CRISIS AT BLANTON

Fire and Flood Force 639 Students to Evacuate

CAUSE FOR ALARM:
Sophomore Allegra Cohen and Dionne Olivo (above) huddle outside Blanton Hall following the initial evacuation of the building while Kiki Williams, Director of the Physical Plant (upper right), and Little Falls Fire Chief Edward Pomponio inspect the damage within. Affected electrical subpanels (panel R4 is shown at right) were responsible for the residence hall’s emergency generators and fire alarm system, according to MSU officials.

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Water and Electricity Don’t Mix
Quicker action may have prevented Blanton Hall disaster

By Elizabeth A. Hutchinson
Assistant News Editor

A fire that could have been avoided and a burst water valve forced 639 Blanton Hall residents to vacate their rooms for the rest of the week. The New Jersey Department of Community Services and officials from Essex County deemed the building unsafe due to a lack of electricity and no working fire alarm system.

Little Falls Fire Chief, Edward Pomponio, said the fire could have been prevented.

“The fire was definitely caused by water leaking into the circuit box. Although the fire was contained in the maintenance room, it caused a lot of damage,” Pomponio said. “The electricity should have been shut off immediately after the water valve broke. This would have prevented the fire, and would have also prevented the building coming to a complete shut-down.”

Director of the Physical Plant, Kiki Williams, said a faulty valve could have caused the flood.

“The pipe valve that burst was just replaced. We have a liability insurance plan with the Ruggelin Bros company...we now need to determine if the valve was faulty, if so, the company is liable for all damages, excluding room reimbursements.” Williams said.

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Hundreds Left Stranded

By Molly Meyers
Staff Writer

A water main break that shorted out two electrical panels and caused the atrium of Blanton Hall to fill with smoke displaced over 600 students Monday morning at approximately 9:45 a.m.

“We have been notified by state and county authorities that residents of Blanton Hall will be unable to occupy the building until after spring break,” Dr. Melinda O’Brien, Director of Residence Life, said in a campus-wide flyer. “Replacement and testing of fire alarm and electrical panels must be completed prior to permitting build-

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NEWS

PROTEST

Newark- Sixty Newark sanitation workers called in sick last week in protest of contract negotiations of the city. Trash carts, recycling bins and dumpsters were left scattered around the city until the second shift came to pick it up. According to city business administrator JoAnne Watson, the city is investigat­ing whether the sick-out was organized. If so, she said that each employee will be dealt with under a "case-by-case basis." The normal daily number of workers who call out is each day is 15.

FIRE

Millburn- A family of three found their home burned down after a fire destroyed it last Wednesday night. Township firefighters re­sponded to the 7 p.m. call after it had been reported as a smoke condition. Officers arrived on the scene to find a light smoke sur­rounding the house and flames burning through the roof of the house. All three family members of the single-family house had been evacuated by the time firefighters had arrived. The cause of the fire is presently under investigation by Millburn police and fire officials, but no suspicion of criminal activ­ity has been announced.

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Coverage

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TROOPS

Posse, Kosovo: The Pentagon announced Monday that it will not permit American troops to return to Mitrovica for safety reasons. German NATO commander of peacekeeping forces General Klaus Reinhardt said that negotiations were continuing. According to of­ficials, Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright has continued daily communication with the head of the United Nations mission, Bernard Kouchner in an attempt to find a solution to the Mitrovica cri­sis.

International News

AMTRAK

Washington- Amtrak decided to create more routes and offer more frequent service on its already ex­isting lines on Monday. Railroad officials say that they plan to an­nounce on Tuesday a plan to add a train from New York to California. In addition, it also plans to expand the area service to Monterey, Mexico, and Toronto, and increase its Florida-to-New York service all the way to Boston. It is a major change for the company, which has not changed its ideas since Con­gress created it in 1971.

ENDED RIVALRY

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NEW RELEASE

Cincinnati- People of all ages rushed to Joseph-Beth Bookellers Monday to get the latest Harry Potter book release. At Joseph­Beth, the organized group dubbed the Harry Potter withdrawal "club", offered its members books such as the adventures of Dorothy in the The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, and the Book of Three, a vol­ume in a 35-year-old series about a pig keeper and his nemesis, the Horn King. The best-selling children's novels, three of which are Harry Potter's, are 230 to 400 pages and include a linear plot, vivid writing, a high amount of sophistication, and a minimum number of illustrations, if any at all.

DEFEATED

Karl Germany- Germany's Chris­tian Democratic Union, scarred of a financial scandal with the party's former chancellor Helmut Kohl, suffered a heavy defeat Monday against the Social Democrats in the election of the northern state of Schleswig-Holstein. Three months earlier, Mr. Kohl's former defense minister, and the party's candidate, Volker Ruehe was ahead by 10 per­cent over the Social Democrats. Mr. Kohl lost popularity after he admitted to taking $1 million from unidentified donors.

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A Special Report
Continuing Problems of Aging Residence Halls

By William J. Gibbs, Jr.
Special to The Montclarion

"It is like the North Pole here," said Sa­rah Bechtold, a fourth-floor Freeman Hall resident. "I would almost rather sleep in the hallway, than having to put on extra socks and blankets because my room is so chilly," Bechtold said.

This is not an uncommon complaint from many MSU resident students. There have been a string of problems plaguing all of the MSU residence halls. Problems range from no heat in Freeman Hall to a mandatory week-long evacuation of Blanton Hall due to maintenance problems.

Dr. Patricia Hewitt, Vice President of Business and Finance, said that large projects, like replacing the heat pipes in Freeman Hall, come out of a different budget than other repairs, such as broken pipes.

"It would be around $800,000 to replace Freeman's pipes. We try to save for it and, every year, we look to see how much we have," said Hewitt. "It's on the list of things to do and, obviously, it's a priority."

Bad plumbing is probably the top problem on the list of Blanton Hall's maintenance issues that can range from structural problems as well as cosmetic.

Blanton Hall is the largest and newest built housing facility at MSU. Recently, it has experienced some improvements.

"We've come a long way in the way of painting and repairs that need to be done," said Matthew Kane, the director of Blanton Hall.

One of those repairs is the ongoing project to better insulate and cover the outside water pipes. The drop ceilings are being reframed and relaid, the pipes are being repaired, replaced, and reinsulated wherever necessary.

"We've had some plumbing problems," Kane said. "We've got leaky PVC [plastic] pipes." PVC pipes, unlike ones made of metal, do not withstand sudden temperature changes. The pipes will often burst because the cold air causes the water to freeze inside.

"In order to do repair work when a pipe bursts, the water has to be shut down... This causes an inconvenience to students."

-Kane told of an incident that occurred in early November. "The water was shut off for a 12 hour period," said Kane. "But usually it's 24 hours."

To fully remedy this problem, the PVC pipes would all have to be replaced with copper. "It's a large job, both time and money," Kane said.

"The shower above us was leaking right over our heads," said Souryal as he pointed to the area over his sink. "It took them like over a month to fix it. My roommate and I had to make a lot of phone calls to get it done."

In September, Ramy Souryal, a Freeman Hall resident, reported a leak in his bathroom ceiling. He filed three work orders, then called the Physical Plant.

"Like any other maintenance problem, residents fill out a work order requesting repairs. Items such as painting, plumbing and electrical work are referred to the Physical Plant. "They [the Physical Plant] service the whole campus," Kane said. "Work can take time."

John Lowney, Director of Freeman Hall, is fully aware of the complaints about the conditions of Freeman Hall. "I think Freeman is a strong facility. The infrastructure is solid, but the bathrooms need renovation," Lowney said. "We need new furniture."

Like Blanton Hall, Freeman Hall also received some renovations this year. "Every room was painted," said Lowney. "New carpet was installed in the hallways and lounges. In Spring 1998, all of the furniture in the main lounge was replaced at a cost of over $15,000. New blinds were installed in the dormitories."

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This is the third in a series of Montclarion special reports about issues critical at MSU.
“Please Exit the Building”

One Blanton Hall resident’s experiences on the morning during the evacuation

By Christina Spatz
Assistant News Editor

An electrical fire forced many students, including sophomore Theatre Education major Peter Muzio, out of their Blanton Hall rooms Monday morning.

According to Muzio, all of the residents in the building were woken up by resident assistants at around 10 a.m. Muzio quickly grabbed his camcorder when he saw water coming from the front door, but was forced to evacuate through the fire entrance.

