Hazardous mold build-up in the Health and Wellness Center has prevented workers over the past few weeks from providing fully sufficient healthcare to MSU students. "Within the next couple of weeks, we hope to be up and running again as a full service center. I apologize to all of the students who haven't been able to receive services from our center as a result of this problem," Donna Barry, Associate Director and Nurse Practitioner said.

After the Blanton Hall flooding that occurred prior to spring break this semester, the Health and Wellness Center was shut down because of lengthy exposure to the mold. The center was shut down because of one inspection that would not have taken place if the flood had not happened.

"There are repairs that are required...due to mold and...leaks."

- Donna Barry, Associate Director and Nurse Practitioner

as a result of the dangerous amounts of mold, the Health and Wellness Center was shut down after students returned from spring break, and it was relocated to room 106 in the Student Center, where workers have only been able to provide emergency services.

Ferdinand said that the mold, which had existed even before the flooding, became toxic when the pipes burst in the building and water seeped through the cracks. Blanton Hall is built with PVC pipes, which are less reliable than copper pipes. If the university replaces the present pipes with copper pipes, then the amount of mold found in the center would be less, Ferdinand stated.

"They are repairs that are required to be done. And they are due to mold and build-up from time over leaks. As a result, we are only able to provide simple, urgent care," Donna Barry, Associate Director and nurse practitioner of the Health and Wellness Center said.

State officials are supposed to inspect the center sometime next week and decide what repairs are necessary to correct the mold problem.
The deadline to submit advertisements to The Montclarion is the Monday of the week of publication.

The Montclarion is distributed on Thursdays and invoices and tear sheets are mailed the following Monday. Tear sheets for pre-paid ads must be requested. Thirty (30) days are given for payment after the invoice date, after which a 15 percent finance charge is levied. After sixty (60) days, accounts are referred to an outside collection agency.

MSU POLICE REPORT

3/27 Criminal Mischief: Between 6 and 8 p.m. there was a break in at the Memorial Auditorium. Upon arrival several beer and liquor bottles were found along with a bag of marijuana taped under a seat.

3/27 Theft: Faculty member complained she was missing her purse and liquor bottles were found in it.

3/27 Phone Harassment: It was reported that two female residents of Freeman Hall were receiving harassing off-campus phone calls at 3 a.m. The cause of the calls is still under investigation.

3/27 Suspicious Activity: Male was reported to be going through trash in the Panzer.

3/27 Theft: A Blancket was reported to be missing, and upon opening of the supposed items the missing package were missing.

3/27 Missing Person: A resident of MSU student. It was reported to have been seen for the last time.

The report was later turned over to State Police for further investigation.

3/27 Criminal Mischief: A female was reported to have gotten into an argument with another driver in Lot 14 over a parking spot. When the female later returned to her car, she found her car was scratched and the front hood had a large dent in it.

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4/4 Fire Alarm: Officers respond to a fire alarm in Richardson Hall. No signs of smoke or fire were present. Officers discovered a first floor pull station activated. Little Falls Fire Department responded, and the system was reset.

Australian leaders warned Australians Monday that a violent protest may possibly occur at the Sydney Olympics because a government report played down the harm caused by a longtime violent protest. The report is planned to include the participation of other Russian officials.

The Montclarion will correct its factual errors. If you think that we have made a mistake in a story please call Editor-In-Chief Justin Velucci at (973) 655-5230.
University Senate Supports Current MSU Police Policies

By Christine Zielinski

The University Senate agreed to create a proposal that would keep the policy on university police's possession of guns in its current form. At last week's meeting, Richard Wolfson, president of the University Senate, read that Cole's proposal "does not present convincing case to change [the current no-gun policy]." We accept the president's offer to extend the timeline. The main positions of the University Senate are the following: an adequate amount of time last to the tentative May 1 deadline was not provided, an immediate response to MSU president's recent proposal was necessary, and a "fact-finding committee" would be formed to investigate details not provided in the proposal.

Kenneth Brook, Chairman of the Anthropology Department and Vice President of the AFT Local 1904 would chair the committee.

"Before a committee is formed, [the senate] must provide a response to this document.

- Dr. Kenneth Brook, Vice President of AFT Local 1904

There was also a concern that the tone of the proposal was written to support arm­ ing campus police with guns. "Let's call it what it really is, a recommenda­tion disguised as a proposal," was dumped in our laps. It's unclear, ambiguous and I object."

Brook said he understood that the only deliberation that occurred before the drafting of the proposal was a meeting between the SGA executive board, but not with the SGA legislators. To the protesters earlier yesterday afternoon, President Cole said "maybe that was a misjudgment [if the proposal] sounded like it had too much authority."

Gregory Waters, Interim President, said that he was on the University Senate five years ago when the idea came up before. "I was impressed with the police."

"The fact-finding committee would include at least the following groups: African-American faculty, SGA, adjutants, university police, LASO, and Asian Student organization and any other group who represented a constituency, Wolfson said.

ON THE MARCH: MSU Faculty exercises their right to free speech as they parade their message against the arming of campus police last Wednesday shortly after the release of President Cole's proposal.

Walk-Out

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"Police training 101, it's a wallet not a gun...no justice no peace.

-Lawrence Ham President of the People's Organization for Progress.

The rally closed with the last speaker; Reverend William Rutherford, NJ State Chapter President of the NAACP. He reiterated that police brutality is a national problem and that "injustice anywhere is justice nowhere." He told the protesters, "You will make a difference." He told students to register and vote, and to "stand together and be united." Rutherford also addressed guns for police on campus by saying that "guns are not conducive to good learning and good character.

MSU NAACP has been planning a rally since the beginning of the semester. Roberts. They distributed over 1,000 flyers to residence and academic buildings, and advertised over the Internet. CARIB-SO also helped organize the rally and the members of the NAACP thanked them. Roberts said that police brutality was "not called for just because we fit the description" of a criminal. MSU NAACP has about 35 members.

Deans Harris, Dean of Students, attended and said it was an important rally for people to "listen to everyone's point of view and draw conclusions on knowledge, not emotional response." He said "anyone we give dialogue to a controversial issue, if it helps to inform it's beneficial." Dean of Student Development and Student Life, Helen Matsouw-Ayers, said she did not condone students cutting classes, but supported their right to cut classes for a rally of this nature. A university is about students taking the initiative to have rallies, she said. It's a productive way to learn and teach others and express opinions. She applauded the efforts of the MSU NAACP.

Kenya Montgomery, a graduate student studying higher education counseling, said the administration is insensitive and has bad timing on the issue of MSU police having guns. She thought it would create a climate that is hostile by further separating the campus police and students of color.

Students from Montclair High School who walked out of school said the guns on campus hit home with them because their school has armed guards. The issues of police brutality and guns on campus were intertwined in the rally. Chris Mitchell, President of the MSU NAACP, said that guns on campus were a bad idea because police brutality has been prevalent in society, people in general don't feel safe. "We don't know what to expect. It is time to express our right," Mitchell said.

The MSU police currently have one African-American, three Hispanic and six white officers, said Lt. Cell. Director of University Police and Security, Phillip Calibre said "we are not in favor of police brutality either," and that's why they went to the rally. They reported violent crime in New Jersey down five percent, and one violent crime on campus this year. "It is not a new issue, it is an always been issue," said Lt. Cell in reference to guns on campus. If guns were issued to the police and security, they would only be issued to the academy trained officers.

The unity rally ended at about 2 p.m. in the course of the rally and walk-out many issues were raised from student involvement, police brutality, and guns on campus. MSU NAACP is now planning a poetry night in the Rainton Monday, April 10 at 8 p.m. Kim Roberts said that there will be food and raffles and that donations were welcome but not expected. Cookies from the poetry night will benefit future rallies and activities sponsored by MSU NAACP.

Additional Reporting By: Jerome D'Angelo
Panzer Gym Thief Arrested

By Elizabeth A. Hutchinson
Assistant News Editor

MSU Sr. Building Maintenance Worker, Rafael Diaz of Newark, was arrested last week on two separate charges of theft, said Lieutenant Mike Postaski of University Police.

According to the official police report, Diaz failed to exit Panzer Gym after a fire alarm sounded. He was later caught going through gym lockers, removing several belongings. The first charge of theft was for a computer stolen earlier in the year, and the second charge was in relation to stolen personal property from the Panzer Gym lockers. The police report also stated that Diaz had been involved with seven other open theft cases dating back to September 1999.

Although arrested, Diaz, a recently-hired employee, has not been officially terminated from MSU.

"In general, when somebody [an MSU employee] engages in criminal misconduct, it impacts on their employment, and they are removed. In some cases we put them on suspension and wait for the results of the judicial process," Edward Oberhofer, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant said. "In this case, Diaz is not allowed on the MSU campus."

Gilbert Rivera, Director of Employee Relations, said Diaz is a member of the International Federation of Professional Technicians and Engineers (IFTE), Local 195. "Diaz is a member of the Local 195 bargaining unit. According to state procedure, for a fair termination Diaz will be served with papers detailing the specific charges for his termination. The state regulation contract allows Diaz to appeal the termination, it is basically due process for an employee," said Rivera.

Judith Hane, the vice president for Human Resources was not available to comment on the exact date of Diaz’s employment, and whether or not he will be officially terminated from MSU.

Diaz’s court date is scheduled for April 6, 2000 at the Montclair Municipal Building.

Montclarion Elects 2000-01 Staff

By Christine Zielinski
News Editor

The leadership of The Montclarion will change hands after its recent editorial board elections. Justin Vellucci, 20-year-old English major and current Editor-in-Chief, was re-elected Editor-in-Chief. Vellucci joined The Montclarion three years ago as a news writer and assistant, and served as 1998-99 Opinion Page Editor before serving as the 1999-2000 Editor-in-Chief.

"This is a really exciting time in the history of The Montclarion and especially of The Montclarion. I really consider it a great honor to be the editor-in-chief. I do believe that this is a very talented and hardworking staff and I think that we have a lot of exciting things going on this year," said Vellucci.

This year’s managing editor is Carolyn Velchik, 20, who has served as the Managing Editor for the last two years. "I’m really proud that I was chosen as Managing Editor because it was such a contested position. I feel confident in my ability to execute the ideas that I have, and to act as a mentor toward the incoming staff," said Velchik.

Next year’s Production Editor, James Davison, 20, joined the paper last year as an Opinion Page writer and assistant. He served as this year’s Production Editor.

"If it breaks, I fix them," Davison said, jokingly. Davison double majors in English and philosophy.

This year’s treasurer, Tim Casey was re-elected. Casey has served on The Montclarion for many years, his positions including 1998-99 Photography Editor and 1997-98 EIC.

Elizabeth A. Hutchinson, 20, junior, was elected News Editor. Hutchinson has worked on The Montclarion for one year, filling a variety of positions including Managing Editor, Opinion Page Editor, Assistant Photography Editor and, currently, Assistant News Editor.

Michelle Phipany was elected the Feature Editor. A freshman, this is her first year on The Montclarion.

