.

All the girls that were being presented were taken to a room upstairs from the main room where they were sitting. Then in an order determined by the ISC E-Board, the girls were presented. Each organization goes, one at a time, down the staircase.

Once their names were called the girl and her date walked down the steps and onto the dance floor. When everyone had reached floor level and was dancing, down the line of girls had been let, the announcer asked them to blow the candles out.

Following this, the dates spun, dipped and give them a kiss. They also received a rose before leaving the dance floor.

After all the organizations had been presented, everyone sat down to eat dinner and the three open bars began running again. Each couple had the choice between chicken or prime rib.

There was also salad and a fruit platter. For dessert, there was an ice cream bar and trays of assorted pastries were left upon each table. The night was filled with dancing and drinking. Cameras flashed everywhere and all could hear was laughter.

At 11 p.m. was the presentation for the Queen of Hearts. This is an event sponsored by Sigma Delta Phi to raise money for charity. Most organizations run a Queen for their organization. Whoever gets the most money is the winner.

The Queen for 2000 was Melissa Saul from Sigma Sigma Sigma and her reigning King was Tony Almeida from Phi Alpha Psi. Senator. All monies earned would go to the American Heart Association.

Overall, many felt that the night was a success. Many girls being presented could not have been any happier with the turnout of their own Cinderella Cotillion.

More than five million Americans suffer from one of the following types of eating disorders: anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, or binge eating.

The National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, Feb. 12-19, highlighted the dangers of dieting. It enhanced and promoted public awareness of eating disorders and their toll on our nation.

On Wednesday, Feb. 16, an Eating Disorder’s Screening Program took place on campus in the Student Center. About 1,000 other colleges and high schools also participated in the program. Attendees were able to take a self-test for eating disorders, hear an educational presentation, as well as speak with several counselors one on one.

The facts on eating disorders know no barriers. They strike females and males of all ages, ethnicities, and religions. It is more common for women to have an eating disorder, but men are also susceptible.

Eating disorders affect people both physically and emotionally. Depression has been found to be one of the most prominent disorders associated with eating disorders. Anorexia nervosa is characterized by self-starvation and weight loss. It has been known to affect adolescent girls who have an intense and persistent fear of gaining weight.

Those people who suffer from this disorder are known to deny hunger, and to compulsively exercise in order to control their weight. Prolonged weight loss may eventually lead to a permanent failure of normal growth and an increased risk of osteoporosis later in life. Anorexics can regain their normal eating patterns after hospitalization for 12 to 16 weeks, but full recovery will often take another 18 months.

Bulimia nervosa involves binge eating which is usually done in secret. To prevent weight gain, bulimics either vomit, take laxatives or exercise excessively.

Physical damage from bulimia includes the formation of ovarian cysts, which are likely to reduce fertility, and enamel damage to the teeth due to excessive vomiting.

Bulimics can be treated on an outpatient basis, but only if they want to give up the illness more than they want to manipulate their weight. This treatment may include behavior modification techniques and individual, group, or family counseling.

Binge eating is the uncontrolled urge to eat unusually large amounts of food within a certain period of time. Episodic behaviors such as vomiting, laxatives, fasting, or excessive exercise are not used.

Binge-eaters are caught in a vicious cycle where they try to control the levels of anger, anxiety or depression in their lives by either depriving themselves of food, or indulging in it.

The deprivation allows sufferers to feel more in control, and when the problems return, they usually fill the nutrition gap by eating everything they can at one time.

Binge eaters are at risk for increased blood pressure and cholesterol, diabetes, gallbladder disease, heart disease and some cancers. Research shows that binge eating occurs in 30 percent of people participating in weight control programs.

All of these eating disorders result in many physical and psychological problems. Most commonly, these include malnutrition, serious kidney and liver damage, intestinal ulcers, a ruptured stomach, dehydration, tooth or gum erosion, depression, guilt, low self-esteem, and impaired family and social relationships. The sufferer usually is also a victim of perfectionism, who feels that the only thing they can control is food.

Intervention is crucial, since the earlier the detection, the greater the likelihood for a positive outcome.

If you know someone who needs to be helped because of an eating disorder, you may want to prepare yourself for resistance. Approach this person when there is little chance of being interrupted, and know what you want to say. Do whatever is necessary to facilitate intervention.

If you or someone you know is suffering from an eating disorder, there is plenty of help available right here on campus. You can contact the Health and Wellness Center in Blanchon Hall at x4361, the Women’s Center at x 5114 or Counseling and Psychological Services at x 5211.

You can also access the websites www.healthytouch.com, www.eatingdisorders.about.com, or www.cdc.gov for more helpful information.
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Bars, the Club Scene, and How to Order a Rum & Coke

He Said: Outside Looking In

By Nick Cunn
Staff Writer

I've heard so much more to my life since I gained another digit in the tens column, but all it has brought me at times is embarrassment and frustration.

Every Thursday night last semester I had a night class for my broadcasting major. Almost every class, which ended at 9 p.m., my club which would make plans for the evening.

Many times some friends would go to Joey's, a bar and nightclub in Clifton. "Hey Nick what are you doing tonight?" they would ask.

After I told them that I wasn't 21, they felt bad maybe for a second or two, and then they turned away to make driving plans with those who were 21 or those who had fake IDs.

Thanks guys, but tonight I think I'll just go back to my dorm room and have a Coke. I have thought about getting a fake ID but I've heard too many stories about the law taking real licenses away for six months.

Not being able to hang out at Joey's is a joy of being single on a Saturday night! I had nothing to wear, which is grueling, at least the housework is.

So far, I have portrayed myself as a college kid wanting to get drunk and party with the big kids.

This being 20 thing has kept me from hanging out with some really cool people. It has also prevented me from meeting some nice-looking women.

The last few Saturday nights my friends and I have gone to Tierney's, a cozy Irish pub that allows anyone in. While my friends cruise smoothly up to the bar to order their drinks, I resort to flicking my head towards the bar with a few one dollar bills in my hand and whisper to a friend, "Hey buddy do you think you can..."

And forget about starting a conversation with a cutie from across the bar. If the bartender asks me for ID while I'm trying to hook up, I'll probably have to hide in a bathroom stall for the rest of the night to avoid being ridiculed by her and by my age friends.

Last weekend we gave Tierney's a break and drove down to the Birch Hill Night Club in Sayreville. It was 18 to get in and 21 to drink. No problem, I thought. My friends will buy my drinks just like at Tierney's.

I had to scrap this plan, however, after the doorman sprawled a 3-inch tall capital B on top of my right hand in permanent black marker.

"What does that stand for? Baby?" my friend Pete said sarcastically.

Thanks for the translation Pete, like I don't feel like a schmuck already walking around with a big black B on my hand.

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The last few Saturday nights my friends and I have gone to movie theaters, diners, mini-golf courses and more recently, bars that don't card at the door. These places are fine, but not nearly as cool as bars in Hoboken or the Hill Inn, an outdoor, riverside gourmet restaurant in my hometown of Mays Landing.

In nicer establishments like this, it is usually not a problem getting served as long as you follow two basic rules:

Rule #1: Be specific. When ordering a rum and coke, for example, don't just ask for a rum and coke, ask for a rum and coke with Bacardi Dark Rum.

Rule #2: Be cordial. Look in the server's eye and say with conviction, "I want a rum and coke, Bacardi Dark, dammit, and my friend will have the same.

Sometimes, it doesn't work. I think Chrissy's freckles gave us away.

"Guys, I'm going to have to see some ID," the waiter requested.

Astonishingly, Chrissy and I, two supposed 21-year-olds, went out to a restaurant, via car and both of us don't have any identification on us. Incredible.

I ordered an iced tea. Chrissy got water. So much for completing the movie-like romantic dinner scene with a glass of wine or a cocktail.

I'm turning 21 on June 8 and I can't wait. This being 20 thing has kept me from hanging out with some really cool people. It has also prevented me from meeting some nice-looking women.

As soon as we stepped out of the car someone said, "Should we coat check?" I thought to myself, "no, we'll just get frost bitten at the beginning of the night."

"Hey Concetta," we tease Sam. It wouldn't be a Saturday night if Sam didn't say, "Just remember we are the best looking girls in here."

