Student Arrested For Making Racist Phone Calls

By Elizabeth A. Hutchinson
News Editor

On November 3, University Police arrested two males for allegedly making harassing, racially biased phone calls to several MSU resident students. The officers immediately took Nicholas Trawinski, an MSU student, and Joseph Sarao into custody. The complaint was signed by two MSU residents on November 2, according to Lieutenant Cell.

The residents who signed the complaint received a threatening message from Trawinski and Sarao on their answering machines. The messages were of a threatening nature and contained several racial slurs, according to Cell.

Both Trawinski and Sarao are Caucasians. They made the phone calls from off-campus location in Lodi.

"Even though the calls were from off campus we were still able to trace them," said Cell.

Cell also said Trawinski and Sarao also called several female residents posing as fraternity members. The two males tried to convince the females they were holding a party and wanted them to come. According to Cell, these calls were not of a threatening, harassing nature and he believes the two did intend to have a party.

After the two were arrested they were arraigned at the Little Falls Municipal Court. Bail was set at $5,000. Both were able to post bail and were released.

According to Cell, the alleged pranksters could receive a stiff fine and possible jail time. "The calls are indictable degree crimes," said Cell. "The calls of a fourth-degree and the alleged callers can have up to a $7,500 fine and up to five years in prison. The harassing calls are fourth-degree crimes. The maximum incarceration time is 18 months and a $7,500 fine.

The biased calls are third-degree crimes and the alleged callers can have up to a $5,000 fine and up to two years in prison. The harassing calls are third-degree crimes. The maximum incarceration time is 2 years and a $7,500 fine.

The residents who signed the complaint believe the calls were a form of harassment and were not of a threatening nature.

Information Technology will be installing a new Internet connection later this week in an attempt to speed up service for student use. According to Associate Vice President for Information Technology, Ed Chapel, there is a growing demand for pipes with high bandwidth connections to the Internet.

"The reason there is more demand is because people can do much more on the Internet," said Chapel. "For instance, the Internet was primarily dedicated to exchanging text. Now when you look at an Internet site, there's all sorts of graphics, video, and students playing MP3 music with their Napster capabilities. The habits, behaviors, and growing interest in the use of the Internet leads to a desire for more Internet capacity."

The new DS3 connection consists of two circuits that are fully redundant, meaning that each circuit functions independently. If one circuit fails, the other circuit will not be affected, or interrupt Internet service. The DS3 connection can process information at 15 mega bytes per second, and according to Chapel, is bundled. This means that the circuits can double their capacity up to a total of 60 mega bytes per second. The current Internet connection, which is a dual T1, processes information only at a maximum of 3 mega bytes per second.

To explain the capacity differences between a T1 and DS3 Internet connection, Chapel said, "If you're traveling down the Garden State Parkway at 3 a.m., all you need is a T1 because there is not a lot of traffic. You can go as fast as the speed limit will allow. If you're on the Garden State Parkway at 5 p.m., you've got all this traffic competing for limited capacity on the roadway. Imagine that you've made the roadway 60 times as wide, now you can handle all that traffic, which is what our new DS3 will do for us."

Chapel is targeting Friday as the day the DS3 will be operational, but that is not a guarantee. The campus community will be notified in advance when the DS3 installation and that Internet service will be available for a couple of hours.

Chapel said that students using the Internet Service Provider off-campus should experience whatever the maximum capacity of their connection is because Internet service will be available for a couple of hours.

According to Chapel, MSU chose Verizon as the vendor for the DS3 service because it is the lead vendor for the New Jersey Higher Education Network (NJEDge.net). NJEDge.net is a new statewide higher education network that is a consortium of colleges and universities in New Jersey sharing the costs for technology services.

"By participating together, we have a lot of buying power. The way the contract works for the consortium is the more colleges join, we will be able to realize volume discounts on the price of our connection," said Chapel.
11/2/00 - Two male students at Blanton Hall reported harassing phone calls and threats of a bias nature. Two suspects were arrested and charged with harassment and terroristic threats. They were released on $50,000 bail. The suspects will be subjected to bias-crime penalties.

11/7/00 - A male student reported that a female student located in front of Chapin Hall was intimidated and threatened to commit suicide. Both students were residents of Freeman Hall. An officer on the scene contacted Psych Services. A representative responded and spoke with the female. She then voluntarily admitted herself to Mountainside Hospital for evaluation.

11/6/00 - A female student acted in a disorderly manner while attempting to obtain a parking space in Lot #7/8. The female student became irate and was arrested for disorderly conduct.

11/10/00 - Officers were dispatched to Blanton Hall where a nurse reported a theft of a biohazard box. The box contained specimens and confidential reports. The box was stolen from the side door entrance to the Health Center.

The Secretary of State, Katherine Harris, was denied a request to block hand recounts of votes by the Florida Supreme Court in the state’s Presidential election. The top state election official’s request to move to trial was denied by the Supreme Court in Tallahassee. The hand recounts were also denied by the Court. Harris action was supported by the Bush campaign. Bush still leads by 250 votes.

Feeling between the Palestinians and Israelis started the lives of four Palestinians, Tuesday, while Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak prepared to meet with his cabinet about possibly furthering retaliation for the killings of Israeli Jews in West Bank and Gaza. Earlier on Tuesday Israeli settlers set off Palestinian-controlled territory in the West Bank only letting in vehicles carrying local medics or humanitarian aid. In response to Monday’s attack, which involved efforts to kill in drive-by shootings, all in separate confrontations. Because of this Barak, cut short his international visit with British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Fear of Mad Cow disease has caused France to ban T-bone steaks are potential risks because they are cut near the biohazard box. The box contained specimens and confidential reports. The box was stolen from the side door entrance to the Health Center.

Authorities are investigating the death of a Monmouth County woman who died while in police custody Monday morning. Officers arrested Mitchel Spero, 31, after they were called to the Central Monmouth Township on Sunday. Spero was bonging on windows and doors outside of the treehouse with an unknown object. Spero resisted arrest, which caused the officers to use pepper spray. Spero reached the garage and officers called an ambulance. Spero died on the way to the hospital. An autopsy found that the cause of death.

The election race for New Jersey’s 12th Congressional District was supported by the Bush campaign. Bush still leads by 30 percent margin. The top state election officials say the election race for New Jersey’s 12th Congressional District.

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Middle East Forum Tension Fuels Debate

By Inbal Kahanov
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In a Palestinian-Israeli forum held on campus November 1 and aimed at educating students about the current crisis between the Palestinian and Israeli peoples in the Middle East, audience members comprised of students and faculty erupted in a heated debate over the issue.

According to James Harris, Associate Dean of Students and monitor of the event, the form was planned and facilitated by the Unity Collaboration, an organization with the purpose of bringing to discussion important controversial topics that affect the community, such as the Middle East Crisis. The A.S.O., Arab Student Organization, and the J.S.U., Jewish Student Union, sponsored the forum, in an attempt to eliminate any form of bias and to get the two organizations to work together.

"We had an turnout of about 100 people, which is very impressive for this kind of event," said Harris. "This shows the great concern this topic holds for the international community on campus, as well as its other members."