At 11 a.m., students were allowed to re-enter the building because no problem had been officially declared.

Muzio returned to his second floor room and proceeded to go back to sleep, blocking out the piercing alarm with classical music.

Shortly after the residents reentered, all power went out in the rooms and hallways, but shortly resumed again.

At 11:30 a.m., resident assistants woke Muzio with “bloodcurdling screams” to get out of the building immediately. Muzio looked out the window and saw smoke coming out from what looked like the corner of the A and D wing of the fourth floor, which later was confirmed to be the fifth floor, laundry room.

Muzio said he remembered the building “smelling like a sneaker, or something rubber, burning.”

Following the Resident Assistants’ announcement, Muzio proceeded down the stairs, where he heard people screaming in confusion to figure out what was going on. Because it was so dark, many students fumbled with their keys in their doors, and even entered the wrong rooms by mistake.

On the way out of the building, desserts were handed out, and students were told later, that they had five minutes to reenter the building.

According to Muzio, “The Residence Life people told us that we had five minutes to go back in the building, and grab clothing that will last us for at least three days.”

Although similar incidents have occurred previously in Blanton Hall, this was the first that made students evacuate the building for an extended amount of time. Muzio said that beside this incident, daily problems persist in the residence hall that need to be solved.

“I have trouble sleeping from the loud people down the hall and unsanitary conditions (like toilet water on the room floor) have made living there very uncomfortable for me,” said Muzio.

Beside all the disruptions that caused students to be evacuated, Muzio said that there were some positive things that went on.

According to Muzio, “I saw that they had the fire doors closed on both sides of the floor, and the resident assistants did inform everyone quickly to get out of the building.”

There were rumors circulating that administrators were excusing students from scheduled classes until after the end of spring break, and many of Muzio’s classes were only half full.

“This is putting undo stress that we don’t need, both emotionally and academically, because we were forced out of rooms,” Muzio said.

Homeless

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Many Blanton residents have moved in with friends or have gone home until after spring break.

The Student Center and Russ Hall computer labs will be open 24 hours today due to the closing of Blanton Hall
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COPING WITH DISASTER:

(opposite page, top) Repairmen already began repairing the fried panel where the fire started on Monday morning.

(opposite page, bottom) Before the second evacuation due to an electrical fire, Blanton Hall residents were led back into the building through a fire exit rather than the main entrance because flooding after the pipe valve broke, Williams said. After students were allowed to return to their rooms, about an hour later, the second alarm sounded, and residents evacuated the building in the dark.

Although the lights were out, a back-up generator was able to trip the fire alarm so students could be immediately alerted of the fire. Matt Kane, Director of Blanton Hall, also used a blow horn to tell students it was a real fire.

Students were later allowed back into the building to get enough clothes for at least two days. Karen Pennington, Director of Student Development, stood outside Blanton to answer students’ questions.

“We are encouraging students to either commute to campus if possible or to stay with a friend on or off campus,” Pennington said.

Late Monday night the Office of Residence Life informed students they could not live in Blanton Hall until after Spring Break. The Office of Residence Life provided housing for students that were not able to make accommodations for themselves.

“Alternate housing assignments are limited, but students are encouraged to make their own plans if possible,” Director of Residence Life, Melinda O’Brien said.

So far 32 Blanton residents have sought alternate housing in other MSU residence halls according to the Office of Residence Life yesterday afternoon. “There are still spots available if students need them,” said O’Brien.

Dean of Students, Helen Matusow-Ayres, sent a memo to all faculty informing them of the situation. Matusow-Ayres also posted messages on channel 3 about class attendance.

“Students who were displaced by the closing of Blanton Hall are expected to continue to attend class,” Matusow-Ayres said. “Students who have found it necessary to miss class or need an extension should contact their instructors.”

Many students are concerned over class schedules, rides to school and finding a place to stay.

“I feel like I am homeless,” said Blanca Mejia, sophomore.

“Some students don’t even have cars or they live far,” said Miguel Santoz, sophomore.

When the fire alarm sounded, some Blanton Hall residents were scared it was a serious fire.

“I was annoyed when the alarm sounded. No one really paid attention, until people were saying it was a real fire. It was scary, especially since it was so dark,” Lauren Veeland, sophomore said.

A similar incident happened at Seton Hall University, located in South Orange, in January. A fire broke out in Boland Hall, a freshman dorm. Three students died and over 50 others were injured as a result of the fire.

There have been few complaints or phone calls from parents regarding the situation, according to the Office of Residence Life.

“A housing reimbursement is planned for Blanton Hall residents. An amount has not been reached yet, it is still in deliberation,” said O’Brien.
Disrepair

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all the rooms last year,” said Lowney. Despite all of these improvements, there is still more that needs to be done.

Freeman also needs renovation of the elevator. The General Elevator, which was installed in the building during its original construction, was renovated last year. Parts, including steel cables and pulleys, were replaced.

“It seems to run worse since they fixed it. They need to refurbish the interior, the panel and the emergency phone,” Lowney said.

Russ Hall, which was built in 1915, was reopened in fall 1997 after a massive renovation project. The building was completely gutted and updated with modern technology in compliance with current building codes. Lowney pointed out the shoddy workmanship in the renovations during 1997.

“They installed discontinued toilets in the bathrooms. If they break, we have to replace them because they can no longer be fixed,” Lowney said. “There’s plywood under the carpets. If it gets wet, it causes the carpet and the floor to buckle.” Furthermore, “there are no peepholes in the doors. There are no mailboxes and there are no water fountains on the floors.”

Kiki Williams, Director of the Physical Plant, has been in charge of all maintenance of the residence halls, as well as all other campus buildings and grounds. Until this time, Residence Life had the costly task of performing their own maintenance. Williams has heard many complaints about the residence halls from the mouths of faculty, staff, and students alike. She said that most of the problems with the buildings on this campus are related to the lack of long-range planning.

“There’s no careful analysis,” Williams said. “They just act now. We try to look at the long range. Where do we want to be in five years? We are looking at where we want to be in 20/20.”

“The buildings had already outlived their usefulness by the time we took over,” said Williams.

After Williams took over in April 1997, the Physical Plant had to devise a plan for identifying and tackling maintenance issues throughout the MSU campus. Photographs, as well as infrared surveys, were taken of all suspected problem areas. We did it to show others higher up the ladder the areas of our campus they may not see,” Williams said.

Also as a result of the weakened pipes, it was costing more to heat the campus. According to Williams, $15,000 worth of energy was being lost annually.

The Physical Plant then repaired the problem areas by replacing all worn pipes, and reinstalling them.

In other studies conducted by the Physical Plant, it was found that since most of the buildings were built before the mid-1970s, “there were no redundant systems in place. So when one pump broke, there was none to back it up,” Williams said.

“In Stone Hall, there were no sewer ejec­tor pumps to take sewage from the build­ing,” Williams said. “If it went, the sewage would have backed up into the building.”

Also in their efforts to retrofit MSU, as­bestos had to be removed “before any re­pairs were done,” Williams said. “There was lots and lots of asbestos.”

LETTING THE AIR IN

ROLL IT: Alyson Terranova, sophomore recreation major, stacks three rolls of toilet paper to prop open her faulty window in her Freeman Hall room.

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BY JILL NUBER

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A FAMILY.
Writer Reaches Out To Future Generations

By Dominick Banks

On Monday, Feb. 21, 2000, Junot Diaz, author of *Drown*, made his powerful appearance at MSU to give a reading at Dickson Hall. It was sponsored by the English Department’s Visiting Writers’ Committee & Latin America Studies Program.

One M.S.U. student commented, “I personally felt very privileged to sit in at a reading given by a man of such depth. He is so sincere and in touch with the language he uses to get his meaning across to others.”

Diaz’s book, *Drown*, is in reality a combination of 10 stories, all of which deals with people of different color, race, and the experiences that each character faces. All of the stories transpire in the New Jersey neighborhood, where characters are faced with the dire roads of life that become their process of growth to adulthood. He successfully gives shape and purpose to the chaos as well as perplexity that consumes his book.

Diaz has even incorporated many social issues such as drug use, adolescent curiosity regarding sexual behavior, and rejection.

Dr. Sharon Lewis, an English faculty professor said, “The readings and the depth of them, including the language Junot integrates with it, are both powerful and provocative. He has managed to capture the attention of the students through his own language and speech.”