Jerome D’Angelo, freshman English major, was elected Opinion Page Editor. He joined the paper this year as an Opinion columnist and assistant.

Anna Lawrence, this year’s Assistant Arts Editor, was elected Arts Editor. Lawrence is an 18-year-old freshman.

Freshman Brian Cross was elected Humour editor. He began working on The Montclarion this year as a Humour section writer and as an Assistant Sports Editor this year.

Next year’s Sports Editor is English major Michael Sanchez, 20. He previously contributed to the News Section, and worked as an Assistant Sports Editor this year.

Libeth Victorero, a sophomore, will be the photography editor next year. She joined the newspaper this year as an Assis­tant Photographer.

Jenn Winski, a 19-year-old sophomore, will be the new graphic designer and the editorial cartoonist. This is her second year with the paper. She was a photographer and cartoonist last year, and this year’s Photo Editor and cartoonist.

Lorenda Knisel, senior English major and journalism minor, will be the Chief Copy Editor. She has written for the Arts section for one year and served as Assistant Copy Editor this semester. Alyson Theilin will be the first Webmaster for The Montclarion next year.

"If it wasn’t for the newspaper, I would not have found my job. Not only a way to meet new people and get involved in campus life, but it’s a door to the future," said Joy Renee Selnick, 23, English major, and this year’s Managing Editor. She recently obtained a position on the Messenger Gazette in graphic design and pagination, in Somerville.
TUITION TIME

ADDRESSING THE NUMBERS:
Harry Schuckel, Vice President of Budget, Planning, and Information Technology, speaks before the SGA Legislature yesterday about state fiscal trends and how they could affect tuition rates at MSU in the 2000—2001 academic year. Schuckel will be speaking more on MSU tuition rates at the Board of Trustees Tuition Hearing, to be held this afternoon.

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Montclarion
Editors Win Scholarships

Clunn and Vellucci honored by New Jersey Press Foundation

By Molly Meyers
Staff Writer

Two juniors at MSU have received journalism awards. Nick Clunn, Broadcasting major, and Justin Vellucci, English major are both recipients of awards from The New Jersey Press Foundation.

Clunn received The New Jersey Press Foundation 2000 Internship/Scholarship Program.

He will be writing daily for the editorial department of the Asbury Park Press this summer. He was also awarded $3,000 by The New Jersey Press Foundation.

“\tI was so excited when I heard I won. I really wanted to do an internship. I was jumping up and down in my room,” Clunn said.

Clunn became a sports writer for The Montclarion in his freshman year and after three short months advanced to news editor.

“Ever since I was a little kid, I wanted to be a reporter. I thought it was cool, going to the home football games, sitting in the press box, eating free hot dogs and rubbing shoulders with real reporters,” he said.

Vellucci received The Richard Drucker Memorial Scholarship Award, a $3,000 academic scholarship to be applied toward next semester’s tuition.

“I was absolutely flabbergasted. I didn’t expect to win at all,” Vellucci said.

Vellucci started working as the assistant news editor at The Montclarion in his freshman year. He was elected Opinion Page Editor in April 1998 and was recently elected as Editor-in-Chief for the second year in a row.

Vellucci and James Davison, Production Editor, also recently received first place in the Enterprise/Investigative Reporting section of the Better College Newspaper Contest for his special report, Following the Money Trail.

This award, as well as four others taken by The Montclarion, will be presented by the New Jersey Press Association (NJPA) at their Spring Conference, to be held on April 13.

“I’ve poured a lot of myself into working with and at The Montclarion,” Vellucci said.

Vellucci is somewhat unsure about his plans for after graduation and still envisions himself as a nervous and timid freshman who had just walked into The Montclarion office.

“When I was working on Money Trail with Jim [Davison], there was a real sense of purpose,” Vellucci said.

“I guess that I just want to leave a mark, something to say that I was here,” he said.

This is Clunn’s second internship. He was a writer at the Press Of Atlantic City last summer.

Clunn plans to write for a newspaper in a warm climate upon graduation.

“If The New York Times calls, that would be awesome. But The L.A. Times, now that would be even better,” Clunn said.

Both Clunn and Vellucci will be honored at the Luncheon of Champions on June 23 at The New Jersey Press Foundation headquarters in Trenton.
To Arm or Not To Arm

The Proposal to Equip University Police With Firearms

The Letter from Cole

-March 16, 2000-

In 1994, the University's police sergeants requested approval from the Board of Trustees for all campus police officers to carry firearms in the line of duty. Following a lengthy review that included input from all segments of the campus community, the Board of Trustees denied the request in April 1995 and simultaneously expressed appreciation for the dedication, professionalism, and commitment demonstrated by the University's police and security officers. With the Board's support, the administration instituted numerous safety improvements such as additional officers, the provision of bulletproof vests for officers, increased lighting, and emergency call boxes.

While the University is as safe an environment as any large and heavily populated public space can be in today's world, recent events on the MSU campus and throughout the nation have led our Student Government Association and campus police officers to request a review of the current policy on the arming of our police officers. Students are concerned about their safety, and police officers are concerned about their ability to provide protection to all members of the campus community while safeguarding their own lives as well. It is also true that, despite campus regulations prohibiting the possession of firearms on campus, University police officers have been involved in 15 incidents involving handguns or the threatened use of handguns in the period 1994 - 1999. During those six years, police officers have responded to 36 additional calls that involved other lethal weapons. At such times, armed municipal police officers must be called in to assist. However, MSU police officers are required by law to respond as well, and, on occasion, face dangerous and potentially life threatening calls unarmed. These incidents include armed robberies, aggravated assaults, weapons offenses, narcotics arrests, aggravated sexual assaults, burglaries, hold-up alarms, suspicious persons, and domestic violence.

The question of an armed police presence on a college campus raises emotion and concern in those on both sides of the issue. The MSU police officers - all of whom are professionals, thoroughly trained in the Police Academy in the use of firearms as well as lesser forms of force - believe that full-time arming would provide the best protection for all members of the community. I am not prepared to recommend full-time arming, and I am, instead, asking the campus community to give its consideration to a moderated change in our current policy.

The attached document presents my specific proposal for a possible change in our current policy and some related background information for the consideration of the campus community. I have asked explicitly for the following campus organizations to consider the proposal in a formal way and to provide me with advice and recommendations in regard to it by May 1, 2000: University Senate, Student Government Association, AFT Local 1904, AFT Adjuncts Local 6025, CWA Local 1031, IFPTE Local 195, NJ Superior Officers Association PBA, NJ Law Enforcement Supervisors Association, African American Caucus, Hispanic Caucus, Asian/Pacific Islander Caucus, Organization of Students for African Unity, Latin American Student Organization, Asian Student Organization, and President's Commission on Affirmative Action. I also invite any other interested units, groups, organizations, or individuals on campus to contribute their views on this significant issue by submitting recommendations to me by May 1.

Recent events have made the issue of police arming especially volatile. It is important, however, to recognize that we must not stereotype any group of people, including police officers. The Montclair State University police officers have earned the respect of this community over many years of dedicated service, and their request for our consideration of this issue deserves our fair and judicious attention. I am confident that our University community will engage in reasoned and constructive consideration of this important issue.

Finally, I want to stress that the attached proposal is just that - a proposal and not, at this stage, a recommendation or a decision. Once I have the opportunity to reflect on the suggestions of the campus community, I will make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees.

Susan A. Cole, President
SAC-1904

Specific Proposals

1. Departmental training in the use of force, including the use of firearms, will be conducted on a quarterly basis and documented for review.

2. MSU police officers will not carry arms from dawn to dusk (except as noted below) or when off duty.

3. MSU police officers will be armed at the following times:
   - While on duty from dusk to dawn;
   - When responding to reports of serious crimes in progress;
   - During emergencies and special events, as determined by the Director of University Police and Security in consultation with the Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life;
   - When transporting prisoners off campus;
   - When assisting other agencies under mutual aid agreements.

4. Campus security officers, parking attendants, contract security officers, and student employees in the department will not carry arms.

5. Weapons will be stored in a locked box at Police Headquarters.

6. The only firearm to be used by University Police will be a semi-automatic handgun, which is a standard police weapon.

Finally, these specific proposals are based firmly on the principle that use of the firearm by MSU Police will always be as a last resort.

Editor's Note

On March 16, President Cole sent out a memo to the campus community detailing a proposal to arm University Police with firearms. The Montclarion is publishing excerpts from Cole's memo for the sake of making this public record available to our readership, many of whom do not have access to such documents but will ultimately be affected by the outcome of the debate.

Want the administration to know how you feel about arming the MSU Police?

Voice your opinion:
gunsatmsu@hotmail.com

All e-mail will be forwarded to President Cole as open letters representing student opinion and will also be submitted to the Opinion Page Editor as "Letters to the Editor," which may be printed by guidelines set in The Montclarion Mailbag.
### How Does MSU Compare?

**A Look At “The Gun Issue” at Other NJ Public Institutions**

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*Sources: Commission on Higher Education (Fall 1999) & Uniform Crime Report (1998)*

1. Eight additional officers are already in the process of being trained and promoted from the ranks of MSU security officers, which will bring MSU’s police officers to a total of 18.
2. WPU police officers are permitted to carry arms only in emergency situations, official work off campus, special events, when transporting money, and off duty.
3. Neither NJCU nor Ramapo has police officers, although they do have security officers.

### University Police: The Gender Breakdown

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*An additional eight new police officer positions have been approved for FY2000.*
Greek Organizations Step into Unbelievable Experience

By Michelle Whitehead
Staff Writer

While many on-campus organizations strive to hold events that provide a forum for unity, talent and creative achievements, few manage to pull it off as beautifully as the Step Show held on March 30.

Organized by Lambda Sigma Upsilon Latino Fraternity, Inc. and Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship, Inc., the Step Show brought together a mixture of humor, exhibition and good natured competition.

The Step Show opened with a proud salute from the new members of Lambda Theta Phi to their Pledge Master. Displaying respect and admiration for the man who led them on their journey toward Brotherhood, their salute was performed with astonishing precision.

Dressed in white and baby blue, the Sisters of Mu Sigma Upsilon were the only females to participate in the Step Show. Their routine was part step, part dance, and part history lesson. They included a proud recounting of the evolution of their organization in their step.

The overall performance and the crowd were good. “All of the hard work paid off,” said Christianne Calderon of the Step Show. Calderon is a member of Mu Sigma Upsilon who took part in her organizations step.

One thing that was made clear during the show was that everyone was welcome to perform. Organizations were given the same respect and encouragement regardless of the number of people performing on stage or the amount of fancy moves.

Though not a large group, the two members of Kappa Alpha Psi who did step in the show represented their organization to the best of their ability as the crowd cheered.

The duo performed their step with a profound sense of showmanship using candy canes and stopping every once in a while to deliver a joke.

Phi Beta Sigma incorporated an array of talents into their step. Starting off as a couple of guys watching a football game, they were quickly joined by many other Brothers who joined in the step.

Their routine took on many different displays as they went from a simple step done in letter shirts and jeans to an elaborate step while blindfolded. Obviously the Brothers take their performance very seriously and dedicated a lot of time and practice to their routine.