Both this large turnout, a large percentage of which consisted of members of the A.S.O., and the emotion surrounding the topic generated an uncontrollable debate with both sides yelling at one another. These violent reactions were expected and campus police was present as a precaution.

"Most of the people were good about following the ground rules set up for the forum," said Harris. "It was really only a couple of individuals most of which were faculty, with very strong feelings on the topic who got out of hand and had to be controlled." "The professors were arguing with the crowd more than being in charge and attempting to calm the tense atmosphere," said MSU student, Shannon Youncofski, who attended the debate.

Both the A.S.O. and J.S.U. became very aggravated as a result of what they perceived as hateful comments directed at their conflicting positions on the issue, according to Moustafa Hazim, President of the A.S.O. and Donny Kligman, President of J.S.U.

This Israeli-Arabic conflict in the Middle East is a byproduct of the Arab and Israeli movements' competition for the same relatively small territory in the Middle East for the past 100 years. This has resulted in the area experiencing four major wars, several smaller wars and waves of terrorism and violent conflicts that are still occurring today.

Historically, the Arab and Israeli movements becoming part of the political chessboard of the super powers in the 20th century further complicated this conflict. As a result of the emergence of the Jewish state in Israel in 1948 and the Palestinian refugee problem, there has been difficulty for the Arab nations to accept Israel as a legitimate independent entity and for Israel to accept the legitimacy of the Palestinians as a state of their own.

"We expected most of the people coming to be uneducated in the topic," said Hazim. "In reality, most of the people who came knew a lot about the topic and came to argue their opinion. So, those people who came to learn about the situation really couldn't get anything." According to Leslie Glass, Advisor of the J.S.U., a similar event on the same topic was held last year and took place in a calmer and more effective manner.

"This is a very heated topic, especially now with the current eruption of violence in the Middle East," said Glass. "For this reason, a lot of what the students were trying to get across got muddied by emotions and was unclear. A lot of questions weren't getting answered."

"The discussion really got off the ground when the professors got involved." The professors were Harris and Dr. Patricia Hewitt, who have made it a point to get the students involved in the forum. "This is a very heated topic... for this reason, a lot of what the students were trying to get across got muddied by emotions and was unclear. A lot of questions weren't getting answered." For more on the Palestine-Israeli forum see Feature article on p. 4.

MSU Plans $100 Million in Campus Upgrades

By Jill Nuber
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Before MSU can start construction on all of the upcoming projects such as the new parking garage and theatre, an upgrading of the University's utility infrastructure has to be done. This project will upgrade the University's electric, water, sanitary sewer, storm and condensate, gas, and storm sewer systems.

"The upgrade is necessary because all of these systems were designed for a much smaller campus. Due to the expansion and the increasing size of the campus, the infrastructure is causing problems."

"There are several projects coming up in the next few years and in order to get ready for them, we have to make sure the campus's infrastructure is in good shape. It might sound like a lot of money, but we have to do it," Hewitt said.

All of the design work for the upgrading of the infrastructure has already begun. The construction is scheduled to begin in May 2001, and the intended completion date is August 2002.

"Hewitt said, before the design work was done, an architect had to be hired and a decision had to be made whether or not the bids for it were too expensive. When the right price was found, the architect was hired and the process began."

The construction for the new 1,200 space parking garage is scheduled to begin in May 2001, and is scheduled to be completed in March 2002. The construction for the new theatre is scheduled to start in October 2001, and is scheduled to be completed in January 2003. The cost of the parking garage and theatre is estimated to be around $30 million. Hewitt said.

"The construction for the new apartments, planned to be located on Clove Road and housing approximately 500 to 700 students, is scheduled to start in October 2001, and is scheduled for completion in August 2002. The cost for the new apartments is estimated to be around $30 million. Hewitt said.

"We want to upgrade the campus's capacity for at least 20 to 25 years and we are adding all of these things to the campus because we want to increase the number of students attending MSU and make it become a seven day a week, 24-hour a day, operation."

We're going to raise a lot of dust in the process, so people will have to be patient during the process," Hewitt said.

In the future, there will be more projects, including one or two more parking garages, a children's center on Clove Road and more recreational space for students and visiting faculty. According to Dr. Patricia Hewitt, V.P. of Business and Finance for MSU, "It's important for people to have an opportunity to express their opinions and to be able to learn about something that really interests them."

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The Pitter-Patter of Little Feet: MSU Childcare Center Follows the Yellow Brick Road for Halloween

By Michele Phipany
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Lions and Tigers and Bears, oh my!" The MSU Childcare Center partook in a Halloween Parade during the early hours of All Hallows Eve this year. The Wizard of Oz, where parents were given the opportunity to make the costumes for their children, as well as participate in the parade. Utilizing everything from glue and yarn to colored felt and face paint, the infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and pre-kindergarteners were dressed to assume the ever-familiar roles of Dorothy, the Scarecrow, Tin Man, the Cowardly Lion, the Good Witch of the West, the Wicked Witch of the East, and, of course, Toto.

Janey DeLuca, Director of the Childcare Center, "We think that it is a wonderful opportunity for families to participate in a creative experience together. This year when the children put on their paper bag creations they were magically transformed into the characters from The Wizard of Oz," commented DeLuca on their Halloween festivities.

Pat Fdyfill, one of the head teachers in the toddler room, had similar thoughts about the parade. "The kids and parents were really great about it. It was a lot of fun collecting candy around campus," she said.

Their journey began at the Childcare Center where the infants and toddlers were chauffeured in baby buggies adorned with orange and black streamers while the older children began their candy collecting on foot. The trick-or-treaters made their way to the Office of Residence Life, Life Hall, College Hall, and the Student Center, where they were greeted with an almost synchronized, "Awww..." from the faculty. The many Scarecrows, Tin Men, Lions, and Dorothy's watched in awe as their Halloween bags were filled with all different types of candy.

As some of their eyes widened with curiosity at the entrance to a new room, and the rest slowly glazed over with exhaustion, it was plain to see that the children had found themselves participating in an enjoyable, and somewhat tiring, afternoon. Upon their return to the MSU Childcare Center around 1 p.m., they had their costumes removed, were given lunch and finally put their heads down for a nice nap. "It was obvious that their Halloween adventures had worn them out and nap time was really easy in the toddler room," remarked Fdyfill with a smile. With one last click of the ruby slippers, the children found themselves reminiscing about a wonderful Halloween— one that had brought smiles from ear to ear on the faces of the caring and dedicated individuals that had turned their "no-place-like-home" dreams into reality.

Sweet as Sugar: Timothy Clifford and Max Blanck, toddlers at the MSU Childcare Center, pause for a picture and then continue on their way to collect more candy around campus. Their theme for this year's Halloween parade was, The Wizard of Oz.

