BOT Votes Yes To Arming Cops

By Martin Theys
Staff Writer

In a unanimous vote, MSU's Board of Trustees approved the proposal to partially arm the MSU police.

According to the newly adopted university firearm policy, the University Police are now able to maintain appropriate arms that do not permit unintentional discharge under rigorous security arrangements in the University Police Headquarters.

Further, the University Police would be issued arms only in the following scenarios: if an incident on campus represents a potential threat to life and would otherwise or still require summoning armed municipal police, if and when University Police are called upon to assist municipal police under mutual aid agreements in response to incidents off campus, and when transporting prisoners off campus.

Wayne T. Paolino, member of the Board of Trustees, stated, "Complements President Cole on the matter of firearms and he is proud to support her."

Cole was pleased at the BOT's Final decision.

"I am pleased at the action taken by the Board of Trustees to accept the recommendations that were incorporated in my final report," said Cole.

"I think those actions reflect the right decisions for this university."

Further praise was extended to Cole by other members of the Board of Trustees for her proposed initiatives such as increased communication between the campus community and the University Police, proposed creation of a University Committee on Campus Safety, enhancement of student diversity initiatives, and development of a structure of police community liaisons.

In addition, Ned T. Gross, Student Representative to the Board of Trustees, stated, "The student body will benefit from such a proposal."

However, the proposal is now policy, and opposition still exists. The American Federation of Teachers (NAACP) objected to the proposal at the Board of Trustees meeting by stating, "There is nothing compelling in her (President Cole's) report that supports the policy of arming the police, however, what is compelling is President Cole's failure to dialogue on these issues."

Becker said, "Takleen Dean, acting president of the NAACP, said he disapproves of the new policy because 'It can put the campus community in danger if firearms are used carelessly.'"

In response to the claim put forth in a Montclarion editorial where it stated President Cole's partial arming proposal is "wildly," President Cole contended that the recently adopted policy is "a measured response to a complicated issue."

By Mike Halper
Staff Writer

The mad dash from classes to work or home has never been harder for commuters, with traffic on campus taking a turn for the worse this year. West Quarry Rd., which runs behind the Student Center to the Quarry parking lots, has been routinely backed up between the hours of 12 and 3 p.m. this semester, creating lines of cars that stretch well beyond Blanton Hall.

The issue of parking has died down on campus in the last year, since the decision to banish residents' vehicles to parking Lot 28 was made, but now this new dilemma has shown itself to be another community problem.

As all resident vehicles were relegated to Lot 28, the quarry lots became exclusive commuter parking lots. Due to the concentration of commuter vehicles, the number of people attempting to both park in and leave the Quarry lots has increased dramatically, creating traffic jams.

Philip Calitre, director of University Police and Security, knows about the problem, and said that the traffic situation is understood and various depart­ments on campus are looking into solutions.

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Becker Accuses Cole and BOT of Poor Communication on Union Issues

By Christine Zielinski
Interim Treasurer

A lack of communication between the teacher's union and the Board of Trustees resulted in low morale among faculty, said Catherine Becker, president of the MSU AFT Local 1904.

"We (the AFT) are ready to solve the problem, but we often find ourselves ignored," Becker said.

Becker also expressed concern that the board had decreased the number of open meetings to six from eight, and had eliminated their fall retreat.

"There was no discussion of the size and complexity of MSU," said Cole.

"Through one of her staff, she informed me that she didn't have time to meet with me on matters of concern of the local. She was too busy," Becker said.

"The open public meeting was the only forum available to the local given her imposed inaccessibility," said Becker.

"Because of the lone outlet, all vehicles attempting to leave the Quarry are forced to use the same route."

Yesterday, steps were taken to alleviate the problem by opening up a previously blocked road, allowing vehicles coming from Blanton Hall to avoid the circuitous route past Yogi Berra Stadium.

"The University believes that problems have been extremely close to settlement for quite some time, and we continue to be hopeful that agreement can be reached," said Cole.

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CARELESSLY.
9/12/00 - Trespassing
Blanton Hall RM
reported seeing a male in the building as a person non-grata. The responding officers searched the building and found nothing.

9/13/00 - Fire Alarm
Officers responded to a fire alarm in Blunt Hall. Upon arrival it was discovered there was smoke in the sixth floor hallway. An investigation determined it was a rubber washing machine belt that melted.

9/14/00 - Theft
Male returned to his parked car in Lot 24 and discovered the rear license plate missing. The bumper had scratch damage.

9/15/00 - Theft
Male reported seeing a male in the bike rack area.

9/16/00 - Mischief
Female returned to her parked car in Lot 21 and discovered the driver side mirror broken.

9/17/00 - Arrest
Male refused to obey officers' commands to leave a secured area during a party in the Student Center. The male, Jessie Jarret of Newark, was arrested and charged with defiant trespass, underage drinking, and resisting arrest. He was processed and released pending criminal complaints.

9/18/00 - Theft
Female placed her bookbag outside the bookstore prior to entering. Upon her return she discovered a book missing.

9/19/00 - Harassment
Female Webster Hall resident reported receiving a harassing phone call.

An off-duty Newark police officer was killed late Saturday when the motorcycle he was driving collided with a pedestrian who was trying to cross Route 9. Both the cop and the pedestrian were pronounced dead at the scene. Edward Williams is the second NJ cop to die in an off-duty motorcycle crash this month. There is no evidence that drugs or alcohol played a role in the accident.

Essex County bought a contaminated former chemical plant in Newark as the first step in a new prison to be built in that area. They also agreed to assume responsibility for the plant's 12,000-year-old mandated cleanup. So far the $230 million project will create the state's largest county correctional facility.

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Democratic lawmakers plan to use a hearing Tuesday to protest a change in telephone rates they say will double costs for consumers. Several Democrats claim consumers have complained about existing service plans.

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regular board public sessions each year has ranged between five and seven,” said Cole.

High on the list of items that the union wants to negotiate is increasing the salaries of professional staff members who have been assigned added tasks for which they were not originally hired.

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The three issues listed above were provided in last year’s contract. Becker said.

As the union’s spokesperson, Becker said that the AFT has been meeting with lawyers for the last nine months.

“We want what’s legally and contractually ours,” she said.

Similar issues are awaiting discussion at William Patterson University’s AFT Local 1796. Dye said that, over the summer, they negotiated merit-based promotions for the professional faculty, which the union feels do not provide enough opportunities for the entire professional faculty.

“This fall, the administration is prepared to award all three of these promotions to a group of about 30 people. It also excludes all professional staff. It is working right now... snow removal is being considered. We didn’t realize it was unforseen as the decision to move residents to Lot 28 was being made...”

Calitre noted, “The trade-off is working right now... snow removal is much easier, and our main concern is the crime statistics.

While this may be true at the moment, if the traffic problem cannot be solved quickly it might be just another strike against the Lot 28 decision in the minds of students. Calitre realized this: “We important to have a voice in the discussion before a decision is made,” Dye said.

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“Should we not be fighting over dues... but (discussing) what’s best for students,” said Becker.

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the Quarry worked last year, but has obviously not been effective thus far. "It was unusual at the beginning of the semester," Dr. Pennington said.

"But here we are in the third week of the semester and it doesn’t look like traffic is getting better."