At the end of the night four prizes were awarded. Mu Sigma Upsilon won for the females. In the male competition, Lambda Sigma Upsilon won a $100 third prize while Kappa Alpha Psi won a $200 second prize. Phi Beta Sigma proudly took home a $600 prize for first place.

The most overwhelming part of the Step Show was that the organizations truly were supportive of each other. There was an incredible feeling of unity that extended during the entire performance.

"Displaying respect and admiration for the man who led them on their journey toward Brotherhood, their salute was performed with astonishing precision."

The crowd cheered for everyone, displaying an amazing amount of pride in the efforts of everyone who took part in the show.

Looking toward the future, Oscar Mejia, a brother of Lambda Sigma Upsilon Latino Fraternity, Inc., and one of the coordinators of the Step Show, hopes to make next year’s show even better.

One of the ways he hopes to improve the show is by garnering support from local corporations that sponsor college activities.

Getting corporate funding would mean a bigger and grander show, but also larger prize awards.

The likes of Lee Marvin, Clint Eastwood, and Kirk Douglas invaded the male with aggression and victory at all cost.

In contrast, the free-thinking college student Debie Gilliss was perceived as a comedic not be taken seriously.

In our society, men traditionally initiated the intimate relationships, while women sat back, waiting to be called upon. From opening invitations for an evening out, to the first overtures towards sexual activity, it was considered the man’s role.

In the bedroom men were expected to be “experts,” always taking charge in sex. The man was the initiator and the woman was the recipient.

According to Doyle, always being the initiator can make men feel burdensome and preassigned.

“I feel that every woman should feel how anxiety-provoking it can be. I get tired of always being the one who makes suggestions since there is always the potential for being turned down,” Doyle wrote.

Considering the gender-role socialization conditions, males are expected to be the competent leaders in sexuality.

Men are not the only ones who see themselves as experts. In fact, women may also focus on men and their relationships with other men, their fathers, and also as their brothers.
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It was almost one month ago that I added another number to my age in the 20’s. With that one extra digit, I gained only one thing that I may use from time to time. And that is the power to flash my ID and buy liquor. But while I can finally do that, I’m not so sure I like this idea of getting older every year. And damn it, I’m not going to take it anymore. It was just this past weekend that I finally went into a clothing store and bought a shirt I was thoroughly happy with…a Rainbow Brite tank top. Yes, you read correctly. This wasn’t a conscious effort. I didn’t go into the mall with the mission of finding a Rainbow Brite shirt, but man was I ecstatic when I saw it hanging on the wall. I swear I almost shed a tear.

And as if that wasn’t enough to make my evening fulfilling, our next stop was Toys R Us. Some may not be secure enough to admit it yet but, come on, I know each and every one of us goes in to say hello to our dear friend Geoffrey the Giraffe. And once inside the doors, I was like a kid in a candy store (as the expression goes). I was very proud to walk up to the checkout line holding my Winnie the Pooh backyard scene, complete with all of its other friends from my childhood. There was Care Bear Stare salute to her left, Smurfette batting her eyes to her right, and just underneath her were those Adorable Pound Puppies. I swear I almost shed a tear. But what I spied just before the register was the ultimate ending for my trek to toyland. I was finally going to taste a “Wonka Bar.” I heard bells. I mean, if things keep going the way they are now, you may find me honing the personalites of the aforementioned Rainbow Brite as well as Strawberry Shortcake and She-Ra. She knows where to find the good stuff. You may ask: Why is it that all of the characters from our childhood are being rehashed into a marketing scheme for a new generation? I’ll tell you why. Because our cartoons and movies were always will be better than this whole Pokemon phenomenon. OK, maybe I’m getting a little carried away, but my hysteria is only a product of this ongoing age progression.

It is not that I’m nervous about what my future holds and I am neurotically living in fear of getting older. I’m just starting to realize that I miss being young. I miss being able to go to bed and not have to worry about what time I have to wake up, if I’m up to date with all my classes, or that I have enough money for when the car insurance bill rolls around again. And if a little fix of Toys R Us can help me remain in tact for the time being, that’s all right with me. I mean, if things keep going the way they are now, you may find me honing the baby aisles of the supermarket with my hands full of peach and apricot flavored Gerber, mumbling about how good the mashed up fruit feels in your mouth. If you ever do see that, please just look away and try to remain calm. It will soon pass.
**Out There**

A column exploring important issues to gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender communities

by Jackie Parker
Staff Writer

Over the past decade, there have been many films released that deal with Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, or Transgender (GLBT) issues, and although these films don't often see the same publicity blitzes as major studio releases, there are many that are definitely worth checking out, and most can be found at your local video rental store.

A wonderful 1996 film from the United Kingdom, "Beautiful Thing," directed by Hettie Macdonald, tells the coming out story of two teenage boys, Jamie and Ste who live in London's low-income housing projects.

Jamie is smart but quiet, and hates school due to the teasing that he encounters from his classmates because of his poor soccer skills and shy ways. Ste, a popular athlete from the same school, lives with his older brother and abusive father, next door to Jamie and his mother.

After a particularly brutal episode with his father, Ste moves in with Jamie and as they get closer, realize that they are both unsure about their sexual orientation. They set out to learn more about the gay community in London, as well as learning about the love they have for each other.

Throughout this movie Jamie and Ste work through the worries and fears that many teenagers face when deciding to come out to their friends and families.

Supporting characters, such as Jamie and Ste's Mamma Cass' crazed next door neighbor, as well as the other leading roles, make "Beautiful Thing" a realistic, charming, and entertaining film.

The 1999 Canadian release, "Better Than Chocolate," directed by Anne Wheeler, tells the story of Maggie, who meets Kim, the woman of her dreams, just hours before her newly divorced mother and teenage brother move into the warehouse apartment that she's subletting from a Lesbian who does safe-sex workshops.

"Better Than Chocolate," also depicts the trials that Judy, a transgender woman goes through on her route to acceptance. "Better Than Chocolate" is a cute and fun romantic comedy that has won awards at both London and Toronto's Gay and Lesbian Film Festivals.

The ending of this film lacked the strength of some previous scenes, such as a negative encounter between Judy and another woman in a public restroom, yet it is still worth viewing. Another plus to this movie is the excellent soundtrack featuring great artists such as Ani DiFranco and Bif Naked.

Although there are many more films that deal with gay and lesbian issues, hopefully "Beautiful Thing," and "Better Than Chocolate," can lead you on a path to finding and themed movies which can and will inform viewers about issues facing the GLBT community.

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**FOUR WEEKS TO MORE FREEDOM FROM ASTHMA!**

Using self-hypnosis and guided imagery, learn how you can breathe easier! This workshop is a complementary approach to asthma management and is not intended to replace medical therapy or guidance from your health care provider. Asthma suffers, their families and friends are prepared for human consumption. If these reasons don't speak to you, however, consider this: cutting meat products from your diet is actually quite beneficial to the environment. It can save our nation's forests, which are being cut down at the rate of seven acres per every developed acre just to be used for raising livestock. It can preserve our water supplies; more than one half of our country's Hz O is dedicated to animals being grown for food, and wheat, for example, can be produced with 1/100 the amount of water it takes to raise an equal amount of a meat product. Vegetarianism can even purify our lakes and streams since rain washes more animal waste into our drinking supply than all forms of human pollutants combined, including industrial waste. In short, it is a lifestyle that benefits you, the animals, and the environment. Now that's food for thought.

Data obtained from: American Anti-Vivisection Society. Vegetarianism: For Your Health, for the Environment, for the Animals. N.p.: AAVS, 1996. For more information, contact AAVS at 801 Old York Road, #204, Jenkintown, PA 19046-1685 or 1-800-SAY-AAVS. Copies of this and other environmental pamphlets are available through the Conservation Club, x5102.

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**TAKING FLIGHT:** Leo Manns, Infrastructure Director and DJ at 90.3 WMSC goes on air in somewhat of a different manner during some of the spring weather the area has enjoyed recently.

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**OGO TIPS**

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**Winning the Crown, Without the Roses:**

**Deeper Dude 2000**

By Carolyn Velchik

Feature Editor

From human milk shakes to stripping men, this year's annual Deeper Dude contest was quite an eye opener. Nine contestants strutted down the walkway with lights flashing in hopes that they would walk away with the crown. The competing men were judged in 5 different categories: swimwear, talent, formal wear, interview and cheeroff. In between each, raffles were held giving away various prizes such as tanning sessions to Exotic Image Tanning, Loew's movies tickets and cash.

In order to compete, each contestant had to pay an entrance fee of $15.00. Most contestants were sponsored by other organizations on campus including Theta Kappa Chi, Sigma Delta Tau and Sigma Delta Phi. Along with the $15.00 fee, each audience member had to pay $3.00 at the door to get in. All the money that was raised was put towards the fight for Cystic Fibrosis, Delta Phi Epsilon's National philanthropy.

Prior to the competition beginning, many of the sponsoring organizations thought that their men were the crown in the bag. Theta Kappa Chi sorority, who sponsored Dan Doyle from Tau Phi Beta, said he should win because "Every house needs a Doyle." Sigma Delta Tau sorority, who sponsored Emilio Monaco a brother of Pi Kappa Alpha, thought that he should win because "he represents everything a guy at Montclair should be."

The first category, swimwear, began with Joe Blumert from Pi Kappa Alpha walking down the runway in a neon orange swimsuit. He got the crowd jumping for the following contestants including Jeff Lindsay, sponsored by Phi Sigma Sigma. He ripped his wife beater off and then proceeded to turn around and show off a statement written in black marker on his back which read, "Save the water, drink beer."

The second category was formal wear. A scream off then took place in which contestants down the runway in suits with white shirts and ties. Mike Coyle decided to stand out in a black tut, while Dave Perlmutter took off his jacket to reveal a flashy, metallic blue, button up shirt. The crowd went wild when Peter Sung Yung Kim, a brother of Delta Chi, came out of the dressing room bearing only a tie, boxer shorts, and glasses. He danced down the runway and then over to the judges table.

After all the contestants finished showing off their formal wear, the interviewing came. Each male chose a number and then was given the question that went along with the number they picked. Questions ranged from changing one thing about your self to best physical feature.

Dan Pierson, from Phi Alpha Psi (SENATE), was asked, "If you were stranded on a desert island and could only bring 3 things, what would they be?" "My computer, the internet and lots of vaseline."

Another contestant, Adam Tassoff from Tau Phi Beta, was asked, "What song title describes you best and why?" "I'm too sexy because...nevermind."

A ten minute intermission happened at this point where Junior Panich sponsored a bake sale in the back of the Ballrooms. 3 different raffles also went off during this time, including the $1.00 50/50 which was won by the sisters of the William Patterson chapter of Delta Phi Epsilon.

Finally the moment came to announce this year's Deeper Dude. The second runner up prize went to Dave Perlmutter who was sponsored by Theta Xi fraternity and the MSU cheerleaders. The first runner up prize went to Dan Pierson who was sponsored by Sigma Delta Phi sorority.