Dr. Bob Whitney, also an English faculty professor, commented, “I think that Diaz has definitely responded quite well to the students in conveying with them in person and allowing his audience the freedom to fully contemplate the message he is conveying to readers through the stories he tells them.”

And finally, Dr. Timothy Watson of the English Department said, “Diaz established a great rapport with the students - many of them came to the reading clutching copies of his book, *Drown*, and several of them thanked him publicly for representing their identity regarding sexual behavior, and rejection.”

Other students felt that his readings held a special significance for them.

One MSU student said, “Although Mr. Diaz puts such emphasis of what appears to be his own life experience, I felt that the profundity which was constantly used wasn’t necessary. To me, it was not only controversial but it demonstrated the violence that engulfs society.”

Mr. Diaz, responded, “Despite what other people think about the words and language I use toward my stories, it is important to remember that what I write. I write it in my own language and my own manner of speech.

Some people don’t understand is that English is English and everyone has their own way of speaking it, regardless of how much vocabulary is used. I am simply writing about what takes place in the New Jersey hood with the Dominican Republic and that is the issue people should be focusing on which is, of course, the most important of all.”

When Crisis Strikes Your Residence Hall

By Carolyn Velchik

Feature Editor

It is 10 a.m. and the fire alarm is going off. You crawl out of bed and drag yourself out into the cold sporting your red Elmo slippers. After 45 minutes you begin to smile as the warmth of your bed engulfs you once again. Your head hits the pillow and you all hear is: FIRE! The next thing you know you are being told to get your stuff and move out, you are on an early spring break. The problem? You are homeless and you are not excused from class. Instead of crawling up in a ball and crying, here are some suggestions to get you through this rough time.

• Find a place to temporarily live. Maybe a friend at Clove Road, or even someone off campus. Since you might be staying a while, maybe think of an incentive to thank your host. Help with the cleaning or cook dinner. Even a small gift of appreciation would be nice. Remember, they are being inconvenienced too, so do not forget to say thank you.

• Pack your things, wisely. Since there are time slots to pick up your things, make a few trips to your room. Each time only take necessities, like your computer, but pack your computer supplies later in the week when you are going home for good, instead of leaving expensive objects in your car that they might be stolen. Also, try to pack during the mornings hours. Once the afternoon hits, the traffic will be backed up to the Student Center. Although the shuttle buses are always on time, it might take you over an hour to get to Lot 28.

• Contact your professors. Although the Dean of Students office says there is no missing class, if you do miss class, talk to your professors. Call them and explain your situation. Most will be more than happy to allow an excused absence due to this tragedy, as long as you make the effort to let them know about it.

• Contact your family, friends and employers. Let them know the situation. Since you will not be able to be reached in your room, leave them a number where they can reach you. Remember, Mom and Dad worry too and you do not want them to place a call to your friends and ask them if you are OK. They don’t need to do this, they need to know you are OK.

• Plan your day differently. Since you may be forced to commute, give yourself enough time to make it to class. One suggestion for 8 a.m. classes: ask your professor if you can attend one of their later classes. Do not worry so much about parking. You will finally get to park right where you live!

• Compromise. This is a very inconvenient situation that other people may not understand. When staying with a friend, learn how to sleep uncomfortably, as you may not be in a bed. If a lot of your friends are staying in the same place, share what comfortable sleeping areas that there are. Think of your host first when it comes to showering and/or other time consuming activities. Remember that you do not live there, your host and their needs come first.

• Keep up with your school work. Although you may be tempted to party with all your other homeless friends, remember that you are here to get an education. Maybe you should take time away from friends to study or get to campus a little bit earlier and find a quiet spot where you can be alone to focus on homework. Also, remember that the administration is not and will not be excusing anyone from classes.

• Think about your mail and/or other loose ends. Since your mail is probably delivered to campus, and you know you have important bills coming, contact that company and ask them to reroute the sending. Do the same for any important packages.

• Complain. This is your home and you have just been told to leave. There is no water. There is no heat. There is no power. Do not just complain to friends and family. And certainly do not just complain to the director of your building, your Resident Assistant, or the desk assistants. A lot of times they play the role of messenger to Residence Life, but really possess no power to change the situation. Go to the people who hold the power of change. Pick up the phone and call Residence Life at 655-5188 asking specifically for the director, Melinda O’Brien. Or take a walk to her office located on the fourth floor of Bohn Hall. You can get there by walking down the outside steps to the left of the building.
30 Hour Famine Fights Hunger

By Michele Phipany
Assistant Feature Editor

Freshman Katherine Siegel went home this weekend with the intent of saving lives. Her participation in the nationwide 30 Hour Famine was only one of the 600,000 people who engaged in the many activities set forth by World Vision to fight hunger and poverty around the world. World Vision is one of the largest, privately funded, Christian nonprofit relief and development organizations in the world. World Vision has been in existence for fifty years, and has helped 60 million people in over 100 countries in 1998 alone. The famine program gives others around the world a chance for a better life.

The 30 Hour Famine is a hunger awareness program in which participants voluntarily fast for 30 hours and partake in community service activities. They are also individually sponsored by restaurants, store businesses and close family and friends, though they work in groups to raise money for World Vision. Much of the funding and awareness was raised by "a-thons": walk...run...bike...dance...exam...car wash...snack sales...auctions...karaoke night...etc.

Hopatcong was one town that participated in such fund-raisers as the Share Fair and Save the People. The activities of the 30 Hour Famine were held in towns that contributed to World Vision’s cause. There Katherine and two other MSU students, Nicole Padilla and Julie Cokelet, collected donations for Save the People and gathered clothing and toys for the Share Fair. "I never thought I would make it through the full 30 hours, but as I started to become involved, I realized how much of a difference I really was making," exclaims Kate on her role in the famine, "That had to be the best feeling."

The fundraisers made positive differences in places such as Bangladesh, Mozambique, and Cambodia, as well as several other needy countries. Donations are used for health care and education as part of the Chittagong Child Survival Project in Bangladesh. An AgPak Distribution provides farmers with necessary seeds and tools to grow food in Mozambique. Cambodia houses the National Pediatric Hospital where thousands of patients are treated and cared for. The donations from famine go toward the purchase of equipment and medicine for this poor country.

Participants in the 30 Hour Famine had the chance to be in the position of the children in need. Leaders of the groups explained some of the situations, and had everyone involved imagine they were stripped of everyday things like family, food, water, education, and eventually hope. Through this they were able to realize how much they had, and how important it was to give in order for someone else to have a chance to live.

With 34,000 children dying each day from hunger and preventable diseases, it’s no wonder that the 30 Hour Famine has become a sort of national deed. It may be difficult to understand certain situations like world hunger, but there are ways to help. The national 30 Hour Famine takes place the last weekend of February every year, however, you may partake in it at anytime. Take the time to feed the need.

For more information on how you can save a life, call 1-800-7-FAMINE, or visit www.30hourfamine.org.

To the benefit of the more passive members of the MSU community, counselors from Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) volunteered their time during a Women's Center workshop entitled, "Assertiveness Skills Workshop for Women," last Wednesday.

SHOWING THEIR AGGRESSIVE SIDE

By Tonya Wenski
Montclarion Staff Writer

A woman in a black tank top and white shorts is shown with a man in a black shirt and jeans. Text on the image reads: "To the benefit of the more passive members of the MSU community, counselors from Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) volunteered their time during a Women's Center workshop entitled, "Assertiveness Skills Workshop for Women," last Wednesday."
TEN THINGS

Under Mom’s Watchful Eye: My Secret Sex Life

By Chantel Paul

Living with your parents during your college years has definite advantages. With these advantages are even greater downfalls. Sure, a rent free, stable living environment is fully appreciated, but bringing your boyfriend over to play a friendly game of Monopoly with your parents is not the greatest plan for a weekend. So? what to do for that matter.

“Why don’t we play charades tonight? We played Monopoly last Saturday night!” says my boyfriend enthusiastically, while we roll our eyes with disappointment.

The scenario: It’s late Friday evening and my boyfriend and I have decided to “go for it,” while his parents are enjoying some Lifetime original movie upstarts. All that can be heard are the sounds of background opening, zippers going down and the unpleasant sounds of swapping saliva.

And his poor beagle, who is conveniently named Snoopy, has to hear all of this again for the third weekend in a row. As the articles of clothing are thrown off one by one and the breathing gets heavier, we stumble once more into the room we have come to accept as our one chance for privacy. He hits “play” on the little boom box that sits on the counter and lets Mike Patton croon over the speakers. The volume gets turned up a notch, the door closes to offer seclusion from the dog and the ceremony commences.