Calitre said that among the various solutions being looked into is a proposal to make Webster Rd., which leads from Lot 16 up to the rear of the Student Center, a two-way street. The undertaking would require widening the road and the potential pros and cons of the project are being considered. One strike against the idea is the question of whether or not it would be safe having cars travel down the hill during the winter, when ice and snow could cause unsafe driving conditions.

Another issue that has been raised concerning the traffic is how it could affect campus safety. In response, Calitre pointed out that traffic could be blocked to allow emergency units to get up and down Webster Rd. Dr. Pennington also pointed out that the internal network of roads at MSU should be more than able to get emergency units to any place without encountering any traffic problems.

One of the problems caused is undoubtedly the concentration of commuter students parking at the Quarry lots, and Calitre admitted that the problem was unforeseen as the decision to move residents to Lot 28 was being made.

"That traffic wasn’t even taken into consideration. We didn’t realize it would be a problem," said Calitre. While the Lot 28 ordinance is the cause of the problem, Calitre noted, "The state’s only right now... snow removal is much easier, and our main concern is the crime statistics."

"Something has to be done, and Calitre realized this: “We agree that something has to be done post-haste.”"
4-Walls Struggles to Rise From Ashes of De-Charterment

By Inbal Kahahov
Staff Writer

As a result of losing its charter last year, a core group of members, along with Dr. Tom Benediktsson, former adviser of 4-Walls, MSU's literary and art quarterly journal, are working on achieving re-charterment from the SGA.

Mike Kazimir, SGA president, is willing to aid 4-Walls in its attempt for re-establishment, as long as he feels there is proof of serious involvement.

I feel there's a real need for Montclair students to have a literary and artistic venue," said Kazimir. "But there has to be a real drive for it in order to work."

Currently, Benediktsson and a core of approximately eight active members are holding meetings in order to raise involvement and support for 4-Walls. Once they are able to solicit a substantial active amount of members, they will meet with Kazimir to establish re-budgeting for their next issue, which they intend to put out in the fall.

According to Benediktsson, "Mike Kazimir is willing to opt for a bill for our re-charterment as long as we can put out a successful first issue."

After running as an on-campus organization since 1928, 4-Walls was removed from the SGA budget in 1998 due to its inability to fulfill its service of publishing as a quarterly magazine, according to Kazimir.

"There were problems with the previous editorial board and the SGA, mainly over problems with budgeting requests and price bids for printers," said Benediktsson. "This topic wasn't really addressed when 4-Walls was made a service of the SGA."

It was restored last year as a service of the SGA, but didn't manage to publish a fall issue, putting out its spring issue late in May. At the end of his term last year, John Griffin, former SGA president, did not include 4-Walls in the budget, removing it from its status as a student organization.

Benediktsson disagrees with the SGA over its decision to completely remove 4-Walls from the budget.

"I wasn't aware of all the problems with publishing and the SGA until the summer of last year. Had I known there was such a serious problem I would have intervened and helped earlier," said Benediktsson.

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flowing from deep inside you."

JOHN 7:17, 18
Strike a Pose MSU!
Strutting Our Stuff For the Annual International Fashion Show

By Beatrice Bernadin
Special to The Montclarion

On Sept. 17, 2000, the Unity Collaboration sponsored an International Fashion Show in the Memorial Auditorium. Dean James Harris, Sandy Soliman, Evelyn Correa, and many more exposed MSU students to traditional and cultural outfits representative of people around the world.

Sandy Soliman was the director, producer, and coordinator of the show. Soliman started the afternoon with a hot Middle-Eastern belly dance. She says, "We achieved our goal in getting everyone to work together on a project which was the fashion show."

The Desi/Indian performances kept the crowd amused and entertained.

Other highlights of the show included modeling of outfits from Latin, African, Oriental, Desi/Indian, European, and American cultures. The show began the first of many international fashion shows to be exhibited here at MSU.
The Needs of a Growing School: New Director of Government Relations Appointed to Facilitate Needs of MSU

By Karen Clarke
Staff Writer

Walking into the recently moved-in office with boxes still waiting to be unpacked, a new laptop sitting on the desk, and papers scattered around while the pictures and plants provided a feeling of warmth and welcome.

The new Director of Government Relations, Gabrielle Charrette was placed into a brand new position because of the need to provide new facilities for MSU’s increasing student population.

Formerly the Chief of Staff for the Governor, for several years she was responsible for trouble shooting and being a lobbyist.

Charrette said, “I enjoyed being able to solve challenging issues. I also enjoyed the diversity of my job because I was always meeting new people through working on different projects and that helped me to do my job more efficiently because of the contracts I made and kept.”

Charrette has 10 years of government experience, ranging from executive to legislative realms. She also has a law degree.

Realizing that the structures of a state office and state university are two different entities Charrette said, “The similarities derive from the need for both systems being able to network and form alliances with each other. I feel my background in being a lobbyist for the state will only benefit MSU when trying to identify financial resources.”

Working closely with President Susan Cole, Charrette will research and analyze bills as well as present resources available to MSU in order to decide what the University is lacking.

She is presently working on soliciting monies for a state-of-the-art technology building that will house the latest facilities for the campus community.

In addition she is trying to get Governor Torrecelli to host financial planning meetings for state universities at MSU as opposed to other schools.

If the opportunity presents itself, the meeting will provide an enormous amount of exposure for MSU, which will assist in getting university funding.

Charrette said, “Coming into a newly created position is exciting because it’s not tied down to any specific guidelines and I have the flexibility to make it what I want.”

Charrette has only been here a little under two months and feels fortunate to have received out reach from members of the Athletics and International Affairs Departments. She has also kept a quiet profile since she’s been on campus but ensures she will keep an open door policy.

In addition to that she will be making a debut at this year’s Homecoming Parade on Oct. 14 as one of the judges for the float competition.

Charrette said, “I’m enjoying the college surroundings especially since the campus is so pretty. I have to admit the things that I enjoy the most about MSU so far are the library privileges.”

Newly appointed Director of Government Relations, Gabrielle Charrette, takes a moment to pose in her office. She is responsible for facilitating the needs of our growing student population, which includes exposing the MSU campus to other states for increased funding in the future.
Service Learning Provides Students With Rewarding Experiences

By Kara Morillo
Staff Writer

On Sept. 13, a group of MSU students gathered in an auditorium of Montclair High School for their training orientation into Montclair Public School System’s America Reads and Service-Learning tutorial programs. Approximately 50-60 MSU students are involved in these important programs, which help grade-school students grasp a better understanding of their schoolwork and attain better reading skills while allowing those who are literacy tutors to gain an enriching and rewarding experience.

The orientation began with a brief overview of the history of Montclair’s magnet schools given by Dr. Jeanne Pryor, assistant superintendent of the Montclair Public School system. Twenty-five years ago, parents of students who were in Montclair public schools were highly bothered by the extreme lack of racial integration in the classroom and therefore sued the Board of Education.

The result was the appearance of magnet schools, an educational system that strives to maintain a racial balance among students while allowing parents to choose a school by theme according to the needs of their child. Themes range from gifted-and-talented and international studies to science and technology and visual and performing arts.

Next, Dr. Freyda Lazarus, director of MSU’s Service-Learning Program, commented on her respective program. She explained how service learning came about, in 1995, as a response to the academic needs of students in the community.

However, the first course that allowed MSU students to engage in the service-learning tutorial program was not taught until the spring semester of 1996.