Before the winner was crowned, last year's winner David Pizi, a brother of Pi Kappa Alpha, took his walk on the runway for the last time. Then he crowned and put a bash around this year's Deeper Dude Michael Coyle, who was sponsored by Delta Phi Epsilon sorority.
By Lorenda Kaisel
Assistant Copy Editor

A director in the business. Lynch has lost some of the most inventive, aesthetic often ignores. And evil still battle it out, love still conquers you to a mythology where the forces of good doesn't want to be taken too seriously. No notion. That are masterworks of art set in the grandiosity of his other elements. He delivery of dialogue, static noise and silence heaven is not far away. The Struggle Between Friendship and Freedom in S The Elephant Man. It's about Joseph Merrick who was deformed into a freak to a man of integrity. Kaspar Hauser. He treats a true story in an expressionistic way with The Elephant Man. It's surprising that, with the sex and violence he is known for, Lynch would return to film this year with the G-rated Science Story. Lynch completely detached from evil into good. The film defies all logic and seems to exist in a dream world. The best scene is where Alice and Pete make love backed in the stark glow of headlight beams. The set is a warm-hearted, almost idealistic tale. This is not unusual for Lynch, although he usually has a good grasp of themes and has never before stuck to only one side of the coin. Is Lynch branching off into new territories, trying to lure a new audience into? In as growing as an artist and taking a detour in style? Or will his next film bring back his strange, Lynchian world and move on to new themes? We have no idea. Lynch as an artist, takes creating such boldly original and finely crafted works.

The Struggle Between Friendship and Freedom in Of Mice and Men

By Joy Renee Schneck
Managing Editor

Play: Of Mice and Men - A two act drama about the life of two farm laborers. Time/Date: April 6-8, 13-15 at 8 p.m. April 9 at 2 p.m.

Place: Studio Theatre (SP200)

Price: $10 (standard), $7 (faculty, staff, alumni, and seniors). $5 (students)

John Steinbeck's classic tale of two farm laborers comes to life in MSU's Department of Theatre and Dance's production of Of Mice and Men. Adapted from the 1937 novel, the play revolves around the troubles encountered by the man-child Lennie and his protector and companion George during the Great Depression.

Marc Schneider leads the cast with his performance as George. He slips easily into the role, making it appear as if the part was specifically written for him. His confidence and talent are apparent as his character struggles between his self-imposed obligations to protect and care for Lennie and his obligation to protect society from Lennie. Steve Tarantino tackles the difficulties he is known for. Lynch said it was his version the role of Rennie with ease. Although occasionally wavering the part, Tarantino is successful in combining the innocence, naivety, and physical strength necessary for this part. His performance is convincing, leaving the audience unsure of whether it should be scared of or feel sorry for his character.

Other strong performances are delivered by Doug Riggs as Slim, another laborer, and Bryan Matland as Curley, the boss's son. Although supporting actors, these performances rival those of the leads.

As the only female actor in the play, Jodi Pinckney as Crooks, both disabled laborers, also add their talents to this ensemble. Both characters personify isolation and both actors perform their roles well. Parks occasionally slips and overacts the part, but more than makes up for it in the scene where Carlson (Larry Phillips), kills his aging dog. Here Parks shines in the subtleties of his performance servicing his characters and following the sound of the gun shot. Pinckney's role only serves to support the rest of the cast, although he displays a natural talent with his jealous mocking of Lennie and George's relationship in the second half of the play, we see very little of his capabilities.

Phillips, Salvatore Pizzo as Whit and Bill Kerlin as The Boss round out this cast. Their minor roles, however, do little more than fatten the list of players.

Without the help of the set and costume designers, the show would not be what it is. The set designer, W. Scott MacConnell, converted the stage into a rustic bunk where much of the action takes place. Thanks to a rotating stage, the barn is quickly and easily transformed into a forest. Smaller stages are set off to the sides and are wheeled open to reveal the barn and Crook's bedroom. The set is simple, but effective. Anything more would have created clutter confusing to the eye.

The costume designer, Chelsea Harriman, however, had a relatively easy task. See OF MICE AND MEN on p. 15.
Electrify Hard Rock by Korn and Staind

By Nicole Padilla
Staff Writer

Korn freaks had a special treat on Saturday night when Korn played the first of two area shows. The Sick and Twisted tour features Staind and Mike's Sick and Twisted Animation. Despite the redundancy of the title, it was a very entertaining event.

Staind is a hard-core four-piece band hailing from Springfield Massachusetts, consisting of singer Aaron Lewis, guitarist Mike Mushok, bassist Johnny April and drummer Jo Jo Wytsoek. They are one of the most intense acts around today; it is a shame that half the audience was not present for their performance. Staind played seven songs off their album, Dysfunction. They played "Just go," "Home," and "Crawl," which lead singer Aaron acknowledged "This one made it on the Scram 3 soundtrack." Aaron has an incredible vocal range, with which he does everything from croon softly into the microphone to scream like a demon from hell. Going along with Aaron's vocal talent, John, Mike and Johnny play with amazing depth and clarity.

The closing of their set was phenomenal. They played "Mudshovel," a song that has been getting some airplay on mainstream radio. Aaron sang the song in the crowd being held by security, while fans pushed as close to him as possible. The spotlight shone on him as he laid on his front, and he screamed "you can feel my anger/you can feel my pain/you can feel my torment/driving me insane." Meanwhile, on stage John, Mike and Johnny played for everything they're worth, and then some.

After Staind finished their set, the lights dimmed for a different form of entertainment: Spike and Mike's Sick and Twisted Animation. The festival of sick and twisted animation is the work of cartoonists from all over the world, some nominated for Academy Awards. The idea of having cartoons for half an hour to keep the audience entertained while the crew switched the sets was a brilliant idea. The audience was completely transfixed by what they saw. However, unless you were directly in front of the stage, you could not see the screen. If you want to see some of Spike and Mike's work, check out their website at http://www.spikeandmike.com.

The main event: Korn in all their twisted glory. They opened their set with "Falling Away From Me," the first single off their album, Issues. Singer Jonathan Davis was dressed in a black kilt and wore a wife-beater shirt and hockey skates. While performing, he was being lowered from the platform, the rest of the band joined him on stage. The only thing that was sick and twisted was the audience's adoration for the band. Then they jumped back into "Clown" where they left off, gave an awesome finish, and then took their break.

During this break, a camera followed back stage, where Fieldy had a microphone and an announcement. Apparently, the people from the Guinness Book of World Records were present because Korn wanted to set the record for the loudest sound system. Fieldy also stated that the band would like to see Staind perform one of their songs. So with that, Staind came out and did a superb cover of "Need To."

After Staind left the stage, the opening bands continued. Out of the center of the stage rose a platform holding Jonathan Davis, now wearing a black kilt and playing his bagpipes. As he was being lowered from the platform, the rest of the band departed. For the second half of their set they played "Freak on a Leash," "Make Me Bad," "Faggot," and "Kill You.

When they played "Make Me Bad," the chandelier dropped, so you could see the dummies swinging around, with the words "Sick" and "Twisted" in lights like a carousel from an evil carnival. The dummies were dressed in straitjackets and looked exactly like each member of the band, except for their big green glowing eyes; which was inspired by the album art featured on an alternate cover for the Issues album.

Once they finished "Kill You" the band left the stage for the second time. Jonathan emerged after another costume change, this time wearing a silver jumpsuit. For their encore, Korn performed "Blind," which is definitely one of the best songs they have ever done. Everyone was on their feet jumping and screaming along with the band.

The only thing that was sick and twisted about this show was the alarming number of 12-year-old kid's backs were twisted by parents. Other than that, the show was everything you could expect from Korn and company: they rocked and showed their appreciation to the fans. If you missed them this time around, tickets are still available for their April 8 show at Nassau Coliseum.
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Comedy and Music Combine to Create the Film High Fidelity

A comedy about fear of commitment, falling in love and other pop favorites.

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Last week, we asked you:

What further efforts are necessary in order to effectively voice the campus opinion on arming MSU police?

You told us:

"Use the campus radio, WMSC."
Heather Gaydarik, junior, history

"Set up a table in the middle of the student center quad so people can write down their opinions and make them available to be presented to the school newspaper."
Judy James, freshman, business

"Talk to students in the student center cafeteria and Ratt. Put signs up, talk to people and give out flyers."
Armando Silva, undeclared

"Continuous rallies and gatherings against campus police having weapons, and for The Montclarion to let the students know the current updates on the situation."
Sam Childs, psychology

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Mild. Not exactly something that you would want associated with your local doctor’s office. Similarly, MSU students would not want the health and Wellness Center to be moldy and dirty. But what about the people who have to work there?

The Health and Wellness Center in Blanton Hall had been temporarily moved to the Student Center room 106 due to the potential of an unusually large amount of mold that could grow on the floors and ceiling of the Health and Wellness Center.

The problem initially started during Spring Break. The old pipes in the building, which burst and caused an electrical fire, also flooded the dormitory. The water, which seeped into the floor and then into the ceiling of the wellness center, added moisture to the room which allowed for the mold problem to worsen. The pipes that burst were called PVC pipes, not good quality pipes made of copper. Copper pipes would most likely have made this situation preventable. The Health and Wellness Center Staff was forced to relocate to the Student Center, having been told that they would be able to reenter the repairs to the dormitory were finished. Now, however, there is no guarantee that they will be able to move back any time soon due to the mold.

There were two types of mold that were found in the walls, floor, and ceiling. The first is a common mold called Ulocladium. It is relatively safe, and is found in shower stalls and bathrooms. It is the second mold that has caused the concern. It is called Stachybotrys. At present, the mold is not airborne, and so for now the threat is minimal. However, if the stachybotrys were to become airborne it could be extremely hazardous to those coming in contact with it. People with allergies and asthma are already at risk of respiratory problems if they spend too much time in exposed areas of the Wellness Center.

With the room that the Wellness Center has been given is extremely cramped. Students are asked to wait in the hallway of the Annex because there is so little room inside. And because of the limited space, signs have been posted outside room 106 stating that only emergency cases will be accepted. When a staff member from The Montclarion went to the Wellness Center with the flu, he was told that he could not be helped due to the situation.

The mold problem was discovered by an industrial hygienist hired by MSU over Spring Break who officially declared that a problem was evident. Another inspection will eventually commence to see if indeed the old Health and Wellness Center is suitable for use by the campus medical staff again. As for the future of the Health and Wellness Center, they have stated that they hope to return to their original spot behind Blanton Hall, or be relocated to a more spacious area on campus.

Isn’t this typical of MSU? So much concern was put toward getting the bad press eliminated that they failed to meet student’s and campus employee’s best interest. Instead of making sure that the rooms and offices in Blanton Hall were safe, the university chose to simply push everyone back in and get the situation over with. But now another problem has been created. If only emergency cases are being accepted, students will not be able to receive care for their health problems or treatment for illnesses. Students who are asthmatic, or have allergies to spores or molds, are now at risk of suffering respiratory problems simply because they went to the wellness center for help. Shouldn’t a place where students would not want the health and Wellness Center to be moldy and dirty. But what about the people who have to work there?