The Heat Is On: Israeli and Palestinian Conflict Causes Tension Between MSU Students

By Shanelle Willis
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Tension, anger, sadness and frustration was evident on Nov. 1 as the Arab Student Organization and the Jewish Student Union held an open forum on the Palestinian and Israeli Conflict. The forum attracted many students who had various issues and concerns on the violence that has been recently occurring. Speakers Salah Owedallah of Palestine, Jeff Ross, Director of Campus and Higher Education Affairs for the Anti-Defamation League; Dr. Thomas Cassidy, Professor of Political Science and Grover Furr, Professor of English had the intent of informing and educating others on this conflict. Owedallah spoke on behalf of the Palestinians as a concerned citizen. He gave the audience the history of these two cities and expressed his views on the violence and torture that is happening to his people. "When you see Palestinian kids throwing rocks at tanks, it is coming from humiliation and pain," said Owedallah. The unfair treatment by the Israelis is what he says forces him and others to have such strong feelings.

Ross spoke on behalf of the Israelis and on what he believed to be the history of the city. Expressing his concern of what was happening, he ended his speech with the questions, "What
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**Yankee in the U.K.:**

Little Things to Remember when Visiting England

**By Kevin P. Hancock**

Staff Writer

I’m the little things that can make living in a foreign country a unique and downright strange experience. Just when I think I’ve got the U.K. figured out, I run into something else that makes me think, “Man, I wish everyone at home could see this.”

Just in case my pictures don’t come out, here’s a laundry list of oddities everyone at home could see this.

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### Un-American:

**BIG BROTHER IS WATCHING.**

If you ever visit London smile because you are on not-so-candid camera. Security cameras watch Londoners’ every move on the streets, in Tube stations, even in the pubs. It’s comforting at times, since cops are usually nowhere to be found, but it’s also kind of scary. I even saw a camera in a bathroom once and you never know who is on the other end watching.

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### Harding Experience

**LOOK RIGHT, THEN LEFT.** It’s been eight weeks and I have yet still to be run over by a car while crossing the street. That is no small feat here since cars drive on the left side. However, I have had some

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### Pool Experience

**Humped Zebra Crossing**

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### Weather Experience

**PRACTICALLY SUNNY-RAINY-HOT-COLD.**

Want to know what the worst job on earth is? A weather forecaster in London. So it rains here a lot! But the weather is also absolutely schizophrenia. A Bilton explained it to me best when she said, “We can get all four seasons in 24-hours here.” It’s not uncommon to leave your home under bright blue skies, only to have it pouring 20 minutes later when you get to school or work.

Sometimes, you get both types of weather at the same time. I was in a restaurant the other day and I looked out the windows to see that it was literally raining on one side of the building and sunny on the other. The crazy weather makes bringing an umbrella everywhere you go a must, and watching the weather forecast a waste of time.

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### Miscellanous Experience

**WHAT CROSSING?**

Finally, I’ll leave you all to ponder the meaning of what is by far the strangest traffic sign I’ve seen so far. “Humped Zebra Crossing.” I didn’t stick around to see what a humped zebra looks like, because I’m not really sure that I want to know. But, it actually said that. No lie. I even took a picture, and that one better come out.
A student of MSU, I was fortunate enough to have been exposed to a Cooperative Education Experience. In this experience, I have learned so much that cannot be learned in a college classroom. My experiences have ramped up my time management skills, which I think is an imperative part of everyone's daily activities. I have learned to balance my schedule to meet certain goals and to assign tasks to other personnel in order to achieve a goal. The most important thing I have learned about managing my time is that you want to try to complete a task or assignment ahead of when it is due.

Stress is also another part of my work experience. I find myself having to adjust my work schedules to complete assignments on time. When you are waiting on others to get you information in order to complete your work. I have had to remunerate to that it is just work and not the end of the world. Sometimes it's not even worth it to worry, especially when you are waiting on other employees to give you vital data to complete your work. The task always gets done, but you just have to manage your time to try and complete it.

Another exciting part of my Co-op experience was being able to give presentations in front of medium to large audiences. Up to date, I have given presentations and crowds of anywhere from one to 100 employees of PSE&G. I have discovered the more you present, the easier and more comfortable you become. Also, the more in depth you know your material the less likely you are to feel nervous that you will make a mistake. I have realized that although all eyes are on you, there is no reason to believe that anyone is judging you.

like to ask some of the attendees what they thought of the presentation and if they have any comments for me to improve on in the future. I think that these sources of constructive criticism are imperative to becoming a great presenter.

Of course with every Co-op or new job, there is going to be training. I have gone through a number of training courses designed to teach me to become an expert in my field. Although, this may seem simple to some, it was actually not so easy in the beginning. I was sent through training to learn how to put an Affirmative Action plan together. I learned how to create statistical analysis by utilizing computer software programs. I also attended information conferences and was given a list of government regulations to memorize. Personally, this was very overwhelming, but it has gotten easier with time.

I think the most fun and exciting part of my Co-op is being able to travel. So far, I have had the opportunity to travel to New York City, Dallas, Chicago and Washington, D.C. for training and conferences. I have also had the opportunity to travel to other states and to be able to see the sights. The best part of it all is that I have been paid for everything. It is a part of my work duties and requirements to attend these conferences, but I think it has been great exposure for me to be able to go to other parts of the country to see how they perform the same type of work in other parts of the country.

One major issue held by many of the Muslim students was the portrayal of their actions by the American media. Sarah Mostafa felt that the American media does not represent us fairly. We do not get the same attention and are considered an uncivilized, backward nation. We are muffled by a media that doesn't represent us fairly. It is because we are muffled. James Harris, Associate Dean of Students, shared his view on the Palestinian and Israeli conflict. "One major issue of the conflict is the bias of the American Press. They fail to present all the circumstances that surround the conflict. We haven't seen the machine guns fired from helicopters. How fair is it when Palestinians are being shot at with live bullets against them throwing rocks."

Harris concluded the heated forum with the closing remarks: "MSU is the only college in NJ that opened a forum to get the opinions of the students. We must realize the truth is out there and that the media cannot be trusted as a reliable source. We must go out there and find the truth."

The deep passion that both the Israelis and Palestinians have for the land is evident. No matter how much arguing occurred during the hours of the forum, one could see that both sides are aiming for the same common goal: peace.

The open forum allowed students and faculty to listen to the views of the people and respect all sides of the argument. In order to deal with these issues they must first be fully understood by those involved in the conflict.

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By Leslie Rubin  Staff Writer

Eighty-five percent of people who smoke cigarettes would like to stop smoking. On Nov. 2, a row full of them came to see John Slade’s lecture, “Helping people quit.” Slade is internationally known for his work in addiction studies and has worked on interventions since his training in the 70’s. During the presentation, sponsored by the addiction studies program, he talked about the people who smoke, why they continue to smoke and how they can stop.

Tobacco has been proven to be the hardest addiction to end. Only one in ten users of alcohol needed to drink everyday and one in ten users of cocaine need to use the substance daily, yet 85 percent of cigarette smokers need to smoke more than once a day. Smoking becomes a conditioned response, so those who smoke need to recondition themselves not to need them. Many people feel hopeless since effective treatments can be expensive. The state has recently made an effort to help people who smoke, opening a “quit line,” 866-NJ-STOPS, and creating a web site, www.nj.quitnet.com, which offers resources and referrals to clinics and self-help groups.