While the bathroom is nicely finished, with a quiet flush toilet and stand up shower and very cozy for those private moments, this is not exactly my idea of great sexual ambiance. Not to mention that Snoopy’s food bowl sits in the corner near the door. Just in case I get hungry for a snack while we’re in there, right?

Being 20 myself (and my boyfriend not much older) has some hang ups! Where do you go to “do it” when your parents are physically attached to the house? It’s time to review the possibilities. We could:

A) Wait for one set of parents to take a vacation, but those are limited and one of us will usually be expected to attend. Florida is nice, but one of our bedrooms would be nicer.

B) Rent a motel room with our hard earned money. “Should we go for a $35 Motel 6 stay, or a $125 Holiday Inn room tonight, honey?” It is entirely worth renting a hotel room when the only thing it is equipping you with that isn’t already part of your body is complete privacy and a really big bed?

C) Last, and most definitely least, the drive to a secluded area so we can get busy in the back seat. Let’s face it, back in the days of green Pontiacs and ‘57 Chevys, this option was much more practical, but cars are a lot smaller than they used to be and bench seats aren’t exactly common anymore.

Over the past few years of our relationship, it has gotten harder and harder to accept this situation. How much longer do I have to wait before I can conveniently afford a monopole, overpriced studio apartment where the only thing determining whether or not we have sex is if I’m all out of whipped cream?

It has gotten to the point where I am seriously considering my luck with the lottery in hopes of striking it rich. And all in the name of sex, love and comfy bedroom antics.

When I was younger, I can remember watching “Beverly Hills 90210” during the sixth grade and dreaming about glorious moments alone with my boyfriend. I wanted to be Kelly because she was the prettiest and Dylan would be my love slave. For my best friend and I would concoct obnoxious situations about what we would do with our boyfriends and how often we would “go all the way.” Some of them were completely ridiculous, but when you’re 11 they seem possible.

For instance, Dylan (i.e., my boyfriend) would ride up on his motorcycle and casually walk to the door. I’d be scantily clad in a short, obscenely tight red dress, that would say “take me” all over it.

We would ride off and arrive at his own house, where he would feed me chocolate covered strawberries. Then we could slowly make our way into his bedroom and fall gracefully onto his king sized bed with satin sheets. And I would smile to myself thinking, “That’s how real teenagers have sex.”

Boy, was I wrong. Most of my experiences go something like this: “My parents are going away this weekend to visit family,” he says with a mischievous gleam in his eye. “You mean we get to use the bedroom this time?” I say, slightly ecstatic.

Those are moments I cherish. Sure, I’m going to miss his parents while they’re gone, but there are greater things at stake here. That bed has been calling my name for weeks and I can’t wait to answer.
The Real World
By Natasha Donahue
Special to The Montclarion

I think it was in 1996 when I first signed my name onto a list in the hallway of the Student Center that said, “If interested in finding out more about Cooperative Education, please sign your name here.”

Over the years I may have regretted doing that because it seemed like every couple of months I would get this letter from the Cooperative Education (Co-op) Office on brightly colored paper explaining how an internship can be a “bridge from the classroom to the career.”

I remember thinking, “Why on earth are these people sending me these letters inviting me to come sign up for a Co-op? They just don’t get it.”

I didn’t really even get what a Co-op was and I wanted them to stop sending me these reminders. Alas, spring would turn into summer and summer would turn into fall, and along with the brightly colored leaves in my mailbox would inevitably be the Co-op letter.

For some odd reason, I’d almost always stick the letters on my refrigerator door, with the idea that I’d eventually deal with it, and go check it out. Well, procrastination won out as usual, until three years later.

I think it must have been a New Year’s Resolution that I made to stop putting stuff off in my life and just do it that finally moved me to drop in and see this Co-op Office that I had been reading so much about. I was really shocked when I got there. It wasn’t anything like I had expected it to be.

I thought for sure it would be something like the glass-walled treatment you get at Registration, when you have to pay in person because you signed up late for classes or something, and you have to slip your money under the little slot to the lady behind the window.

But, to my surprise, the Cooperative Education Office was nothing like that. They even had a little tray of cookies at the reception desk.

They were very friendly and made an appointment right away for me to meet with a Co-op counselor. I was amazed at how easy the process was and I began to feel a little regretful for having waited so long.

At first I was a little nervous, and I wondered what would happen if I turned it down later. But, to my surprise, I flipped through one of the Co-op Job Position Books. I looked under my major, Broadcasting, and simply signed up for around five internships that sounded interesting. Within a week, I had completed two interviews and both companies wanted to hire me as an intern.

That was over six months ago, and I have now completed my internship with MSG’s Metro Learning Channel. The experience gave me the opportunity to learn and work in many different environments, enabling me to see what my strengths are, as well as my weaknesses.

I was given the chance to work with television producers on several different shows, and spend a good deal of time on the set working alongside the talent scout, stage manager and camera crew.

There are so many aspects of the broad-casting business that I could never have learned just staying on the sidelines. I also have some valuable contacts gathered up some glowing reference letters and can now include MSG’s Metro Learning Channel on my resume.

Almost four years has past since I first signed my name to that list in the Student Center. I won’t sit here and tell you not to procrastinate, because that’s what we all do here in college. But some time over the next four years do stop in and say, “Hi” to the staff in the Office of Cooperative Education (Co-op) and Service Learning. You’ll be glad you made the effort!
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**COMING SOON**
Girls Deliver Powerful Performance at College Venue

By Kathleen Savino
Staff Writer

Many people think that folk music isn’t something you dance to. Obviously these people have never been to an Indigo Girls concert. The Indigo Girls energized acoustic performance at Franklin and Marshall College last Thursday night. The concert was held as a general admission in the school’s sports arena. The Indigo Girls often play more intimate venues such as this, and fans who arrive early can find themselves relatively close to the stage.

Amy Ray and Emily Saliers, who have performed together since they were in high school, recently released their seventh full-length album, Come on Now Social. The duo opened with the first track from the CD, “Oo,” a song which is a rallying cry for young people everywhere to become aware of themselves as activists. It was an appropriate song for an audience of mostly college students, who sang along vigorously.

Since this performance was part of an acoustic tour, Saliers and Ray sang unaccompanied by their band. It is incredible that two people singing with only guitars and, on occasion banjos can create such amazing, resonant music. It’s refreshing, as well, that with all the music out there having to do more with image than anything else, the Indigo Girls always appear so unadorned. They usually perform in jeans, and for this concert Amy Ray donned a cowboy hat.

The Indigo Girls performed many songs unusual to their line-up. Amy Ray did a passionate solo of “Romeo and Juliet,” a cover which can be found on Rites of Passage. Saliers also sang solo, opting for the last “hidden” track on the newest album. It is a simple melody, a ballad with political lyrics like, “doors open wide to straight men and women but they are not open to me...there are a few who would be true out of love but love is hard.” Ray then re-joined Saliers on stage where they sang “Faye Tucker,” an anthem written by Ray, decrying the death penalty. Ray’s performance is so astounding and full of fervor that she can literally raise the hairs on your neck. Saliers has a beautiful voice, and the two complement each other perfectly. Ray displayed her strong vocal skill, and Saliers her guitar ability, especially in a unique version of “Chickenman.”

After a long, but unflagging performance, the Indigo Girls returned for an encore with their opening act, Rose Polanzani. Polanzani, in her own right, is an incredible performer, not to mention a most talented songwriter. Her lyrics are not simply poetic, they are poetry. (Polanzani will be opening for Lucy Kaplansky at Maxwell’s in Hoboken on March 1). It was a shame that, during her set, the audience seemed bored and unresponsive, taking through most of it. Polanzani sang the song “Or” from her album Anybody which is a release off A.M. record label. The three singers sang together with a haunting and gorgeous harmony. This track can be found on the album with the Indigo Girls singing backup in the same way. Even though the Indigo Girls were present on stage this time, the audience was unwilling to give Polanzani the attention she deserved. However, the audience definitely seemed to be enthused by the Indigo Girls, and sang along with nearly every song. When “Closer to Fine” was played, all audience members were singing and dancing. “Galileo,” another popular track from Rites of Passage, ended the concert much in the same way it began. Ray and Saliers seemed to really appreciate the supportive audience, and said more than once, “Thanks for listening.” It seems that, no matter how much of a following the Indigo Girls have, they always hold a simple modesty about themselves and their music. Ray said herself, “No matter how many people we play for, it’s always important to reach each one of them. That isn’t going to change.” This is fitting of all their shows and, considering that the duo has been performing for over a decade, it will surely never change.