This particular service enables grade-school students, who are doing poorly academically, to gain an extra amount of learning time with a tutor and a small group of students, whether it is during class-time or after school. They receive this special attention for three days a week, two hours a day. However, not all tutorial sites are located in schools. Other tutorial sites include the local YWCA and places of worship, such as St. James and Unitarian Churches. High school and college students as well as members of the church offer their services at these convenient after-school locations. There are presently, 209 children signed up for this service for the school year.

As mentioned before, students who felt it was my chance to give back. I knew from day one it would be a rewarding experience, and it was.

-Lauren Baccarella

“I’ve got 11 fingers!”

HYPNOTIZED: Freshman Orlando Cabrera (center) looked on as freshman Andrew Morgan forgot the number two while hypnotized by Keith Karkut last Wednesday night. Andrew counted his fingers multiple times, coming up with an extra finger every time.


Blah Blah Blah Blah Blah blah.

Translation: The Major Motion Picture Show is coming.


Drivers wanted
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extended to schools, parks, cemeteries, the half-French “free persons of color” in Louisiana was known to be mixed -- particularly the few Haitian “free persons of color;” the pre-Civil War Southern legislatures of 1865, 1866, and 1867, and by many imitators, including Joseph Jefferson. The term came to be a derogatory epithet for blacks and a designation for their segregated life.

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Gag rule: In U.S. history, any of a series of congressional resolutions that tabled, without discussion, petitions regarding slavery, passed by the House of Representatives between 1835 and 1840 and repeated in 1850. Abolition petitions, signed by more than 200,000 persons, had inundated Congress after the establishment of the American Anti-Slavery Society (1833).

Gag rules, supported by pro-slavery congressmen, postponed the consideration, printing, and referral of such petitions. Repell was secured by a House group led by the former president John Quincy Adams and Joshua R. Giddings.

Grandfather clause: statutory or constitutional device enacted by seven Southern states between 1895 and 1910 to deny suffrage to American blacks, it provided that those who had enjoyed the right to vote prior to 1860 or 1867, or their lineal descendants, would be exempt from educational, property, or tax requirements for voting. Because the former slaves had not been granted the franchise until the adoption of the Fifteenth Amendment in 1870, these clauses effectively excluded blacks from the vote but assured the franchise to many impoverished whites. In 1915 the Supreme Court declared the grandfather clause unconstitutional because it violated equal voting rights guaranteed by the Fifteenth Amendment.

Jim Crow Law:

Any of the laws that enforced racial segregation in the southern United States between the end (1877) of the formal Reconstruction period and the beginning of the strong Civil-Rights movement (1950s). “Jim Crow” was the name of a minstrel routine (actual name Jim Crow) performed beginning in 1828 by its author, Thomas Dartmouth (‘Daddy’) Rice, and by many imitators, including Joseph Jefferson. The term came to be a derogatory epithet for blacks and a designation for their segregated life. From the late 1870s Southern legislatures, no longer controlled by carpetbaggers and freedmen, passed laws requiring separation of whites from “persons of color” in public transportation.

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Tips for Adjusting to College Life

By Chris Garcynski, CAPS Extern
Special to The Montclarion

Each September MSU welcomes a new group of freshmen. Students often look back on their first year and are able to bring to mind some great memories. On the flip side, many students also have their share of experiences they’d much rather forget! The good news is that many of these unpleasant experiences are normal and there are effective ways of dealing with them.

New Relationships:
While it may appear that everyone else is self-confident and makes friends easily, the more realistic picture is that everyone is having the same concerns. The first few weeks on campus can be lonely. Living with a roommate can also present problems regarding personal property, personal space, and schedules.

Newfound Freedom:
All of the sudden you are able to come and go as you please without anyone commenting on the hours you keep (except perhaps a disgruntled roommate). It’s hard to admit, but sometimes it’s nice to have some predictability. It’s common to view this freedom as both exciting and a little frightening.

College Coursework:
It can be difficult to balance your newfound freedom with the many responsibilities of college life. Classes are often more difficult and the expectations from professors are higher. It’s your job to stay up to date on readings and prepare ahead for exams and papers. We’ve given you some expected problems. So what can you do about them?

Survival Techniques:
Actively addressing problems can be important in resolving them. For example, while it’s normal to feel lonely for the first few weeks in college, there are many campus groups and activities where you can meet new people such as Student Government Association (S.G.A.), International Students Association, Latin American Student Organization (L.A.S.O.), Psychology Club, and Spanish Club.

When it comes to roommates, communicating and compromising as problems arise can go a long way towards resolving current conflicts and keeping new ones from arising. Although most problems can be worked out on your own, there are also people who can help, like an R.A. or another objective person. As far as academics go, students who have been in your position will tell you the key is learning to divide your time.

While it is easy to procrastinate, the stress you’ll encounter down the road is hardly worth it.

In addition to being active in problem solving it’s important to also be patient with yourself and allow yourself time to adjust. You didn’t form close friendships with your high school friends overnight. College friendships are no different. Other aspects of college life also take time to adjust to.

Lastly, if you need help or support with academic or personal problems, don’t be afraid to seek it out from friends and the various resources available to you on campus. Surviving (and thriving) during your freshman year is possible.

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Something Different
This Way Comes
A Conversation with World of Witt Creator Scott L. Witt

By Justin Vellucci
Editor-In-Chief

It's a world of bright-eyed witches, cynical bartenders, and horror cliches gone astray, a landscape where characters exchange shards of Shakespearean dialogue and break apart the puns and expressions that pervade our language.

It's a world where talking dragons are as prevalent as jokes refer to the scope's suggestion to "Make new friends" leads to an interesting end.

It's the World of Witt, and, to coincide with the feature's debut in The Montclarion, we got the opportunity to sit down and talk with the mind behind the madness, cartoonist Scott L. Witt.

Justin Vellucci: So, of what age did you first find yourself becoming interested in art?

Scott L. Witt: My artistic influences were encouraged at an early age by my grandmother and the fact that both of my older brothers could doodle better than I could. They would draw galactic battles and break apart the puns and expressions that pervade our language.

Justin Vellucci: And who were early influences on you?

Scott L. Witt: While my friends were getting markers and paints, I would buy me all of the odd-ball sets. They would draw galactic battles and break apart the puns and expressions that pervade our language.

Justin Vellucci: How long were you cartooning before the birth, or early stages of World of Witt?

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James Vellucci: And who were early influences on you?

Scott L. Witt: Unfortunately, no one had given me a job as a scenic painter. I was working as a gardener and spray painter. I found that the way I look at the everyday world is a bit askew from the average, well-adjusted Joe. Often I'll filter an old situation. Things such as Wolfgang and Toadie's relationship to the world and play a part in who I am.

Justin Vellucci: And the rest of the cast?

Scott L. Witt: Wolfgang and Toadie are me, plain and simple. My friends by daydream about success on read. I also daydream about success.

Justin Vellucci: And who would you say is the strip's key player?