Tobacco industries have always aimed their advertisements at teenagers, using catchy slogans and funny mascots. Slade stated that this is because most people who smoke when they are young will continue to smoke as they age. Those who do follow their addiction fall sick in their 20’s, and by their 30’s and 40’s are constantly ill.

Cigarettes are also varied and people can find the exact type they like. Light cigarettes were created in the ’60s and ’70s, and since then there have been ultra-light and menthols as well. Slade says light cigarettes are no less lethal than the original. Menthol cigarettes even have a higher death rate.

The quote, “Smoking is slow-motion suicide” is incorrect, according to Slade. It denies the reality of the addiction and most people are anxious to get to treatments that might work. Slade first made progress with smoking treatments when he began to treat smoking like every other addiction and work with the whole severity. The therapy system he uses contains five parts: pre-contemplation, contemplation, preparation, action and maintenance. In pre-contemplation the smoker is considering quitting. They think about what might work for them and where to go. In contemplation they realize it is a problem that has to be dealt with and in preparation they decide on a plan. The most difficult part of the treatment is when the smokers have to take a real step to quit. It takes a lot of energy not to have a cigarette all day, but as time passes a smoker needs one less and less. The most important part is maintenance, which keeps people cigarette free.

The problem with patches or gums is that the box does not come with this step. They effectively provide smokers with a safer alternative to smoking, but most people become addicted to these patches and gums and they are not long term. Over-the-counter treatments always make people afraid to have a cigarette because their bodies are already being supplied with nicotine.

Slade believes that because tobacco addictions are one of the most hazardous they should be dealt with accordingly. Doctors should encourage their patients to try to stop smoking, whether they are heavy smokers or are just beginning. Most insurance companies will only cover treatments for people whose lives are endangered, but all smokers are endangering their lives. Slade suggests that the media should be more controlled so that children are informed at an early age about the effects of smoking.

The lecture closed with a forum of graduate students from MSU questioning Slade about overcoming the cigarette addiction that has swept away many young people. His knowledgeable answers and confidence that people can overcome their addictions eased the minds of those in attendance. The presentation gave them hope that if they wanted to quit smoking, they eventually could.
When slave revolts in the U.S. were mentioned the names Gabriel Prosser, Denmark Vesey and Nat Turner usually come to mind. But a case can be made that the name Charles Deslondes must be added to this venerable triumvirate. Charles Deslondes has the distinction of having organized and led the largest slave revolt in U.S. history. And it happened in Southern Louisiana.

In January 1811 in St. John the Baptist, St. Charles and Orleans parishes, starting about 15 miles uptown from New Orleans, a major slave revolt involving over 500 people took place. A man named Charles, a laborer on the Deslondes plantation, led the 1811 revolt. He had been born in Haiti and like many other enslaved Africans in Louisiana at that time had been brought to Louisiana a few years prior to the revolt. His owner had been one of the San Domingo slave owners who had escaped the Haitian revolution (1790 to 1802) and sought refuge in Louisiana. Little did they suspect that they had brought the seeds of slave rebellion with them. Charles, who was a brawny driver, worked for years planning his revolt, contacting trusted fellow bondsmen and preaching the necessity for the enslaved Africans to rise up and throw off the shackles of slavery as had been done in Haiti.

He advocated that the Africans should establish an independent republic just like in Haiti. His plan was to go from plantation to plantation along the river road leading from St. John parish to New Orleans. They would kill the plantation owners and create an army as they moved down River Road. The strategic aim, was to capture the City of New Orleans and make it the capital of the new republic.

New Orleans would serve as the base of a liberated zone where the slaves from all over the South could come to and gain their freedom. His plan was to involve the enslaved Africans inside the city of New Orleans in a simultaneous uprising whereby they would seize the arsenal at Fort St. Charles and distribute the weapons to the arriving slave army.

On January 8, 1811, Charles Deslondes and his comrades began the revolt on the plantation of Manual Andry. This was the largest plantation in St. John the Baptist and where Charles had been hired out as a driver. The Andry plantation had also been the site of an arsenal for the local militia. It began to rain that night, but the rebels stuck to their plans. They overwhelmed Andry and son. The son was killed, but Andry escaped. They discovered that the arsenal had been removed.

Armed with cane knives, hose, clubs and a few guns, the insurgents began the march down River Road towards New Orleans. They were guided by two slogans, which reflected the sober resolve of their cause. Their slogans were "freedom or death" and "On to New Orleans."

As planned, they marched in columns of four down River Road, and gained in numbers as they moved from plantation to plantation along the east bank of the Mississippi River. They were able to traverse about 25 miles before being intercepted on January 10 by U.S. troops from New Orleans.

The slave owners had fled to New Orleans and territorial governor William C. C. Claiborne had dispatched the U.S. troops to put down the rebellion. Charles Deslondes and his compatriots had liberated 25 miles of territory, leaving in their wake at least two slave owners killed and three plantations burned completely to the ground.

However, despite their best efforts, they were not able to succeed. The revolt was eventually put down and the slave owners’ militia and U.S. federal troops killed many of the leaders and participants. Some of the leaders were captured and executed.

Their heads were cut off and placed on poles along the River Road in order to frighten and intimidate the other slaves. But this did not stop the struggle. Later that year, the Africans rose up again, and this was followed in 1812 by a new round of plots and revolts inside the city of New Orleans.

Yet the sacrifices of these brave men and women were not in vain. The revolt reasserted the humanity and redeemed the honor of their people. The 1811 revolt weakened the system of chattel slavery, stimulated more revolts in the following years and set the stage for the final battle, the Civil War (1861-1865) that put an end to this horrible system.
Marc Schneider leads an impressive cast this year’s production of Fiddler On the Roof. Directed by Timothy Herman, and musically directed by Eric Diamond, Fiddler on the Roof combines a talented cast and a unique take on set design.

The show follows the story of a Jewish family living in the Ukraine in the pre-Bolshevik era, circa 1905. The patriarch Teyve, portrayed by Schneider, is facing the daunting task of raising five daughters and marrying them off to suitable husbands of their choice. His daughters, Teetzel (Cecily Schaefer), Hodel (Blair A. Schneider), is facing the daunting task of raising five daughters and marrying them off to suitable husbands of their choice. His daughters, Teetzel (Cecily Schaefer), Hodel (Blair A. Schneider), Bielke (Kate Roof), and Shprintze (Kelly Day) have their own ideas. The setting outside of Teyve’s house is amazing; one is almost envious of the actors in their Disney-like surroundings. Designed by W. Scott Roof.

Fiddler sets up shop on campus of MSU.

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dith merengue blasting, a Latino musical hosted its first ever “Latin Comedy Night” on Nov. 13, 2000. The show, held in the Student Center Ballroom, was sponsored by SGA and featured three Latino comedians. The comedians, Herbert Quinoes, Rich Ramirez, and Joey Vega, had previously been featured on HBO and have also opened for other artists in the past. With a big audience for the event, high expectations were in the air, but the comedians delivered almost flawlessly.

