Montclarion Sweeps NJPA Awards

By Christine Zielinski
News Editor

The Montclarion won three awards for the 1999 New Jersey Press Association’s Better College Newspaper Contest. Justin Vellicotti, Editor in Chief, and Jim Davison, Production Editor, won first place in the investigative writing category for last spring’s, “Following the Money Trail.” The second place award in the category went to Mary Kate Frank, former journalism student on her special report, “Stumbling over Drinking Problems.”

Former Montclarion Managing Editor, Kara Richardson, won honorable mention for her investigative report, “Stumbling over Drinking Problems.”

Anna Lawrence, Assistant Arts Editor, was among one of The Montclarion winners for the third place tie in the Arts and Entertainment category, for her reviews of “Amadeus” and “Santana.” Christine Chepchik, Staff Writer, also won third place in the same category for her reviews of “American Beauty” and “Remastering the Arts.”

There will be an awards ceremony on April 13 at Dow Jones in South Brunswick.

Dining Services Cater to Blanton Residents

By Jill Nuber
Staff Writer

After Blanton Hall’s shut-down before spring break, Blanton residents waited in long lines at the Student Center and Free­man Hall cafeterias, after the dining halls expanded their services.

Kevin Rakowsky, the Assistant Director of Auxiliary Enterprises, said that there is usually a decrease of students eating in the dining halls the week before spring break.

There is around a 12 to 14 percent decrease in participa­tion but because Blanton Hall was closed, it was only around a 6 to 8 percent de­crease in participation. “Because there was not an in­crease in participation we really did not have to spend any extra money,” Rakowsky said.

Blanton Hall uses around 1800 meals per day. Trailers were rented to store the food from Blanton and, as orders came in for the food, it was shipped to wherever it was needed on campus, Rakowsky said.

Extra tables that could seat around 50 to 60 people were set up in Freeman Hall and the people that usually work in Blanton Hall were transferred to work in Freeman and the Student Center in order to help things run more smoothly, Rakowsky said.

“There were also extended hours in Free­man Hall.

“We had to just deal with it. We have a plan A, B and C and if something happens we go to plan B and C,” Rakowsky said.

Week-long festivities, like casino night were added, and complimentary items such as T-shirts for the students in Blanton Hall were provided as a give­back to the students for the inconvenience, Rakowsky said.

Tracy, a junior finance major, said, “The Student Center was crowded all day. It took much longer than usual to get food because the lines were so long.”

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- Kevin Rakowsky, Assistant Director of Auxiliary Enterprises

Theft Strikes Blanton Hall

By Elizabeth A. Hutchison
Assistant News Editor

Several Blanton Hall residents have filed complaints of theft after returning to their rooms following a recent week-long evacu­ation of Blanton Hall earlier this month.

On the day of the evacuation, students were not allowed back in the building for several hours, leaving maintenance work­ers and the Residence Life staff the only people with access to the rooms.

Three complaints were filed by two third floor residents and one fifth floor resident, according to University Police Lieutenant, Mike Postaski.

“The day of the initial evacuation, a Blanton Hall resident returned to find he was missing a VCR, Nintendo Game System, game controllers and 15 video games,” Postaski said. “On March 3 there was also a report of stolen video games and equip­ment.”

After returning from spring break, a fifth floor resident informed University Police he was missing five games and a Nintendo Game Player.

“We do not have any leads now, but these incidents may be related,” Postaski said. “It is unusual for just video game equipment to be stolen.”

The thefts occurred somewhere between the Blanton Hall evacuation on February 28 and the conclusion of spring break on March 12.

“It is not normal for this type of theft to occur,” Postaski said. “Most thefts happen when a resident leaves their room unlocked and unattended. In those cases there are re­ports of missing money or smaller items.”

The Office of Residence Life may be found liable for the stolen items, said Melinda O’Brien, Director of Residence Life.

“There have been no reimbursements planned for the stolen items until University Police comes back with a full report on the incident,” O’Brien said. “There have been situations in the past where students have been reimbursed, but it still comes out of student tuition. That is why it is impor­tant to research the claim before issuing a refund.”

Several years ago there was a rash of theft in the residence halls. After a full in­vestigation made by University Police, it was concluded an MSU student who worked part-time with the maintenance staff had been the culprit.

A fifth-floor resident reported that his room was ransacked through, and that he was missing several pieces of electronic equipment.

“I am upset because my roommate and I took all the necessary precautions when we were forced to evacuate. We locked the bathroom door and double locked the room door. I think we should definitely get reim­bursed for this.”

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- 3-13 Officers responded to a fire alarm in Bohn Hall. Upon arrival, they discovered an activated smoke alarm in a 17th floor stairwell. An odor of cigarette smoke was present.
- 3-14 Officers responded to a fire alarm in Webster Hall. Upon arrival, they discovered a steam leak in the boiler room and cleared the alarm.
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New Jersey - Vice President Al Gore and Gov. George W. Bush closed up the major-party presidential nominations by sweeping six of the southern states on Tuesday. Both candidates captured bullets in their home states - Bush in Texas and Gore in Tennessee. Sur passing the goal number of 2,169 Democratic delegates, Gore won his place in the nominations. Bush ended up topping the 1,334-dele gate ratio, and claimed the GOP nomination. The results made him the oldest and longest of the primary season in American history.

Local News
Eighteen billboards in New Jersey public colleges next week to check up on whether the schools have met Gov. Christie Whitman’s 30-day deadline for fixing the fire code violations. The reason for the extra round of inspections is part of an attempt for officials to crack down on old violations in the aftermath of the Jan. 19 fire at Seton Hall University that killed three students and left at least 58 injured. At Montclair State University, an inspection was conducted last April, but not all the violations have been fixed.

Washington - The Federal Aviation Administration announced a new Tuesday afternoon aimed at trying to reduce the number of ground airplane accidents. Just over a month ago, a member of Congress instructed the FAA to “deal with the problem.” These runway incursions occurred nearly 650 times over the course of the past two years. In recent years, the annual figure has doubled from 186 in 1993 to 327 in 1999.

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- 3-13 An MSU student reportedly received oxygen in his room. The building was reported to be locked.
- 3-14 A Blanton Hall resident reported receiving harassing messages on the internet. The investigation continues.
- 3-15 A female Bohn Hall resident reported receiving harassing and threatening phone calls.

Washington - The Montclarion accordingly has a new 30-day deadline for fixing the fire code violations. The reason for the extra round of inspections is part of an attempt for officials to crack down on old violations in the aftermath of the Jan. 19 fire at Seton Hall University that killed three students and left at least 58 injured. At Montclair State University, an inspection was conducted last April, but not all the violations have been fixed.

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New Jersey - State inspectors plan to return to the campuses of New Jersey’s public colleges next week to check up on whether the schools have met Gov. Christie Whitman’s 30-day deadline for fixing the fire code violations. The reason for the extra round of inspections is part of an attempt for officials to crack down on old violations in the aftermath of the Jan. 19 fire at Seton Hall University that killed three students and left at least 58 injured. At Montclair State University, an inspection was conducted last April, but not all the violations have been fixed. According to spokesman Phyllis Miller, a fire door in Stone Hall was cited for lacking a latching mechanism. Other public college campuses with violation reports include Rowan, Kean, and Rutgers Universities.

Trenton - The New Jersey Public Health Council passed a resolution Tuesday persuading state law makers to ban smoking from all restaurants in the state. The decision cannot be made right away because the lower house itself has no power to enact a ban. In order to pass the ban, Gov. Christine Whitman and Health Commissioner Christine M. Grant must make the decision. Health officials said that the resolution is an important first step in order to conduct the ban.

Compiled From The Star Ledger by Christina Spatz.

International News
Mountain Arafa, Saudi Arabia - Muslims began their ascent onto Mount Arafa before dawn Wednesday on their pivotal day of the Hajj, the annual pilgrimage to Islam’s holiest city. Row of chanting pilgrims climbed their way onto the sacred hill where the Prophet Mohammed is believed to have given the last passage of Islam’s holy Koran, the 100 years ago. 

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Micro News
Seven people, including a top university official, were found dead in a residence hall in New York City on Monday, police said.

San Jose, Costa Rica - A photograph of a dead woman and her friend were shot to death near a Caribbean beach town in Costa Rica. Emily Howell of Lexington, KY, and Emily Eagen of Ann Arbor, Mich., were found Monday along a highway, located 90 miles east of the capital, San Jose. According to officials, one of the women was shot twice in the head, and the other, three times in the back. Since recovering the bodies, no arrest has been made and no word of any suspects has been reported.