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Recipe book or novel? Esquivel Mashes Two Flawlessly

By Theresa Concepcion
Staff Writer

Laura Esquivel
New York Doubleday

Like Water for Chocolate

More than just a simple history de amour, the novel also gives significant details of what life was like at the time of the Mexican Revolution. People, villages and towns were always in danger of federal troops raiding, stealing and raping whomever was in their path. Several times, Tita's family is forced to deal with their influence in their lives, whether it be trying to outsmart them or coping with the aftermath of their destruction. Another issue the book draws attention to is women's roles during the time of the Revolution. They existed in a time period where women were the caretakers, always meant to be lady like and proper, voicing opinions only when asked and never showing any more skin than absolutely necessary. Even when making love, women were required to wear a sheet over themselves, with holes only revealing the most necessary parts to complete the act of sex. Rosaaura's wedding night, Tita's other sister Gertrudis had to assist in the making of the sheet that would be used for all of Pedro and Rosaaura's intimacies. Esquivel, however, challenges these stereotypical roles of women in clever and often humorous ways. For example, after running naked through an open field, getting picked up by a federal captain and making love in front of spectators as the horse gallops away, Gertrudis later proudly tells Tita that she is an army woman.

Like Water for Chocolate is an enchanting novel with enough creative twists and heart-wrenching turns to keep the reader compelled from the first to last page. All the characters in the novel are colorful, distinctive and unforgettable. Esquivel uses wording and phrasing so precise and distinct, that it becomes almost impossible for the reader not to get swept up in her own world of amor, war, sex and recipes. Emotions and desires become synonymous with tastes, smells y colores. Like Water...
Censor: This match was never announced, but I see it happening. Bub-Bub Ray and Devon with Bradshaw and Farooq taking on Steven Richards, The Goodfather, Bull Buchanan and Val Venis. Before my prediction, let me say how much I love the Right to Censor angle. "TV Guide"s Phil Trischl has tried to censor the WWF with some of the most unfit conservatives, and mothers have tried to do to their latch-key children. Right to Censor is so hated that the WWF fans are rallied against the "bad guys." As for the match, watch for Val Venis to turn on Right to Censor and give the four wild men the win. In addition, look for Val to walk away with the two hos.

Eddie Guerrero vs. Rikishi: Dear Hugh Heffner... Thank you for putting the Chyna issue out on my birthday this Monday... anyway, I don't see Eddie dropping the title to the huge Samoan, but rather to the Road Dogg Monday on "RAW" with Chyna's turn on Eddie and return to Road Dogg. Watch Eddie keep the Intercontinental Strap Sunday only to lose it Monday. Triple H vs. Kurt Angle: A match seven months in the making. If you saw Triple H vs. Jericho two months ago you know this will be a classic. Stephanie will certainly be involved and will probably cost Triple H the match by accident. Pretty soon, Angle will become top-heel with Stephanie and Shane McMahon, and Triple H will be the top guy once again. Angle over Triple H.

MAIN EVENT Fatal Four Way: In a match with so many plot twists and undertones, this will probably be the worst match of the night. Fatal Four Ways are supposed to be elimination style - this is first fall wins. The match will end with Kane as a new WWF Champ due to the Undertaker's help. Perhaps accidental but maybe not. The WWF has so many "good guys" right now with Triple H getting cheered and Stone Cold coming back that the Undertaker, helping Kane win, would fit.

Who Ran over Steve Austin? It wasn't HHH, Vince McMahon, or The Undertaker because that's played out. It wasn't The Rock or Chris Jericho because they're too popular. I have two predictions. McMahon hit Austin. What better way for Vince to put Stone in control than to bestow on him the best feud in WWF history?

Scenario 2: Austin was hit around two months before Tazz was first publicized. Tazz's ring life angle would fit in very well, and wrestling fans were dying to see Tazz of ECW against Austin of WWF when they were the champions of their respective organizations. Austin finds out, runs in and costs Tazz his match with Lawler and the feud begins. Watch Sunday Night to see if I'm right.

Will the Walls of Jericho come crashing down on X-Pac?

Will Triple H finally give Kurt Angle the beat down he deserves at "Unforgiven"?
Weather is Cool but Phish is Hot

By Justin Bourgeois
Staff Writer

Phish
Live - Pepsi Arena
Albany, NY

Art & Entertainment

Concert Calendar
Thursday, September 21
Suicide Kings, CBGB's, New York, NY; 212-982-4052.
Run DMC, Shine, New York, NY; 212-941-0900.

Friday, September 22

Saturday, September 23
Black 47, Connolly's Pub, New York, NY; 212-867-3767.

Tattooing the Vein, Robert Xin- Hellow, Catskill Abbey, Downtime, New York, NY; 212-695-7547.
David Gray, Five For Fighting, Roseland, New York, NY; 212-777-6800.

Sunday, September 24
Melvin Sparks, Cotton Club, New York, NY; 212-663-7980.
Hootie and the Blowfish, Irving Plaza, New York, NY; 212-941-2818.
The Vanguard Jazz Orchestra, Brad Mehldau, Village Vanguard, New York, NY; 212-225-4037.

Monday, September 25
Les Paul & His Trio; Inland Jazz Club, New York, NY; 212-582-2121.
Angie Apogru, Shine, New York, NY; 212-941-0900.

Phish as a live experience leaves you with memories no one can ever take away. The first time Phish had played the song in concert in their 12 song, opening with a first-time cover of Bob Marley’s “Woolly Mood.” They then showed how versatile they are, playing their phasers favorite “Limb by Limb,” “Ghost,” and “Bouncing Around the Room.” Showing the audience how they could do it all, they suddenly shifted gears into the slower, more romantic “The Horse” and “Silent in the Morning.” They then embarked on their jamming mission, with the singer) and a cover of Jimmie Rodgers’ “Mention a musical passion, Phish jammed out renditions of “One Song Away,” “Woolly Mood,” “Glide,” “Axilla tour kicked off on Sept. 8. at the Pepsi Arena, and Phish was amazed with the effort of the maniacal crowd. For those interested, you can grab news and updates for the band, their tour, and their music on a myriad of sites, including www.phish.com, www.phish.net, and www.phans.com. They will also be appearing on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno on October 3.

And remember: it’s fall, so get out there, enjoy the outdoor scene, and have some fun. Everything is turning cooler, except the music of Phish. Prepare yourselves for the insanity.

So What’s Up Tigerlily?

Hey, are you in a band? Or perhaps you work at a cool place that is having a special event coming up off campus. Or maybe your brass ensemble is performing over in McEachern Hall. Whatever the case is, if your event is listed in Tigerlily, it must reach us by the Tuesday before we come out. To include the name of the event (who’s performing) where it’s being held, a contact number for readers to get more information on the event, and the exact date it’s happening.

Send all information to the following email address:
tigerlily4su@hotmail.com

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The crowds are among the most diverse you will find anywhere in the world, ranging from college students to businessmen, teens to parents. Hippies to country lovers.

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Sampling of Literary Beacons on the Web

By Kathleen Savino
Staff Writer

The college student's pockets are not full of cash. Who has money to indulge in poetry? All poetry lovers can now shake their thirst for fine literature by surfing the Internet. All of the following sites are available (usually in the form of banners). It is also an easy way to self-addressed stamped envelopes, or printing necessary! To submit your poetry. Here are some sites I have come across:

- "Sundress Publications" (Publishes two web zines, both exemplary):

  "String: A Literary Collection": http://sundress.net/striring/ 66These sites are real publications in electronic form. Thustly, they are completely free, funded mainly by advertisements (usually in the form of banners). It is also an easy way to self-addressed stamped envelopes, or printing necessary! To submit your poetry. Here are some sites I have come across:

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- "Sansara": http://www.sundress.net/sansara/

- "Sansara" has poetry, as well as fiction and visual art available for on-line viewing. Like "Stringing" it is set up like a print magazine but with more art than its counterpart. It also has a featured poet every month who is interviewed and has a wider selection of work published.