"The best looking girls. What does that mean? We are all still single and still dateless on a Saturday night. So apparently being a good looking girl doesn't give you too far these days.

The lights were blinking and the dance floor was packed with sweaty people as we make a bee-line to the bar. We looked around to see who was there, not that you can actually see because it's dark.

Maybe that's why I always think guys are cute in the club, but once I see them in the actual light I change my mind.

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"I swear that I wore a neon sign on my forehead that flashed 'We welcome all sorts of losers.'"

By Danielle Kovatch
Special to The Montclarion

She said:

Inside Looking Out

As I waited for the bartender to make my Citron and Seven, I wondered if a certain guy would be there. I know I would have to drink five or six of these drinks because they are so watered down.

I took two steps from the bar and some did a hand gesture, probably named Joey, wearing a wife beater in the middle of winter was trying to grind me.

"Hello! What has my life resorted to? I feel like I am trapped in the movie, Night At The Roxbury. I swear I wore a neon sign on my forehead that flashed 'We welcome all sorts of losers.'"

After a few hours had passed, I was more than ready to leave. I had seen everyone and their mother, been groped by at least ten different disgusting guys, had drinks spilled on my new clothes, been knocked over and stepped on, and yet I felt like this was one of the better Saturday nights.

We ran to the car and as soon as we got in, the complaining and whining began. Yes, it was just another single girl's Saturday night.

Editor's Note:

These are the first in a series of weekly columns about what living in your 20's is all about. New columnists will be featured every week dealing with issues such as love, sex, driving, being too young, being too old and much more.
THE REAL WORLD

By Amy Cote
Special to The Montclarion

Last year I was walking through campus when I saw a sign for the Walt Disney World College Program. It reminded me of the thought that I would love to work for the Walt Disney Company, but I didn’t want to live in Florida for an entire semester. Still the thought was tempting, so I decided to find out more information. After going to the Cooperative Education Department, visiting the website, and attending the presentation, I knew that this program was for me. I waited for eight days after the interview, and was notified that I had been accepted into the Walt Disney World College Program as a Merchandise Hostess.

When I arrived in Florida, I went through the orientation and training programs. One of the first things I learned was that the program consists of three components: Living, Learning, and Earning.

Living: I stayed in the Disney-owned apartments called Vista Way. There are about 40 buildings within the complex, which houses over 2,000 people. There are two pools, a weight room, a basketball, volleyball, and tennis court, a pavilion for meetings and social events, and a clubhouse, which even had a computer lab.

It didn’t take long to get used to life in Florida. There was always so much to do. My roommates and I had a great time taking advantage of our free admission into all four theme parks in our free time. There was so much in the area to do, if we weren’t playing in the parks, we were either shopping, going to Daytona Beach, or just hanging around at the pool.

Learning: As an orientation into the company, all new cast members go through training called Traditions. From there, each of the students went through separate training depending on which park or location in which we were working at. As the semester progressed, we attended seminars highlighting Disney’s best practices, current business trends, and personal development.

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This Week's Question:

Did you know?

Part 2

17. An invention of Elijah McCoy began the use of what term?
   a. Hot Dog
   b. The Real McCoy
   c. As strong as steel

Elijah McCoy, a mechanical engineer born to slave parents, invented a device that enabled machines to be self-lubricating. When cheap imitations showed up that didn’t do the job as well as his, buyers insisted on the “Real McCoy.”

18. In 1642, a Virginia law penalized anyone sheltering runaway slaves at what price?
   a. 2 Horses
   b. 50 British pounds
   c. 20 Pounds of Tobacco

The Virginia laws, passed in 1642 penalized anyone sheltering a runaway slave 20 pounds of tobacco for each night of refuge granted.

19. What were the names of the two Blacks who accompanied George Washington during his famous trip across the Delaware?
   a. Sam Oliver and John Brown
   b. Washington Smith and Salem Poor
   c. Prince Whipple and Oliver Cromwell

In 1776, two blacks, Prince Whipple and Oliver Cromwell, crossed the Delaware with George Washington enroute to an attack on the British in Trenton, NJ.

20. In what year did the last state north of the Mason-Dixon Line pass a slave emancipation law?
   a. 1754
   b. 1804
   c. 1900

New Jersey, in 1804, become the last state north of the Mason Dixon line to pass a slave emancipation law.

The world’s population continues to grow at an increasingly alarming rate, so much so that there are new massive efforts under way to at least halt this progression, if not reverse it. Here in the United States it is especially important to curtail such a rise, not only because we are one of the fastest-growing industrialized countries, but also because our populous has a much greater impact on the environment than most other nations.

According to statistics from the late 1990s, five percent of the earth’s population, which resides in America, is responsible for consuming more than 25 percent of the world’s energy, producing 23 percent of the carbon dioxide believed to be responsible for global warming and driving 31 percent of the planet’s cars. Thus, any decrease in America’s population benefits nature more so than it would in many other parts of the world, giving each one of us the power to do more than our share to help save the planet.


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By Christina Spatz
Assistant News Editor

A diverse array of musical sounds and artists gathered together at Convention Hall in Asbury Park and performed their way to the top of the talent pedestal for an all around energy powered show.

First to arrive on stage was Puya, a Latin-core band from Puerto Rico. Playing songs from their American debut album Fundamental, Puya led a very culturally oriented performance. Sergio, the band’s lead singer, played the jug for almost every song, and the overall sound was a lot harder, considering the addition of heavier guitar crunches, than the softer salsa tunes found on the band’s album. Puya performed some of their most popular songs, including “Fake,” “Oasis,” and “Montants,” with the full force and power they are well-known for. Surprisingly, the very non diverse crowd responded to the band’s heavy salsa/metal sound, and their performance definitely deserved merit.

Following the aftermath of Puya’s Latin-core performance, Mr. Bungle took the stage with a whole different routine. The band members in Mr. Bungle were probably most notable for their costumes. The singer/keyboudar dressed the plainest with a t-shirt and Hawaiian Lei, but the rest of the members bore resemblance to Indian warriors, chefs, shop-rite checkout clerks, and cowboys. In addition, Mr. Bungle also performed superbly, but their swing/poika/surf guitar/glass-shattering sound effects could not win over the audience’s approval. This sour reaction was not a surprise, considering the fact that the singer mocked the audience members for their boxing, by whining like a baby, and cracking tasteless jokes about Jon Bon Jovi and Bruce Springsteen (both New Jersey musicians) engaging in sexual acts as a reason for not performing at the show. Mr. Bungle began their performance with a rendition of “Sweet Charity” and then, continued with fast, reckless songs that mostly consisted of angry polka and pointless sound effects.

Although Mr. Bungle’s performance proved pretty disastrous, the third band to appear undoubtedly performed with a much cleaner and more enjoyable set. Incubus, a California-based band, graced the stage with a very much worthy rendition of the song “New Skin” off of their second album SCI. Lead singer and African percussion player, Brandon Boyd, performed scarily with his eyes completely shut and his soft-sounding voice forcing out words about social and personal expectations. During the band’s performance of their song “Vitamin,” Boyd removed his shirt, as he has been known to do at all of their shows, and made the entire audience move with emotion as he became one with the drum. In addition to Boyd’s shirt removal, guitarist Mike Einzinger wore his signature costume of a black and red Chinese blouse and pants. Incubus also performed with their infamous turntable spinning tracks such as “Privilege,” “Theory of a Deadman,” and their latest radio release, “Pardon Me.” Although their overall performance sounded, and looked, incredible, they succeeded the most by recreating all the same intergalactic sound effects and amazing guitar riffs that the band is famed for.

Lastly, Incubus cleared the stage for the most anticipated band of the evening: System A Down. Unquestionably the hardest and most violent band, System A Down performed with overwhelming nuttiness and child’s play in order to convey the message that society is unjust. Again, the band’s style differed tremendously from the previous performers, with two members moping around on stage shirtless, creating movements like little bugs, and the lead singer sporting a long, Chinese robe. System of A Down played songs from their self-titled debut including “Suite-pee” and “Spiderman,” and a cover of a Black Sabbath song.