Quinoes was the first Latino comedian introduced at the event. Quinoes was not what most were expecting in a “Latino” comedian, with his dark skin and long dreadlocks. But he told the audience comedy doesn’t hold back, he was half black and half Puerto Rican and then proceeded to make fun of both his background. Quinoes made humorous references to Ricky Martin and even mentioned that Jesus Christ had been a Latino in his previous life.

Quinoes focused on growing up as a Latino in a predominantly white neighborhood, and portrayed blacks and Spaniards as troublemakers. Though his jokes may have been offensive to some, they told the truth about life and pertained to society today.

It may have been hard for some to be white and listen to a Latino comedian, but Quinoes made it easy with his hilarious, true-to-life tales of his past. Quinoes was by far the best comedian of the night and should have been saved for last. However, his performance was too short and left the audience hungry for more.

This may have been his intention, as Quinoes introduced the next comedian, Rich Ramirez. Ramirez was very different from Quinoes in his style of comedy reflected. He began his act by singing a lyric from a well-known ’50s song to the audience and then made them proceed with the next line. At first he did not focus as much on Latins as the previous comedian did, but he let the audience know he was Puerto Rican, though many had mistaken him for Indian. He made light of his mistakes and comparisons of his past with topics of the present day. There were moments where Ramirez seemed forced, and may have been unoriginal, as if they had been taken from other comedians. Ramirez had poignant moments where he “saved himself” and made the audience stereotypically “roll on the floor” with laughter. The audience generally reacted well.

The last comedian, Joey Vega, quickly opened with graphic sex jokes that the audience found they could relate to. Following Rich Ramirez, the audience was expecting something great, and Vega did not disappoint. Vega covered topics such as the different Latino stereotypes and everyday events that occur in family life, but are never mentioned publicly. Vega was a rapid thinker and quickly reacted to the things he saw in the audience. Good impersonations and sound effects followed his spur-of-the-moment antics. Vega got the crowd laughing faster then any other comedian, and was a good choice to end the show.

“The Latin Comedy Night” was a success, despite jokes that were geared only toward one minority. This was obviously the objective, but at times it may have been funnier if the entire audience had been Latin. The comedians had some trouble making their jokes amusing for all, and most of the time they were triumphant. They very different people with three very different acts came to the stage that night to share their common ground in their Latino background. Their funny, aggressive, and in-your-face comedy made the event a good way to spend an otherwise boring Monday night.
"Arts" List Displays Contemporary at Its Best

By John Watson
Staff Writer

Every few years an academic decides to get pretentious and publish an article proclaiming they know how to define art. Whether it’s film, music, literature, whatever, these arguments are essentially contrived to convince current artists that they will never be “the past.” The result of which is a prevailing sentiment among artists that the art of their time is somehow sub-standard. It follows that many people look to a past made for an earlier generation for these things when there are incredible contemporary art forms at work today.

The following is a short list of recent CDs, books, etc. that deserve a closer look and are especially addressed to those people who think they have missed the boat.

Le Tigre-Le Tigre (Mr. Lady) - Pop music as politics, pop music as criticism, pop music as entertainment, pop music as pop music. Under-ground filmmaker Sadie Benning, writer Johanna Fateman, and musician Kathleen Hanna come together to produce the best album of 1999. As immediate as anything Hanna’s former band Bikini Kill ever made, but this time the guitars are replaced by samples and Bubblegum. The band has made a manifesto you can dance to.

A Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius-Dave Eggers (Simon and Schuster) - Eggers makes the biggest confession allowed in confessional writing, that all memoirs are self-indulgent. He casts his safety net a confession allowed in confessional writing, that the art of their time is somehow sub-standard. It follows that many people look to a past made for an earlier generation for these things when there are incredible contemporary art forms at work today.

The Covers Record - Cat Power (Matador) - When Cat Power front woman Chan Marshall played a solo show at the Knitting Factory this spring, she held it up in a rupturous trance. Marshall does the whole "minimal, quiet, heartbreak ing" thing better than anyone else in music. She covers The Rolling Stones, Lou Reed, Bill Callahan, and even Marshall, turning minor chords into major revelations. Her cover of "Naked if I Want To" is one of the most engagingly depressing songs ever recorded on tape...in a good way.

Julien Donkey-Boy - Harmony Korine (Miramax) - Korine’s Gummo might be the greatest recent American film to split its audience between reverence and revulsion. His 1999 follow-up film is incredible too. Julien has not been released on tape yet, but the fact that Korine has such renowned international directors as Bernardo Bertolucci and Werner Herzog (who stars in the film as Julien’s cough syrup-drinking, Dirty Harry-quoting father) supporting him almost guarantees that it will. In the meantime, rent the visually perfect Gummo.

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Crash-David Cronenberg (Miramax Features) - Based on a 1973 novel, Crash is the best English-language film of the ’90s. Banned in London, booed at the Cannes Film Festival, the film details a group of people who substitute car crashes for pleasure. The director uses the source material to further investigate his obsession of how technology affects the body. Fitted and medicated, complete with absurd situations and placing them

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Humor with a Japanese Edge

By Arnold Kim
Staff Writer

Comedy is undoubtedly one of the ultimate forms of hum or entertainment. It dominates the airwaves of prime time, films like Meet the Parents reign at the box office, and its flavors range from broad slapstick to sharp satire. One of the biggest genres in the medium, this Japanese flavor of comedy has become an essential nutrient in any anime fan’s diet.

Some of the elements that define anime comedy, though, can be compared to elements of comedy in American films—the logic-defying laws of physics in the Warner Bros. cartoons, the self-aware humor of the Airplane films, or the humor in the relationship paradoxes of movies like Meet the Parents at the same time, it’s not exactly the same. Each subgenre adds an extra something to separate it from the mainstream. Anime at its funniest is silly, outré and stories where anything and everything can happen. To be brief, anime romantic comedy is your calling. More often than not it shows off some of the crucial elements of the subgenre—long distance relationships, speed bumps along the way, but with a supernatural twist—dealing with Belldandy’s reality can touching perspective on the nature of love. However, even here the bounds of really can be broken, as traditional romantic comedy is intertwined with those more of a fantasy slant.

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Tigerlily

Art Calendar

Thursday, November 16
Bob James Trio: Blue Note
8 PM, Beacon Theater, 2124 Broadway, New York, NY (212) 476-7070

Friday, November 17
Little Joe and the Armadillos: Continental Airlines Arena
8 PM, East Rutherford, NJ

Saturday, November 18
Rod Stewart with The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra: Hammerstein Ballroom
8 PM, 311 W. 34th St., New York, NY (212) 799-7740

Sunday, November 19
Aimee Mann: Madison Square Garden
7 PM, New York, NY (212) 462-8592

Monday, November 20
Charles Gayle, Matt Darriau: NoMeansNo, Removal: Knitting Factory
8 PM, 64 Second Avenue, New York, NY (212) 475-8592

Tigerlily

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 soon off campus. Or maybe your brass quintet is performing in McEachern Hall. Whatever the case is, if your event is related to the arts, we can list it here.

Tigerlily only lists events for that week (from the Thursday we come out to the following Wednesday). For your event to get listed it, it must reach us by the Tuesday before we come out.