Wonder Boys May Not be Wonderful, but it Might be Worth Seeing

By Kat Lupo
Staff Writer

Movies with a dead dog in a starring role don’t come along every day. This is one of the few things that sets Wonder Boys apart from the stack of serio-comedies that come out each year and are forgotten the next. With a tendency towards the conventional and sometimes trite “coming of age” theme, this film becomes original in its application of that theme. The person “coming of age” is a middle aged Grady Tripp (Michael Douglas) and his guides along the path to adulthood are two of his students, the gloomy James Leer (Tobey Maguire) and the precocious Hannah/Green (Katie Holmes).

This is Curtis Hanson’s first film since L.A. Confidential, and it’s hard to go into the theater without expectations. Would this be as remarkable as his last film or is it back to the B list and such films as The Hand That Rocks the Cradle? To avoid disappointment, it might be best to go into the film with an open mind. While Wonder Boys is not nearly as outstanding as L.A. Confidential, Hanson takes a screen play with a tendency to seem like any other movie, and directs the film that keeps the audience interested. Hanson draws the audience’s attention at all the right moments so the sometimes corny, predictable plot can be surprising.

Fewer surprises await the audience as the movie progresses. It is obvious that Grady has a lot to learn right from the beginning of the movie. We never find out much about him beyond his recent past and present. He is a professor of writing in Pittsburgh, has written the “great American novel” several years ago and produced nothing since. He is an avid marijuana user, and his wife left the morning the movie starts. How he got to this point in his life is not important, and that he has had several other failed marriages in his past is alluded to, but not lingered upon. However, Douglas gives an excellent performance. Grady could easily have been a one dimensional cardboard cut-out, but Douglas keeps the character interesting and real; he makes the transitions from ironic comedy to drama smoothly. He portrays a sympathetic character that, given a different perspective, could have been played as a horrible, unsympathetic man. Sure, he’s an adulterer; he’ll sleep with the chancellor (Frances McDormand), but at least he won’t sleep with his student, Hannah (Katie Holmes).

Despite her many efforts to seduce Professor Tripp, Hannah remains the “good” person of the film. Holmes gives an unremarkable performance in this very important role, but it is obvious that Hannah is merely a device—a character created simply to
Hot Water Music Makes Local Venue Boil

By Kristen Anderson

Saturday, March 4

Pete Sims. Birdland, New York, NY. (212)249-8870

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Sunday, March 5

Homo Corps. CBGB's, New York, NY. (212)982-4052

Izhak Patman, Selzberg Marionettes. New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark, NJ. 8880-GO-NJPAC


Monday, March 6

Halley DeWesten, Karen Rush, Leaha-Carla Gardone, Stefanie Fix, Susan MacLean. Wishing Chair. CBGB's Gallery, New York, NY. (212)677-0455

Tuesday, March 7

Allison Tartalia, Andrea May Baum, Antigone Rising. Spring. CBGB's Gallery, New York, NY. (212)677-0455

Wednesday, March 8

PCP Highway. Don Hill's, New York, NY. (212)234-1390

Mindless Self Indulgence. Limelight, New York, NY. (212)999-8957

Friday, March 3

What Planet Are You From?, Dir: Mike Nichols. Garry Shandling, Annette Bening, John Goodman, Greg Kinnear, Ben Kingsley, Janeane Garofalo


H20 at the Birch Hill in Old Bridge.

They didn't matter where they play as long as everyone is having fun. Their most recent full length CD and first for Some Records, No Division, speaks of individualism and provides therapy for impending breakdowns—letting you know you aren't alone. It reminds you that you need to find freedom within yourself before you can look elsewhere.

As their song "It's Hard to Know" states: "If you live by your heart and value the love that you find then you have all you need to run...live your heart and never follow!"

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Sizemonauts Makes Its Debut at Montclair State University

By Lorenda Kinzel
Assistant Copy-Editor

Another great show went on in the Ratt on Feb. 15 with very poor attendance. The Sizemonauts, a recently formed funky rock band, which includes John Oakes from the John Oakes Band singing and on drums, played their first gig to a group of about 10 people. Most bands would not play their hearts out for an audience that small, yet The Sizemonauts did. When the show started, Robert Oakes, singer and bass player, as well as John's brother, introduced the band. He said, "We're The Sizemonauts. We play with heart and soul." Oakes, who was clad in all black and looked like an artsy hipster from the 80s, said this with tongue planted only partially in cheek. John also jokingly said, "There'll be no crowd surfing, no stage diving."

It would have been a small mosh pit if there were.

The band opened with a super funky cover of Jimi Hendrix's "Manic Depression." The neo-hippie guitarist, Jason Loughlin, interspersed the funk with some "finger tapping" and heavy metal-style playing.

The next song was a cover of The Police's "Synchronicity." Robert Oakes showed off his bass slapping technique as well as his unique vocal style, which was ironic for the song. It was equally imbued with influence from the blues as well as from hard rock bands such as Queen, which was quite evident. His stage presence was mixed with the cool contrived awkwardness of an 80s new-wave, head banging, and subtle Mick Jagger-esque gestures.

The band played many more covers. The songs which were funk tunes were played in a heavy metal style and many rock tunes were played funky. Some of these songs include Lenny Kravitz's "Are You Gonna Go My Way?", Phil's "Down With Disease," Living Color's "Cult of Personality," David Bowie's "We Could Be Heroes" and the mock-rock band Spinal Tap's "Big Bottom." In between some songs they would just improvise in a funky jam. They also played original songs such as "Mr. Tofu," which John said was appropri-ate to the show because he wrote it in the apartment of a girl he was dating from Montclair. Someone in the audience called out for them to play the "Woo Woo song," which is really called "The Train Song." John then said, "Let's do this William Shatner style." John raised his fist in the air and yelled "Woo!"

The song line which was repeated throughout the whole song was "Hoop on the train I'm leaving here." The band finally toned the song down to a soft percussive style while someone in the audience spontaneously played along with a cow bell and another with an African drum. John continued reciting the lyric in a mock-beatnik poet style and went nuts on his drums and attacked them standing up.

For over an hour, The Sizemonauts played great music with a lot of laid back good humor. They were truly enthusiastic about playing despite the lack of a crowd. They were there. Whether there was a Senate party or not, more MSU students should have been there to support the band. They will be playing at MSU's Pan Fan Festival in May. To get in contact with them, e-mail them at rootzdown1@aol.com.

Wonder

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"It's about a writer..."

for the sake of showing Grady's depth and ability to grow. Her other purpose in the film is to portray the other kind of student, not the intense, brilliant, dark writer, but the upbeat, talented girl who works hard and gets what she deserves, much like her character on Dawson's Creek.

James, however, brilliantly played by Tobey Maguire, is anything but a simple character. While also an obvious device created simply for the growth of Grady and to contrast Hannah's goodness, Maguire is convincing in his attempt to give James as much humanity as possible. A liar, thief, and dog-keeper, James is the dark side, the antagonist to the replacement of Hannah's goodness, Maguire is anything but a simple character. While also an obvious device created simply for the growth of Grady and to contrast Hannah's goodness, Maguire is convincing in his attempt to give James as much humanity as possible. A liar, thief, and dog-keeper, James is the dark side, the

Wonder Boys is a good movie, despite its tendency towards the conventionl. It delivers a lot of laughs, and gives a new spin on an old scenario. It's definately worth viewing, but it might be best to wait for it to come out on video.

The Best Fever on Broadway

By Nichole Farella
Staff Writer

For those of you who are too young to have experienced the 70s, or those just feeling nostalgic for the era of polyester and Travolta, has had a successful run at The Minskoff Theater since Oct. 1999. It is set in 1970's New York and follows the story of dancer Tony Manero and his struggle for fame.

Manero, the lead, is played by James Carpinello. Carpinello struggles with both his Travolta-like accent and dance moves. Although he resembles a young Travolta, many of his lines get mixed up in his attempt to mimic the star. He gets lost trying to live up to the legend of Travolta. Although the play revolves around dancing, this does not seem to be Carpinello's forte.