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Wait till you hear what happened to me.” Letterman Returns

By Anna Lawrence
Assistant Arts Editor

Sometimes we watch on the television are barely more than faces on a screen. Often times, the personalities we watch on the television are barely familiar about him, even his last name - Kennedy, McGwire, last name - Kennedy, McGwire, even his sometimes, famous personalities are referred to by their name. Many times, famous personalities are referred to by their last name - Kennedy, McGwire, Lentz - imposing something very formal about them. But Dave is just Dave, that cool guy who has this late night show who goes to work to visit his neighbors ever so often. So when Dave left the air waves for an indefinite amount of time this past January, his absence was felt. Businesses near the Ed Sullivan Theater, where the Late Show is taped, reported a dip in revenues. At home viewers missed live shows, but were treated to re-runs of the more popular past episodes. All the while, everyone wondered, would Dave be okay?

Dave left the show in mid-January for health reasons. A routine procedure revealed that Dave, who has coronary heart disease, would need quintuple bypass surgery on his heart. Would Dave ever return to late night? Only time would tell.

Finally, on Feb. 21, over a month since his surgery (performed on Jan. 14, 2000), Dave made a triumphant comeback to "The Late Show." The guest list for the show was incredible - Regina Philbin, Robin Williams and the Foo Fighters. Jerry Seinfeld also appeared in a walk-on during Dave’s monologue.

In a moment of humble thanks at the beginning of the show, Dave brought out and introduced the doctors that operated on him and the nurses who attended him. It was a simple, unselfish and sounding voice forcing out words about so­cial and personal expectations. During the band’s performance of their song “Vitamin,” Boyd removed his shirt, as he has been known to do at all of their shows, and made the entire audience move with emotion as he became one with the drum. In addition to Boyd’s shirt removal, guitarist Mike Einzinger wore his signature costume of a black and red Chinese blouse and pants. Incubus also performed with their infamous turntable spinning tracks such as “Privilege,” “Theory of a Deadman,” and their latest radio release, “Pardon Me.” Although their overall performance sounded, and looked, incredible, they succeeded the most by recreating all the same intergalactic sound effects and amazing guitar riffs that the band is famed for.

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"...there's something funny and also a little familiar about Dave..."

Once you’re in your seat, you’re there to stay. No refreshments are sold in the theater and the bathrooms are locked at 5 p.m. Someone that this little street, but everyone is in the theater at all times, that automatically guarantees maximum applause and laughter.

While both the at-home and studio audiences were able to take home the stripped clothing, and only the studio audience caught the sight of Williams dancing away and leaving loose as Paul Schaffer and the CBS Orchestra played during a commercial break. Only the studio audience witnessed the drummer from the Foo Fighters join with the CBS Orchestra drummer, even sharing a drum solo during the song “Cult of Personality” by Living Color, while the rest of the Foo Fighters continued to tune up for their set. The final honor came after the show, when each audience member was awarded the commemorative Dave’s surgery t-shirt.

Many eyes watched as Dave returned to "The Late Show," the show that "The Late Show" needed to get back on track, after suffering from slowly falling ratings. People watched from home, and in the studio, the cast and crew of USA Today and The New York Post. The guests for the evening said many times, echoing the thoughts of the fans old and new, that he has touched throughout the years: Welcome back, Dave, it’s good to see you again.
What’s Up, Tigerlily?

Concert Calendar
Thursday, February 24
Chris Cornell, One Minute Silence, Slipknot. Irving Plaza, New York, NY. (212)354-8570
Cher, Lou Bega. Continental Airlines Arena, East Rutherford, NJ. (201)935-3900
Scoldies. Bitter End, New York, NY. (212)973-7030

Friday, February 25
Violent Femmes. Hammerstein Ballroom, New York, NY. (212)279-7740
One Minute Silence, Slipknot, Limelight, New York, NY. (212)698-9597
BAMM! Candyman, Echo 3, Honky Toast, Spacehog. Continental, New York, NY. (212)529-6924

Saturday, February 26
Dixie Dregs, Dream Theater. Roseland Ballroom, New York, NY. (212)254-5761
Beach Boys. Westbury Music Fair, Long Island, NY. (516)334-0800

Sunday, February 27
Creep Division, Grey Area, Sick of it All. Bowery Ballroom, New York, NY. (212)625-6138

Monday, February 28
Les Paul Trio. Iridium Jazz Club, New York, NY. (212)582-2121
The Cure. Roseland Ballroom, New York, NY. (212)254-5761

Tuesday, February 29
Morrissey. Beacon Theater, New York, NY. (212)496-7070
Flora Affle. Roseland Ballroom, New York, NY. (212)254-5671

Wednesday, February 29
Full Blunt Control. Arlene Grocery, New York, NY. (212)358-1633
Chamberlin, Donny Brook Fair, Meat Depressed, Wooden. CBGB's, New York, NY. (212)860-4052

Movie Releases
Friday, February 25
Reindeer Games. Dir: John Frankannahem. Ben Affleck, Gary Sinise, Charlize Theron, Clarence William III, Dennis Farina
Wonder Boys. Dir: Curtis Hanson. Michael Douglas, Robert Downey Jr., Frances McDormand, Katie Holmes, Tobey Maguire

Theatre Performances
The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie, at MSU Memorial Auditorium, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ. (973)655-5112. Opening Thursday, Feb. 17 running thru - Sat. at 8 p.m., Sun. at 2 p.m. and Fri at 1 p.m. until Saturday February 28.

Fifty Years of Art Displayed at the Whitney
By Lorenda Knisel
Assistant Copy Editor

What a huge undertaking it was to showcase the vast diversity of the American avant-garde in the latter half of the 20th century. Curator Lisa Phillips, of The American Century Part II, 1950-2000, at the Whitney Museum of American Art, must have felt the same after completing this exhibition. Museum-goers did after leaving it breathless.

The exhibit, which was on view Sept. 26, 2002-Feb. 26, 2003, was simply too large and multidimensional to be digested in one day’s visit. Yet, instead of an in-depth study of the multiple genres that have branched out since Post-Modernism’s territory, one was treated to a crash course, which skimmed over only the most seminal of artist’s works and neglected many others.

This exhibit, as well as The American Century Part I, which was previously shown, were the largest exhibitions of 20th century American art to date. Part II surveyed more than 2,000 works, that included a variety of art ranging from sculpture to painting to journalism and TV. There were four floors, each dealing with the transitions between decades. They all contained historical and cultural timelines so that art works could be placed in proper perspective alongside the evolution of our country’s identity.

Museum-goers were asked to begin on the fifth floor entitled “America Takes Command: 1950s into the 1960s,” and to then work down to the second floor which would take them chronologically into the present. The fifth floor contained the early Post-Modern works which broke away from Modernism, and contained many of its influences. Abstract Expressionist Willem de Kooning’s “Woman” was on display as well as the Figurative Expressionism of Richard Diebenkorn’s “Girl Looking At Landscape.” The early Pop-Art piece “Three Flags by Jasper Johns could be viewed as well as the influence on Minimalism in the Monochromatic Abstraction piece “Milk River” by Agnes Martin. The influential underground film “Full My Daisy” was also on display as well as the recordings of important performance artist’s works such as Cut Piece by Yoko Ono and the exciting Flux Cellophane, George Maciunas. In the hallway was a recording of the experimental composer John Cage’s “Aspects of a New Constellation.” Important works of literature such as Jean Paul Sartre’s “Last Exit and Jack Kerouac’s “On the Road” could be viewed.

The fourth floor was entitled “America at the Crossroads: 1960s into the 1970s.” In one room the walls were painted in loud colors and the Turtle’s version of the song “Mister Tambourine Man” was piping through the speakers.

Recordings of presidential speeches were on display next to red lava lamps. The walls were covered with album covers as well as protest posters and advertisements.

At this time the spirit of liberation, pop and counter-culture reigned and was expressed in this floor’s works of art. Roy Lichtenstein BLAM! was on view, as were Andy Warhol’s Elvis I and II and his film Kicks. The film contained many couples in close-up kissing, including an interacial and same-sex couples. Eclectic abstractions could be seen including the organic Unstilled Box No. 3 by Lucas Samaras. Explorations in Minimalism and Post-Minimalism’s concept of anti-form were shown with Robert Morris’ Unstilled (L-Beams) and Eva Hesse’s Unstilled (Rope Piece) respectively.