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Theater Openings

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I was strange from the onset. Thom looked out his window, viewing the landscape beyond. He was comfortably surrounded by the trees of fall. His parents were at the wheel riding towards what Thom estimated was 50 miles per hour. The place he had wasted his time for the next four years. It’s better than home, he thought to himself with not the least bit of concern.

The campus was large, surrounded by acres of woodland. Thom vaguely remembered reading in the brochure that just thirty years before the land really was. It was some ridiculously impressive number. He wondered why the brochures always bragged as if the largest amounts of land meant anything. He could care less how big the school was. He laid back and enjoyed the generic view of trees, until there were no more and he could only assume that the world was finally over.

“You aren’t nervous are you hon?” his mother asked with polite concern, the best worry coat on the world of Thom. She sat down with him.

“If I was I wouldn’t be talking to you right now.”

“You’re not nervous, then?”

“I don’t know, mother. I really don’t know, but I think I’m all right. I think I’m going to have a good look at it. I’m not going to let it get to me.”

“You talked with your father about your first day at college?” asked his mother with polite concern.

“I kind of did.”

Thom smiled and hugged their parents goodbye.

As he walked her to her dorm in the darkness, his thoughts upon the world that was. The trees, large and abundant, was in fact pretty. Thom could make himself better. The trees, large and abundant, was in fact pretty. In either case Thom decided something or perhaps this was nothing. In either case Thom decided something or perhaps this was nothing. In either case Thom decided something or perhaps this was nothing. In either case Thom decided something or perhaps this was nothing.

He knew he was close to his hall as he passed the registration building. It loomed in the night like a sentinel. It was a night that was littered with stars.

“I’m not trying to...”

Thom smiled back at her hand with a shaking hand. “My name’s Thom.”

She pulled back her hair with a shaking hand. “My name’s Nicole.”

Thom smiled and Nicole smiled back.

Thom decided she was in fact pretty. As he walked her to her dorm in the cool September air, he noticed how beautiful the campus really was. The trees, large and abundant, created almost an atmosphere of being in the wilderness. For the first time since he had arrived he was starting to see the benefits of this new life. After all, he was away from home and in this place maybe he could make himself better.

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Tales of Puerto Rico Bring Short Stories to Life

By Theresa Concepcion  
Staff Writer

Dominos
Jack Agueros  
Curbstone Press

Dominoes is a collection of short stories based on the various lives of Puerto Ricans in New York City. Each story is explicitly and uniquely written and has a distinct flavor which describes various aspects of Puerto Rican culture. Dominos tells a story that rings true to many Puerto Ricans, whether on the island or the mainland. It brings forth the familiar tone that's an easy game. Each section of the short story is divided cleverly into domino doubles, starting from double six and working downward. While it is never unusual to see two or more hombres arguing over a domino game, the ending of the story has a shocking turn, leaving the reader basking in the harsh realities of life.

"Horologist" is perhaps one of the best written stories in the book. It tells the story of Mr. Vasquez who works in the village to fix all kinds of clocks. He sets his workbench at the window of his shop so that people can see the uniqueness of his job. "He gets so used to having people behind him and over his shoulder that he developed a talent for not only knowing who was behind him, but what they looked like as well."

Agueros describes the mentalities of the players and all the skill and thought that goes into dominos, as opposed to the stereotypical belief that it's an easy game. Each section of the short story is divided cleverly into domino doubles, starting from double six and working downward. While it is never unusual to see two

Johnny United tells the story of a young man who struggles to work seven days a week without pay at the stepfather’s store, and how, through playing stickball with his friends, he is able to not only find release to his problems but freedom as well. The reader is transported back to a time when fire hydrants in the summer to cool off, while your abuela yells at you from your apartment window to come inside and eat.

In "Malig; Malig & Sal" Sal tells the complicated love story of a Puerto Rican woman who is frustrated with her way of life in the city and长时间 to tell her boyfriend that she's leaving with her daughter to go back to Puerto Rico. Agueros addresses the many mentalities of Puerto Rican women during the 60s: their reasons for leaving the island as opposed to their reasons for leaving the mainland. Sal’s reaction is shocking and harsh, almost to the point where the reader questions whether it’s real and what’s not. While Malig and Sal may seem to be the stereotypical Nuyorican couple, Apo where kids used to play fire hydrants in the summer to cool off, while your abuela yells at you from your apartment window to come inside and eat.

"One Sunday Morning" tells the relationship between Sonny and his godmother Titi. Titi's character is familiar and will bring a smile to any reader who can relate to having an animal loving Puerto Rican woman in their lives. She has a dog, a cat, and a menagerie of plants, making her home an animal sanctuary. The closeness between Sonny and Titi is touching and unique. Their ritual of him bringing her the Sunday paper and them listening to shows on the radio is written with humor and a constant sense of humanity.

Santos Negron" is another extremely well-written story. Santos is a man who works in a hotel base ment with other Puerto Rican men, sorting and cleaning the various linens that are sent to them through several clothing chutes. When Santos is given the opportunity for a promotion to walk the floor and help out on the cleaning hike without pay of the first Saturdays, he'll profit because he'd rather stay down in the basement with his compadres. Everyone counts the days to Puerto Rican life and culture which wouldn't have been told. His book is a tribute to his people and defies negative stereotypes surrounding Latinos. His book is filled with delightful anecdotes and situations familiar to nearly all Puerto Ricans, but Latinos in general and is a "must read" for anyone looking to re-experience their culture.

To discuss this and other estrellas-worthy books, email Theresa Concepcion at conchita39@aol.com.
Ben and Gwyneth Press the Flesh

By George Rush & Joanna Molloy
Courtesy of TMS Campus

Gwyneth Paltrow and Ben Affleck keep forgetting they're no longer a couple.

At Tuesday's election-night party at Elaine's, the pair tried to sit on opposite sides of a table. But, around midnight, Affleck couldn't keep himself from sitting down next to the actress.

First came an animated conversation, then the two started sharing under-the-table caresses. Their nuzzling was interrupted only when the campaign coverage on the wide-screen TV right next to them was interrupted by a commercial for their new movie, Bounce. The off-screen couple then sat transfixed as they watched their on-screen characters kiss and emote. Finally they blinked and seemed to remember the election.

Both of them had spent Monday night getting out the vote for Gore and Lieberman. Paltrow, who's in talks to play a pleasantly plump woman in Shallow Hal, the next comedy from the Farrelly brothers (There's Something About Mary), did radio phone interviews. Affleck flew down with Robert De Niro and Glen Close for a Gore rally in Miami Beach.

Said Affleck on Tuesday, as Florida went first to Gore and then to Bush: "I was saying earlier that I delivered Florida. I guess not."

WHAT ABOUT ROB?

Black Rob lives. Rumors swirling around town had Puffy Combs' protege pegged for dead. But the rapper's not six feet under, insists his manager, Sean Combs. "Absolutely nothing, not even a phone call on her birthday, Christmas, nothing. He hasn't seen my daughter since she was 7 months old."

Boscia "is on her own."