The question posed here is one that has been posed far too often at MSU: where is our money being spent? It should be put toward some sadly needed repairs on the university’s main buildings. Would it have really cost so much to repair the pipes? Isn’t this typical of MSU? So much concern was put toward getting the bad press eliminated that they failed to meet student’s and campus employee’s best interest. Instead of making sure that the rooms and offices in Blanton Hall were safe, the university chose to simply push everyone back in and get the situation over with. But now another problem has been created. If only emergency cases are being accepted, students will not be able to receive care for their health problems or treatment for illnesses. Students who are asthmatic, or have allergies to spores or molds, are now at risk of suffering respiratory problems simply because they went to the wellness center for help. Shouldn’t a place where physical well-being is the main priority be clean and free of dangerous molds?

And what about the people on the medical staff? Should their health be jeopardized because of cheap pipes? Isn’t that something the university could have easily prevented? One nurse working in the wellness center has already experienced breathing trouble because of extended exposure to the mold. Is this just going to go on until someone asphyxiates? Clean the place out before someone does!

The question posed here is one that has been posed far too often at MSU: where is our money being spent? It should be put toward some sadly needed repairs on the university’s main buildings. Would it have really cost so much to repair the pipes? Isn’t it worth it to ensure the safety of those who work and study here? The health and welfare of those who reside and work here is justification for what would surely be a minor increase in spending. The time has come for MSU to stop worrying about minor details and start worrying about the people who make this university the great place it is.
When Great Ideas Don’t Fly: The SGA and Fan-Fan

Flashback, fall 1999. Despite months of hard work by the Student Government and Administration, the Goo Goo Dolls concert was canceled due to lack of interest and student apathy. Fast forward to March 29, 2000. Despite months of preparation and hard work, a large group of students were denied the funds to put on Fan-Fan, a three-day arts festival at MSU.

In contradiction to the former event, the latter was not canceled due to lack of interest by the student body. Rather, the event was not supported due to the apathy and lack of interest from the SGA itself.

It has been a long four years for me so far and at least one more lies ahead. I have seen attempts at student programming fail time after time. "How do we get students involved?" is a question that SGA as well as administrators have asked numerous times. So far, we have no good answers.

But what would we do if we did have activity on campus?

Beginning in October a small group of students set forth to organize a huge event. It was to be unlike any other event done on campus. It was to be an arts festival filled with music, sculpture and theater. A small group of students brought the idea forth but did not get good feedback. After all, could the SGA could not sell out the Goo Goo Dolls then how would we possibly make some festival in the spring work?

So, Fan-Fan was told to drum up support from the students to work on the festival. And so Fan-Fan recruited nearly a Hundred students to work on the festi­val. Probably the largest non-MSU group in history was formed to bring about this single event.

Time soon grew short for the Fan-Fan

SGA Has Not Learned From Past Mistakes in Fan-Fan Decision

By the time Fan-Fan hit the floor, it had grown into a $30,000-plus disaster in-progress, an event the SGA and its branches were beginning to fear.

More sad and sorry than the obstacles, however, was how everyone chose to deal with them.

The tentative dates for Fan-Fan posed a problem. The dates fell right around final exams and would interfere with Residence Life’s 24-hour quiet policy. Plans were also being made for Alumni Weekend. Every week seemed to present a new problem. Where would 5,000 people park? Were bathrooms being provided for those attending? What were the guidelines for accepting assistance or even money from outside sponsors? This was no fluke, no wild fantasy which would be shelved away along with the dreams of adequate parking and cheap books.

By the time Fall semester hit, a legion and once again they returned to the SGA asking for support. This time they did not ask for assistance but rather for money to put on this event they had planned. Suddenly the SGA realized how serious this was. This was no fluke, no wild fantasy which would be shelved away along with the dreams of adequate parking and cheaply sold books. This was a real, conceivable event that was seemingly going to happen.

Now things had progressed too far. Rather then stepping in at the beginning of this project and guiding it along the way the SGA let it grow untended. Only when things became too big to ignore did the SGA finally buckle down and deal with Fan-Fan.

They had limited themselves to really two options: give them the money and let and or deny them the money and deny MSU students what they really want. In the end they chose to deny the students their dream and Fan-Fan quickly died with one vote of the legislature.

This is not to say the SGA should be blamed for denying money to Fan-Fan. Considering the lack of the request and too many questions still unanswered, things could have got messy. What should we hold SGA accountable for? We should not be embracing what the students wanted, for failing to listen to what MSU really wanted. But more than that, the SGA should recognize that they did not take this group of students seriously enough to show them the proper way to go about things.

Fan-Fan was some students last chance to see some great programming at MSU. We, as a student government, failed to represent those who elected us to our positions. With the canceling of Fan-Fan, the SGA has affectivity turned the tables on the student body. No longer do the apathetic students wait around for the SGA to put on events. Now the apathetic SGA simply waits for students to come up with new programing to deny.

What we should hold the SGA accountable for is failing to embrace what the students wanted, for failing to listen to what MSU really wanted.

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Violating Federal Antitrust Laws: What Lies Ahead for Bill Gates and Microsoft?

The ruling has come down. On Nov. 5, 1999, U.S. District Judge Thomas Jackson ruled Microsoft violated federal antitrust laws, setting the stage for one of the most important and crucial decisions that could be handed down. Jackson's order could impose sanctions ranging from restrictions on Microsoft's business practices to the disassembly of Microsoft itself.

This all started in June 1998, when Federal Trade Commission secretly investigated a possible collusion between Microsoft and International Business Machines Corp. Facts were inconclusive and the FTC commissioners voted 2-2, thereby taking no action. July 15, 1994 saw Microsoft and the Justice Department sign a consent decree stating the software mogul could not require computer makers that license its Windows operating system to also license any other software product, but Microsoft may develop "integrated products." Fast forward to Oct. 20, 1997 when the Justice Department, together with the New York AG, upset Microsoft $5 million per day for allegedly violating the consent decree by bundling Internet Explorer with Windows 95. Microsoft responds saying the browser is an integrated part of the operating system. Dec. 11 of the same year, Jackson issued a preliminary injunction against Microsoft, requiring the unbundling of the Web browser from the operating system.

On Jan. 22, 1998, fearing contempt citations, Microsoft signed an agreement allowing computer manufacturers to install Windows 95, minus Internet Explorer. This appeared to be the first ruling favoring Microsoft, the Appeals Court, on May 12 ruled that the injunction against Windows 95 did not apply to Windows 98. But six days later, the life of hell for Gates and Co. began. The Justice Department, 20 U.S. states and the District of Columbia filed major new antitrust cases alleging Microsoft abused its market power to thwart the competition.

The first of the rulings came on Nov. 5, 1999. Jackson rules the holding of monopoly power by Microsoft with the Windows OS, thereby beginning months of development proposals and arguments, finally culminating with the verdict handed down just the other day.

Now the question lies open: what does Microsoft do while they patiently wait for the punishment to be handed down?

Thus far, current plans have not changed. Microsoft went ahead with its scheduled release of Windows 2000 only a month ago. Plans for Windows Millennium Edition (Windows ME) is still under development, and its release is slated for later this year.

Tentatively, Microsoft and Bill Gates have planned to enter a completely new realm of entertainment: console video games. In fall 2001, Gates and Co. plan to release the Microsoft X-Box. This will come nearly a year after the release of the Nintendo Dolphin, which is slated for January 2001. Will what Microsoft count as an it's edge in this highly competitive business? Preliminary specs include a 500-Mhz Intel Pentium III chip, with an internal 8-GB hard drive. The system will be DVD and Internet ready. Preliminary reviews place this system as the leader of the pack. Microsoft ought to have a tremendous head start in the area of games, owning three of the top 10 PC games, including Age Of Empires II.

How are we going to be affected in the short term? If Jackson decides to break up Microsoft into smaller, competing firms, how are we to handle what's going to be thrown at us? After the ruling, Gates said, "This ruling turns on its head the reality that consumers know - that our software has helped make PCs more accessible and more affordable to millions." After a breakup, we would be looking at the possibility of having a myriad of OSs on the market, with a myriad of programs, and a myriad of solutions. This is not a wise decision.

After the announcement of the ruling on Monday, the NASDAQ index fell $34:15 points, one of the worst fallouts in history, and the Dow Jones Industrials rose 300.01 points, one of it's biggest gains in history. Microsoft's market value fell near $80 billion. What does that mean for us? Well, it means that investors are pulling out of the high-tech industry and investing in cheaper alternatives. What have we become accustomed to today will not be of the same quality tomorrow. We are going to see a broader market filled with cheaper and lower-quality alternatives. Personally, I all see this as an attempt to discredit and destroy an industry that had its share of problems in the past, and has finally found stability and success in a company we all enjoy.

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So, an astounding "YES" to sanctions, and an resounding "NO" to a breakup. In support of Microsoft I may be, even I can't deny the fact that Microsoft did, in fact, abuse its power over the years. But, come Wednesday, the court will be able to rule against that will stop them. Through almost ten years of adversity, they have still risen to the top of the market, and they've done it right along with what everyone has been pushing against them. Can't we just accept that and incorporate it into society right next to AT&T and AOL/Time Warner? When it comes to something we would like to all have a hand in, evidently not.

Justin N. Bourgeois
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Fan-Fan Co-coordinator

Fan-Fan Co-coordinator Issues Open Letter to the Campus Community

Dear Student Body,

As one of the head coordinators of the Fan-Fan organization I would like to speak to you for a few minutes about the events of last Wednesday's SGA meeting. It was at this meeting that the bill for SGA sponsorship was shot down by the legislation. I want to let it be known that I was not angry, just disappointed that the SGA would choose to deny the students of MSU an opportunity to come together and unite through art. The debate over Fan-Fan turned into an excuse for several of the class I organizations to complain to the SGA about recent budget cuts, and the ideals of Fan-Fan were lost somewhere along the way. Fan-Fan is not a few individuals asking for a lot of money; it is a few organizations asking for $30,000, three percent of the total SGA annual budget, to unite the clubs, artists, fraternities, faculty, staff, and most importantly, the students of M.S.U. Can we put a price tag on unity? This individual is the SGA's director and with last Wednesdays decision over to someone who wants to work with the SGA can.

While upset, I am not angry with the SGA for their decision, however, I must express my disappointment with the student body's decision over to someone who wants to work with the SGA. It is a few organizers asking for $30,000, three percent of the total SGA annual budget, to unite the clubs, artists, fraternities, faculty, staff, and most importantly, the students of M.S.U. Can we put a price tag on unity? This individual is the SGA's director and with last Wednesdays decision over to someone who wants to work with the SGA can.

I did some research and discovered through my research I would like to all have a hand in, evidently not. I encourage you to check out our web site, get in touch with us via email at fanfan@fanfan.montclair.edu, or voice at 655-5120. FanFan is for the students, by the students. We can pull this together but we need your help. What do you want to make of your future? Make it FanFan.