“The third floor was entitled “The Rise of Alternatives: 1970s into the 1980s.” The 70’s was often called “The Pluralistic Decade” at this time. Critics drifted away from the modernist concept of sticking to the “formalist” structures in art (line, composition, design etc.) and returned to analyzing it from a political perspective. Critics stressed the need to “deconstruct” or expose the relations of power and control that have shaped our cultural images and texts. As a result, many minority artists came into their own.

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What action would you take to protest the parking situation?

“What can you do? Not drive?”

Chris Andres, Senior, Food Service Manager

“The action I would take is to illegally park constantly.”

Mazzi Behi
Senior, Marketing

“I would just leave my car in the lot.”

Alejandro Arango
Freshman, Business Law

“I’ve never paid a ticket, and I wouldn’t start now.”

Jeff Freyre
Senior, Communications

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Cotillion, The Most Important Open-Bar of My Life

This past Friday night, I was lucky enough to attend my fourth Cotillion. If you’ve never been to one, it’s an interesting event. Most sorority girls treat it as if it’s the biggest event of their life. For all of you non-sorority out there, Cotillion is an Inter-Sorority Council event where its member sororities come together at the Cameo in Garfield, and celebrate... well... being greek. Each sorority’s new sisters participate in a ceremony welcoming them into the greek community.

To prepare, they spend months picking out their white dresses, and about as much time picking out their dates. Most talk endlessly about the night as if it will be the most important of their life. You’d think they were getting married.

It is built up by weeks of anticipation, and the mere mention of the word Cotillion is often enough to get a sorority girl so excited she is set off into frantic screaming and hand waving.

As for their dates, (well, for me at least) Cotillion seems a little bit more like the student center cafeteria (the popular greek hangout) on any given Thursday afternoon. Just throw in a mirror ball, dance floor, and some formal ware. Hey, I like a good party, and the mere mention of the word Cotillion was getting me so excited she is set off into frantic screaming and hand waving.

The main event at Cotillion is a ceremony where each new sorority girl walks down a flight of stairs with her date to the dance floor as her name is announced. It’s called being presented. I overheard more than one girl say they weren’t going to get drunk too early, so they could handle this. Falling down those stairs would sure be embarrassing. It’s a good thing the ceremony is held early in the night before all those Midori Sours can set in.

Once getting past the stairs, each girl lights a candle, blows it out, and then gets spun and dipped by her date - a maneuver which again, has a difficulty rating that depends on the number of drinks consumed beforehand. It can be quite amusing to watch.

More interesting than watching the actual ceremony though, is watching what everyone else does while it’s going on. The sororities take turns presenting their new girls, so when it’s time for sorority X to present their girls, only people from sorority X care. When one sorority has done their song and dance already, they are free to find more important things to do.

“Oh, let’s go drink,” enthusiastically said one girl as she came flying off the dance floor towards one of The Cameo’s three (open) bars. Her sorority was done.

Unfortunately for her, the bars are closed during the presentations. It’s a fruitless attempt to get people to pay attention to the ceremony when it doesn’t involve them. Instead, everyone jockeys for position around the closed bars so they’ll be ready for when it does open. Perhaps they should have put the bars on the dance floor. A sorority that had finished their presentations gathered in a corner of the ballroom and chanted as loud as they could. It was about being better than everyone else, or something to that effect. The sound actually drowned out the person announcing the names of the girls who were currently being presented. So much for greek unity.

“This is so dumb,” said one guy whose date was off doing that screaming and waving thing. “No one cares to watch anyone else. They could be doing this in their living rooms.”

“No open bar in the living room,” quickly added another guy listening next to him.

Good point, I thought. That day, snow fell for the areas in the hour, making driving a little tricky. Some girls were worried Cotillion might be called off.

“Oh my God! Did they cancel it?” said one absolutely terrified sorority girl a few hours before the event. She claimed to have almost been triggered into a panic attack at just the thought. Apparently someone told her it might be cancelled. Thankfully for me, I might have had to call the paramedics to come revive her if it had been.

She soon calmed down, and was able to concentrate on other more important things, like deciding how many drinks it will be safe to have before negotiating those steps. Emergency avoided.

Hopefully, she made it down the stairs okay. I wouldn’t know though. I was over by the bar.

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The Montclarion Humor™ Editor Says Goodbye:
How to Survive a Clueless Administration

The reason I wrote what I wrote was because I don’t care what Susan Cole thinks of my articles. She’s not important to me. Neither is Dean Helen Macroe-Ayers. Neither is Dr. Pennington. That’s why I choose to laugh about the parking situation instead of getting worked up over such a monumentally absurd policy. I can laugh because no matter how long the policy stays in effect and no matter how many administrators support it, it is still ridiculous. The lengths to which some people go to defend it only make the situation funnier. When one person does something stupid, it’s a bad idea. When 50,000 people do something stupid, it’s still a bad idea.

This does not make me a defeatist or one who is apathetic. This means that where I park my car for a few months out of my lifetime is inconsequential, as are the names and faces of those who started it. They will be forgotten.

The administration can make me park where they want, when they want, and for how long, but I’ll mock them all the way.

They can’t make me behave, they can’t control my thoughts, and that gives me the power to be proactive instead of reactive. (Insert “Braveheart” music here.)

So I’m leaving my post, but by no means is my work here done. I’ve still got some tricks up my sleeve, and as long as the administrators keep their feet planted firmly in their mouths, I’ll never run out of material.

Decide for yourself what is important. Don’t let people who have proven their overabundant ignorance time and again decide it for you. And keep laughing — it doesn’t cost anything, and it’s much better in the long run than getting frustrated and beating your head against a wall. Unless, of course, that’s your thing.

Until next time, ave, atque vale. Hail, and farewell.

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Covering Campus Crime:
Should MSU Officers Carry Weapons To Protect Its Students?

A can of worms has just been re opened here regarding the safety of the campus communi ty. Our campus police do not carry guns, but President Cole is researching the issue and will present a case to the Board of Trustees. Five years ago the Board of Trustees voted down a proposal to arm the campus police with firearms.

Now, the administration has gathered a report together to be reviewed by the SGA, the University Senate, the campus faculty and staff, and the students. This issue will be the subject of future forums and a referendum by the SGA. Cole doesn’t want to voice his opinion on the issue until her campus-wide fact-finding mission is complete.

Currently there are ten police officers on the MSU force who all have been trained in the use of firearms while at the police academy. They carry side-handle batons, mace and hand restraints on duty.

"Do we keep the pride we have of being a gun, alcohol, and tobacco-free campus, or do we give the campus police guns for our protection?"

The security Building. I think that the presence of the weapons that are not as invasive as bullets and gunpowder should be discussed. The information Cole has been gathering may include these alternatives, but they may not be working up over such a monumentally absurd policy. I can laugh because no matter how long the policy stays in effect and no matter how many administrators support it, it is still ridiculous. The lengths to which some people go to defend it only make the situation funnier. When one person does something stupid, it’s a bad idea. When 50,000 people do something stupid, it’s still a bad idea.

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The Blood is the Life: The Ridiculous Crusade of Omar Portee

Apparently, blood is not thicker than water. The New York Times reported that Omar Portee, the founder of the New York chapter of The United Blood Nation, or the Bloods, was released from prison. He should not have been surprised that his fellow gang members did not start singing "Oh, hail the conquerors' return. After all, Mr. Portee has claimed that he was disgusted by the Bloods to political solidarity and help-seeking hero" upon his return. After all, Mr. Portee has claimed that the "new Bloods" have been surprised that his fellow gang members did not have any say that there are many members of the Bloods now see his reform efforts as a front to resurrect the control of the gang. "It's not about reform, it's about control. It's about making money. The Bloods are not the Latin Kings. There is no respect for the leadership." Still, ever determined and ever self-righteous, Portee continues to preach the more community-friendly ideals of the United Bloods Nation. He makes and sells t-shirts that say "Black and Latino Love." He has also recorded several rap songs, including "Bloods keep running in and out of my life," and hopes to become a recording artist. He condemns black-on-black crime, despite having done time in Riker's Island for attempted murder, not to mention that the Bloods often target members of the black community. He started the New York chapter of the Bloods in prison "to fight oppression." In other words, white authority.1

I'm from the Bronx myself, and I will admit that living there can be rough. But admit that living there can be rough. But I can't accept any gang member like Omar Portee (or O.G. Mack as he calls himself) being a good influence on anybody. Why take advice about social reform from a convicted felon? Mr. Portee probably sees himself much like Julius Caesar; hared by all around him but insisting that he means well for the good of all his people, ever the immaculate martyr. If he wants to benefit the community, why won't he lose the red and black hardass that are the Bloods sacred attire? Is he trying to color-coordinate? The more logical answer is that Mr. Portee is the same person that was imprisoned in Rikers Island while all the time he was saying more on his mind than "being hardcore." While all the time he's crying "kill whitey" to anyone who'll listen. "Want a real role model? Look in the mirror. What is that person's best interest? What does that person really think you should do with yourself?"