- "Gumball Poetry": http://www.gumballpoetry.com

- "Gumball Poetry": Publishes on the web and in the form of poetry gumball machines. These machines hold small plastic bubbles with (yep, you guessed it!) poetry in lieu of gum. The site has some great work, as well as interactive poetry workshops/posting board. It is open to submissions.

- "Glossolalia": http://www rhyme.net/~grist/cyano/glossolalia.html

- "Glossolalia" is worth checking out just for the bizarre illusion on this page. One of my favorite new surrealist poets. Craig Czury is published in this issue of "Glossolalia." This site also publishes visual art, as well as prose.

- Electronic Poetry Center (E-Poetry): http://epc.buffalo.edu/e-poetry/

Comparatively, this site may have a bland name, but it is truly unusual in the most unexpected ways. The site is constructed by SUNY in Buffalo, and combines graphic arts with poetry and even audio effects. The result is genre breaking. This site will intrigue even the philistine poetry lover.

- Other sites to check out:

  - "Spuyten Duyvil": http://www.spytenduyvl.net/

  - "Spuyten Duyvil" is the site for "Spuyten Duyvil," an independent press much like the highly revered "City Lights." It is committed to publishing the finest underground poetry and prose. There is no poetry to read, but it's worthwhile to look into the authors, and consider digging into your pocket change for one of the books.

- "Nuyorican Poets Café": http://www.nuyorican.org/

- "Nuyorican Poets Café" is just the hip place to be. This site has some samples of poetry as well as listings of the Café's events:

  - "Lincoln Street": http://www.lincoelenstreet.com/

  - "Poets and Writers": http://www.pw.org/

  - "Poets and Writers": Publishes some great prose.

  - "Publishing Triangle": http://www.publishingtriangleorg

  - This publication is known better for its print version. However, the site contains nearly as many invaluable resources for poets contests, calls for manuscripts, etc.

  - "Black Writers Publishing": http://www.blackwriters.org/

  - "Black Writers Publishing" Publishes some great prose.

  - "African Americans On-line Writers Guild": http://www.publishingtriangle.org

  - "African Americans On-line Writers Guild" Supports and empowers black writers.

  - "Don't forget to check out the links on all these sites!"
Did you ever see that R.E.M. video where all the cars are backed up along that highway, and you can tell what everybody is thinking? Notice how none of them have anything nice to say. Traffic jams are about as fun as watching the paint chip off the corroding buildings at MSU.

When classes end during weekdays, the commuting students of MSU begin their decent to the campus’ various parking lots. When they do, they have to wait 20 minutes just to get to Clove Road. The presence of shuttle buses does not help, but that is hardly the fault of the drivers.

Another strange little fact is that the road that connects West Quarry to the road right next to Blanton Hall is blocked off every day by campus police. If access to this road were given, the pace of traffic could be quickened. Why then, is the road blocked off? The reason is because the campus police said that blocking off this road would make traffic more fluid. The only fluid the MSU traffic could be compared to is molasses.

It would be a much better idea to encourage commuter students to park over in Lot 28, and allow residents to park closer to campus. That way commuters could take the shuttle buses to and from Lot 28, and thus would cut down on the amount of traffic because there would be fewer cars on campus. They would also not have to fight for parking spaces as much. Why wasn’t this how the parking setup was made in the first place? It’s doubtful that even Steven Hawking has a high enough IQ to figure that one out.

When asked about the traffic situation on campus, Director of University Police and Security Philip Calitre said, “The trade-off is working right now...snow removal is much easier... Great. So there are more concerns about the University’s ability to remove snow in the winter than the ability to thin out the traffic jams that occur daily. Calitre even went as far as to defend the decision, saying that, in case of an emergency, the internal roads would enable help to move around heavy traffic. Well, news flash: MSU’s internal roads don’t go to the baseball field or to other parts of campus. What good is the plan then?

An ambulance would not be able to penetrate the sea of automobiles that gets crammed together everyday because there are simply not enough ways to get around campus. How would help be able to reach the party in need if there was bumper-to-bumper traffic?

Calitre has also stated that the problems with traffic that have occurred were not even taken into consideration when the plan was initially made. Isn’t it nice to know that the people in charge of this campus can foresee potential problems? The plain fact is that in an attempt to rid themselves of one problem, MSU has yet again blinded and caused another one instead. Why was it so hard to anticipate that more cars inevitably equal more traffic?

One proposal from MSU is to make Webster Road, which is located between Lot 16 and the rear of the Student Center, into a two-way street. But the ensuing construction that would be necessary for widening the road would just back traffic up more. Not to mention, it would most likely spell out a hike in tuition. Of course, none of this was necessary if this university had simply put in two-way roads to begin with. Instead, students have to go all the way around narrow roads that snake the entire length of campus before they can get where they need to go.

In response to student complaints, Calitre said, “We agree that something has to be done post haste.” Really? No kidding.

The traffic at this school moves slower than possibly imaginable. The solutions to this situation were obvious from the start. Why was nothing done? Apparently, MSU is more worried about how to clear snow than they are about how long it takes students to maneuver out of the labyrinth of blacktop and white lines.

So the next time you’re stuck behind a chemical-spraying shuttle bus, waiting for some way to get to Route 46 so you can go home, perhaps your thoughts will appear in white letters on the side of your car. Hopefully, it won’t be too obscene.

The Voice of Montclair State University

Do you agree with the Clove Road party policy?

"It is, without a doubt, the single most ridiculous thing I’ve heard in a while. College students are not in first grade anymore, but that’s how Clove Road’s residents are being treated. I just don’t understand what MSU hopes to accomplish.”

David Corey, political science

What bothers you the most about the traffic situation?

Call 655-5241 or e-mail MSUopinions@hotmail.com to respond.
Religion, Miracles, and the Scientific Method

Many people doubt the validity of religion nowadays. One of the dominant beliefs of our time is that religion is just used by primitive people to explain the natural phenomena. People used religion to explain things because they had no knowledge of science or the natural causes behind the event. While to some extent this may be true, it is not entirely so. Another common belief is that miracles cannot occur. A miracle, to many, is just a figment of one’s imagination that people use because humans need to believe in something. This also may be true in many cases, but not in all.

As a scientist and a rational thinker, one cannot place all claims in one bracket and invalidate all claims. A scientist will examine each case as it is. He or she will take in all the evidence and possible explanations and come to a conclusion based upon the most convincing sources. It is a fallacy amongst many that to be a scientist, one must negate all supernatural occurrences and find a logical explanation, even if the explanation does not make sense. This is false, as a scientist is one who seeks the truth, taking in all the evidences and then trying to find a conclusion based upon them.

Suppose I claim to be able to control the weather, that I can command it to rain on a sunny day, and it will spontaneously happen. What would a rational thinker say? One might be thinking that a rational person would say, "Yeah Right! That is impossible!" I disagree. The rational person would say, "I will not make a judgment until I see it for myself!" There are three types of thinkers. First, there is the emotional thinker. This thinker will jump and believe in everything that he or she hears. These people are quick to believe in Nostradamus, ghosts, miracle claims without verifying them first, and everything that goes along with it. Second, there is the irrational thinker. They deny everything, that claims to be miraculous, on the claim of Critical Thinking. They will say, "this cannot occur because scientifically it is unexplainable." How do you know that the one that I am bringing is. The scientific method is not to assume, but to treat each case individually.