Garth in Divorce Country

Garth Brooks' marriage is headed for the morgue. The 38-year-old country superstar filed for divorce Tuesday in Nashville from Sandy, his wife of 14 years. Divorce documents chalked the split up to "irreconcilable differences" and revealed that the couple have been separated since March.

Garth announced his semi-retirement late last month in favor of spending more time with his three daughters. He says he'll probably cut at least one more album and do a show or two before hanging it up for good.

Outkast-ing Their Vote

The presidential election wasn't the only tight race going on Tuesday. Rap group Outkast and our man about town Jay-Z, were duking it out to see who would grab the No. 1 spot on the Billboard charts.

In a contest almost as close as the Gore-Bush battle for Florida, Jay-Z squeaked out a victory. But L.A. Reid, Aista's new head honcho and Outkast's surrogate campaign manager wasn't speeding the second-place finish. "This race is not about the first week," says Reid. "It's ultimately about where the album ends up. And this is Outkast's time."

Surveillance

Christopher Meloni, who plays gay inmate Chris Keller on HBO's Oz, is to join Nathan Lane, Molly Ringwald and Ru Paul for the Nov. 16 premiere of Showtime's Queer as Folk.

French chefs banded together to support Alain Ducasse, famed Gallic restaurateur whose Essex House eatery has beeniccised by critics. Among those toasting his book, Harvesting Excellence, were Eric Ripert, Daniel Boulud, Jean Georges Vongerichten and Andre Sohnier.

(With Lola Ogunnaike and Kasia Anderson)

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Staff Writer

RAW TEXT

**WWF Superstars Meet Up Again**

By Lillian M. Aleman

WWF Champion Kurt Angle opened up Monday Night Raw rambling about his match-up against the Undertaker at "Survivor Series" this Sunday night. The Rock won his title shot last week on Smackdown! in a four-corners match-up by choke-slamming his own brother Kane into never-never land and pinning him for the win. Angle told the Taker to take notes as he fought Crash Holly.

Although he put up a good fight Crash obviously lost to Angle. Even though the match had officially ended, Angle continued to abuse Crash with a chair when Bob Hardcore Holley ran into the ring and began to pound Angle. If you recall, it was Angle who caused Holly to be out of commission for five months after Angle broke Holly's arm.

Running down to help Angle, Christian and Edge attacked Hardcore Holly when suddenly Mr. Bad Ass Undertaker himself ran into the ring scaring off Angle, Christian, and Edge -- but that isn't the end of their confrontation. Foley decided to have Angle Christian and Edge fight Crash and Hardcore Holly and the Undertaker later that night. The match was pretty much even until the Undertaker got his hands on Angle and choke-slammed him. As if that wasn't enough, he then picked Angle up and took him to the last ride which was all the Taker needed to pin Angle for the win. Angle continued to abuse Holly though the match had officially ended. Angle obviously lost to the Undertaker.

Crash obviously lost to Angle. Even though Angle was the mastermind who was behind the year loosed by the Rockies. Sadly rumor has it that The Game will probably lose this Sunday at "Survivor Series" because of serious injuries that could take him out of the WWF. However, it will definitely be a match-up to remember.

Raw also brought the Radicals to fight The One Billy Gunn (no more Mr. Bad Ass). The ninth wonder of the world Chyna, The Rock and Stone Cold Steven Austin. Surely HHH has something to do with this! The Rock talked a lot of crap, bearing gifts to the Radicals, which included a set of rare "wolverine testicles" for Chris Beniot and a slap to Perry Saturn to make his crooked eye straight. But, as always, it was a little too much for The Rock as he got into a fight with the Radicals. The Rock finally tapped Chyna. She was now the one being beaten by all the Radicals when she finally got Eddie Guerrero in a DDT. When Perry Saturn interfered all hell broke loose as the Rock took Beniot out of the ring. Austin and "The One" Billy Gunn began beating the other member of the Radicals. Stone Cold applied the stunner on Latino Heat and won the match for himself, Billy Gunn, The Rock and Chyna!

The Rock and Chris Beniot continued to fight backstage. As Raw was about to go off the air, Rikishi, sitting in the passenger side of a car with The Rock with a sledgehammer! Who was the driver you ask? None other than the Mastermind himself HHH!

This Sunday's "Survivor Series" will definitely be worth watching as the WWF rounds up its greatest athletes. The huge matches including The Rattlesnake Stone Cold Steve Austin vs. the Game HHH; Kurt Angle vs. the Undertaker and Rikishi vs. The Rock.

Other matches include Chris Jericho vs. Kane, which is definitely heating up as Kane threw Jericho through a glass window on Raw. Kane is upset that Jericho is one of those "beautiful" people; how psychotic I predict Jericho as winner on Sunday. Also, the woman's title is up for grabs. Ivory fights Lita. This match can go both ways. Lita does have the upper advantage, but her entertaining, rightflying tactics are always getting her hurt.

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**Fiddle**

MacConnell, it is the most remarkable set built in this space in recent memory. Fortunately, the rest of the technical production leaves much to be desired. The sound levels were horrendous, forcing the audience to strain to hear the actors. Even when the actors could be clearly understood, the speakers were besieged with annoying pops and hisses.

The lighting scheme was interminable. At times it set the mood for the scene perfectly, but at others it was just annoying. This detracted from the otherwise brilliant dream scene, as the colors made it difficult to focus on the actual happenings. The show gives off an energetic vibe that the audience is always getting her hurt.
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Did you ever sit around with your friends, and you start to joke around, and all of a sudden one of you breaks in with a racial slur? You might just laugh it off as though it was no big deal; indeed, amongst friends, a jocular attitude is probable the one that should be taken. Still, did you ever stop to wonder why people think it is funny that they make fun of another person's race? Ever wonder why we feel the need to label people Italian, Jewish, African-American, or Hispanic? Ever wonder why we're all like this?

Perhaps we as imperfect human beings refuse to accept that which we are not a part of, and so feel that the only way to justify our lack of diversity is to find fault in other cultures.

The prank calls placed to various students last week were further proof that even in a self-proclaimed "advanced society" such as ours, we are still so afraid of those different from us. Because of the conservative nature of people, we tend not to embrace diversity as much as we should. People find it easier to criticize than to accept.

Sure, some of us find it funny to sit around and call each other racially derogatory names. The fact is though, that we are all one race of people, and regardless of our differences, we should not look at each other as African, Caucasian, Asian, or Latino, but as people.

Maybe the prank calls made are indicative of the maturity level of some of the students here at MSU. "Hey, instead of doing homework or studying like we should be, let's make prank phone calls and behave like children because we're too lazy to do something constructive. And hey, while we're at it, let's make unfounded comments concerning the poor sap's ethnic background."

Thankfully, the individuals involved were taken into custody by the police for their inexcusable transgression. MSU authorities should hand down only the most extreme punishment for this, considering the nature of the case, how can we allow for the preaching of hate?

Currently, the two students will most likely be charged with a third degree crime, as crimes of a biased nature typically are. Maximum punishment the students are facing is 18 months in jail and a fine of up to $7,500. But can we really put a price on what these students did? Can we really attach a dollar value to racism?