SGA and NAACP Negotiate Regulations for New Charter

In response to your editorial and the article concerning the recent protest of the University's parking policies, it is time to shed some light on this ever growing issue. The idea that MSU and Dr. Cole does not care about the student body is baseless and totally ridiculous. I do commend those students who exercised a basic constitutional right in organizing the protest. I would like to ask where were they back in September and October when we organized a forum with all the policy makers in attendance to hear the concerns of the student body. If the administration did not get out they would not have showed up, yet all of them did, to an audience of about 15 students. What has changed since then? Among student leaders, we felt it necessary to give the student body a forum to voice their concerns directly to the administration. Unfortunately, all those students who constantly bellow that MSU does not care about us were too busy socializing in the cafeteria, or partying to Andrews Avenue), or showing up to classes or ignoring the rules of an institution because they did care and wanted to hear our concerns. The administration also gave us the opportunity to sit in on the decision making process concerning MSU's parking policies, yet our SGA leaders have yet to send a student to the monthly meetings. The actions of the SGA sound more like a case of people pointing the finger at the administration without looking at the three fingers pointing back at them. If it is anyone, who does not care it is our own SGA leaders, yet I do not see anyone protesting their lack of responsibility. If you are so tired of the concept that this university does not care for the student body, then why not join us and contribute to the SGA, or volunteering your time to be a part of the committee that makes these decisions? Instead of this constant griping about cars being towed and ignoring the rules of the university we need to look at the bigger picture. We live in a society that has rules and policies that we must abide by because these rules and policies are made for the greater good of all people and not just a few.

We as students need to start taking responsibility for our own actions and stop this griping as if the administration is our parents. If we do not learn how to follow the rules of an institution now, then what will we do once we get into the real world?

Are we not protesting things like the rising prices of food services, professors not doing once we get into the real world?

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**The Bully Pulpit**

**Reality Is a Sham.**

By Chris Finegan

Can you make me a three-headed goat?

Well, I’ve finally done it. I’ve angered President Wally the Alien, and he’s not happy. I supposedly presented the university in a bad light in my section, and I’ve got to go. I believe the charges are libel, slander, criminal negligence, racketeering, and crimes against nature. They have a picture of me and a sheep, or so they say, that is so aberrant that even the members of Limp Bizkit would be disgusted. This, unfortunately is my last contribution to The Bully Pulpit. Let me tell you how it happened.

I got a phonecall the other day from the president concerning a comment I had made about being happy over graduation. I decided to visit, and got myself all gussied up in my tux. It’s not everyday you meet the president, even if he does smell like a wet gasket. His head looked like it was going to explode, which would have been cool if I had remembered to bring a sheet of plastic. Just my luck I was wearing a white tux.

"YOU'RE NOT LISTENING!" he yelled, "You are irresponsible and immature. Making us look like idiots!"

I don’t know for sure what happened next. The five minutes that followed were utter chaos. I remember saying something like, "Making you look like idiots is very, very difficult," and Wally blew a gasket. His head was shaking violently. His head looked like it would explode, which would have been cool if I had remembered to bring a sheet of plastic.

Contrary to popular opinion, John J. and Tina do not look, dress, or act like this...that often.

**Sex, Music, And What The Rock Is Cookin’**

By John J. O’Sullivan (awake)

Former Humour™ Editor and Disappointed

Crap. I fell asleep at the computer again. Oh well...dreams cannot continue forever. That, and I’m sure that one would start chafing after a while, but that’s what aloe is for. Drat.

Anyway, how are you all doing? Long time no see. Montclair? By now, only about 24.2% of you remember who I am. Many of you are probably going to the bathroom while you’re reading this and probably looking for something to read, wondering who I am as you get rid of coffee you had in the morning. Or, maybe you’re in the Commuter Cafeteria and you just spilled your coffee... the Humour™ section has twice the absorptivity of the news section.

Well, for those of you who forgot who I am, I used to be the Humour™ dictator for over four years, running my matriculation at Montclair State Community College. I haven’t missed much from what I have heard, except for expensive rock gardens and crime. Parking is parking, the same, I imagine. (If you want a parking spot, here’s a tip: I hear that Saudi Arabia is a decent place to park. If someone gets caught stealing it, they chop off their hand.)

Figuring out what I was to write about has been difficult. I couldn’t have gone on a huge "This is what is happening in my life" trip, telling you what I have been doing in my life for years. I have decided to tell you how bad most of the inhuman section.

I’m at puking stage over here. Let’s move on to the next topic.

**Music:** What is the B2*® with rock these days? The Backstreet Boys are nominated for "Best Album of the Year"? Let me repeat that: The Backstreet Boys!!! The good boys at N’Sync will probably win some stupid F&$ing award as well (What real band uses an asterisk in their name?). Where the hell is Kiss or Ramones? They should have eaten these little teenie beanie boppers for breakfast. You may hate heavy metal, but you have to admire its honesty. Am I the only one in this country that thinks this is totally wrong? Most media sources are gushing over these Menudo clones. (Or maybe the lobster was...no, that’s it.)

Perhaps this was something passed down from sicko female friend to sicko female friend, much like a myth of old. In "the old days," the women of swam in the seas, befriending the crustaceans and loving them." No. I don’t see that. Greek myth had many accounts of women "befriending" animals—be they bulls, swans, or otherwise. And I don’t think our scarily oxeskeletical friends of the sea were in the Helenistic myths.

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Am I the only one in this country that thinks this is totally wrong? Most media sources are gushing over these Menudo rejects. Rolling Stone, the formerly "hip,” “cool,” and “with-it” relevant indie magazine has articles that gush praise on these... oh no. Here we go...
The Horoscope
Never Lies

Boo (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Do not take responsibility for the other people in your life. In a relationship, your inconsiderate behavior can make your partner feel undervalued. Focus on your own needs and communicate your expectations clearly.

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22): Someone is watching you very closely. It’s the Easter Bunny! He’s been, and he will surprise you by leaving this present: a basket full of jelly beans, chocolate eggs, and those purple marshmallow chickens things.

Virgo (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22): Your moos is in the window of the Rising Sun. Wait, that can’t be right. Nervous, Finegan, lucky pie been playing with my telescope! You were peeking in the window of Barbara again, wasn’t ya?

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus. Yet there’s one thing that both sexes can agree on. We all like good food. Maybe if we all get just a little more, we wouldn’t care what planet we were from.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): We will sign up for a night class at the local adult school. It is Group Reading. You will be matched with an eager cut and get a job chance to your face while doing your homework.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Take a lesson to learn the Cruickshank. Fighting turns more so than an 800-pound maul in a bit playing the bagpipe. The girls will flock to you.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19): We host Capriano’s horoscope so the two of you will have to share. Sharing is good. Sharing is friendly. Your horoscope this week is... crap, we lost it.
**The Dangers of Not Smoking**

By Brian Cross

I only smoke after sex...I just don't smoke.