Those who saw the original movie may dislike the pared-down plot, which was done to incorporate a barrage of songs made famous by the Bee Gees. Some of these hits include "Disco Inferno" and "Night Fever." The cast is full of superior voices, none more so than Orfeh, the actress who plays Annette, the girl unwanted by Manero. Orfeh shines in her solo moments, singing "If I Can't Have You."

Dancing is what keeps the musical entertaining and alive. Paige Price, who played Stephanie Mangano, the female lead, is a strong dancer, although when paired with Carpinello, she is unable to shine. All in all, Saturday Night Fever is a solid musical. A stronger lead and perhaps the replacement of one or two songs could make it a great musical.

Those who lived through the era will love the fact that they can re-live their youth from their seat in the theater, while those who may want to rent the movie.

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**The Voice of Montclair State**

**Last week, we asked you:**

Do you feel MSU is doing a good job providing new technology for its students?

**You told us:**

"The majority of computer students are completely oblivious to the resources and faculties of the school."  
Erie Rodolfo, Freshman/Undeclared

"How can you have 75 students for one computer? It just doesn't make sense."  
Pooja Sathwani, Freshman/Political Science

"I was using a MAC and it froze up. The computers here are simply too old."  
Vito Havrilla, Freshman/Linguistics

"Around exam time, you can never get a computer because everyone is trying to complete their assignment at the same time."  
Karen Aliche, Junior/Biology

"As part of tuition, they're not really giving us anything. We're paying for it. They're not even giving us the opportunity to choose if we want it or not."  
Kelley Hayes, Sophomore/English

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### MAIN EDITORIAL

**Are MSU Offerings Enough or Too Little, Too Late?**

How can we be sure that we are living in a place where we can feel safe about our environment? How do we know that the powers that be at MSU are on our side?

The residents at Blanton Hall received answers to those questions on Monday, facing what many of us have only heard about. In the wake of the Seton Hall fire, MSU officials almost seemed to be reluctant to admit any mistake made in Monday’s mishap. The Blanton residents were almost literally flooded from their campus homes and forced to seek alternate housing for the remainder of the week.

What has MSU done to aid this effort? As of Tuesday afternoon, the Office of Residence Life had relocated 32 students to other residence halls, or only 5 percent of Blanton’s student population. 5 percent. That means the other 95 percent, or 607 students, were still without verified residences. Whether they had found off-campus housing or roomed with friends on-campus is unknown, but can we consider the efforts put forth by Residence Life to find alternative housing for those students to be sufficient?

No.

What other relief efforts have been attempted? According to a letter addressed to all “members of the campus community,” expanded meal hours and services, expanded computer lab hours in Russ and the Student Center, and room refunds are among things available to those people affected in Monday’s inconvenience. But what can the university expect to accomplish by offering such things to people who lived in a building where the administration knew things weren’t up to speed? Is this their way of saying “We would have fixed the pipes sooner, but we couldn’t afford it. Here’s something for your troubles” as they hold out a coin-filled hand?

Next thing is to question the source of the repair fund, if the Ruggelin Bros. Company is not found liable. An estimated $50,000 will be needed to correct the errors that caused the problems, as well as other affected systems. Where is this money going to come from? Add in the proposed room refund, and you could be looking at another $100,000 added to the tab. Chances are, next year your tuition will rise and you’ll end up paying for mistakes that were made by the administration, not yourself.

We all need to take a good look around at our living accommodations and decide if we feel safe living here. Heating problems, flooding, and fires have almost become our next door neighbors in an environment where community and peace of mind are preached, but definitely not practiced.

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**Question of the Week:**

What do you think should be included in MSU’s compensation efforts for the Blanton Hall residents?

**Appearing after the break:**

William J. Gibbs  
Mike Halper  
Molly Myers  
Justin N. Bourgeois
This column is a call for reform ... Instead of working with students, [Gross] questions their motives. Instead of supporting the SGA (of which he, himself, is a member), he attacks them.

I feel that I speak for most of my peers when I say that we don’t need representation on the Board of Trustees who shout and holler and rock the boat just because they like to hear themselves talk. We need individuals who care about students and who will listen to students and learn.

Justin Vellucci is a Junior English major and Editor-In-Chief of The Montclarion.
Hacking Your Personal Privacy: Understand What May Happening to You

William P. Gray

“If our society is to effectively deal with the problems of Lamers ... then we will need to know more.

Pointing out the Faults in Administrative Technology Plans

It may seem unreasonable to have to wait an hour for a computer to type a term paper. What if you are a computer science major and the entire curriculum is based on the computer?

First it is reported that Dickson will be getting new computers and then that Lamers will get them next. What is not being said is that these new computers will be used mostly for non-major computer classes, word processing and mail.

The lab intended specifically for computer science students uses Sun Ultra 60s and HP's running the UNIX operating system, but the lab has fewer than 10 of these. As a society, we need to collectively frown upon such actions that will only serve to damage our society, threatening information privacy and freedom of speech. To protect ourselves from the lamest (yet still potent) of threats, we must stay informed of the e-business world that is driving the President, the FBI, and the Attorney General to hound Congress for "cyber crime prevention legislation." The companies have arrived for this lab, but that the lab has fewer than 10 of these.

The Montclarion is a Freshman Computer Science Major. This is his first year as an editorial columnist for The Montclarion

 Residence Life Not Holding Up Their Part of the Bargain

My other major complaint as I prepare to leave is the poor treatment I received from the Department of Residence Life with regards to an unfortunate experience I was involved with earlier this term. While I don’t feel comfortable getting into detail, I will say that while I admitted wrong doing, I was treated very unfairly. The punishment I received did not fit the crime and several other students with similar or even more severe problems were either not punished at all or received much lighter punishment. As a society, we need to collectively frown upon such actions that will only serve to damage our society, threatening information privacy and freedom of speech. To protect ourselves from the lamest (yet still potent) of threats, we must stay informed of the e-business world that is driving the President, the FBI, and the Attorney General to hound Congress for "cyber crime prevention legislation." The companies have arrived for this lab, but that the lab has fewer than 10 of these.

Richardson are reportedly costing $2000. If these machines are primarily for word processing and email, especially in Dickson, the type of expense is unnecessary. These machines should have Intel Celeron processors with no more than 64MB of memory and 8GB of hard drive space. Even with software and network systems there should not cost $2000. The administration’s plan seems to be to buy near the top of the technologically advanced computer and mail. Our campus is now infected with five RATs and I am about to delete everything on it to get rid of them (a messy process). A number of other residents on campus have caught Lamers in the act, at least one knows of has had his computer damaged to where it would no longer start up, and another student has a computer is a possible host for a RAT. The RAT then allows the Lamers to carry out his destructive

"hacking" schemes without you ever knowing he was there.

If our society is to effectively deal with the problem of Lamers or other more advanced computer anarchists, then we will need to know more. The average user ought to take the time to download some of the many free security programs available on the Internet to at least find out whether or not they are infected with a RAT. As a society, we need to collectively frown upon such actions that will only serve to damage our society, threatening information privacy and freedom of speech. To protect ourselves from the lamest (yet still potent) of threats, we must stay informed of the e-business world that is driving the President, the FBI, and the Attorney General to hound Congress for "cyber crime prevention legislation." The companies have arrived for this lab, but that the lab has fewer than 10 of these. As a society, we need to collectively frown upon such actions that will only serve to damage our society, threatening information privacy and freedom of speech. To protect ourselves from the lamest (yet still potent) of threats, we must stay informed of the e-business world that is driving the President, the FBI, and the Attorney General to hound Congress for "cyber crime prevention legislation." The companies have arrived for this lab, but that the lab has fewer than 10 of these. As a society, we need to collectively frown upon such actions that will only serve to damage our society, threatening information privacy and freedom of speech. To protect ourselves from the lamest (yet still potent) of threats, we must stay informed of the e-business world that is driving the President, the FBI, and the Attorney General to hound Congress for "cyber crime prevention legislation." The companies have arrived for this lab, but that the lab has fewer than 10 of these. As a society, we need to collectively frown upon such actions that will only serve to damage our society, threatening information privacy and freedom of speech. To protect ourselves from the lamest (yet still potent) of threats, we must stay informed of the e-business world that is driving the President, the FBI, and the Attorney General to hound Congress for "cyber crime prevention legislation."
Blanton Hall Closed

BY BRIAN CROSS

Homeless dope hits the road!