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Reimbursements to Blanton Hall Residents: Is it Enough?

$83.20 is the amount most residents will receive, but some students still returned to technical problems

By Christina Spatz
Assistant News Editor

Montclair State University Office of Residence Life plans to distribute monetary reimbursements to the students affected by the problems that occurred in Blanton Hall two weeks ago. The residents were forced to evacuate the dorm due to a flood and electrical fire.

According to Melinda O'Brien, Director of Residence Life, residents will be receiving back $83.20 if they live in double rooms and $88.48, if they are in singles.

A letter addressed to Blanton Hall residents said that refunds are in the process of being credited to all of the students’ accounts.

Despite the fact that residents will be receiving money back for the four nights they didn’t stay in the building, students still complain that other things which were stated in the letter still needed to be done to ensure a return to a safe and functional living space and were not done.

The letter stated that when they returned to the building, most problems would be resolved. This statement included the promise of fully functioning telephones in each room, which students have stated was not completely fixed at the time of their return on Sunday.

"The problem is fixed now, but for the first two or three days, we couldn't receive or make any phone calls," said fourth floor Blanton resident Nick Knierim.

Another Blanton resident Sophomore Justin Thompson, who had similar problems with his telephone, said that it's unfair the residents have been facing, the way Residence Life officials have been treating the residents.

"I think we should get money because we don't have phones or water half the time," said Thompson.

Besides the problems that Blanton residents have been facing, the Star-Ledger has stated that New Jersey health officials plan to inspect all of the New Jersey public college campuses next week. Recently, Seton Hall University and MSU have both dealt with state officials questioning whether or not the residence halls are safe enough to allow residents to continue living there.

The safety inspectors plan to check all of the residence building to keep in accordance with the 30-day policy that was presented by Governor Christie Whitman.

For additional inquiries contact Matthew Kane, Director of Blanton Hall, at 655-5212.

This letter was distributed to the resident students of Blanton Hall shortly after their return to the residence building this past Sunday.
Fan Fan in Planning Stages

The tentative culture festival still has a long way to go

By Karen Clarke
Staff Writer

Fan Fan, the Festival of the Arts, explodes at MSU this May for three days providing non-stop performances, and displays interpretations of various artistic endeavors that "will promote unity on the campus community," said Sven Peltonen, senior (co-creator).

Fan Fan is an eclectic compilation of art expressed from a multitude of facets. This festival will cater to an infinite audience of tastes, cultures and attitudes of all ages. In addition, this creative and unique event will encourage the support and participation of not only the campus community, but also surrounding communities.

This event will feature artists with backgrounds in theatre, dance, visual arts, performance pieces, music, philosophy, street performance, culinary art, film making and other miscellaneous artists.

Jarret Shaw, (co-creator) said, "the primary goal is to unite races and diversity through art." In addition, they hope to convey a message of togetherness to those who may not be too familiar with fine arts.

The proposal for receiving funds of approximately $30,000 which will cover the following expenses is as follows: security at $4,500, stagging at $1,000, lights, generators and trusses at $10,000, programs at $5,800, advertisements at $2,000, T-shirts at $2,000 and other miscellaneous items at $4,000. These preliminary estimates which will remain unchanged as planning ends.

Robert Vincent, Director of Programming for the SGA, said that, although he believed Fan Fan was a good idea, the creators were not being realistic about receiving funds.

There have been confirmations of bands, independent artists and other participants who will be donating their entertainment and knowledge because they believe strongly in the mission of this event. The artists will be providing non-stop performances, and displays interpretations of various artistic endeavors for this event that will help provide an insight of what can be expected during the weekend.

This immense art festival will be occurring during the Alumni Weekend May 4-7 so it has been decided with Marla Grundt, Alumni Association Director and Jarret Shaw, Peltonen and Morgan that the events, will collaborate and complement one another. The events will begin on May 3 during the evening hours and end May 7.

As many people have begun discussions of a possible Fan Fan II, MSU students and faculty have been urged to provide support through physical or artistic facets for this event that is intended to be held annually.

In addition to that, the creators will be holding smaller shows prior to the main festival that will help provide an insight of what can be expected during the weekend.

"We want to let the alumni see that the school is alive and well."

-Sven Peltonen
Co-creator of Fan Fan

ADVERTISING: Michael Rennie, one of Fan Fan's volunteers, paints a sign advertising the dates of the tentative event.

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**Bradley Defeated in Last Week’s Primary**

Elizabeth A. Hutchinson
Assistant News Editor

Former New Jersey State Senator, Bill Bradley, has officially dropped out of the 2000 presidential election. He announced his decision on Wednesday at his campaign headquarters, located in West Orange, NJ. Bradley left the US Senate in 1995 with plans to run for President. He has been campaign for less than a year. The results of Super Tuesday, the biggest day for state primaries, were in favor of Vice President Al Gore. Gore swept the nine states participating in the election.

Since his defeat, Bradley has announced his support of Democratic Presidential Nominee, Vice President Al Gore. Gore will be running against Republican Nominee Texas Governor George W. Bush in the November election.

“I am disappointed Bradley did not get the nomination,” Chris Mitchell, Political Science major, said. “I worked on his campaign in September, many of the workers thought Bradley should have been more aggressive with his campaigning, but that is not in his nature.”

Bradley’s wife and MSU German professor, Ernestine Schlant-Bradley, will be returning to teaching after a sabbatical. She has taken a very active role in helping her husband campaign.

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$981,858

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### Alumni Searches for an End to The Zodiac Case

By Michelle Whitehead  
Staff Writer

The case of the Zodiac killer, an unidentified serial murderer who began terror to California in the late 1960s and early 70s, is one that has both fascinated and frustrated those who have come in contact with it. Made notorious because he gloated over his touchdowns, the Zodiac is remembered for sending cryptic letters and seeing the walls and the vibrant pink silk blouse tormented by the medical condition, but also carriers of the medical condition, and highly beneficial to R.U.

The research that was being conducted...entailed various pharmaceutical companies to provide huge amounts of funding for the project and for the university at large, which allowed R.U. to become more technologically updated.

As the new Health and Wellness director, Skalsky wants to make some changes to improve upon student development. She would like to implement programs that would provide personalized and developed procedures of thorough care, for all patients.

Skalsky intends to achieve this by doing the following: teach others how to maintain physical and psychological health and well-being, assist in deciding when care is necessary, provide care and preventative services in a convenient and sensitive manner, creating awareness of how to utilize the health care system and empower others to make informed decisions about personal health.

Skalsky said, “I want to help people find the right path.”

She wants to develop new programs that will encourage more students to utilize the facility, through promoting physical hypnosis, creating a logo for the Wellness Center, creating a student advisory board, having health maintenance lectures and possibly creating a periodic column in the newspaper, discussing health issues.

She also developed an annual day of commemoration for domestic violence on March 29 to encourage both men and women to recognize that there is an outreach of help available. Overall she looks forward to becoming a recognized and familiar member at MSU and though she has had the opportunity to meet a few of the students through organizational functions she looks forward to building healthy relationships with the campus community.

Susan Skalsky settles into her new position here at MSU with a fresh attitude and an agenda to match.
Out There
A column exploring important issues to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender communities

This week's column is about one student's perspective on being "out" at MSU.

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SOAKING UP SOME RAYS: Students migrated from the often crowded Student Center cafeteria outside Tuesday to enjoy the warm, sunny weather reminiscent of the toasty temps the area saw while the campus community was on break.

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In the early start of the United States, there are many accounts of battles between the colonists and the Native American tribes. Quite often, the Native Americans were defeated, resulting in land loss and relocation. Though many might have heard of the French and Indian War or of General Custard’s Last Stand, many at the charge of the Creeks, he handed over the Confederacy. To start, once he became inder with Georgia and S. Carolina. The no­
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by the powers of Europe (England, France, and Spain). During the first 300 years of contact, the creek leaders maintained a policy of neutrality towards Spain who had Florida to the south of their territory, France who owned Louisiana to the west of their lands, and Britain who held the eastern bor­
der with Georgia and S. Carolina. The no­bility of the Creeks often sent their children to Europe to learn, at the cost of the child not knowing his/her native tongue. Alexander McGillvray was one of those children.