Don't smoke. Smoking is bad. Cigarettes kill. Each one drilled into your head for as long as you can remember. For years and years, you have been strongly on the push of peer pressure of whether you should have been struggling under the immense corruption government with dreams of more light up that cigarette or not. Should I take a "Hail Mary." mine, after communion to light up a stogie already, they have taken smoking out of votes in an effort to push for a ban on cigarettes among, so our govern...make their peace. Let me have my peace, let me

With McDonald's going out of business, our job market will be a mess, all the druggies of society will wander around looking for whatever job that they can find. Our job market will be a mess, our nation will fall into a deep depression as society is ripped away at its seams.

The other half of the unemployed cigarette employees, will go to our government and beg for money. Everyone begs our government for money. Hell, if the good of U.S. of A will give housing and food to every crackhead with a heroin problem, why can't we give a few bucks to Bubba Ray? Yet the millions and millions of redneck Kenny Rogers' fans will go to Uncle Sam and say with their only two teeth, "Yo...Uhm...we need a 4-s-s-s-s-s-more cash, can ya uhm give us...ya ya know."

Now of course we'll say, "Here you go. And smoke on." And so now we will have to find work for you. But let's remember the people of the South - they have a vio...past, and the second we say "No," those poor heads on their heads and march down to a courthouse with their 12-gaun...and blow something up.

So our nation is falling in to disarray, something that no one thought was happening... A secret army is planning to take over the world while we worry about our own little problems. A mindless mob of crackheads, with their magic wand even if they don't have the power to make the world better. Let's get back to the basics. Let's focus on the things that really matter.

I've interviewed many celebrities, athletes, politicians and dogs, but never had I encountered such an emotional half hour of questioning. It was like Barbara Walters took a bite out of a Twinkie and asked for more. It was journalism at its finest that takes me back to the golden days. There were days when everyone cried during interviews.

It was 4:30 in the morning when I received a call from an anonymous tow truck driver. To protect his identity, I'll refer to him as "Moose." Moose has been towing cars for almost 50 years, and has received serious verbal and mental abuse from the slugs here at Montclair State.

"People need to know that I am a sensible man," Moose stated as he sat in his chair and chewed his feelings that are easily hurt.

We settled down to a game of Monopoly and Moose began to share his past.

"We were a family of evil magicians, living in an old abandoned gypsy wagon. We worked at the sheriff's auction. My father starred in the Care Bears movie, and was raking in a lot of cash with his experiments."

Moose at this point had three houses on St. Mary's Place. He was working on getting all four railroads.

"My whole family wanted me to be a evil magician like pa, but I yearned for a more enlightening position in this world. My mother compulsively double-parked in front of the grocery market, and every time we went shopping, the tow truck driver came along and took our car away. I would watch him hook it up and lift it on the back of his truck. It seemed to excite me. My mother would get very upset as the towing company kept raising the bill, and ripping her off. I realized that not only was I interested, I was hooked."

It was now my turn to draw a card from the Community Chest. I was thrilled to win 10 dollars in the local beauty contest. Moose was buying all of the cheap properties and setting up his houses. I moved in for the kill...he continued to tell me his story.

"I was eight years old when I got my first bumper hook and pair of gloves. My father was so proud, he encouraged my choice of career. He hated it. He used to beat me severely with his magic wand every time I tried to hitch his car. In high school, my love of tow ing had become well known. They used to call me 'The Moose.'

I had at this time acquired all four rail roads, and was closing in on Boardwalk. Moose didn't have a chance, but, for some reason, he continued on with his story.

"As far as my love life goes, the pickings have been slim. Nobody wants to date the Moose. I was feeling lonely. I used to tow my doghouse when I was feeling blue. Sometimes a little Fleetwood Mac would cheer me up. But little did I realize that my life was about to change. A man from Montclair State University offered me a chance to tow in the big leagues ($500 dollars per car!). I couldn't believe my ears when I heard that sweet deal. I was about to live in the goldmine."

I had some questions for Moose, but I forgot my notes, so he just went on and on. I wasn't paying attention. I needed a six to land on free parking. "Towing isn't an easy life. You have to cover yourself in grime, and work late hours. Sometimes, I have to run to get a fresh kill (unsuspecting violators). It's tough, but I manage. I know it's worthwhile when strangers hand me their only savings for the month. God, I love that look on their faces."

Luxury Tax! Damn! That's another 75 dollars out of my pocket. We passed Go and collected our 200 dollars. I was really starting to get into the game.

"There are these punks that shout nasty things at me when I low, especially late at night, when I'm tired. I have a few things to say to them..."

My eyes filled with tears. His cigarette smoke was so thick it knocked me unconscious.

"First off, the Moose is gone. He died when he graduated high school. Please, let the Moose ride into the sunset, let him have his peace. Let me have my peace, let me tow your cars. I'm doing you a service. If we make a truce, I'll try not to drag your back bumper next time. I'll try to be the best tow truck driver of all time, I prom..."

It was the end of the game. Moose had gone bankrupt. That's what you get when you challenge an ace reporter to a Parker Brothers game. I found it quite enjoyable to laugh at him. He didn't think it was so funny. Oh well, I have to go move my car now. Good night, Moose.

Editor's Note: Did it ever occur to anyone else that the Smurfs were banana bastards? We at Humor are investigating.

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**Anonymous Tow Truck Driver**

**Talks About His Childhood**

By Jeff Hill

Mmm...Cookies, I love twinkies they are soft and sticky

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**Smoking makes me look so sexy!**

Anonymous Tow Truck Driver

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**Moose's father was usually typecast. He played the wizard in Care Bears and even Gargamel in the Smurfs.**

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Light Up, It's Our Only Hope!

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...and feast on the flesh of humans. Our world will fall in to chaos. Instead of Planet of the Apes, it will be Planets of the Cows, but cows won't be smart. They will just be bloodthirsty and feed on our flesh as we climb into trees to avoid their despair. Civilization as we know it will collapse, our sun explodes, enveloping the first three planets of our solar system, and our little planet will drift away in to the void, until it is swallowed by the galactic starcrackers of an advanced civilization. These super intelligent beings will study our past and simply say, "Well, maybe they should have kept smoking."

"Aghh...My skin is on fire! It burns! I can't feel my legs! Something is growing out of my head! HELP!"

-Doctor Smith

MSU Chemistry professor

Editor's Note: I hope people who sit at my table and talk to me...
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Awarding Weekend for MSU's Wrestling and Hockey Programs

By Mike Halper

It was an exciting day for MSU's "other" sports on Saturday, as three players and one coach were recognized for their tremendous efforts over the course of the winter season.

The MSU Wrestling team went into the weekend as Division III's 15th-ranked team, with three top-five wrestlers. At the Metropolitan Conference Wrestling Championships, held at Panzer Gym on Saturday, one of those wrestlers, 1998 NCAA National Champion Florian Ghinea, blew by his rivals en route to winning the 141-pound weight class and the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler award. Ghinea defeated Frank Ferguson by pin in 1:03, York College's Mike Frost by pin in 3:22, and then defeated Rider's Ryan Romandin by technical fall, with a score of 24-8.

The MSU team had three other top finishers in the tournament, with Rami Ratel, 1999 NCAA National Champion Dominic Delligatta, and freshman Brad Christie all getting through their share of opponents. The top finishers in each weight class earned an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III National Championships at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio. MSU finished by a narrow margin, finishing 22nd, with second place and 13th-ranked TCNJ also winning four weight classes, and is sending six competitors to the National Championships.

For his outstanding coaching of the MSU wrestlers, who have now won the Metro Tournament two straight years, Head Coach Steve Strellner was honored for the second straight year as the Metro Conference's Coach of the Year for the 1999-2000 season. Strellner has been involved in coaching the MSU Wrestling team since 1974, when he became an assistant for his old coach, Larry Schiacchetano. Since then, Strellner has helped MSU win two National Championships, in 1979 and 1986, and has been named National Coach of the Year, also in 1986. He has seen 30 different Division III All-Americans, who have racked up 81 All-American honors. He has also coached 19 Division III Individual Champions.

Later on Saturday, the MSU Hockey team was in the Hockey Center for the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association playoffs. The team finished second in the league with a 7-3-2 record, one point behind first place Rider University. Before the evening's opening contest, a game between Rider and the University of Pennsylvania, M-ACHA President Les Schriber gave out the annual awards for the league.