Many Montclair State residents found themselves put out on the street this past Monday, when an entire ecological crisis struck the campus in a few hours. Consider a complete economic depression of an entire nation happening to a building in a matter of two hours.

Hundreds of students, who pay for housing, fled to all corners of the campus looking for a home, a place to rest their weary heads. All different kinds of rumors are being whispered across campus. Many students believe that it was the work of a former resident who was kicked off campus for impersonating an R.A. He was desperate for attention once again, but this was dismissed when we realized that a crime like this would never happen to a building in a matter of a few hours. Consider themselves put out on the street this past Monday.

“When we realized that a crime like this would never happen to a building in a matter of a few hours, we were startled by the news that my home away from home, was under six feet of water, my dear Blanton Hall was flooded. Now I really wouldn’t cared if it weren’t for the large albino Sperm Whale that had declared the first floor his new home. I went down to talk to the poor guy, who seemed very lost. “Hello Mr. Whale!” I said to him. I wondered if he knew what I was saying, then I suddenly remembered that biblical story about the guy being eaten by a whale, but I reminded myself that it wasn’t true. Then I remember Finschhin, and I stopped back.

“I fear me not, man, I am Pokey, the Albino Sperm Whale. I seem to have become lost. Can you direct me to the ocean?” The large albino whale seemed harmless enough with his happy whale grin and flippy tail. "I am sorry Pokey, I am lost myself, I used to live in this building, but it appears as if you have made my home the newest Sea World.” I suddenly noticed that the happy whale seemed rather sinister. Studying at the thought that Pokey was evil, I decided to ask him, “Pokey, why are you really here?”

It was at this time that Pokey, the Albino Whale, opened his mouth rather wide and in a matter of seconds the power system and in a matter of seconds thousands of rats began to pounce around the Atrium, toying with all sorts of things, and make things go BOOM! So be careful and keep the power system from doing anything bad. We tested the situation, and have determined that is all that mattered. The first floor is on fire?" And once again we studied the situation, and have determined a solution! The first floor is flooded, Am I correct?" And the residents nodded. "And am I also correct in assuming that the 5th floor is on fire?" And once again the residents nodded. "Isn’t it true that fire is put out by water?" And once again the residents nodded, but slightly confused this time. “Well then, faithful residents, fear not. When the flood reaches the 3rd floor, and the fire reaches the 3rd floor, our problem will solve itself!” Now for a few moments the people of Blanton hall were relieved - until they put some thought into this.

The people toled over the solution for quite some time, until the fire had gone out and the floods receded by an act of God. Now the people of Blanton hall were very lost. Many were left homeless and forced to take to the streets. Others decided to sell themselves on Webster road, hoping to look for a few extra bucks to pay for a hotel room at the local Holiday Inn. Yet, all in all, the entire situation was solved, and President Susan Cole slept very comfortably in her bed and that is all that mattered.

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

Where To Live When You’re A Montclair Refugee

BY BRIAN CROSS

Leader of the Montclair Refugees

Many Montclair’s residents have found themselves being kicked into the streets. Blanton Hall was deemed unfit to be lived in. Even the state government has moved in and said, “HOLY SMOKES! People live in this place and it’s a R5@% hole, Wow, I’ve seen crackhouses that were in better condition then this! Hell, I am surprised that you just don’t blow the damn thing up!” So we here at Humor ™ are offering a few places for you to live in while you are homeless during the break. Although not all of them are practical or even legal they will make your home less days a little more comfortable.

1. The Student Center. Many Refugees felt that flying to that magnificent building named after them would be the perfect place to live. With luxurious couches it has been a perfect hangout for students during the day, why not at night? Unfortunately, the Student Center closes at 2 a.m and the students were forced to head under ground in to the Annex, a rather dark corridor whose accommodations were not that much better then that of a Turkish prison. Many Students took their own lives after seeing the rats scurry the basement office and other worthless clubs. One resident compared it to the time he spent in prison, with out the being raped part.

2. Bohn Hall Lounges. Many of the lost and homeless Montclair residents were forced to reside in the nicer rooms on campus.

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Finally get outside and the first bit of sunlight hit me. I waited for a few minutes, got bored, and marched off to the Student Center.

I was sitting there wasting countless moments of sleep, when a nameless D.A. from Blanton came running in screaming and waving her hands around screaming that Blanton Hall was flooding and it was being inhabited by large sea life. Immediately startled by the news that my home away from home, was under six feet of water, my friends and I dashed to the building in order to help the chaos along. After sneaking by the tight security of the R.A.’s saying please stay away, I dashed up the stairs to get the sky view of what was happening.

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Refugees
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Places to Rest Your Homeless Head

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- Nameless Blanton D.A.

“...oh my God, the dorm is on fire, oh my God, oh my God oh my God...”
- Nameless Blanton D.A.

Choose this spot. There is a place to wash yourself and you can easily make a nice blanket from toilet paper and paper towels. The floor is nice and cool, and it’s ventilated. Sure, the smell will drive you nutty after a while, but things will only get better. We promise.

6. Bell Bottoms. Every hippie in America owns a pair of these. They are the type of pants that go from rather slim up top, to large and wide at the bottom. Hippies wore them with their tie-dyed shirts in the 70s. They looked liked ids then, and they still look like it now. The cool thing about bell-bottoms is that the larger they are on the bottom the cooler they are. And that means so much extra room on the bottom to store sandals, and homeless hippies.

7. Susan Cole’s house. Since Susan has the nicest house in the area, she is happy to put up any Blanton Hall resident. Susan loves to wake up early in the morning and cook you some breakfast and maybe some nice eggs. She makes a wonderful host and can also host some wonderful debates on where all your money goes. She may not care about those of us paying for a place to stay, but she will take care of any wanderers.

Editors Note: Anyone caught wearing a vanity jacket still in college should know that they are not qualified for a modeling job, as the poster child for birth control!
I can't meet next Tuesday because that's a B.V.D. day.

Boss vacation. I don't need to pretend I'm working that day.

And on Wednesday I'll be working around all day with a binder.

I gathered costs for a strategy we had already decided not to use.

That helps back your tuition money.

I'm not giving back your files.

Our only clue is that he is disgusted.

I have found where he hid his files before he quit.

We're just friends. I swar!

It's just as well. I think I chipped a tooth.

We can't make enough of our product to meet demand.

Our new strategy is to be more arrogant. We hope that will lower demand.

Can you teach me to be arrogant?

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The First Row With Fred

By Fred Stolarski III
Sports Columnist

Welcome back to the First Row for this week's edition. You should all know by now, Mick Foley retired this past Sunday after he lost to "The Game" Triple H. Tonight on WWF.com's "Byte This" Mick Foley will make his first public speech since his retirement. Is this the last we're going to see of Mick Foley? I highly doubt it!

There is already a lot of buzz on the internet regarding a possible Foley appearance at Wrestlemania 2000, at The Pond in Anaheim. I'll get to my theory on Mick's future a bit later.

Congratulations to Kurt Angle for his big victory at No Way Out, and the addition of the Intercontinental Belt to his collection of gold, which already includes three Olympic medals and the European Championship Belt. Angle better bask in the glory now, because he's going to have his hands full when Y2J Chris Jeri- cho gets his rematch.

Welcome back Shane-o-mac! Shane McMahon's return to the WWF has set the scene for Wrestlemania's main event, as The Game is currently scheduled to defend his Heavyweight Title against Vince McMahon in the corners. I wouldn't be surprised if we see Vince show up in the next few weeks to add The Rock into the main event, making it a triple threat match.

My question is, Who will be the referee for the match? I've heard talk that it may be Stone Cold Steve Austin, if he's in good condition, but I think it will be between two men. In my opinion, the only real possibilities are Mick Foley or The Heart Break Kid, Shawn Michaels.

Speaking of HBK, his contract with the World Wrestling Federation will be up later this year. With Michaels still not anywhere near 100 percent, and now running his own newly-formed Texas Wrestling Alliance, I think the WWF will be looking for a new commissioner. I wonder if Foley would be any good at running the Federation. What do you think?

There has been a lot of talk lately about CBS being interested in WWF programming. It seems that CBS wants to pick up the Raw is War program when the USA Network's contract runs out later this year. They're also throwing in some benefits, like coverage of the new XFL, and advertising for the WWF program as well as pay-per-views on their cable stations. I'll keep you updated as information comes in.