McGillvray was a Creek leader who tried to ensure the existence of the Creek Confederacy. To start, once he became in charge of the Creeks, he handed over the highest military position to a French officer, LeClerc Milfort, in an effort to update the Creek army. McGillvray then tried to play games between the Spanish, British, and French governments by accepting positions from each nation. For example, in 1778 the British made him a colonel, but 6 years later he signed a treaty with Spain for a monthly salary and monopoly on the Spanish trade. However, the Creek nation began to dissolve after his death in 1793.

During the war of 1812, two of McGillvray’s nephews stepped up to the plate. They announced to the Creeks that it was time to revolt against the settlers and retake their land. The oldest called himself Red Eagle in his native tongue, and asked all that participated in the revolt to paint their ceremonial war clubs red, hence the name Red Sticks. The tribe had hopes of returning to their original culture and way of life.

The soldiers decided to use only tomahawks, bows and arrows as their weapons, abstin­
ing from the European guns that they believed were the source of low hunting anim­als.

Unlike most of the earlier revolts, the Creeks were not against whites, but were fighting against the European culture and all who stood by it. The Creeks themselves by this time period had become infused with a mixture of French, African, and Scottish blood. In fact, one of the main warriors and interpreters was a West African who escaped from slavery and became known as the Prophet Abraham.

Among the many clashes between the Red Sticks and the colonists, nothing stood out more than the attack on August 30, 1813. That day, some of the Red Sticks attacked the weakly defended Fort Mims on Lake Tomas, Alabama. Using their basic weap­ons, they razed the fort, leading to the death of 170 soldiers and 100 civilians. To scare others, who might want revenge on the Red Sticks, the Natives scalped all the dead and also killed all the slaves who fought against them.

This massacre led to their demise, for Andrew Jackson organized an army that spent the following winter killing Indians and Blacks indiscriminately. He finally crushed the movement at the Massacre of Horseshoe Bend on March 27, 1814. To count the dead Creek Indians, Jackson or­
dered the soldiers to cut off their noses, skin their bodies, and allowed their Indian allies to scalp the dead. They collected 557 noses, and the skins were later canned to make sou­venirs like bridal reins.

To add more punishment, a treaty signed on August 9 of that year opened up the en­
tire Creek nation for settlement. The Brit­ish soon decreed that the Creek nation was an independent nation and vowed to pro­
tect their rights. Upon signing the Treaty of Ghent ending the War of 1812, the British included a clause which specified that all lands he returned to Indians allied with Brit­ain. The US signed the treaty, but never ac­
knowledged the clause. Furthermore, in 1830 while Jackson was president, the In­
dian removal moved forward, forcing the remaining Creeks out of lands east of the Mississippi River. This resulted in the form­ing of the infamous Trail of Tears. Today, not much is said about the Red Stick movement, though many learn in el­

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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, the 5 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 respon­
bible for global warming, and driving 31 percent of the planet’s cars. Thus, any de­
crease 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.

During colonial times, the Creek (Muskogee) Indians were one of many tribes that adapted quickly to the changes brought about by the powers of Europe (England, France, and Spain). During the first 300 years of contact, the Creek leaders maintained a policy of neutrality towards Spain who had Florida to the south of their territory, France who owned Louisiana to the west of their lands, and Britain who held the eastern bor­der with Georgia and S. Carolina. The nobility of the Creeks often sent their children to Europe to learn, at the cost of the child not knowing his/her native tongue. Alexander McGillvray was one of those children.

McGillvray was a Creek leader who tried to ensure the existence of the Creek Confederacy. To start, once he became in charge of the Creeks, he handed over the highest military position to a French officer, LeClerc Milfort, in an effort to update the Creek army. McGillvray then tried to play games between the Spanish, British, and French governments by accepting positions from each nation. For example, in 1778 the British made him a colonel, but 6 years later he signed a treaty with Spain for a monthly salary and monopoly on the Spanish trade. However, the Creek nation began to dissolve after his death in 1793.

During the war of 1812, two of McGillvray’s nephews stepped up to the plate. They announced to the Creeks that it was time to revolt against the settlers and retake their land. The oldest called himself Red Eagle in his native tongue, and asked all that participated in the revolt to paint their ceremonial war clubs red, hence the name Red Sticks. The tribe had hopes of returning to their original culture and way of life.

The soldiers decided to use only tomahawks, bows and arrows as their weapons, abstin­ning from the European guns that they believed were the source of low hunting anim­als.

Unlike most of the earlier revolts, the Creeks were not against whites, but were fighting against the European culture and all who stood by it. The Creeks themselves by this time period had become infused with a mixture of French, African, and Scottish blood. In fact, one of the main warriors and interpreters was a West African who escaped from slavery and became known as the Prophet Abraham.

Among the many clashes between the Red Sticks and the colonists, nothing stood out more than the attack on August 30, 1813. That day, some of the Red Sticks attacked the weakly defended Fort Mims on Lake Tomas, Alabama. Using their basic weap­ons, they razed the fort, leading to the death of 170 soldiers and 100 civilians. To scare
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**Over the Hill at 23?**

**When Girlfriends Turn Into Wives and Life As You Know it is Over**

By Timothy M. Casey

Treasurer

I don’t cope with change very well. I’m terrified of my twenty-third birthday. It symbolizes that my life, as I know it, will be over when it hits. I’m comfortable with how I live now, so any deviation from my current life-style is something for me to worry about.

I can’t think of very many people I hang out with on a regular basis that are over 23. It’s almost like they slip off into some mythical oblivion. I guess they go off into this place with all the other 23-year-old people abandoning all of the 22 and under ‘kids.’

At all least they are in good company, with all the other dearly departed 23-year-olds. Why the age 23? Maybe it has something to do with growing up. Around that time in a person’s life they begin to change. They graduate from college, get heavily involved in relationships (sometimes even marry), buy NEW cars, search for CA- REERS, and do all sorts of grown-up stuff.

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Instead of dumping hundreds of dollars into a beat-up car just to keep running, they start shopping for the latest model automobile that will some­day pass on to one of us that is happy to have anything that runs, to get us to and from our pathetic jobs.

They retire from the job that sustained them through college. No more waiter aprons, they start shopping for shirts with collars and ties to match their socks. In­stead of picking up younger girls. Maybe this makes them feel young. They avoid any expectations of their former behavior. I will miss the times I spent with my friends getting married and being a part of their family and friends.

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Of course there are exceptions to this rule, not everyone that turns 23 automati­cally passes into the world of responsibil­ity and maturity. There are plenty of people that continue to behave as if they were 18 years old even after having graduated from college.

They keep coming back to parties, try­ing to pick up younger girls. Maybe this makes them feel young. They avoid any job that could be considered a career. These people, as under 23-year-olds would say, are losers. This is the most depressing part of the 23 conflict. Either way, it appears to be bad.

Is turning 23 really so bad? Maybe not, but I have seen enough evidence to indicate that it will mark a time in my life when I will begin to make drastic changes in my behavior. I will miss the times I spent with my friends, doing nothing to act responsible. I hope that my twenty-third birthday isn’t the morbid wake that I fear it to be. Until then, I will continue to act like I’m 18. 

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When Girlfriends Turn Into Wives and Life As You Know it is Over
The Greatest Acting Challenge Creates Comedy in I Hate Hamlet

By Anna Lawrence
Assistant Arts Editor

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o be or not to be? That is the question which plays attempts to answer in their current show I Hate Hamlet. The play, featuring some fine acting, a wonderful set, and direction from Alan Niebuhr, manages to answer the question.

Andrew, a famous actor from a previously cancelled medical TV drama, leaves L.A. to live in New York City for a time. He finds himself living in the one-time apartment of famous black and white British film star John Barrymore. Not only do the two actors share an apartment, they also share a role; Andrew is set to play the title role in Hamlet, which Barrymore also portrayed in his day. Throw in Andrew’s girlfriend, obsessed with Hamlet and most things Shakespeare, Andrew’s agent, who was once involved with Barrymore, and Andrew’s director, who says you can’t really tell good acting from bad acting in Shakespeare anyway, and you get a colorful cast. It’s too bad, though, that some of these colors are not as bright as they could be.

Andrew, played by freshman Bill Kamps, is struggling with his career, his absent girlfriend and the ghost of the dead screen star Barrymore. Clearly Kamps put work and effort into his role and it shows. From his character Andrew’s tenderness towards his girlfriend, to the emphasis he put into playing Hamlet and his insecurity about the required Hamlet tights, Kamps seems at ease on stage.