Among others, MSU freshman Kevin Micek was awarded the M-ACHA Most Valuable Player plaque, as voted on by the seven head coaches of the league. Micek has been out with an injured ankle for the second half of the season, but in 10 M-ACHA games, he racked up 21 goals, five behind the leader, and 11 assists. Head Coach Matt Maniscalco has described the lefty from Bayonne as a "Man among boys," and apparently the other coaches agree.

Also honored for his play was goaltender Jared Waimon, who was named the Metro Conference Coach of the Year on Saturday. Florian Ghinea (below) was named Most Outstanding Wrestler at the same event. Prior to the first game of the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Conference Playoffs, forward Kevin Micek (bottom) was named the Most Valuable Player of the league. Also honored was Jared Waimon, who was named as the league's top goaltender after posting a 2.33 Goals Against Average.
Pro Wrestling From the First Row
With Fred
Your Weekly Sports-Entertainment Source... With Fred!

By Fred Stolarski III
Sports Columnist

Hello wrestling fans and welcome back to The First Row. We took a little break last week, but this week we're back with an all new format for you. First, I'd like to tell you a little about the latest news in the wrestling industry.

At this past Sunday's WCW Pay-Per-View, Superbrawl, Scott Hall was injured during the main event. The injury is said to be a bruised spinal column, which Hall claims happened about the time Jeff Jarrett cracked him over the head with a six-string. Hall said that he told Sid to go easy on the power bomb that followed the guitar shot, but apparently Sid did not hear him. Much speculation has been voiced about the seriousness of his injury.

Recently, there has been a lot of talk about Hall being released from WCW, therefore many thought this injury may have been a hoax and just part of the storyline. If, for one, do not doubt its seriousness. Hall has been battling personal problems and addictions that have carried over to the ring for years, and I think WCW has finally had enough.

Tank Abbott may find himself at home for a while after his little knife-pulling stunt at Superbrawl. WCW claims to have nothing to do with this incident, and it looks like Tank will be suspended for a while.

The Godfather of Soul, James Brown, came to Superbrawl after weeks of The Cat's claims that the two are good friends. Did you really doubt the Cat? You shouldn't! After all, he is the greatest. Just ask him, he'll tell you!

ECW superstar Sabu was supposed to make his WCW debut this month, but instead he will be working the indy circuit for a few months while ECW and WCW fight over his contractual status. It seems as though Sabu is still under contract with ECW, and they don't look like they're going to let him go out a fight. Look for this one to end up on Court TV sometime in the near future.

ECW's injury list added a new member this past Saturday, Spike Dudley injured his knee during a match with Mike Awesome. I haven't gotten word on how serious his injury is, but the new five year contract Spike just signed with ECW should take away some of the pain.

In the WWF, Kurt Angle captured the European Championship last week. This is only the first of many accomplishments Kurt will have in the WWF. I see Angle main-eventing blockbuster cards in the years to come.

Could Bret Hart be planning his retirement? Well, Hart's contract with WCW expires later this year and the way things have gone for him over the past few years, I think it's time. The Hitman will most likely come back to make one final mark on the industry before hanging them up. My only hope is that WCW will let him go out with dignity and the respect he deserves.

Around the industry, there has been a lot of talk about Shawn Michaels appearing at WrestleMania. I'm not too sure it's going to go through, though, since he was hospitalized for a few hours last week due to dehydration.

The WWF might be making plans to split up The Hardy Boyz in time to book a match between them for WrestleMania. Although this is still just a rumor, the speculation has been around for a while now. If it is true, look for Jeff to take the face side and Matt to go heel.

The main event for WCW's next PPV, Uncensored, is said to be Sid taking on Ric Flair for the World Championship. The twist to this story is that earlier in the week on the Howard Stern show, an advertisement was aired billing the main event to be 51-year old Ric Flair versus 55-year old Terry Funk in a Death Match for the title. Is this WCW's way of trying to spark interest in their programming or does absolutely no one in WCW know what they are doing? Keep your eye on this story as it unfolds in the weeks to come.

There are two big rumers going around involving The Rock and DX. One is that Rocky and X-Pac have been having problems in the locker room, and the feud is soon going to be spilling over into the ring over the next few weeks. The second big rumor is that there will be a feud between X-Pac and Triple H.

If indeed Triple H loses his title to Foley at No Way Out this Sunday, look for the feud to begin soon, resulting in a DX face-turn. X-Pac may also get the boot from the group, with The Rock taking his place. Personally, I couldn't possibly ever see The People's Champ joining D-Generation X, but this is the WWF... where anything is possible.

Random Thoughts

WCW has such a talented roster. When are they going to start using it?

Is it cleverness or coincidence that Sunday's WWF Pay-Per-View is titled No Way Out? It couldn't possibly be a stab at the WWF's No group, could it?

What more are they going to put Mae Young through before they announce that she lost the baby?

Where is the Undertaker?

If anyone besides me remembers when Master P and The No Limit Soldiers were in WCW, you hopefully recall a rather large man they called 4 x 4. Well he is the new third member of Harlem Heat. Just in case you were wondering where you saw him before, now you know!

It seems as though our time limit has expired and another week of wrestling is in the books. Questions? Comments? Feel free to send me Email at RedHawkSports@hotmail.com. That does it for me this week. Until next week, stay out of the nose bleed section!
Red Hawk Sports

Red Hawk Hockey Takes Another Loss at the Hands of Stony Brook

By Mike Mazanec

Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, the Red Hawk Hockey team was defeated by Stony Brook, 5-2, at Floyd Hall Arena, dropping their record to 11-6-2. Earlier in the season, Stony Brook swept the Red Hawks in two games in which the team was outscored by a combined score of 8-2.

Despite the loss, however, the team is still in a position to finish second in the M-ACHA, which would secure a home playoff game for the Red Hawks. The team is currently in third place with 24 points, just behind Lake Superior State, who have 25 points.

The Red Hawks were outplayed in all three periods, with Stony Brook dominating the game. In the first period, Stony Brook scored three goals, with two coming on power plays. The first goal came at 1:40 of the period, with the Red Hawks on the power play. Stony Brook's Jack Driscoll scored on a rebound after a shot from the point.

In the second period, Stony Brook added two more goals, one of which was on the power play. The first goal came at 10:31 of the period, with the Red Hawks on the power play. Stony Brook's Mike Peltola scored on a rebound after a shot from the point.

The third period saw Stony Brook add a final goal, with the Red Hawks on the power play. Stony Brook's Mike Peltola scored on a rebound after a shot from the point.

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Female Athlete of the Week

Marlena Lawrence

Basketball

As the Women's Basketball season comes to an end, Marlena Lawrence is truly the stand-out player on the stat sheets. She finished as the team leader in rebounding average (7.5 rpg), blocks (53), points (275), and scoring average (11.5 ppg). She ended the season with 987 career points, and will most likely become the team's 10th-ever 1,000-point scorer next season.

Male Athlete of the Week

Kevin Micek

Hockey

In his freshman year, Kevin Micek has had an outstanding hockey season. Despite an ankle injury that has kept him out almost the entire second half, the lefty from Bayonne racked up 27 goals and 11 assists playing at forward for the Red Hawks. 21 of his goals came during MA-CHA contests, and he was voted as the league’s Most Valuable Player by the coaches. He was honored in a ceremony this past weekend that preceded the first playoff contest.
Women's Basketball Season Comes to a Close

By Mike Halper
SportS Edition

The MSU Women's basketball team closed out their season last week with games against Rutgers-Newark and Richard Stockton College. In Pomona, NJ, on Saturday, Richard Stockton's team handed the Red Hawk Women a 71-58 loss in a game in which they held the lead for the final 27:33. At Rutgers-Newark on Wednesday, MSU pulled out a 62-58 victory after allowing the NJAC's second worst team to stay close for the entire game.

Against Richard Stockton, the teams traded the lead back and forth for the first 12 minutes, until RSC went on a 12-4 run to take a 29-19 lead. They then traded baskets to finish the half at 32-21. MU had connected on only six of 16 shots, while RSC hit 13 of 34.

The team then did what has become the norm for them. They put up twice as many shots in the second half, connecting on 13 of 32. Despite their 31 second-half points, the Red Hawks couldn't hold RSC back. The Osprey's scored 39 more points, taking the 19-point victory.