I do agree that many religions have tried to explain everything that is explainable naturally through supernatural means, but not all. For example, in the Qur'an, the holy book of Islam, the natural phenomena is explained. The process by which a rain cloud forms naturally is explained, but the Qur'an teaches that it is the One God who causes the natural phenomena to occur. Therefore, belief in a natural process of the occurrence of things does not negate the existence of a supernatural force behind the natural process.

Likewise, every miracle claim has to be looked at individually. Every religion has miracles that science has been unable to explain. Seeing that I am speaking to a predominantly Christian audience, I will use a couple of Christian miracles as examples. First, in Zeitoun, Egypt in the 1960's, the people gathered to pray for the Virgin Mary over the Church in Zeitoum. It was observable by all people there for two whole years. It was even covered in newspapers in Egypt, Lebanon, and the United States, including The New York Times.

There are actual newspaper photographs of the apparition as well as actual videos that were aired. Besides the photographs of the apparitions, there are photographs of the people who were witnessing the events. There are numerous witnesses, both Christian and Muslim. Besides this, there are background evidences. First, it was aired in a Muslim country. Other religions are never aired in Muslim countries, yet the news video was. Second, the ruler of Egypt at the time was a Marxist and an atheist. He had a thorough investigation of the scenes done to make sure that there was no foul play. They could not find any. Therefore, one cannot simply reject the claim and consider himself to be rational. He or she must examine the evidences and come up with a conclusion. There are other such examples such as Fatima and Garabandal where no logical explanation has actually been arrived at scientifically. Now, to disregard without examining is not rational.

This is a proof of Christianity though, because miracles that are still not explained by science occur in all religions. Therefore, as Hume noted, if each establishes itself on miracles, then each religion cancels the other out. I myself am a Muslim and believe that this was a case of the jinn. My case is that one cannot just reject every claim until they examine the evidences and come up with a conclusion based upon the evidences available and not upon their emotions. Those who decide they do not want to believe in God will explain it even if there is no rational explanation because they have programmed themselves. Anything that goes against their programming will disturb their mind set, thus causing cognitive dissonance to occur. Some do not want their views to be challenged. A true critical thinker never rejects until he or she receives all the evidences and possible logical scenarios.

Michael Tofte Jr., a history education major, is in his first year writing for The Montclarion.

Overheard & Outspoken

"Let's face it -- there isn't one of us in politics who hasn't denigrated reporters. Who can blame us?"

-Al D’Amato

Due to recent circumstances, and in an effort to allow the student body better opportunity to express itself, The Montclarion will be changing its mailbag policy. Letters containing up to 700 words will now be accepted. This new policy will be in effect starting next week. Thank you.

-Ken D’Angelo, Opinion Editor
Cloud of Controversy Hangs Over Indiana U. Following Knight's Dismissal

We all knew it could happen on any given day at any given time, but no one expected Bobby Knight's career at Indiana University would come to an end in a wave of overwhelming controversy.

Some may see Indiana president Myles Brand's decision to fire Knight after 29 years as head coach as abandoning a loyal team for a man who has been accused of abusive behavior toward players and university employees. However, the Sept. 7 incident involving an IU freshman isn't a clear-cut case against Knight as many people believe. The result, one of the most beloved and hated coaches in college basketball history, is out of a job.

Here's how the event unfolded that led to Knight's dismissal.

Kent Harvey, a IU freshman, accused Knight of grabbing his arm and verbally assaulting him after he referred to Knight, who was passing by Harvey and his friends at the time, by his last name.

"I don't see celebrities very often. I was kind of nervous, so I said, 'Hey what's up Knight?" Harvey told a Indianapolis TV station.

In an effort to clear himself of any wrong doing, Knight then issued a statement and called a conference Friday at Indiana's Assembly Hall to respond to Harvey's allegations.

"I thought that Harvey was an absolute moron -- an absolute moron -- with the things that have been laid on me, to grab a kid in public and curse at a kid in public, as apparently it's been said that I did," Knight said.

But Knight's dismal failure to impress IU officials, who felt they were left with no choice but to let him go. This sparked student protests and death threats being sent to Harvey, who is now in hiding. And all of this occurred based on one person's version of what happened versus that of another person.

He says he was in line waiting to buy football tickets with four friends when Knight started cursing at him and grab his arm. Harvey even had a bruise on his arm. Harvey said happened is his stepfather, who was there during the ordeal, who could support his side of the story.

The only person standing behind what Harvey said happened is his stepfather, Mark Shaw, and his father. Jerry Harvey, Shaw, a frequent critic of Knight, is a former college basketball coach in Bloomington, Ind. and has also worked for ESPN.

"I stand by my boy's credibility. It's a good thing there were four of them," Jerry Harvey told ESPN if Knight was Primated to attack his son during the incident. So far, no one has come forward with information that Knight did not meet Harvey or Bobby Knight is really telling the truth.

I think that Harvey was encouraged by his stepfather and father to seek out Knight and engage him in a confrontation that could force Knight into disobeying the zero-tolerance" policy imposed on him in May. How else can you explain Knight's defiant denial of doing anything wrong and IU's decision to fire him.

According to IU officials, there continued to be a" pattern of unacceptable behavior" from Knight since May, but what is that that contradict the University's "ZERO- tolerance" policy? If so, why wasn't Knight removed from his post long ago?

It's clear that Knight got a raw deal and didn't receive a proper investigation into the incident from IU, which is something IU needed to do to anyone accordingly regardless of what may have said or done in the past. While I am in no way condoning Knight's past acts of abusive behavior, you can't blame him for wanting to set the record straight or can you fully believe that IU was considering all the coincidental evidence involved.

One can only hope that in the end, justice will prevail.

By James Boczer
IU 1MVS Campus. 2000

66 WE AS HUMANS, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY AS INDIVIDUALS, SHOULD BREAK FREE OF TRADITIONAL MORAL CODES AND PREDETERMINED ETHICAL VIEWPOINTS.

The ability to be moral should not be held solely to those who are religious. If a person encourages free thought, and if they allow others to do as they please without infringing upon others, then they should be considered moral. If a person uses their own logic, and acts consistently with it, then they should be considered moral. And most importantly, if a person keeps in focus the betterment of themselves and others, as well as the ability to accept new concepts and ideas in order to benefit themselves and others, then that person should be considered moral. It should not be determined on the basis of what the person does or does not believe.

We are in a new millennium, and it is time for change. It is time for new ideas, new morals, and new freedoms. It is time to cast aside the old so that we may embrace the novel. It is time for the dawn of a new age. It is time to advance. It is time.

Jerome D'Angelo, a political science major, is in his first year as Opinion Editor for The Montclarion.

> The Blind Eye of Faith: A Questioning of Traditional Morality

Opinion

I was getting ready to leave for work a few weeks ago, all decked out in my prouder work clothes that make me look like a reject from Bider Room, when I happened to pass by my stepfather watching TV on my way to the front door. Before I let myself out, I heard the voice of the one and only Starr Jones, commenting to one of her co-hosts of "The View" that she would never, under any circumstances, vote for any political candidate that did not believe in God. Her reasoning behind it, in essence, was that atheists are completely devoid of morality, and thus incapable of making decisions that are ethical. Jones further claimed that belief in a higher being was necessary for an elected official, because "the one who did not have a model on which to base a more ideal society." The predominantly female audience then roared with applause.