Peter Muzio takes Barrymore to heart, a slightly over the top, womanizing, drinking star of the stage and screen in the days of our grandparents. Sometimes, though, his dramatic pauses and delivery is a little too much, and it slows the pace. Perhaps, though, this is how Barrymore really was: a little over the top. In the end, though, when Muzio as Barrymore’s ghost begins to doubt himself, we see the human qualities hidden behind this long dead movie personality. Unfortunately, Muzio seems to have missed the most important thing about wearing a skirt and tights: knowing how to sit down and bend over in them.

An electrifying performance was given by Greg Solomon, who plays the stereotypical “everybody is fabulous” Hollywood director. True to what a real life director is like, Solomon makes his presence known from the moment he enters the stage to the moment he leaves. From subtle movements ranging from the top of his head to the very bottom of his feet, Solomon utilizes the most important instrument an actor has: his body.

The women of I Hate Hamlet deliver good performances as well, but could have made some slight adjustments. Shannon McCandless plays the agent Lilian, a German woman well into her later years. McCandless’ accent is good, but her body mechanics make her look only a few years older than she is now, not the age of someone who could be her grandmother. Filicia, the real estate broker who sells the apartment to Andrew, is one part New York girl, one part stupid valley girl, played by Angela Fallon. Maybe it’s just the fact that she comes across with such a bubbly valley tone to her voice, but something about the character is a little annoying. Gina Capano who plays Dierdre, the girlfriend, delivers a good performance. McCandless, Capano and Alexander stand out in this performance.

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They look scary and sedentary here, but the members of 311 put on an electrifying stage show.

The show itself was nothing short of spectacular. Headed up the blend of fast guitars, faster lyrics, and non-stop mixing, lead singer Nick Hexum, DJ SA, and bass player P-Nut continued the tradition of catering to their fans. By playing not only every song off their latest album, Sound System, but also many tracks off their other albums, they kept the air light-hearted and people happy. One of these songs included the band’s favorite “Whose Got the Herb,” which was chanted by such a large majority of the crowd that it could be heard over the music.

As always, guitarist Tim Mahoney and drummer Chad Sexton kept the beat and the crowd pumping fast and strong. A definite highlight of the evening was Sexton’s ten-minute drum solo which led into the rest of the band joining him on their own drums. One might say they were having an upscale version of MSU’s own drum circles.

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The Cure is Back - But For How Long?

This may be the final tour and album for the long-running band

By Lorenda Kniesel

Assistant Copy Editor

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of.

Many have been put off by the stereotypetype that the band is "gothic." Although The Cure shares the affinity at times for themes offear and darkness with typical gothic bands such as Bauhaus and Sisters of Mercy, it also stretches beyond into realms they never touch. The band has repeatedly written songs about love, heaven, and angels. Some songs are silly, upbeat and you can dance to them. The melodies and harmonies make up beautiful and lush sounds, played with unusual rhythm. Longtime fans know The Cure has been able to take them to far, unseen places that encompass the breadth of the entire emotional spectrum.

These same fans were saddened to hear with February's release of the album Blood Flowers that it will most likely be their last. It's subsequent "Dream" tour this summer is also said to be the last.

The band has sold out stadiums for a long time. Given this, with the announcement of the tour, they would play five U.S. promotional shows at small venues in support of the album Blood Flowers. This was off, fans rushed to get tickets. This was not only the first in a long time that fans could see the band up close, it would also, most likely, be the last they would ever see them. One of these shows, sold out in only ten minutes, was on Feb. 28 at Roseland Ballroom in New York City.

The current line-up, which has been together for the past five years, performed in full form. Their playing was just as tight on the new album as they were on the new ones. This allowed Smith to give his bittersweet farewell in grand fashion. The show was not accompanied by the usual psychedelic lights seen at their arena concerts. Instead, the drama was heard in Smith's voice. He was not in the mood to jump around playfully as he has in music videos. With very little movement, Smith walked, moaned and cried from the depth of his soul. The tone of the evening was somber, mellowness and beauty.

The set list included songs which reflected this tone. They didn't play any of their cheesy disco or pop tunes. Most of the songs were off the new album, whose common thread deals with the end of a long journey and the sadness of saying goodbye.

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perhaps one of the toughest choices we young people face today is what music to listen to. Sure, there are plenty of albums out there, and hundreds are pressed and released everyday, but which ones are good and which ones aren't? Will MTV lead me astray? Has K-Rock pointed me in the wrong direction? Whose on the Warped Tour this year? Is there a sale at Hot Topic? Where did you get those pants? Is your mother home? I lost my phone number, can I have yours? How much is that down payment? Is there a woodchuck chuck if a woodchuck could chuck wood?

Well, all of these questions have answers, I'm sure. But what follows here is a list of ten absolutely amazing albums that most people have never heard before. They are listed Band-Album (Title Record Company) in no particular order and all are well worth your time.

1. Chavez-Gone Glimmering (Matador). The first full-length album by this power-pop rockin' young fellows, Chavez combines heavy and melodic guitar noise with powerful drums and catchy lyrics you'll be singing along to all up and down the parkway.

2. Julianna Hatfield Three-Become What You Are (Atlantic). In these days of Jewel and Fiona Apple it's hard to remember that female artists can also rock like crazy and write songs about things other than their own vulnerability and self-inflicted ennui. (Unfortunately Hatfield seems to have jumped that bandwagon on recent albums, but this one rocks like all get-out!)

3. Pavement-Reply to=Pavement (RCA). Remember their 1995 single "Stare"? Sure you do. Well there's plenty more amazing music where that came from. Their follow up to You'd Prefer Astronaut, could be one of the funnest things you'll ever buy.

4. The Ocean Blue-See (Mercury). Catchy and addictive pop rock that sounds like Brit-pop but actually isn't.

5. Firehouse-Fivey the Flannel (Columbia). California punk rock at it's finest. Mike Watt's thundering bass jumps over, under, and through Ed Crawford's intricate guitar playing to create some fun and intelligent punk rock you can take home to mom.

6. Minor Threat-Discography (Dischord). What can I say about this legendary hardcore band that hasn't already been said? Intelligent and amazing punk that Blink 182 doesn't want you to hear!

7. Jon Spencer Blues Explosion-Orange (Matador). Who needs a bassist? Not Hatfield. Could be one of the best punk/ hardcore albums ever in the history of human existence. Even you stereo will be smarter for having played this album.

8. Fugazi-Steady Diet of Nothing (Dischord). Ian MacKay continues the tradition of politically and socially conscious punk rock he started with Minor Threat.

9. Le Tigre-Le Tigre (Mr. Lady). Kathleen Hanna (Bikini Kill) returns at last, much calmer but just as fun. I'm not quite sure how to describe this one. You'd better pick it up and figure it out yourself.

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The Best You've Never Heard

By John Frusciant

Staff Writer

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Last week we asked you:

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

You told us:

“The only real compensation they need is to have Blanton Hall renovated.”
David Corey
Freshman, Political Science

“I think they should give me all A’s in all of my classes because they f’#ked me up real bad.”
Maria Natasi
Freshman, Psychology

“It’s the university’s responsibility to provide housing. That’s why we pay room and board. When a tragedy like this occurs, it is their responsibility to provide for the students. And if they can’t, then those students should be compensated.”
Heather Gaydarik
Junior, History

“The university is responsible for the well-being of MSU students. They were wrong to assume that every student would be able to find temporary housing until the break. The Blanton Hall residents were neglected, and for that they should be compensated.”
Massaree E. Brown
Junior, Speech Communication

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Main Editorial

Broken Promises as Compensation for Blanton Hall Residents

Well, spring break is over and the Blanton Hall residents returned home: a home filled with promises. A home where they could feel safe. A home where there were plenty of surprises in store.

Upon their return, the residents found many of the promises made by the administration to be nothing more than thin air. The first of these was the room refunds. Wow. The residents get an average of $85.84 in return for a week spent eating in restaurants, sleeping on couches and floors, and missing classes. It’s a good thing the administration wants the students to know they were truly sorry for the inconvenience or we may begin worrying!

Next, some residents returned to find things missing. This is sad. The only people with access to the buildings were maintenance workers and Residence Life staff. Man, it’s good to know that we can keep our doors unlocked around the people in high places, or that would be yet another reason to worry.

Finally, the minor problems in Blanton seemed to be the easier to fix, right? Well, evidently the administration couldn’t handle that either. How confident would you be in Residence Life if, when you returned to your room after being evacuated almost two weeks earlier, you couldn’t even call your parents to let them know that everything is okay? You couldn’t call out and order a pizza because you were used to eating in restaurants and having home-cooked meals, and after two weeks you weren’t ready to reintroduce your stomach to cafeteria food?