Langston and Stephanie Crole both had 12 points for the Red Hawks, and Bridget Fitzsimmons picked up a game-high seven steals. Amanda Petrocini had a game-high 28 points for Richard Stockton.

On Wednesday night, the Hawks went to play a team they had utterly destroyed earlier in the season. The Scarlet Raiders, better than only their sister school, Rutgers-Camden, came to Panzer Gym on Jan. 19 only to be sent home with their tails between their legs.

The Hawks had no intention of being embarrassed again. They jumped out to an 8-1 lead five minutes into the game, and held on to the lead for more than 12 minutes. The final three minutes of the half saw lead change back and forth.

The second half opened at 32-32, and neither team could get too far ahead of their competition. The biggest lead of the day belonged to the Hawks, who were up 61-53 with under three minutes in the game. With 19 seconds left, the Raiders' Kim Bove hit a three-pointer, sealing the scoring and the game at 62-58 in the Red Hawks favor.

Stephanie Crole pulled down a game-high 14 rebounds, and Langston scored a game-high 18 points. Fitzsimmons added 12 points and five assists.

Despite only nine points in the final two games, Marlena Lawrence finished the season as the team's top scorer by a wide margin. She finished with 275 points, moving into tenth place all-time with 987 points. She has a good chance of passing four other players next year, to possibly finish as MSU's sixth-highest scorer of all time.

Lawrence also led the team in shooting percentage, rebounds, rebounding average, and blocks. Stephanie Ellerbe led the team in three-point field goals, with 26, and steals, with 51. Senior Shielah Jennings finished with a team-high 61 assists.

This was the first season that Head Coach Gloria Bradley failed to lead the team to at least a .500 season, and also the first season the team will not be continuing play into the postseason. The team has big things to look forward to next year, though, as all the players except Lakeehea Holland and Shielah Jennings will be able to return to the court.

A young team that showed flashes of brilliance, but also an occasional lack of focus, can conceivably turn into a consistent winner with hard work and dedication. There's a very good chance this team will be back on top of the NJAC next year.
## Men's Basketball Results

- **2/16 - MSU.71 @ Rutg.-Newark 68**
- **2/19 - MSU 59 @ Rich Stock. 61**

## Women's Basketball Results

- **2/16 - MSU 62 @ Rutg.-Newark 58**
- **2/19 - MSU 52 @ Rich Stock. 71**

## Wrestling Results

- **Metro Championships @ MSU**
  - MSU - First Place; 155 points
  - Women - Third Place - 462 pts.
  - Men - Fifth Place - 294 pts.

## Hockey Results

- **2/16 - Stonybrook 5 @ MSU 2**
- **2/19 - M-ACHA Playoffs**
  - MSU 3 vs. Monmouth U. 5

### Intramural Basketball

#### Intramural Basketball Results (As of Feb. 22)

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#### Intramural Basketball Upcoming Games

- **Thursday, Feb. 24**
  - 9:15 - Delta Chi / Kling
  - 10:15 - Rottweillers / Above the Rim

- **Monday, Feb. 28**
  - 8:15 - Smackers / The Fifth
  - 9:15 - J.Y. Dogs / Bondsman
  - 10:15 - Killer Beez / AGSquad

- **Tuesday, March 1**
  - 8:15 - Oh My God / Smackers
  - 9:15 - J.Y. Dogs / Bondsman
  - 10:15 - Bearcats / Delta Chi

- **Wednesday, March 1**
  - 9:15 - Delta Chi / Kling
  - 10:15 - Bearcats / Delta Chi

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**Scores and Results**

- **2/24 - NJAC Playoffs**
  - 8 p.m. - MSU @ WPU
  - 10:15 p.m. - MSU @ Western Conn.
- **2/26 - NJAC Finals**
  - TBA
- **2/26**
  - 8:20 p.m. - MSU @ Western Conn.
  - 7:20 p.m. - Ramapo Jr. Rangers @ MSU
- **2/27**
  - 10 a.m. - NJAC Championships @ New York

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**New Jersey Athletic Conference**

**Final Basketball Standings**

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**Upcoming Intramural Basketball Games**

- **Wednesday, Feb. 16**
  - D2 Da Streetz 80 / Rottweillers 49
  - Underdawgz 49 / Bearcats 50
  - Pike 20 / Kling 30
- **Monday, Feb. 21**
  - Smackers 42 / Rottweillers 55
- **Tuesday, Feb. 22**
  - Above the Rim 44 / Smackers 46
  - A GSquad 46 / Bondsman 54
  - Oh My God 61 / Fast Break II 49
**Wrestlers Capture Metro Conference Title**

By Ceallaigh Pender

And once again, the MSU wrestling team was on fire this week. At the Metropolitan Championships held on Saturday, Feb. 19, MSU took the first place spot by 25 points over The College of New Jersey, who came in second, but was ranked 13th, two spots ahead of MSU’s ranking at 15th.

As usual, our fabulous four proved once again why they are so fabulous. Fifth-ranked nationally, Rami Ratel (149 lbs.) remained undefeated this season by going 3-0 on the day, leaving him at 37-0 in the 149-pound weight class. Brad Christie (174 lbs.) also went 3-0, leaving him with an overall record of 36-2. Of course, Florian Ghinea (141 lbs.) maintained his first place status in Division III with his trio of matches, two of them by quick pins.

Dominic Delligatta (165 lbs.) won 3 matches as well, leaving his record at 31-1. Good job, guys!

Florian Ghinea won the Outstanding Wrestler Award, which he also won in 1997, and Steve Strellner, who is in his 23rd year coaching at MSU, won the Coach of the Year Award for the second straight year.

So now, the top four wrestlers of MSU are off to Ohio Northern University, in Ada Ohio, during the weekend of March 3-4 to compete in the NCAA Division III National Championships. With Florian Ghinea ranked first in the nation for the 141-pound weight class, Dominic Delligatta second in the nation for 165 pounds, Rami Ratel ranked fifth for 149 pounds, and Brad Christie ranked seventh for the 174-pound class, they are looking very good for a spot in the top ten at the Championships. Last year they placed ninth, and they are looking much stronger this year, so high spirits and expectations are going with the team to Ohio. This was the second consecutive Metropolitan Conference Championship for the Red Hawks. Both Dominic Delligatta and Florian Ghinea have won National Championships before, and Brad Christie and Rami Ratel both look like they are going to be major contenders now, and in the years to come.

**Metro Wrestling Tourney Results**

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**Red Hawk Hockey Falls to Monmouth in M-ACHA Tournament**

By Mike Halper

The Red Hawk Hockey team posted a 7-3-2 record in the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association this year, earning the second seed in the four-team playoff at the end of the season. Unfortunately, MSU only had a record of 1-3-2 against the other three playoff teams.

Saturday night, the Red Hawks were matched up against the league’s third seeded Monmouth 5 team and defending M-ACHA Champion Monmouth University Ice Hawks. The teams met twice during the season, and were matched so evenly that they tied in both games, 5-5 on Oct. 20 at Floyd Hall, and 4-4 on Jan. 8 at Monmouth.

Ironically, the M-ACHA tournament was held at the American Ice Center Home in Farmingdale, where Monmouth University plays its home games. MSU, despite being the “official” home team, was facing an extremely hostile crowd of at least three or four hundred Monmouth fans, waving banners, wearing jerseys, and darning their pitch.

The Monmouth team played off the crowd noise and Nick Esposito scored a beautiful shorthanded goal 12 minutes into the game. As a response, the crowd just got louder, their yells and screams echoing off the blank white walls, refusing to be muted. An Eddie Caldwell slashing penalty led to a Monmouth power play four minutes later, and the Ice Hawks capitalized on the opportunity as the team’s scoring leader, Ed Zurawski, chipped in with another goal at 17:45 of the first period. It looked like it would definitely be a Monmouth day, as the crowd was hotter than ever and looking for a blowout.

The Red Hawks’ A.J. Giacobbe quieted the crowd for a while, taking a pass from Caldwell and depositing the puck in the back of the net to cut the lead to 2-1 with less than 60-58 at Rowan on Feb. 14. Richard Stockton has defeated the Red Hawks twice.