Bret S. Morgan
Fan-Fan Co-coordinator

The Week In Politics

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Arming Campus Police is Essential to our Safety

Molly Meyers

Student Issues Argue to Residence Life

Dear fellow students,

I am writing to publicly express my sincere apologies to Dr. Melinda O’Brien and the entire department of Residence Life for my recent letter to the editor in which I made some inapropriate comments. Dr. O’Brien is far from unprofessional and despite the way she handled my personal disciplinary situation earlier this term, I still feel that she deserves the respect of all students she serves. My words were a poor attempt to find personal restituation for the circumstances I had been involved with. I admit to wrongdoing and was punished accordingly. While I think the situation could have been handled much differently, I do feel that Dr. O’Brien and the entire staff did what they felt was best for the campus community.

My references regarding residence maintenance problems were also unfounded. During my time as a resident student I only lived in Residence East, which is in close proximity to the University Center, the Student Center Annex, and the Student Center. It is also home to the University Police Department, the Campus Security Office, and the University Counseling Center. I believe this is the reason why many of my complaints were not taken seriously or were ignored.

Ryan B. Smith
English major

Armed Campus Police is a necessary idea, but one that is far too idealistic in a world where there are more criminals, lawyers, doctors etc., in the world that abuse their title. The rest should not be held accountable for the mistakes of the few. Overall, on a national average there are more police officers who perform their duties successfully everyday than there are police officers who get indicted on misconduct cases or wrongful shootings.

"Contrary to popular belief, we do consider this home, and all we ask are a few minor adjustments that would make our home safer.

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The Police State Theory

The primary function of the police is to repress dissent, strikes, demonstrations and any organized threat to the existing property relationships in society. In other words, it is to protect capitalism.

At times, the National Guard can serve this same function. On April 20, 1914 the Colorado National Guard opened fire with machine guns on a tent colony, striking miners, killing men, women and children in what became known as the Ludlow massacre.

Corporate crimes, in terms of pollution, unsafe working conditions, unsafe, products and wars to protect their interests, cost the country far more in lives and property than all the crime committed by poor people. Yet, how many corporate executives does one find in prison.

If anyone doubts my analysis, just read A People’s History of the United States by Howard Zinn. The documentation is very extensive.

Gary Sudborough Bellflower, CA
The Misconceptions of Arming Campus Police

I am writing this week to combat the slanted view taken by the newspaper and many of the campus community in regards to the fact that not the MSU Police should have guns.

It would appear to me that few consider the police department to be a "real" police department, and that those working for it are "real" police officers. Many of my friends refer to them as "just CP, not actual cops," and I think this is what is contributing most unfavorably to this issue. All of our police are trained at police academy, the department, and that those working for it make their job easier or better? I personally want to ask some questions and get some answers before anything goes through.

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Second of all, where and when does the line get drawn? If criminals get guns and then police get guns, that's only a temporary solution because there will be bigger guns. We need an open forum for this where the actual facts are brought to the students' attention, such as a crime in realistic, or actual testimonies from police officers who feel it is necessary for a firearm. I do sympathize for police officers, they have a tough job. But, does giving them guns make their job easier or better? I personally want to ask some questions and get some answers before anything goes through.

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As Director of Programming for the SGA, Inc., I feel that I must address the issue of Fan-Fan.

As early as October of last year, I met with the organizer for approximately two hours on the idea of putting together an event that has come to be known as Fan-Fan. As director of Programming, I was quite interested in any student wanting to do an event.

The prospect of someone planning an event like this would make my job easier from a programming point of view. At my suggestion, I encouraged the organization to put this great vision in writing as a proposal.

At the end of January, some three months later, I again met with Fan-Fan. Again I asked for a concrete budget proposal. At this time, I had discussed the idea of coming up with a few different menus that could be geared toward Class I organizations which could perhaps co-sponsor the event. Menus were to include a price list, talent and activities geared towards some of the Class I organizations.

To my dismay, there was no reply until there was a schedule with John Griffen, President of the Student Government Association. At this time the original proposal—the proposal on which I told the organization to get price bids—was submitted (without out price bids or budget) to John Griffen.

Again, Fan-Fan was asked to get a working budget for this event. The organization, dismissing what was requested by the SGA, went to our Appropriations meeting and, after a five-hour meeting, the bill was tabled until the following week, when they were asked to get a budget and the bids from vendors for the event.

Although the budgets were not complete the following week, the Appropriations Committee decided to bring this bill to the floor of the legislature, at which time, Fan-Fan agreed to have everything ready, in writing and ready to go. Unfortunately, that was not the case.

As Director of Programming, it would be my responsibility to coordinate the event within the SGA if we were to sponsor the event. During the organization report, I gave each legislator a written report that read in part:

"In the spirit of cooperation, I need legislators to sit on the committees for this event as well as legislators to implement the event. As you know, this is a very large undertaking and there is little time to pull this off in a manner that is worthy of the SGA. Your support is vital."

After listing the committees and responsibilities to implement the event, I ended the report with the following:

"In order to best serve the vision of Fan-Fan, your participation is vital to the success of this event. The students who designed this event have worked very hard in making a truly exciting event. As legislators deciding the future of this event, please remember your responsibilities in serving the committees.

As we all know, the bill did not pass. There were a number of reasons for this. First, to set the record straight, it was just a little over a month ago that this legislative body voted to adjust the financial lines to "pay off" the deficit left from the previous year and to keep a balanced book. Our Class I committees were slashed $23,000 to ensure fiscal responsibility. How could our legislators, in good conscience give $31,000 to a non-organization after financially restructuring our most active organizations?

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Robert Vincent
Director of Programming, SGA

Fan-Fan: A Good Idea if Planned Well

As Director of Programming for the SGA, Inc., I feel that I must address the issue of Fan-Fan.

As early as October of last year, I met with the organizer for approximately two hours on the idea of putting together an event that has come to be known as Fan-Fan. As director of Programming, I was quite interested in any student wanting to do an event.

The prospect of someone planning an event like this would make my job easier from a programming point of view. At my suggestion, I encouraged the organization to put this great vision in writing as a proposal.

At the end of January, some three months later, I again met with Fan-Fan. Again I asked for a concrete budget proposal. At this time, I had discussed the idea of coming up with a few different menus that could be geared toward Class I organizations which could perhaps co-sponsor the event. Menus were to include a price list, talent and activities geared towards some of the Class I organizations.

To my dismay, there was no reply until there was a schedule with John Griffen, President of the Student Government Association. At this time the original proposal—the proposal on which I told the organization to get price bids—was submitted (without out price bids or budget) to John Griffen.

Again, Fan-Fan was asked to get a working budget for this event. The organization, dismissing what was requested by the SGA, went to our Appropriations meeting and, after a five-hour meeting, the bill was tabled until the following week, the Appropriations body voted to adjust the financial lines to "pay off" the deficit left from the previous year and to keep a balanced book. Our Class I committees were slashed $23,000 to ensure fiscal responsibility. How could our legislators, in good conscience give $31,000 to a non-organization after financially restructuring our most active organizations?

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Arming Campus Police May Jeopardize Student's Safety

I would like to say something about arming the campus police. What could possibly justify giving the police guns? Showing up after a break-in with a gun would accomplish what exactly? Maybe they need to shoot out the tires of speeders on Clove Road. Maybe the guards at the gate are actually paying attention for once and noticing someone driving on campus without a decal. That warrants a gun?

Katherine W. Ellison said in her article that she believes the officers on campus should have guns because certain classroom incidents, "had they escalated, would have needed an armed officer." Really? Was there a shoot-out threat in the classroom? Were the students in any way armed? The arguments for guns keep pointing to the Clove Road break-in where one shot was fired. Is this the basis for the need for guns? The police reports in our paper state such arbitrary happenings, like a Blanton Hall faucet leaking. Does this warrant a gun? If you can show substantial reason why it would make sense to consider bringing up such a proposal. If guns were to be added to our campus, I would have serious reservations about coming to school on a daily basis. I would be uneasy, and I know several others would as well. Therefore, I believe letting this happen would cause a lot more harm than good.

Jennifer Minchin
junior, English major

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Paranoia and Protests: The Tragic Result Of Whiny Wednesday!

By Brian Cross
Humour™'s Editor and the boss of you

Last Wednesday, our campus was bombarded with several angry mobs complaining about all sorts of issues. As "Whiny Wednesday" took place, many class-attending students were disturbed by the cries of oppression. "I was in history at Mallory Hall and all I hear is some hippie cult begging for people to leave Campus and join a satanic cult called Fan-Fan," said five year senior Daniel Bergen. "Then, at Group Process in College Hall I was bothered by a totally different mob complaining that the police shouldn't have guns. They felt threatened by those who are paid to fight crime, having any weapons to fight crime with." Officials say that MSU was home to more than half a dozen different protests.

In front of the Student Center the Fan-Fan fanatics, (all 12 of them) gathered with an obvious tone calling for campus to unite and support Fan-Fan against the imperialistic SGA. Over the past few weeks Fan-Fan has been a key issue on campus. Tuesday night, the Student Center Quad was littered with anti-hippie and anti-Fan-Fan graffiti. Yet, by the protest, the art tarts used their creative talent to turn the hippie hate graffiti to happy hippie sayings. Fan-Fan founder, Sven called for the Fan-Fan opposition to confront them. Yet no one showed up to the rally to oppose them. Why? Because, they hoped to be, a peaceful protest. Things took a turn for the worse during their viewing of Canadian Bacon. Several members burned what they thought was a large vat of maple leaves. The vat of maple leaves turned out to be a misplaced drugs cache. The burning marijuana affected the members of S.I.C., causing them to strip naked and run through Dickson Hall. The marijuana smoke spread through campus and into College Hall. When administration was asked what to do about the situation they replied, "Man, ain't nothing wrong with this!"

Faculty, administration and students marched on College Hall this past week to protest the proposal of arming campus police. More than 50 people gathered outside Susan Cole's office to express their opinion. "We don't have guns, why should they?" and "How Can we protect ourselves from the police if they have guns?" were the types of questions that were tossed around. Such answers as "Because they are the police!" and "Don't break the law," were not mentioned. Cole showed a lot of interest. She vowed to take care of things and protect the student body from the oppressive wrath of the campus security. The issue plagued campus this week and will continue to bombard us.

During the protest across campus in lot 28, the Montclair Chapter of the National Rifle Association fired off their mouths to celebrate the proposal. One gun-toting redneck said, "Golly, our 'boyz' be carrying guns!" The rally got out of hand when the rednecks became intoxicated and began to fire their guns off in all directions. Several students in their four mile journey to lot 28 were struck by the bullets. Campus police responded. Upon arrival they asked the NRA to put their weapons down and surrender. This was met with a barrage of small arms fire from the inbred hicks. The police retaliated by throwing spare flashlight batteries at the culprits and asking the NRA real nicely, "Put down your weapons and surrender, or else!" When the rednecks asked, "Or else what?!" the police responded, "Or we'll ask again!" This turned into a stand-off and continued for many days. The casualties from the last report read, Security 104 and the NRA two. One man shot himself out of boredom, and the other man was hit with a walkie-talkie.