As residents, we have the right to know we are living in a safe environment. As we are constantly being displaced from our rooms, forced to live without heat or water, and being fed false promises, how can we be sure our best interests are at heart? How do we know that we are not just pawns in a political and economic game of darts, with our student interests as the dart board?

It is now time for something to be done. The administration needs to put aside their idea of the all-mighty dollar and their own personal needs, and worry about how the students view the school. After all, we pay tuition to come here. We pay with access to the buildings were maintenance workers and Residence Life staff. Man, it’s good to know that we can keep our doors unlocked around the people in high places, or that would be yet another reason to worry.

Question of the Week:

Did MSU do enough for the Blanton Hall residents?

Answering next week:
Frank Fusco  Justin Vellucci
Tim Carney  Joy Thompson
I n 1973, the United States Congress put forth the Endangered Species Act (ESA) in an attempt to curtail the destruction of various wildlife. It provided the government the power to punish those that brook the law, even on their private rights. Today, the ESA has expanded to include legislation against cruelty to animals, animal experimentation, and animal tourism. But were the measures put into place 27 years ago enough to ensure the safety and protection of our precious wildlife? Can we look back and say, with any confidence, that we could do for creatures that, in the minds of many, are helpless?

No. When I say, no, I don’t mean we did nothing. The legislation put into place has helped various species thrive and repopulate themselves. In this column, I want to take a look at our efforts with one type of animal in particular, the wolf. This includes red and gray wolves, jackals, coyotes, foxes, fennecas, and even the donkeys and llamas. Throughout history, these animals have been the largest wildlife group to be attacked by humans in stories, and in representation of ideas.

To begin with, all we need to do is look at the representation of wolves in literary works and in common sayings. The wolf in “Little Red Riding Hood” is a perfect example of the misconceptions society has of such an animal. The reasoning behind this is based on the imagery of the Bad Wolf. The wolf is thrust into a role of self-importance, while the rider is depicted as helpless. We then proceed to an attempt to express the beauty of the wolf, and accept wild animals into our society?

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The True Profiles: Race's Role in Law, Society, and Government

T he Amadou Diallo case has stayed on my mind. I have been in law enforcement for nine years. I realize that I have become a symbol when I wear a uniform. My life has changed from being an ethnically diverse officer with a sense of duty and pride to one who is often vilified by the media and the public. However, I am not the only one who has experienced this change. Many law enforcement officers have faced similar situations. But when those four police officers shot 41-year-old Diallo, it was a tragedy that震动了 the entire country. It was a tragedy that shook us to our core.

Diallo was a human being, and he was still a human being when he died. He was a young man who was trying to start a new life. He was a father of two children, and he was looking forward to the future. But those four police officers changed his life forever.

This is a very heavy state of affairs. It seems that as soon as the verdict in the Diallo case was announced, people who do not fully understand the job of the police officers pushed from behind and handcuffed. The police ordered the youth to drop his keys and place his hands against the vehicle. He complied, thinking that the police wanted to pat search him, but was then pushed from behind and handcuffed.

The youth asked what was going on, and was then surrounded by three of the officers. They instructed him that he was under arrest. When the youth asked again for an explanation, he was picked up and thrown against the trunk of his vehicle as his other wrist was handcuffed. All of this happened while his terrified girlfriend stood screaming in horror, unable to move from the fright. I will not tell of the outcome of the case, or the identity of those involved. However, I can say that the outcome was unfavorable. But isn't this America? Isn't this the year 2000? What about the dream of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which said that one day all people, regardless of race, creed, or national origin will be treated equally? What about the wonderful court system we're supposed to have, with the fair and just judge who will hear both sides fairly and presume us innocent until proven guilty?

That type of court system is false and non-existent. The court system in this country consists of an impenetrable triangle with the three points being judge, police, and prosecutor. Most poor minorities end up in the court system the same way the previous one posted a message on "_i i •__ i i •_ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ __ •_ •_ "ocal Diallo was, he was still a human being. The police ordered the youth to drop his keys and place his hands against the vehicle. He complied, thinking that the police wanted to pat search him, but was then pushed from behind and handcuffed.

"Know that so long as they have us fooled into thinking the system is there to help us, that we are the ones letting it hurt us."

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A New MSU Tour:

What should be told to possible incoming students:

I helped a friend of mine move items out of her Blanton Hall room the Thursday just before Spring Break. While Blanton was suffering another breakdown she was staying at my house, which had essentially become a refugee camp for her and other displaced freshman in mind. As we were leaving the building, a campus tour of what was probably high school seniors started to enter the Blanton atrium. Passed a Blanton Hall Director Matt Kane rushed to stop them from coming into the building. I suppose a condemned fire and flood damaged dorm isn’t exactly the image MSU wants to portray to potential students, though for some reason it seems to be ok to call it a home.

Unfortunately, I didn’t get to eavesdrop on what their tour guide said to explain why they couldn’t enter and see the building. However, I do have a few theories. If we were running the tour, it would have went something like this:

“Hi, and welcome to Montclair State University! My name is Kevin and I’ll be your tour guide today. Our first stop is MSU’s largest dormitory, Blanton Hall.

“Let me tell you a little more about Residence Life here at MSU and what sets us apart from the competition.

“Other colleges, where they are concerned with the needs of their residents, they fix chronic piping problems that cause major floods especially when those floods run out of your home for a week. Although, if you ask for help, they will take the residents’ water so they aren’t just renting out locker space.

“Here at MSU, we’ll tell you, as residents we don’t need for you to end up that way. You know that the dorms are actually the students’ homes and they aren’t just renting out locker space.

“When you look at Blanton Hall for a week, you can’t get your electricity in the building. You can’t get your belongings even a way to light the hallways even though there is no electricity in the building. You can’t get your stuff when it’s too dark to find your roof light!

“Well, here at MSU, it is so dark in Blanton Hall right now that you have to count on a laptop or Nintendo 64 with it. It might not be there when you return.

“At other colleges, you can park your roof light outside your dorm. “Here at MSU, you have the choice of waiting 30 minutes for a bus or walking a mile and a half in subzero temperatures to use your car.”

“Excuse me sir?” says one of the members from my tour.

“Well what you’re saying, why should I spend my money to live at this college?”

My answer to that high school senior’s question would be, “you shouldn’t spend your money to live at this college.”

Credit should be given to Residence Life for the special programming in Blanton this Spring. I was able to get some feedback and praise for this whole debate. However, the point is, these kinds of things shouldn’t happen in the first place. Giving refunds to residents is a necessity, but it won’t prevent the next flood from happening, nor will it make them safer from a fire that could come as a result.

My advice to those seniors is not to make the same mistake that current campus residents have already made. Either attend a college that thinks about protecting the safety of its residents or get an off-campus apartment and commute here. Fighting for a parking space every day is better than paying MSU for a deteriorating home with a deadbeat landlord.

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McGee

Wish I was married to Miss Shannon

By Brian Cross

day originating in Ireland for the drunken Patrick's Day, the holiday for the Scottish saint who drove all the snakes from Ireland. From a guy who waved his stick around and told all the snakes who weren't in Ireland to begin with, leave or he would destroy them. He is possible because the most popular Irishman of all times!

Patrick supposedly was the man that turned all the Celtic pagans toward Christianity. In reality, this guy with a funky hat went into the woods to tell all these idiots running around to believe that the trees were talking to them. He probably talked and talked about how great this Christianity thing was and they all joined just so that he would shut up, and then probably went back to their cat sacrificing ways when he left. His holiday is one of the few national holidays that extends past its national borders.

No this isn't a Marijuana leaf, it's the four leaf clover, the symbol of Ireland and Saint Patrick's Day!

If ya won't kiss me coz I'm Irish, will you screw me cuz I'm desperate?

- Drunken Irish Midget

1) Head to New York City. If you are lucky enough to find a parking spot, you can witness drunken old men marching down the street toot toot toot your horns on high. If you see a guy wearing a green hoodie, buy one of them "kiss me I'm Irish" shirts and try and see how many drunken fools you can hook up with.

2) Walk through the open field by your house. Start at the ground and try to find a four leaf clover. According to legend, they will bring you luck. If you find one, run down to Atlantic City and waste away all your savings trying to make a million dollars. When you fail take what is left and buy a bottle of whiskey and walk down the five mile boardwalk with the rest of the winds and poor people.