Still standing outside, I overheard the voice that I had just heard, I turned to my stepfather. He then informed me that he agreed wholeheartedly with Jones' opinion, saying flat-out that people who did not believe in God were immoral. Simple as that. Again, I thought that human advancements in computers and technology, that have been laid on me, to grab a kid in public and curse at a kid in public, so how bad could he have been? Right?

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"I don't see celebrities very often. I was..."
How the U.S. Government is Causing High Oil Prices

OPEC's production cuts are only one reason for escalating gasoline and oil prices. U.S. federal and state government policies are the worst culprit. While American motorists pay an average of 42.4 cents per gallon in gasoline taxes (about $3.50 per year), the main problem is environmental restrictions. These regulations add cost to the production that is allowed or prevents production entirely. The diminished, more costly supply adds to the selling price.

Environmental restrictions also limit production of natural gas, which currently supplies 25 percent of the energy Americans consume. Producers in Wyoming’s Powder River Basin have seen the federal government suspend the issuing of drilling permits pending the outcome of a second environmental study, which is not expected out until next year. Powder River holds 39 trillion cubic feet of gas, which could be used to help heat the electricity for many years, but the government’s environmental restrictions severely limit production.

What must the U.S. do to ensure a steady supply of low-cost energy?

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Condom Sales Dropping -- Is America Tired of Sex?

By Brian Cross
Humour Editor

This week in Washington D.C., executives of condom-selling corporations are gathering to discuss the huge drop in condom sales this year. The big issue they’re discussing: Are Americans having enough sex?

Earlier this year condom sales dropped from 11 million last year, to only six in the month of January. This caused some concern to some of the nations larger distributors of prophylactics. The president, William Clinton, a big fan of condoms himself, was very concerned and wanted to gather a panel to discuss the situation.

Several awareness groups have developed a series of possible reasons why no one is buying condoms anymore. Father McClanock of the Roman Catholic Church said, “The sinners of the world are repenting their ways and bathing in the light of Jesus. We believe that people are staying celibate until marriage, the way things should be.”

However, not so many people feel the same way. “Skinny” Minny Simpox of the Fat People Suck Association (FPSA) felt that Americans are getting so overweight and unattractive that no one wants to have sex with them besides themselves. “If those damn ugly, sweaty people hell wants to swap bodily fluids, they can do it at a computer, which can get all types of pictures, naked or not. Who the frig are they?”

Perhaps the largest reason people are buying condoms is the alternative lifestyles that seem to have become the newest rage. Same-sex relationships do not cause pregnancy and if someone does get pregnant then they get a abortion and are not the same sex. In states such as Kentucky and Arkansas, where the condom sales have reached the lowest, there has been a sudden explosion in the sale of sheep. Are the two connected? We’re not sure, but you can figure it out, you’ve seen these people on TV and they are weird.

Several philosophers feel that Americans are just too tired to have any more sex. In the early ’90s young people were going out in the streets and screwing their brains out. But with the Internet craze and the sex shows on HBO, Americans are bored of sex now. “I am tired of doing it (sex) I would rather just spend more money on comic books and eating Cheese Puffs then have to watch the Internet at 3 am. Who the frig are they?”

The panel of experts presented their findings this week. After heavy research over the past four months -- the peak season of sex. The findings revealed two possible reasons for this:

1. Condom companies are putting up signs like this one. They hope to deter Americans from screwing cattle so they will spend more time using condoms on real people.

2. The President has issued the following statement as to the issue and the future of our nation and sex: “I, as president of the United States, plead for people to lower their standards and have sex. We need to be good at sex, and we need to keep that high on our list of priorities. We need to use condoms to prevent me from having sex. I mean we from having more illegitimate, um…wait…oh having, oh, fiddle sticks, more children. Oh please, someone shoot me, just go out there and have fun with me, oops said too much again.”

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Bill Gates is a big fan of condoms. It’s a shame he is such a dork, he will never get to use one.

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By Scott L. Witt

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Classifieds
After losing two games in a row at home, MSU (5-2, NJAC 0-1) was determined to break the short slump last Thursday at Cabrini College. Five minutes into the first half, freshman Lea Smith slapped a goal into the cage with an assist from junior Andrea Ulicny and senior Co-Captain Gina Gillo. With the first goal of the game, MSU looked to build on their lead and keep their third loss in as many contests from occurring. They fought through the end of the half, but the assurance of a win would not come until the second half when the second goal was scored by freshman Sarah Lavine with an assist from junior Alison Bellino. Not all that was left was to keep the game a shutout for freshman Trisha Winkle and not let her 13 saves go to waste.

The first goal of the game, MSU looked to build on their winning ways. It is sometimes better for a team to play on the road in order to get back to winning streak. As is the case with many times in sports, when a team is in a funk, they will look to play on the road in order to get back to winning ways.

Ahead lies one of team’s toughest matches of the season on Saturday when they travel to The College of New Jersey in hopes of gaining momentum and going (3-1, NJAC 1-0) on a long winning streak.

### Opener

Hawks escaped with a victory. Giancola rated Collins’ performance as fair and pointed to Collins’ broken thumb, as fair and pointed to Collins broken thumb as a possible contributor to his shaky performance. "Considering the young man [Collins] is playing with a broken thumb and practiced only the week prior to the game because of the thumb, I thought his performance was adequate." Collins on the day was 25 for 35 for 282 yards to go along with four interceptions. A positive to look at from an MSU standpoint was their defense, which limited the Aggies to only 170-yards of total offense. John Tun turned in a strong performance at linebacker. The senior collected 14 tackles on the day and was named NJAC defensive player of the week, had four pass breakups and an interception in the first overtime, was named the conference rookie of the week. The whole defense really played well," Giancola said. The Red Hawks will be entering uncharted territory. If they can get another solid defensive performance and improve on their offensive chances, Iona may be in for a long afternoon.

### Men’s Soccer

9/16 - Richard Stockton 2, MSU 0*  
9/18 - MSU 3, Gwynedd Mercy 1*  
9/19 - MSU 3, Rowan 0*  
9/22 @ Russell Sage Tournament  
TBA  
9/23 @ TCNJ*  
9/24 @ Iona College  
12 pm  
9/25 @ Stevens  
7 pm  
9/27 vs. William Paterson*  
8 pm

### Women’s Soccer

9/14 - MSU 3, SUNY-New Paltz 1  
9/16 - MSU 3, SUNY-New Paltz 1  
9/18 - MSU 3, Gwynedd Mercy 0*  
Chicago Women's Soccer Tournament  
9/20 - MSU 3, Richard Stockton 3, MSU 0*  
9/21 - MSU 3, Rowan 0*  
9/23 @ TCNJ*  
9/24 @ Iona College  
12 pm  
9/25 @ Stevens  
7 pm  
9/27 vs. William Paterson*  
8 pm

### Volleyball

9/16 - MSU 3, SUNY-New Paltz 1  
9/18 - MSU 3, Gwynedd Mercy 0*  
Chicago Women's Volleyball Tournament  
9/20 - MSU 3, Richard Stockton 3, MSU 0*  
9/21 - MSU 3, Rowan 0*  
9/23 @ TCNJ*  
9/24 @ Iona College  
12 pm  
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### Men/Women’s Cross Country

Sat. 23 @ NYU  
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their competition.
With a weak Rutgers-Newark (2-4-1) up next, MSU has to dispose of them if they want to compete this year. In what should be a dirty and hard fought game. MSU has to find away to pull out a win as they battle this NJAC opponent Wednesday.