Former multiple-time Tag Champs Billy Gunn looks like he'll be out for up to three months with a torn rotator cuff, suffered at last week's Smackdown! tapings. Of course, this was the reason for the DX angle on Raw where they beat Gunns down and kicked him out of the group. If Billy's smart, he'll pursue a singles career without DX behind him when he returns.

Are you as impressed with Eisa Rios and Lita as I am? They have been two of the most exciting performers in the past few weeks, and now that Rios has the Light-Heavyweight Title, they should be appearing on WWF programming a lot more. Keep your eyes on these two, and don't blink, or you might miss something.

Lately, every time I put on a wrestling program, I see someone dancing. How funny was it to see Chris Jericho and Chyna dancing with Too Cold and Rikishi on Raw? If you thought that was funny, I hope you saw David Flair dancing with the Nitro Girls over in WCW land. That was the best part of the show, next to Miss Hancock's dance on top of the announcers' table!

Speaking of announcers, Crowbar possesses announcer skills that are almost frightening. If you like his announcing, you should see his wrestling. He'll be a big name in this industry if he gets the chance to cross over to the ranks of the WWF.

As usual, this is the last we're going to see of Stone Cold Steve Austin, if he's in good condition, but I think it will be between two men. In my opinion, the only real possibilities are Mick Foley or The Heart Break Kid, Shawn Michaels.

Questions? Comments? Feel free to email me at FirstRowFred@aol.com next week, keep out of the cheap seats in the nosebleed section!

Once again, we've run out of time. Questions? Comments? Feel free to email me at FirstRowFred@aol.com next week, keep out of the cheap seats in the nosebleed section!

Above: Don't expect to see Billy Gunn doing his schtick on Raw anymore soon.

As left: The Brooklyn Brawler. What?

Inter-Gender Inner-Tubing

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Jim Latham Stars in A Montclarion Sports Presentation: 
A Step by Step Guide to Goal Scoring

**Step 1: Position**

One of the keys to goal scoring is good passing and good position. Here, after being on the receiving end of a long pass, Latham demonstrates the importance of position by being open on the right side, in perfect position to take the puck on an angle to the net for an easy 1-on-1 with the goalie.

**Step 2: Approach**

Here, Latham moves in, unhindered, for his personal showdown with the opposing goalie. Keeping the puck on the forehand side, Latham forces the tender to hold his position against the post, leaving him at a bad angle to stop a cross-over backhand move.

**Step 3: Crossover**

Since the goalie is forced to hold the post, Latham uses a quick move to go to his backhand, putting him in position to use the empty half of the net to his advantage. As shown at right, 24 feet of open net is an awful lot of space if you can get the goalie out of position with the proper angle and moves. The tender is left with no option except diving across the crease with a prayer.

**Step 4: Celebrate**

Once the puck hits the back of the net, the 1-on-1 contest is over. Jim Latham comes away the winner, and the opposing goalie can only watch, certainly wishing bad things upon the performer. The only proper thing to do after a goal, of course, is to celebrate. Stick-raising, fist-pumping, and group hugs are all acceptable practices.
Last Thursday night, 6'3" sophomore forward Omar Boothe took to the court with the Red Hawk Basketball team for their NJAC playoff game with WPU. Despite MSU's loss, Boothe took the opportunity to wow the Rec Center Crowd with a thundering 180-degree dunk, captured here on film.

Anyone who has been following the Hawks over the course of the season has certainly noticed Boothe's leaping ability, and also his penchant for getting the ball behind the defense and coming up with huge, crowd-pleasing dunks.

Lucky for us, Boothe can play here at Panzer Gymnasium for another two years, and continue to awe us with his gravity-defying skill.
MSU seemed poised for an upset Thursday night at the Rec Center at William Paterson University, in the first round of the NJAC playoffs. They were out-rebounding and out-scoring the top-ranked Pioneers in the first half, and held a 25-21 lead.

B.J. Reilly, who was tied for the team high with 12 points, WPU 65 MSU 48, came off the bench in the last minute of the game, including 1-13 in the second half, which saw Jenkins score six points as he started to take over the game.

That was followed with a 20 -7 run led by Jenkins, who scored 15 of those points. At this point, MSU was down 14 points. The game was slipping away quickly.

Jenkins wasn’t. He continued his offensive display and scored 27 points in the second half.

Finally, the game was put away in the final minutes with a dunk by Jenkins, as WPU went on another 10-4 run to hand the Red Hawks a 17-point loss.

“We can’t close out runs because we weren’t making shots. You can’t end a run when your not scoring,” Coach Fiore continued. “That’s pretty typical for us. If we’re not making shots, and we’re not running, then this is the end result.”

“We were just too tight and tense. We weren’t playing relaxed,” Jenkins said afterward on the reason why his team came out slow in the first half. “They beat us twice, so that was playing on our mind.”

MSU ended the season 17-8, and 11-7 in NJAC play,. They also ended the season 1-13 in the second half when MSU had chances to trim the lead.

“You can’t shoot 32 percent... and then it’s Horace Jenkins. The kid is the difference in every team in this league,” Coach Fiore said.

“I knew we were struggling. If it’s anybody who I think I would want to put the blame on, it would be myself. Deep down inside then I had the attitude if we gonna lose the game I’m gonna be aggressive,” said Jenkins, who ended the night with 36 points, 6 assists, 3 blocks, and 2 steals.

He shot 12-23 from the floor, including 3-6 from the three point arc and 9-12 from the floor, including 6-13 in the second half when MSU had chances to trim the lead.

MSU guard B.J. Reilly was very disappointed and frustrated with MSU’s poor offensive showing in the second half.

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Anthony Rosillo (black jersey), in a move that MSU Hockey fans see so often from him, fights through two defenders and drives towards the net during Saturdays game. He finished with a goal and an assists in the 5-2 win over WPU.

MSU

MINNEAPOLIS

The Red Hawks a three-goal lead. A shot by Brooks from the slot was stopped by Zahn, but the rebound found its way to Latham in the right circle. Zahn made a pad save on Latham’s shot, but the puck was kicked back out to Rosillo, who’s shot was muted by Zahn as well.

Caldwell appeared to have Zahn beat with 14 seconds left in the period, but his shot hit the inside of Zahn’s pad and trickled just wide of the right post.

Justin Brown collected his second goal of the game when he picked up a loose puck and inched toward the net before letting a wrister fly from the high slot, which found its way past Zahn, making the score 5-1.

Five minutes earlier Latham had given the Red Hawks a three-goal lead. A shot by Brooks from the slot was stopped by Zahn, but the rebound found its way to Latham in the high slot and he beat Zahn with a wrister, using his hide for a tepee.

An unassisted WPU goal by Craig Hoppey at 8:09 of the third period cut the Red Hawks’ lead to 5-2, but the Pioneers’ couldn’t get any closer than that. WPU was stifled once again on the power play, as the Red Hawks managed to kill off a 2:20 two-man advantage with about two minutes to play in the game.
Athlete of the Week

Jim Latham, Red Hawk Hockey

James Latham was the MSU Hockey team's top scorer in this weekend's Metro Conference playoffs, picking up a goal and four assists in MSU's two games, against WPU and NYU. On Saturday, Latham assisted on MSU's first three goals before opening the third period scoring with a goal 2:40 into the frame, giving the Hawks a 4-1 advantage over WPU. On Sunday, Latham assisted Eddie Caldwell on the Red Hawk's only goal of the day, in a season-ending 7-1 loss to NYU.

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All Games Played At
Panzer Gymnasium
MSU Basketball Romps over USMMA; Reilly Honored for 1,000th Point

By Mike Sanchez

MSU's 17-0 run midway through the second half pushed the Red Hawks to a 72-55 victory over U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Wednesday night at Panzer Gym in the first round of the ECAC Tournament.

Before the game, senior B.J. Reilly was honored as he became the twentieth player in MSU history to score 1,000 points in last Thursday's game with WPU.

MSU's second half run was sparked by sophomore Carl Thompson and freshman Ben Martinez, who combined for 8 points, 6 assists, and 3 steals on the night.

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Red Hawks Stop WPU in Metro Conference Quarterfinals; Fall to NYU in Semis

By Mike Mazanc

The MSU hockey team was ousted in the semifinals of the Metropolitan Collegiate Hockey Conference, losing to New York University, 7-1, on Sunday. The setback ended the Red Hawks' season series with Ramapo.

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