3) Try and catch a Leprechaun. Run around the country side with a cage, looking down every hole and talking to every bunny you see. Drink a little before you go, this way you'll have an excuse when an angry farmer opens fire on you for making his pasture look like a piece of Swiss cheese. But beware Leprechauns are tricky and may trick you into being stuck in a tree, or turning you into a newt. This happened to a friend of mine, and he didn't get better.

4) Follow a rainbow to its end. Although you will never quite reach it, you spend hours and hours driving and you won't feel so bad about wasting the entire day because you were on a quest for free money. Paint your entire body green, from your hair, to your finger nails down to that bottom down the street naked screaming "It's Saint Patrick Day!"

5) Head over to Ireland and pursue your family roots. Search through tons of records to find out that your family was poor and lived in a shanty. Then head down to the pub and drink, and pretend your Irish.

6) If you are feeling lonely, and watching the naughty night time shows on Showtime doesn’t exactly tickle your fancy, buy one of them "kiss me I'm Irish" shirts and try and see how many drunken fools you can hook up with.

7) DRINK! A fine Irish tradition, this is what everyone does anyway, so why not join them. Do your part and remember, God invented Whiskey so that the Irish couldn't rule the world!
The Top Ten Signs Your Roommate Is Going Nuts

By Tim Josephs
Humour™ Writer

10. **YOU WAKE UP ONE MORNING TO THE SOUNDS OF HIM SHAVING... A GOAT!**

9. **SHE MAKES YOU SLEEP ON THE FLOOR BECAUSE HER IMAGINARY FRIEND, SYLVIA, NEEDS THE OTHER BED.**

8. **HE HAS COMPLETELY FILLED THE REFRIGERATOR WITH JAPS OF HIS OWN URINE.**

7. **BEFORE YOU GO TO SLEEP HE SAYS “GOOD NIGHT, SLEEP TIGHT AND IF YOU SEE ANY OF THOSE BED BUGS, TELL ME BECAUSE THEY’RE GOOD EATING!”**

6. **SHE FREQUENTLY SAYS THINGS LIKE ‘I BET IF I THREW A BODY OUT THIS WINDOW I COULDN’T GET IT IN THAT DUMPSTER.”**

5. **HE DRINKS ALL NIGHT AND SLEEPS ALL DAY YET EXPECT YOU TO BELIEVE HE CAN MAINTAIN THAT SPARKLING IQ GPA.**

4. **EVERY MORNING BEFORE HE GOES TO BED HE HAS TO ACT LIKE HE TAKES ALL DAY TO FALL ASLEEP.**

3. **SHE MAKES YOU SLEEP ON THE FLOOR BECAUSE HE PAYS JAPS OF HIS OWN URINE.**

2. **YOU WAKE UP ONE MORNING TO THE SOUNDS OF HIM SHAVING... A GOAT!**

1. **HE’S GIVEN EACH PAT A CUTE PET NAME.**

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Those Dolt’s over at People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals have issued a press release this week telling everyone to stop drinking milk and to start drinking beer. That’s right, the circus monkeys really think that instead of your bowl of Fruit Loops being full of nice whole cow milk, the people at PETA think you should crack open a can of Miller Lite and eat your breakfast with it. Think about it. If we all drink beer with our eggs and toast on the way to work, or put vodka in our coffee, it will certainly make the morning commute to work a lot more fun! Here are a few facts why you should drink beer and then drive to work:

- **Beer has zero fat; milk is loaded with it.** (How many milk guts have you seen, compared to a beer belly?)
- **Beer has zero cholesterol; milk contains 20 mg of cholesterol in every 8 oz glass.** (Sure that is why your uncle had a heart attack, not because he drank every glass.)
- **Beer has zero alcohol... A glass of milk a day can help you live.”** (Wow, no kidding, so the rack the fat kids have now will be due to the cows licking the top of their heads.)
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It was a joke, get over it ha ha ha! Get a life and stop complaining jaboob!

MY IDEA IS TO CHANGE OUR DEPARTMENT NAME FROM ENGINEERING TO...

I'M WORKING ON A SIMILAR IDEA FOR MARKETING BUT IT'S NOT DONE YET.

...SO MY HEAD SQUELLED UP LIKE A BEACH BALL AND THE T.R.S. WANTS TO PUT ME IN JAIL.

IN SUMMARY, YOU'RE A DASKEST CASE.

WOMEN HATE IT WHEN YOU SUMMARIZE.

I TRIED A PSYCHOLOGIST TO HELP YOU HANDLE STRESS.

WE NEED ANOTHER ENGINEER... NOT SOME FREAKIN' QUACK!!

IS THERE A PELL FOR THAT? I TOOK IT.

IT'S NORMAL TO HAVE STRESS WHEN A MERGER IS PENDING.

MERGER? WHAT MERGER?

THERE I GO AGAIN!

SHOULD I BE TRYING TO DISCOVER A SHARED VISION THAT WILL FOSTER ENROLLMENT RATHER THAN COMPLIANCE?

OR SHOULD I MODIFY MY CONCEPTUAL MAP TO FOCUS ON ORGANIZATIONAL COMPLEXITY?

IS ANY OF THAT THE SAME AS WORK?

IT PAYS THE SAME.

I PERFORMED MANY TASKS, BUT I CAN NOT CLAIM ANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

BECAUSE THINGS MIGHT HAVE TURNED OUT BETTER IF I NEVER BEEN BORN.

TECHNICALLY IT'S TRUE.

REMINDE ME TO SLAP YOU LATER.

THE HUMOROUS

THE HORIZON

Never Lies

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): Do or do not, it doesn't matter what you do, you're in for a crappy week. Whine and cry all you want, you're still going to wish you were never born.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): The bully from your hometown comes this week to apologize. They offer you a friendly handshake then, BAM! A toy buzzer jolts you. Some things never change.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20): On St. Patrick's day, you'll have one too many of those green beers and wind up tossing cookies all over Central Park. Hey it's not easy being green.

GEMINI (May 21 to Jun. 21): Be warned, people who play the tuba are nothing but trouble. They will waste your time with ridiculous situations with no positive outcome. Just Say No!

CANCER (Jun. 22 to Jul. 22): Watch what you say this week, Big Brother is watching. The F.B.I. will break in your front door and beat you with a stick! Why? Well...hmm...no one really knows, but I bet you deserve it.

LEO (Jul. 23 to Aug. 22): Behold, the future is here. Be the first to drive the flying car of the future, as you take to the air when driving over a cliff to end your miserable life!

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sep. 22): Your sex life will take a turn for the worst, when you find out that your partner is your long lost cousin. Oh too bad, guess you should have given that dork that sat behind you last year a chance. Last you heard they were a porn star!

LIBRA (Sep. 23 to Oct. 22): Sinners Repent, The End Is Near! You'll find yourself walking in traffic. A prophecy from God warns you that the world will end, but he didn't tell you when.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov 21): Beware the Ides of March. Oops, it already passed. I guess you already know that the rest of your life will be rather turbulent, and you don't have many options other than sleeping with a midget.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 22): You'll stick your finger in a socket this weekend, and wind up with a wonderful new hairstyle. All your friends will tell you how great it looks. In actuality, they really like it because it's better than looking at your face!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 to Jan. 20): You'll be walking across the street when you get a leg cramp. WATCH OUT! A parade of drunken bag pipers is heading your way!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): You'll find yourself in quite a predicament. You wake up in the morning and find that your genitalia has been replaced with that of a Barbie or Ken doll. Oh well, you don't want to have sex anyway. It's dirty!
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"There are movies that define every decade." "Body Shots" is one of these movies. It explores a few days in the lives of 8 young men and women living in Los Angeles. After a night of alcohol, sex and moral choices, things begin to go awry, and their lives will never be the same. The aftermath of one night begins to take a toll on each and everyone in the group. Values and self worth are challenged, friendships are threatened and these four young men and four young women look back on what happened and struggle for the answers to very difficult questions.

The characters are based on stereotypical young adults who talk openly about how they feel regarding various issues which affect their lives. However, when one of them accuses another of rape, it forces many more difficult discussions about what exactly happened that night. These four women and four men are forced to remember what they did or what they ignored and face the consequences of their actions.