Perhaps the most unseen protest was the one going on in every classroom. Every student in class who looked outside at these idiots complained and said, "Shut the hell up!" and went along with their studies. This is the voice of the majority here at MSU, the student body that just doesn't care, made up of 9,000 strong and they will always rule over the 600 cry babies who whine and cry each day.

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Thursday, April 6, 2000

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10. Lying about your breast implants in order to win the Miss MSU pageant.
11. Selling wacky t-shirts that say "My Professor Helped Me Bone-Up on Sex Education"
12. Refusing to acknowledge the fact that Elvis is living in Freeman Hall.
13. Running through Bohn Hall wearing only a mask claiming to be the "Bohn Ranger."
14. Getting caught violating the rights of a trademarked comedy bit that is the property of a well-known late night TV show.
15. Making fun of the fat-guy fraternity, Pie Beta Cappa.

1. Using a photo ID of something other than your face.
2. Turning in a psychology paper entitled "Zoophilia: Goats and The Sheep Date"
3. During a big exam constantly yelling out "For the love of God, Regis, can't I use a lifeline?!"
4. Need Lovin' Too."
5. "Carmen"—No Board filling out the proper forms.
6. Running through Bohn Hall wearing only a mask claiming to be the "Bohn Ranger."
7. Freemen Hall.
8. "Bone-Up on Sex Education!"
10. Lying about your breast implants in order to win the Miss MSU pageant.

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HUMOUR™:S

1. Using a photo ID of something other than your face,
Late Night Babblings With The Blonde

By Jenn Winski
Newzfrau resident blonde

There are so many things in this world I don’t quite understand. It could just be that I’m peering out at the world through a mop of blonde hair. Go figure. The blonde doesn’t understand things. No, but there really are things about everyday life that exist to potentially confuse me and others like me. Or at least they make me think.

Why is the sky blue? I’ve wondered about this one for as long as I can remember. Actually, why couldn’t the sky be different colors for different seasons and holidays? That makes so much sense to me.

For instance, red would be good for the Christmas season, since pine trees are already green. See? You’re halfway there already. The skies could then turn into a nice shade of orange in time for St. Patrick’s Day. Once again somebody planned ahead with the green trees and grass and whatnot. Get it? This makes perfect sense to me.

I’ve read that sailors used to use the stars to guide their way from one destination to another, whereas I view constellations in the same light as clouds. I stare at them until I realize, whereas I view constellations in the same light as clouds. I stare at them until I get it. This makes perfect sense to me.

Another thing that confounds me is my theory that blonddness rubs off onto nonblonddes after prolonged exposure to the light haircolor. No, really, it’s true. After spending a fair share of their time with me, I have witnessed people otherwise previously unaffected by blonddness exhibit a range of blonde characteristics. No change in haircolor was noted, however behavior observed was indicative of a blonde. Some symptoms of the change may include the loss of prior ability to walk and talk at the same time.

This is where my belief in stationary objects becoming viciously mobile comes into play. Other minor occurrences such as the wearing of a black sock on one foot and a blue sock on the other could also surface in the unblonde.

Yet another observation I have made is that the blonde way of life is exclusively additive and never subtractive. Once you are blonde, there is no turning back. You must accept your fate.

When one decides to go from, say, a medium shade of brown to perhaps a light golden blonde, the dye saturates not only the hair strands, but also the brain cells as well. The few changes I mentioned in the myth of blonddness being a communicable condition may surface almost instantaneously. However, the reverse is never true. A transformation from any shade of blonde to the blackest black, although the individual will notice an external change in shade, the color will not penetrate to the brain cells, or cell depending on the extent of the condition of the former blonde.

The gerbil in my skull is working overtime now. I think I’ve babbled on enough. I’ll take leave of my Mac now. Farewell and goodnight, until I feel the urge to share my random thoughts with the rest of the world again.

The Horoscope

Never Lies

There’s a blonde on my page, oh man! I got this one right! Do you?

By: Mr. Panhead

Aries (March 21 to April 19): While jogging this week, a train will derail, a plane will crash, and cars will explode, but you’ll die with wheels.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20): A trip to Spain will entice you, and they replace your legs with wheeeels.

Gemini (May 21 to June 21): While putting on your socks, you bang your head and forget everything you ever knew, except the words to “Ice, Ice Baby.”

Cancer (June 22 to July 22): Head down to the tanning salon, tie down and bake. Uh-oh someone locked you in, oh well now you know how baked potato feels.

Leo (July 23 to Aug. 22): Talk talk talk. How about you shut up. You’ll have more friends this way.

Virgo (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22): Your career plans are ridiculous. Get real. Just learn to say “Do you want fries with that?” and things will be fine.

Libra (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Stay out of the sun, it may explode any day, head underground, there you will be safe.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Scorpio, after what you did last week, how dare you think that we will give you a horoscope. What you did was very, very bad.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): A half man, half goat will jog up to you this week and give you a hug. Be wary.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): A bottle of Jack Daniels in one hand and a beer in the other is the way I recommend you go through this weekend. It’s littered with land mines and angry ex’s.

Aquarius (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): At the gas station you are visited by Elvis. You tell all your friends but no one believes you and they lock you up. BYE!

Pisces (Feb. 20 to March 20): Surfing the net this week you’ll find a porn site, with naked pictures of you. I guess this is how your little brother has all that money.

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ANIMAL HOUSE
Women's Lacrosse Drops Two Straight; Falls to 4-4

By Mike Halper
Sports Editor

The MSU women's lacrosse team lost their second game in a row Monday night, falling 13-7 to a Rowan team led by junior attack Kelly McAleer, who had four goals and four assists. MSU (4-4) started off the scoring with a Jeannelle Hush goal 2:22 into the contest. Over the next 15 minutes, McAleer and senior attack Mary Kate Madden both contributed a pair of goals to a five-goal run by the Profes.

Kristen Miskey and Jodi Gangemi both added goals before the end of the first half, but McAleer and Madden countered them both and Rowan took an 8-3 lead into half-time.

The Red Hawks closed the gap to 9-7 off three straight Vicki Gangemi goals, but Rowan would finish out the game scoring four straight goals. For the game, Rowan outshot MSU 30-22. Profs goalkeeper Laura Miller stopped 10 shots.

Thursday night, the Red Hawks traveled to face Cabrini, falling 11-10 as Cabrini scored the last five goals of the contest. MSU took a 10-6 lead after the Gangemi sisters scored three straight goals in the second half.

Cabrini countered, monopolizing the last 10 minutes of the game for their own goal-scoring pleasure. Erin Saal, Megan Hyde, Sooban McGonigle, Merrie Lewis, Adrienne Morozzi, and Nicole Shultz all beat MSU goalkeeper Karen Fox to steal the win for Cabrini. Fox finished with 15 saves off 26 shots, while MSU could only get off 19 shots.

The night before, the Red Hawks picked up a win over the undefeated Manhattanville Valiants. The Gangemi sisters picked up three goals each, and Jeannelle Hush added another four. Vicki Gangemi picked up the game-winning tenth goal with 8:40 remaining in the game. MSU would tack on another two goals before the game ended. The Valiants' All-American sophomore Katie Prattarella scored four goals and two assists for the losers.

The women will be hosting FDU-Mad at 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Red Hawks have picked up 18 victories, with 10 of them coming against ranked teams, including four wins against nationally ranked programs. They are currently ranked 10th in the nation.

The women were ranked 18th in the nation last week, but have dropped to 23rd this week after their loss to Cabrini. They are currently 9-9 overall, with 3-4 in the NJAC.

The Red Hawks will face off against the University of Mary Washington (12-2) in the first round of the NCAA Tournament on Saturday at 1 p.m.

Support is Hard to Come By

MSU's athletic programs consistently put forth championship efforts... So why are the front-row seats so easy to get?

A couple of weeks into MSU's spring sports season, there have already been a few bright spots. The baseball team pulled off a very successful 6-2-1 California trip in early March and followed it up with a 10-game win streak that just ended this past weekend. So far, they are 14-3-1, with a perfect 5-0 record at the beautiful Yogi Berra Stadium, and we've had nothing but beautiful weather for the games.

Senior righty Greg Mascal has been pitching a storm, with a perfect 4-0 record, a sparkling 2.70 ERA, and three complete games. Every member of the regular starting lineup is batting at least .300. George Gallagher, who splits time between pitching and the designated hitter position, holds a .483 batting average, and has also belted a team-leading six homeruns and driven in a team-leading 27 RBI's.

In their first 18 games, the Red Hawks have picked up 18 homeruns, already topping last season's number. The team has three players averaging better than an RBI per game, and during their 10-game win streak, they averaged better than 10 runs per game, while giving up less than four.

Just down the hill at Quarry Field, the softball team has been enjoying a great season. MSU has opened the season with an 8-2 Florida trip over Spring Break, and picked it up by winning the fifth annual MSU/WPU Softball Classic upon their return home.

Since then, the team went 3-1, and they hold a 14-4 overall record. Pitchers Evelyn Morozzi and Tara Todaro both hold 7-2 records, with ERAs of 2.32 and 1.75, respectively. Centerfielder Toni Milito leads the team with a .492 batting average, and 1999 NJAC Female Athlete of the Year Tara Wisz, Kim Caruso, and Alex Lamont are all above the .400 plateau.

Wisz, already a three-time All-American, and company are hoping to lead the Red Hawks to an NJAC title, and beyond.

Over on the men's lacrosse team (6-3), Will Van Dorn has been racking up monster numbers to other players, they look almost Grettzky-esque. Van Dorn has 35 assists in his seven games, and the rest of the team has a total of 25 in eight games.

On the other end of all those assists are Pat Lukasko, with 22 goals, Steve Urbanowczyk, with 19, and Rich Testa, with 18. In goal, Vinny DeCennaro has played solid, posting a goals against average of 11.17 and a .680 save percentage.

These three teams have the best chances of carrying the torch for the MSU Athletic Program. The football team had their phenomenal season during the fall, and over the winter the basketball team picked up an ECAC Championship, the wrestlers took third place in the country and there were four All-Americans on the team, including two NCAA Individual Champions in Florian Ghinea and Dominic Dellagatta. MSU as also represented by the Hockey Club, who posted an outstanding record in just their second year. Kevin Micek, a freshman with the team, was awarded MVP of the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association after scoring 21 goals and 11 assists in 10 games. Jared Waimon, one of the three goalkeepers, was named Goalkeeper of the Year. The team advanced to the playoffs, and came out victorious, especially if they keep playing the way they have been. The softball team, too, can pick things up and really start to punish other teams. Will Van Dorn and the prolific scorers of the lacrosse team have a chance to correct a previous year that ended for them a Knickerbocker Conference Title.