With teams like the NJAC defending champs Rowan, 7-0, who are ranked third nationally in Division III, Ramapo, 6-0, ranked seventeenth nationally in Division III, and then RSC, 6-0-1, Rutgers-Camden at 6-0, and Ramapo at 6-0, all undefeated, hopes may be slipping slowly. But the MSU defense holds their competition.

With a weak Rutgers-Newark (0-5, NJAC 0-0-1) team that brings a tough defense and a weak offense. MSU (2-1-2  NJAC 0-0-1) brings the tough defense, but also brings a heavy offense as they have scored 15 goals compared to RSC's six.

Their defense leads the league in the fewest goals against with two, both coming in the first half of the season opener. Since then, sophomore goalie Stephanie Romanko has not been scored on.

MSU's next four games will be away including one in Kentucky and another in Tennessee. The MSU defense holds until they return for a home opener. Since then, sophomore goalie Stephanie Romanko has not been scored on.

MSU returns home Wednesday night in a game against another NJAC opponent Rutgers-Newark (2-5, NJAC 0-1). In what should be an easy win, MSU should be able to blast Rutgers-Newark who has a weak defense that has given up 26 goals already. Their offense has only scored nine times.

MSU RUGBY

A Player's Journal

By Brian Cross
Humour Editor

This past Sunday MSU's Rugby Football Club, the Revelers, added another victory to its already rawless record against Bard College. The Revelers 12-0 this season have not been scored upon and are dominating the field in every way. We were without tear when we sat foot on the field at Bard College.

The Rugby club's roster this year brings a tough defense and scored another try. Bard s crew seemed to become very irate after an exhausting first half, the Revelers were able to put some of their lesser experienced players on the field to see how they would handle an actual game. Bard seemed determined to tie the score against the MSU team, but there was little they could do. Prop Nick Kumbris was able to score another try before long, which started a trend for the rest of the team.

"Gooch" Luca ran the ball down the field on a breakaway, and quickly passed to fellow winger Jeff Guber Ently followed by another try. Later in the game, Scrumhalf Cavan Londergan broke through the Bard defense and scored another try. Bard's crowd seemed to become very irate over their favorite team getting dominated and began to chant "MSU sucks" over and over.

Overcome by the power of the MSU forwards, lead by captain John "Big Dog" Mendez, the Bard College squad succumbed to two more tries resulting in a 41-0 defeat. The Revelers now boost two games that they have not been scored on.

Next up for the Revelers is a home game against Columbia this Sunday.
Football Scrapes By Delaware Valley, 14-13

Despite Seven Turnovers, Strong Defense Leads to Red Hawk Win in Double Overtime

By Andy Seyka
Staff Writer

Many times it is said that a final score is not indicative of how a game was played out. Saturday’s MSU-Delaware Valley matchup at Doylestown, Pennsylvania was a perfect example of a game being closer than it should be. Four interceptions thrown by Ed Collins, seven turnovers in all, including three inside the red zone kept Delaware Valley in the game. It was a strong defensive effort that allowed the Red Hawks to squelch out an unimpressive 1-13 double overtime victory over Delaware Valley.

Perhaps it was playing a team they had not faced since 1962. "When you play an unknown opponent there is a personality gap that you don’t know about," Coach Rick Giancola said. "When you play teams over the years you get accustomed to them. You get a sense of what their personality is." Whatever the reason MSU was unable to put the ball in the end zone despite consistently moving the ball downfield.

"We were in control of the game," Giancola said. "We just couldn’t score. Our ability to put the ball in the end zone has to improve." The problem of putting the ball in the end zone began on the Red Hawks first possession. They moved the ball all the way to Delaware Valley’s 11-yard line. However, on first down, Collins was sacked by the Aggies Sean Ryan and fumbled to end the drive. The Red Hawks finally broke through in the third quarter. They went 40 yards in 11 plays casing the drive off with Collins one-yard touchdown run that broke the scoreless tie.

With less than a minute to go in regulation and the score tied at 7-7, Collins completed a pass to wide receiver Jamel Dorsey. Dorsey, however, fumbled at Delaware Valley’s 13-yard line. Delaware Valley’s Carlo DeAngelo recovered the fumble to force overtime. "If the field were only 80 yards long we would have had a heck of a day," Giancola said when joking of his offense’s inability to score touchdowns. "It is frustrating because you don’t get the end result you want."

The defending NAIC champions had a chance in the first overtime to seal the victory. Delaware Valley quarterback Duke Greco was intercepted by MSU freshman defensive back Ros Lee. MSU took over at Delaware Valley’s 25-yard line. After two incomplete passes from Collins, LaQuan Majette’s nine-yard run brought MSU to the 10-yard line. That set up a 35-yard field goal attempt by MSU’s sophomore kicker Brent Grablachoff. Unfortunately for the Red Hawks Grablachoff’s kick hit the upright and was no good, sending the game into a second overtime. It was Grablachoff’s third missed field goal of the afternoon. All of them were 45 yards or less.

"We can’t afford to have attempted field goals that are makeable and come away with none," coach Giancola said. The Red Hawks had possession to start the second overtime. It took only two plays to go 25 yards for the go-ahead score. Majette scored from 13 yards out. Grablachoff’s extra point made it 14-14. However, Delaware Valley fired right back, going 25 yards on five plays to cut the lead to one. Delaware Valley then chose to go for the two-point conversion and the win.

But it would not go their way as Red Hawk defensive back Taras Glenn saved the day. Glenn knocked down Greco’s pass in the end zone and the Red Hawks took a 16-14 advantage into the fourth overtime.

UP IN THE AIR: MSU’s Woolly Lapointe eyes the ball hoping to get a break away.

Men’s Soccer Slumps

Women Maintain Balance as Romanko Continues Scoreless Streak

By Mike Sanchez
Sports Editor

The MSU men’s soccer team put their undefeated record up on the line as they open NAIC play Saturday in a home game against Richard Stockton. The game, however, became a thorn into the unblemished record as MSU fell 2-0.

Stockton put the game away 16 minutes into the contest when John Epley scored a header for the early lead. MSU goalie, Alex Lina, was again hounded by the Ospreys defense when ten minutes later Greg Ruttl er scored to give RSC breathing room with the 2-0 lead. Epley, whose goal turned into the game winner, is fifth in scoring in the NAIC with 13 points. His counterpart, Ruttl er, leads the NAIC in scoring with 16 points.

The MSU offense has not scored in two games. Woolly Lapointe, who started off hot, has been quiet.

Although MSU was not lucky in the 2OT against Bloomfield, MSU shouldn’t have to worry about luck when penalty shots are as good as gold, yet MSU bobbled and missed the chance to take a 1-0. It was worse when the shot attempt in the second overtime by MSU Mark Sa hit the goal post.

Now at 4-1-2 and closing in on the halfway mark, MSU has to pick up and play better then with six goals and four assists. It seemed MSU was heading in the right direction after coming home winning the Oki Classic a couple of weekends ago and having a record of 4-0-1. But since then, they’ve gone 0-1-1 in two home games. Unable to defeat a 0-5-1 team in Bloomfield last week at Pittser Field, managing a scoreless tie, and then falling down early to Richard Stockton, MSU showed signs of a team losing its steps.

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