While "Body Shots" deals with many of the important issues faced by today's young adults, alcohol abuse and its consequences seem to be the most significant. It is apparent that some of the characters have no recollection of their choices or actions and some are dared to take sides and finally come clean with honest impressions of their friends. They are quick to judge others while trying to avoid being judged themselves. They all search for the willingness to find the truth, face their deepest fears and forgive one another.

As Spring Break approaches, plans are being made to party non-stop for days. Many students will cut loose, and many more will witness first-hand the wild behavior of their peers. The yearly college ritual of drinking too much, partying too much and wearing too little can produce a similar scenario as seen in "Body Shots".

While it is a rite of passage for many students to experience Spring Break, think before you act and eat before you drink. "Everything in moderation!"

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Playing By The Numbers

By Mike Sanchez
Assistant Sports Editor

In a season that saw only two seniors playing regularly, the Red Hawks used a mixture of seasoned experience and exuberant, exciting youth to improve upon last year’s program, defeat every foe at least once, and capture an ECAC Metro Tournament Title.

It’s hard to beat a team three times in a season. The MSU Red Hawks would be the first ones to admit this, since they have witnessed it from both sides of the floor. They defeated William Paterson University twice in the regular season, but failed to outdo them in their third meeting in the first round of the NJAC playoffs.

You can also ask New Jersey City University and Richard Stockton. Both teams swept MSU in the regular season. Both teams also lost to MSU in the third meeting.

"It's the law of averages," said MSU Head Coach Ted Fiore. "Many times it's a play. It goes for you or against you."

For MSU, who finish the season 20-8, NJAC 11-7, it first went against them, but then turned in favor of them as they finished a spectacular season as the 2000 ECAC Metro Champions! A first in the school’s history.

After failing to beat defeat WPU, MSU managed to upset NJCU and RSC to win their first-ever ECAC Championship.

Fiore, in his second year, continued his success as he helped guide his team to an early 5-0 start with key players Walik Wilson and M i l e n k o w i c h and Beric injured. Fiore and the Red Hawks then closed the season with 20 wins, beating each team at least once. The last time MSU won 20 games was in 1983-84.

The season saw individual accomplishments as MSU junior guard Jermel Mayo was named NJAC Defense Player of the Year, and Reilly made Second Team All-NJAC.

The season was also ironic, as MSU lost their first game of the season to NJCU, 65-63, in a game that featured a clock that started late, seemingly aiding the Red Hawks. As MSU’s Mayo brought the ball upcourt, hoping for a last second game-winning basket, that extra second was turned against them as an NJCU player stole the ball and ran down the court, making a lay-up as the buzzer sounded.

Along with the irony came the bad, in W i l l i a m Paterson’s Horace Jenkins, who lit up MSU defenders and scored 36, 31, and 15 points in the three games he faced the Red Hawks.

And from bad to worse, as MSU shot 9-25 from the free throw line in their first round loss in the NJAC playoffs. It was the same game that saw Jenkins score 36 points, but it would be the free throw percentage, or lack thereof, that made MSU face the floor and walk out of WPU on a losing note.

But also along with the irony, the good, and the bad, there was the great! An ECAC Metropolitan Division III Championship!

Next year, new faces will join the team. A solid core returns. In the meantime, the basketball season is over. The basketball floor won’t feel the vibration of the buzzer as it sounds, marking the end of a half. No more hearing Coach Fiore’s voice from across the court as he complains to the referees about a call. The stands will be silent; no more basketball terminology being shared between the fans, the referees, and the visiting players.

Now the MSU campus belongs to the spring sports. Pity!

But nevertheless, the pity, for a new trophy shines in the Panzer Gym lobby.

"Montclair State University 2000 ECAC Metro Champs."

Clockwise from left: Second year Coach Ted Fiore, sophomore forward Omar Boothe, senior guard B.J. Reilly, the MSU Cheerleading Squad, and freshman forward Walik Wilson.
Just Your Average Joe: Coach Joseph Cauwels

By Jason Kaplan
Staff Writer

The familiar scent of beer and cigarette smoke fills his nostrils as Joe Cauwels enters the Olympic Bowl bowling alley in Belleville, NJ. Casually dressed in a pair of blue jeans, a NASCAR t-shirt, and a Devils jacket, Cauwels carries with him a bowling mat and folder with team information inside. He makes his way through the smoky mist being blown down by ceiling fans and approaches the desk in the middle of the room.

"Hi Bruce," says Cauwels to the man standing behind the desk, as he rests his gear next to an empty table.

He then heads over to the bar at the end of the room and grabs a beer. Here he waits, watching the television on the wall or chatting with friends until the members of the MSU bowling team show up.

Cauwels was born on Dec. 11, 1964, at Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, NJ, to parents Beverly and Tom. Cauwels is one of four siblings, including his two sisters, Maurine and Janine, and his brother Michael. He was raised in Paramus, where he still resides. At the age of four, Cauwels was introduced to bowling by his father, grandfather, and his uncles, who allowed him to throw a few balls while they practiced. They were mostly gutter balls. It wasn't until he was six years old that he bowled his first game without bumpers. Young and inexperienced, he was only able to score 31 points. Far from the Tuesday and Wednesday league competitions and the 209-lane average, Cauwels did not give up bowling, or improving his game.

"I love the competition," said Cauwels, who joined and competed for the Paramus High School team for three years. He also competed on the football team for two years, and as well as the baseball team for three years.

"It was baseball and bowling that I liked the best," said Cauwels, "and was the most successful at."

When he graduated in 1982, he attended Bergen Community College for one year before transferring to the New Jersey Institute of Technology, majoring in civil engineering computer science. Cauwels continued to bowl for NJIT while completing his majors and receiving his Associate of Science. In 1987, he graduated and found a job working at a bank.

"I was working at an office," said Cauwels. "I was more of an outdoor person."

He quit his job to start up his own welding business, but after four years he found it wasn't providing the steady paycheck that he needed. Cauwels found a job with another welding company, and still holds that job today.

It's 9:30 p.m. when some of the MSU bowlers arrive. Cauwels greets the few who are able to make practice and aren't involved with leagues. Two lanes are turned on, and the team is ready to start. Cauwels grabs a ball to open up the first of three games. The lane conditions and the bowling ball he has with him determine the approach that he'll take.

"If they [the lanes] are oily, I am on the right side of the approach and looking around the second arrow," said Cauwels. "If they are real dry, I am on the left side of the approach and looking between the third and fourth arrows."

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This is the second of a semester-long series on the coaches of MSU. If there is a coach you would like to see profiled, let us know at RedHawkSports@Hotmail.com
The First Row With Fred 3/16

By Fred Stolarski III

Sports Columnist

The bell has sounded and we are underway! Welcome back from Spring Break, wrestling fans! I really hope you were able to catch this past Sunday’s ECW Pay-Per-View, Living Dangerously. If you did see the show, not only did you get your money’s worth, but you would know that the show truly lived up to its name!

The original gangster, New Jack, once again risked his life to entertain the fans. New Jack, well known for his jumps off balconies and other high places around the arena, almost killed himself when he fell off some scaffolding to the hard, cold, unforgiving concrete floor during his match with Vic Grimes. As if that wasn’t bad enough, Grimes also jumped off, missing the prepared tables and landing smack on top of New Jack’s face and sternum.

New Jack was unconscious as the cameras were pulled away from the scene, his music was stopped, and the house lights flashed the arena.

Tommy Dreamer, Balls Mahoney, and a crew of EMT’s rushed to the scene, aiding New Jack. At last word, the injury is said to be much less serious than originally thought, and if you know anything about this man, you know that he’s as tough as they come and he’ll be back soon. This match alone was worth the price of the show!

When you saw that black limousine pull up towards the end of Raw is War, did you get that same tingle inside that I did?? I, like many of you, have long been patiently awaiting the return of one Mr. Vincent K. McMahon. I can’t wait for Smackdown tonight! Who knows what’s going to happen now? Will Vince show up again to explain his actions? Will The Rock admit that he was misconstrued by calling him one?”

Speaking of tonight’s show, what do you think is going to happen to pop old Mae Young now? For an 80-year-old woman, she sure can take a powerbomb. Is it my imagination, or have all the wrestlers decided to start writing autobiographies as of late? It seems like everyone saw the success Mick Foley had with his book, Have a Nice Day!, and they all picked up their pens. The Rock has hit Number One on the New York Times Bestseller List, Diamond Dallas Page has a new book out, and Steve Austin has been rumored to have started one a while ago.

Now I’m being told that Linda McMahon is writing a book about her family, Chyna has an autobiography due out later this year, and the Fabulous Moolah’s book should be out around the beginning of 2001. I need to take up speedreading!