The season looks promising for MSU Sports, and things are looking exciting for us spectators. Unfortunately, there aren't many of us. The hockey team, one of the most exciting teams I've ever seen, any sport, went mostly unnoticed by the campus community all season. Lacrosse, another fast-paced, exciting sport, goes mostly unnoticed. Even the baseball team, in the shiny new Yogi Berra Stadium, a professional-level facility, gets very little student support. There are always parents, a few friends, and some relatives of the opposing team. Even some alumni show up to watch the team. On a high school class will drop by during their campus tour. There are more sports than basketball and football on campus, and some of those sports are much more exciting. It's kind of sad to be sitting at a baseball game and not hear anyone cheering when Gallagher hits a shot over the left field wall. Or listening to silence when Van Dorn and Lukasko connect for a game-tying goal.

I admit, I was one of those non-attendees last year. I didn't have time to go down to Floyd Hall and watch some hockey. I never wanted to go watch other people play a game... This year, I'm hooked.
never in the game. MSU put in three goals in the first period, and ended the half with an 8-1 lead. DeGennaro, Stevens Tech. 5 strong in goal for the second straight game, finished with 22 saves on 27 shots on goal, an .815 save percentage. Rick Testa and senior midfielder Steve Urbanowycz scored three goals for the Red Hawks, who picked up their second win in a row.

Last Wednesday, MSU hosted NY Maritime, falling behind 1-0 less than five minutes into the game. NY Maritime 5 MSU 14 Junior attack Pat Lukasko, MSU's top goal-scorer on the season with 22, and Urbanowycz then took charge and put away all Maritime's hopes of winning. The Red Hawks scored 10 straight goals, five of them from Urbanowycz and four of them from Lukasko. Testa, who finished with four goals, picked up the other.

MSU took a 14-3 lead before Maritime picked up the last two goals of the game. DeGennaro stopped 19 shots in the win.

The Red Hawks will be taking on CCNY on Saturday at Sprague Field. The game will begin at 4 p.m., and will be the last men's lacrosse home game until the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy comes to town for the last game of the season, on April 25.

Next week, the team rests until their Wednesday night game at Kean University.

### Upcoming

**Baseball**
- 4/6 - 3:30 p.m. Rutg.-New. @ MSU
- 4/7 - MSU @ Keen
- 4/8 - MSU @ NCG
- 11 - 4 p.m. Keen. @ MSU

**Softball**
- 4/6 - MSU @ Nicu
- 4/8 - 1 p.m. Rowan @ MSU
- 4/11 - MSU @ TCNI

**Men's Lacrosse**
- 4/8 - 4 p.m. - CCNY @ MSU

**Women's Lacrosse**
- 4/6 - 4 p.m. FDU-Mad. @ MSU
- 4/8 - 1 p.m. Phil. Tex. @ MSU
- 4/11 - MSU @ Gwyn. Mercy

**Men's Tennis**
- 4/8 - - MSU @ Stevens. Tech.
- 4/4 - - MSU @ Manhattanville

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**Results**

**Baseball**
- 3/20 - MSU 6 @ WPU 3
- 3/21 - Ramapo 7 @ MSU 8
- 4/1 - Game 1 - MSU 5 @ Rowan 3
- Game 2 - MSU 3 @ Rowan 6

**Softball**
- 3/30 - Game 1 - MSU 3 @ Drew 2
- Game 2 - MSU 10 @ Drew 1
- 4/1 - Game 1 - RSC 4 @ MSU 2
- Game 2 - RSC 2 @ MSU

**Men's Lacrosse**
- 3/29 - NYMC 5 @ MSU 14
- 4/1 - MSU 11 @ Stevens 3
- 4/3 - FDU-Mad. 15 @ MSU 14

**Women's Lacrosse**
- 3/29 - MSU 12 @ Manhattanville 9
- 3/30 - MSU 10 @ Cabrini 11
- 4/1 - MSU 7 @ Rowan 13

**Men's Tennis**
- 3/29 - MSU 0 @ TCNI 7
- 4/4 - USMMA @ MSU postponed

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**Alcohol Abuse Screening Day**

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Student Center Room 418
By Fred Stolarski III

That ringing bell you hear means one of two things. One, is that your heads are still spinning from the WWF’s 12-hour Wrestlemania coverage. The other possibility is that it’s time, once again, for everybody to come aboard this week’s edition of The First Row. I’d like to start off by saying how happy I was to see WM2000 kick off with Ice-T leading the Godfather and D-Lo Brown to the ring. On the other hand, I was sad to see that he was referred to as Ice Tea on wwf.com. He’s a person, not a beverage!

If I said it once, I said it millions .... and millions of times. Triple H is The Game. What more can I say? The Game himself said it best when he said, “I’m just that damn good!”

For the past few weeks, Kane has been wrestling with a broken hand. The angle on Monday night’s Raw where Bull crushed Kane’s hand between the ring post and a chair shot will be used to explain his absence for the next few weeks.

Speaking of new WWF angles, could Stephanie McMahon be leaving The Game? If you remember back to when Kurt Angle first came to the ranks of the WWF, the first lady of wrestling seemed to have a bit of a crush on our Olympic hero. Rumor has it that Stephanie will be leaving Triple H and joining forces with the WWF’s only “real” athlete, Kurt Angle, in time for Summer Slam.

Davey Boy Smith, who was said to be in rehab, was involved in a run-in angle over in Canada with Stampede Wrestling. Davey Boy was said to be in attendance to watch his son Harry wrestle. During the match, Davey ran in to rescue Harry and his brother-in-law Ross Hart from the top heel group called the Honor Roll. Father and son Smith are expected to team up and form the new British Bull Dogs. Also, Sabu is expected to start his Stampede Wrestling career on April 20 or 21.

Sabu’s former partner “The whole F’n show” Rob Van Dam will be working the ECW storylines again April 8. Both RVD and long time rival Jeri Lynn should be returning form their injuries in time for ECW’s May 14 PPV, Hardcore Heaven. I, like many of you, am counting down the days until they return!

This Monday, WCW will be back to begin their “new era.” Many old wrestlers will be there along with many new ones. Rumor has it that Piper will be making yet another return. Then again, Piper has been booking himself all over the independent circuit and pulling no-shows left and right. Hopefully he won’t show Monday either!

One man who surely will not be returning anytime soon is Bret Hart. Despite rumors that he has retired, he is still under contract with WCW, but is still tending to his concussion. Hart’s concussion will be reevaluated in June or July and his future will be determined from there.

Another man who may not be returning to a WCW ring is New Jersey’s own Chris Kanyon. Even with WCW beginning it’s “new era,” Kanyon is still requesting his release.

As of late, Vampiro has begun his well deserved push. With WCW making a new start this Monday, where does this leave Vampiro? Well it seems as though Vampiro has impressed many people with high rank and influence in WCW. Not only are both Bischoff and Russo happy with his talent, but Hulk Hogan has expressed interest in Vampiro as well. Hulk wants to start an angle where the two would tag team for a while and later Hogan will turn on him. Whatever angle they stick Vampiro in, I’m confident that he’ll find his way to the top!

Each week I encourage all of you to send me your questions and or comments. This week, Kelly writes, “I heard, a while ago, that Hulk Hogan was going to return to the WWF when his contract was up with WCW. And that he would retire in the WWF. Do you know if this is true?” Thank you Kelly for that question, but no I do not know if that is true. I can say that I have heard that same rumor and at this time it is still only a rumor.

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The First Row With Fred

March 21, 2000

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Athletes of the Week

The Gangemi Sisters, Lacrosse

The Gangemi sisters, Vicki (left) and Jodi, stepped up their games this past week, combining for a total of 16 goals and three assists over a three-game, four-day period. Against the Valiants, they both recorded hat tricks, and they combined for six and four goals in their games against Cabrini and Rowan, respectively. Junior attack Vicki picked up the game-winning goal in MSU’s win over Manhattanville, and Jodi scored two goals in 30 seconds to put MSU up 9-6 against Cabrini.

Red Hawks Extend Win Streak to Nine with Wins Over Ramapo and WPU

By Erik Lopez

MSU won its ninth straight game Friday afternoon with an 8-2 win over the Ramapo Roadrunners at Yogi Berra Stadium. Sophomore rightfielder Chris Baran led the team on offense while senior right-handed pitcher George Gallagher took care of the defense.

Baran went 1 for 4 with his fourth homerun of the year and two RBI’s. Gallagher improved his record to 2-0 on the season, an ERA of 2.70. He issued back-to-back walks to put runners on first and second with one out. Braender then cracked an RBI single to right-center, driving in the third run. Belson managed to pick up two more outs and get out of the inning with no more damage.

After the first inning, Belson was sensational, giving up no more runs and only five hits the rest of the way. It was his third complete game of the season. He also recorded eight strikeouts, and now sports a 2.70 ERA.

Red Hawk rightfielder Chris Baran singled to right in the top of the third, putting MSU in the lead. Gallagher and chasing Laxton from the game, led off with a single.

Francia doubled to center and Brian Rowan walked, loading the bases with no outs. Marc Houser picked up an RBI with a sacrifice fly to right. Houser, successfully moved Ellerson over to third with a sacrifice bunt.

Fred Longo, who went 4-4 on the game, led off with a single.

The Gangemi sisters, Vicki (left) and Jodi, stepped up their games this past week, combining for a total of 16 goals and three assists over a three-game, four-day period. Against the Valiants, they both recorded hat tricks, and they combined for six and four goals in their games against Cabrini and Rowan, respectively. Junior attack Vicki picked up the game-winning goal in MSU’s win over Manhattanville, and Jodi scored two goals in 30 seconds to put MSU up 9-6 against Cabrini.

By Erik Lopez

MSU won its ninth straight game Friday afternoon with an 8-2 win over the Ramapo Roadrunners at Yogi Berra Stadium. Sophomore rightfielder Chris Baran led the team on offense while senior right-handed pitcher George Gallagher took care of the defense.

Baran went 1 for 4 with his fourth homerun of the year and two RBI’s. Gallagher improved his record to 2-0 on the season, an ERA of 2.70. He issued back-to-back walks to put runners on first and second with one out. Braender then cracked an RBI single to right-center, driving in the third run. Belson managed to pick up two more outs and get out of the inning with no more damage.

After the first inning, Belson was sensational, giving up no more runs and only five hits the rest of the way. It was his third complete game of the season. He also recorded eight strikeouts, and now sports a 2.70 ERA.

Red Hawk rightfielder Chris Baran singled to right in the top of the third, putting MSU in the lead. Gallagher and chasing Laxton from the game, led off with a single.

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Men's Lacrosse

Burned By Devils

By Mike Haljeje

Sports Editor

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Setting up Kelske's second last-second winner was an unassisted goal from junior attack Brett Kripled, this his third of the evening. MSU went 14 into the fourth quarter leading by a score of 10-8 before FDU's Dave Richardson picked up two goals during a four-goal run that put FDU up 12-10. The Red Hawks picked up four of the next five goals, with Senior midfielder Will Van Donn picking up one goal and three assists. He finished the game with two goals and seven assists, the high scorer of the contest. Van Donn, who has played in seven games, now has 12 goals and 35 assists. Lapid's tying goal came with less than 2:30 remaining.

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