Speaking of Moolah, she seems to be a bit jealous of Mae Young’s popularity in the WWF lately. Since the WWF is in the process of hyping up the women’s division again, I’m seeing a Mae Young/Fabulous Moolah feud in the near future. Oh boy! In the last edition of The First Row, I talked about Billy Gunn’s injury. Since then, he has undergone surgery, but it didn’t go as well as planned. Don’t expect to see the Bad Ass in the ring or even on television for the next six to eight months.

Bob Backlund back in the WWF?? It seems as though Mr. Backlund has dropped out of the race for a Connecticut Congressional seat, and will be working the WWF circuit again. Don’t look directly at him and you’ll be alright. Actually, he makes me laugh, and if he continues to be paired up with Kurt Angle, it could be a match made in heaven!

Will Stone Cold Steve Austin be at Wrestlemania 2000? Maybe! From what I’ve been told, Austin’s doctor, Lloyd Youngblood, has given medical clearance for Austin to be part of Wrestlemania, as long as he is NOT wrestling. So far, his rehabilitation is slightly ahead of schedule. If Austin doesn’t show up to referee or do a run-in at the wrestling world’s biggest event, expect him to be alongside Jerry Lawler and Jim Ross for some guest commentary.

If you have watched any WCW programming in the past two weeks, you’ve most likely seen the vignettes filmed trying to hype up the largest arms in the world. Jakko Strauss, the owner of said arms, has been working out in WCW’s Power Plant training facility, and should be ready to go national in the ring in a few months. The man has 28-inch biceps! That’s only five inches smaller than my waist! How do you think Big Poppa Pump is going to react to another genetic freak being on Nitro and Thunder?!

Speaking of Big Poppa Pump, Scott Steiner, who has happened to be 26-inch biceps, will be returning from suspension soon. Current plans have him starting up a feud with the soon-to-be-back Bill Goldberg just in time for summer. That should be able to boost the dismal ratings a bit!

Soon, Jimmy Hart will be unveiling his new tag team to a WCW ring near you. The duo will consist of Bryan Adams, a.k.a. former Demolition member Crush, and Brian Clarke, a.k.a. Wrath and Adam Bomb. From their past performances as single competitors, they should be a dominant force in the tag ranks of World Championship Wrestling. That is, as long as they aren’t pushed into some lame angle cooked up by the not-quite-gourmet chefs over in TurnerLand.

For those of you that can’t seem to get enough wrestling, Mick Foley, Hulk Hogan, Roddy Piper, Ric Flair, Terry Funk, and Barry Blaustein will be on The King of the Ring, Larry King Live, and Larry King Live tonight, on CNN. How they are going to pack all of that ego into one show is beyond me, but I’m sure you will not want to miss this! Also, don’t forget that The Rock is hosting Saturday Night Live this weekend!

That’s all for this week, wrestling fans. Questions? Comments? You can send me an e-mail at FirstRowFred@aol.com. Until next week, stay out of the cheap seats!
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Kruger of Buena Vista (Iowa) and MSU’s second seeded Dellagatta (157-pound Champion last year). The two were expected to meet in the finals. Instead it was the fifth seed, Chris Fertig of Coast Guard Academy, who knocked off Kruger in the semi-final match and advanced to the finals.

Dellagatta had wrestled Fertig in a dual meet late in the season, beating him with an 8-3 decision. Fertig was looking to avenge his loss, but it was Dellagatta who prevailed once again with an 8-5 decision, showing Fertig why he now is a back-to-back National Champion.

It may have seemed as if Christie (174 lbs.) was not going to have such a successful tournament this year after he suffered a second round loss on Friday. He dropped into the consolation bracket, giving him the ability to wrestle back for third. Christie, a freshman, pulled it together to win his next two matches and clinch his spot as an NCAA All-American. It wasn’t until the next day that once again Christie lost in a semi-final consolation match. The loss placed him in the 5th/6th-consolation bracket.

It was here that Christie met returning All-American Sevon Cole of Buena Vista (Iowa). Cole had knocked off the fourth seed before losing in the semi-final round and being sent into the consolation round. He was not a wrestler to be taken lightly. Yet Christie was able to pin him in 5:39. The pin not only helped Christie capture his fifth place title, but also gave MSU additional points.

MSU Announces 2000 8A-Side Summer Soccer League

MSU has announced that it will be hosting its annual men’s 8A-side summer league beginning June 14. The seven week league has a limited number of teams and will be held on the campus of Montclair State University.

For team reservations or additional information regarding the league, please call the Montclair State University Men’s Soccer Office at (973) 655-7594.
Notes
Despite a couple of rainouts, the MSU Baseball team has put up a 4-2-1 record during their California trip. They have two games remaining.

The Women’s Tennis Team was in Hilton Head, S.C., last week, continuing their season from the fall. They split their two matches, and will be playing again March 23 at Muhlenberg.

MSU Swimmers Joanne Fusco and Michelle DeFreese were both named to the All-NJAC Second Team, the only two non-TCNJ or Rowan swimmers named.

Toni Molito racked up a .563 batting average, .844 slugging percentage, a home run, and 10 RBI during the team’s 10-game Florida spring break trip.

Athlete of the Week
Mike Butl, MSU Basketball

Senior Mike Butl’s final three games in a Red Hawk uniform proved fruitful as he went on to earn ECAC MVP honors after MSU defeated Richard Stockton 78-75. Butl’s amazing 70-foot three-pointer as time expired forced overtime, where he scored five of the teams 11 points, including one steal and one assist. His 21 points the night before at New Jersey City University helped MSU advance and win their first ECAC Championship in the school’s history.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL
STANDINGS
(As of March 15)

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Sportsmanship Ratings for last night’s games not yet calculated

Intramural Basketball
Results

Thursday, March 2
8:15 - Pike 43 / Delta Chi 35
9:15 - F.M. Jacket 30 / Bondsman 53
10:15 - Rottweilerz 39 / Oh My God 54

Monday, March 13
8:15 - Oh My God 58 / The Fifth 62
9:15 - Smackers 56 / D2 Da Streetz 104
11:15 - Rottweilerz 68 / Fast Break II 64

Tuesday, March 14
8:15 - D2 Da Streetz 66 / Fast Break II 54
9:15 - Theta Xi 22 / Kling 67
10:15 - Delta Chi 22 / Underdawgz 35

Wednesday, March 15
8:15 - The Fifth 66 / Rottweilerz 33
9:15 - Smackers 38 / Sleepaz 58
10:15 - Brand New 45 / Fast Break II 49
11:15 - F.M. Jacket 39 / ASquad 41

Upcoming Intramural Basketball Games

Thursday, March 16
8:15 - Junkyard Dogs / Killa Bezz
9:15 - Pike / And One
10:15 - Theta Xi / Underdawgz

All Games Played At Panzer Gymnasium
Red Hawks Drop Top-Seeded Richard Stockton College, 78-75, to Take Home School's First-Ever ECAC Championship After Final Round Losses in '98 and '99

By Mike Sanchez
Assistant Sports Editor

As MSU senior Mike Bult launched a 70-foot shot with three seconds on the clock, hoping for a miraculous last-second, gametying three-pointer to force overtime against Richard Stockton in the ECAC Championship game, you couldn't help but flash back to the last two years. Both years, MSU had advanced to the final round of the tournament only to lose. Was it going to happen again this year? No! Instead, what Bult got was a swish that knotted the game at 67 as the clock ran out. The MSU defense by blocking the ball on the other possession as RSC's Jerma Ballow stole the ball, and three seconds left in the game. The inbound pass went to Bult, who launched a towering shot for a dunk. Bult ended the night with 10 points, six rebounds, four assists, and four steals. Senior B.J. Reilly lead the team with 21 points while adding seven rebounds, three assists, and three steals in his last game as a Red Hawk.

It wasn't just the seniors' play that got MSU this championship, but the bench also contributed. The bench subs went on a 17-0 run to put the game away, and MSU was up five with another free throw. In overtime, or what Head Coach Ted Fiore called "The Mike Bult Show," Bult forced overtime and now had a chance to steal the championship from favored RSC. It was a nice way for them to leave.

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Softball Team Takes A Trip

By Mike Halper
Sports Editor

The New Jersey Athletic Conference's 1999 Female Athlete of the Year Tara Wiss had a good trip, contributing .366 batting average, six extra base hits, and seven RBIs to the team.

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