To be fair, it has not been determined yet if the comments made were intended in a joking fashion or as pure malice. Should the latter be determined, the only appropriate punishment is for the names and pictures of the two students (Nicholas Trawinski of MSU and Joseph Sarao of another college) and all others sharing the same ignorant views to be placed on a poster board in the Student Center quad with the caption, "We are racists!" Only then will these morons realize the ramifications of their actions.

The authorities responsible for dealing with the actions of Trawinski and Sarao should not have the least bit of sympathy for them, as their actions reflect those of the most bitter enemies to the greater human cause. Would we pardon a member of the KKK for making racial comments to an African student? Of course not, so why should we pardon Trawinski and Sarao? Their comments reflect the same mentality.

So the next time you and your friends are sitting around having lunch at the Ratt, telling each other about how their ancestors are either stupid, slow, or not "American" enough, think about exactly what you are saying.

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What is the appropriate punishment for the students who made the prank calls?

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The Denigration of American Democracy

The on-going controversy over the election results is nothing new, and inexcusable flaws in our system. Has America fallen so far, so fast?

One of the hot debates that stirs the intellects and emotions nowadays is the question, “Does God exist?” There are many arguments laid out on board sides. Those who claim to believe in God say that because human beings had no scientific explanations to explain the natural phenomena surrounding them, they explained these surroundings with supernatural forces and superstitions.

The argument of the disbelief also is that since humans have been evolving, a belief in God was part of that evolution and now humans with their scientific knowledge have moved past the belief in God. It is an amazing belief in God is still part of the primitive psyche of human beings.

Despite the evidence put forth by those who believe, there are many loopholes in their arguments. I do not deny that human beings have been very superstitious and attributed everything natural to super natural forces but this argument still does not disprove the existence of God.

A man, it seems, helps it. If most humans throughout history, societies, and cultures, all recognized the existence of a super natural force, then this in essence is evidence that this belief is something innate that is part of the nature of human beings.

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An Argument for the Existence of God

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The argument of the disbelief also is that since humans have been evolving, a belief in God was part of that evolution and now humans with their scientific knowledge have moved past the belief in God. It is an amazing belief in God is still part of the primitive psyche of human beings.

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Other people might say that our education system is corrupt, giving into bias and not telling students the whole truth. First of all, we have the right to know what is going on. We have the right to know what is happening in the world. If a person wants more information they can go online, read books, etc. Don’t take your professor’s, teacher’s, or society’s word for it. It is up to the individual to be informed. If that individual is willing to do that, then he/she is voluntarily giving up his or her freedom. Second thing is that, for the most part, the information given by society is not wrong or corrupt. For example, if a reason that polygamy is not an accepted practice in the United States is because it would never work in a society like ours, the women and men are not on an equal footing.

Another area where people say that education and values are corrupted is in terms of the history of the nation. Some revisionists believe that George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and some of our other founding fathers were evil and corrupt slave owners. The response to this would be look at the times in which they were living. It is really sad that people are putting their own 20th century values on a people who believed that owning slaves was a place in heaven. A person as my lungs fill with water if I do any more than I am required to do, and I will not allow anyone to stop me. I will not allow anyone to force me to make a decision I do not agree with. Freedom is a beautiful thing, and I will not allow anyone to take it away from me.

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**Montclair Mailbag**

**Israeli Genocide Letter Highly Inaccurate**

**Dear Editor:**

Recently, Shoukri Amorelli expressed his outrage over the fact that Israel is supposedly committing "genocide" against the Palestinians. In making this claim and in citing "evidence" to support his claim, Amorelli has demonstrated a poor grasp of history and of international relations.

The United Nations has not "looked away" while Israel has "continued its genocide." The U.N. General Assembly has condemned Israel. The U.N. Security Council has also condemned Israel, although the United States abstained. Why did our government abstain? I would like to know what friends are for. Now, I want all of you people to strive for the very best it can be and to find ways to make receiving your education a fun and pleasurable experience.

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tence that we cannot understand no matter how hard we try. Try to conceptualize something always existing without beginning. It will not make sense to us.

When man gets off of his emotional attachments to science, religion, psychology, sociology or philosophy and contemplates deeply, nothing in life will make sense. From the concept of eternity to man to how we are here to evolution to anything. Nothing will make sense. This may lead one to conclude that nothing makes sense and all thought is irrational. One can criticize anything and think of reasons to believe or not to believe something.

If one agrees that God exists, then we must discuss who God is. There are some who say that God is a white man, or black man, or a woman, or a man with an elephant's head, or a lion.

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By Jim Davison
Production Editor

On October 29 the student newspaper of MSU, The Montclarion, took over by force complete and full control of all administrative processes of the University. This hostile takeover comes on the heels of a much smaller, though monumental, acquisition of the former Greek Council office located adjacent to the newspaper's offices in the Student Center, now the headquarters for their administration at MSU. Having completed the relatively peaceful de facto acquisition of the Greek Council office, the staff of this small, but growing organization decided to take things a few steps farther and go right for the entire MSU campus.

In The Montclarion takeover those who were not immediately turned to the cause of The Montclarion were beaten over the head with old newspapers repeatedly while the assailant yelled, "You're stupid! We can do this better."

"Vellucci's institution of policies on campus that are not stupid is one of the most creative and innovative things I've ever seen and I know because, upon list coming here, I had the idea for N.S. policies. Such a coincidence is astounding, I know, and one might ask, "Well what happened?" The problem was that the stupid policies were too deeply entrenched here for me to combat and I soon found myself, without even realizing it, forgetting my N.S. policy ideals in favor of the current S. policies."

Not all of the former administration favors these new policies as much as Cole did though. Vice President Gregory Walters said, "I still thing the stupid policies were better than these not-stupid ones."

Other administrators are questioning where, if anywhere, they will fit in this new regime. Dean Hans has aspirations of finding his own niche. "I think there may be a place for me, maybe a place in the Montclarion staff, perhaps as someone's assistant, perhaps as the new editorial cartoonist. It's all still up in the air."

Here President-elect, Bob "Gilligan" Denver, announces how he intends never to get caught ordering mail order marijuana again and if he has an affair with an intern she will be pretty.

Stupid Regime Overthrown; New Not-Stupid Administration Takes Over

By Brian Cross
Presidential Candidate 2004 Vote For Me

The first presidential election of the 21st century has caused quite an uproar. The entire nation sat half-naked on the edge of their recliners drooling over their spoiled bowls of Cheez-it anxiously awaiting the result of the most important election in the world. Who would be the man behind the controls of the world's largest nuclear arsenal for the next four years? Election Day took place last Tuesday and that night Governor George W. Bush of Texas was presumed to be the next President of the United States. However, by the early morning someone decided that they had screwed up the most important decision of their pathetic life. We were left wondering if the sneaky Democrats would be able to count again and get Gore elected just because more of the nation supported him.

However, on Wednesday the state of Florida finished the count and released the long-anticipated results. Florida, which houses 90 percent of the nation's old people, took its time counting and recounting the results in hopes that Bush would die and Gore would just take office. This was put to an end when the entire nation screamed out in unison, "Finally the damn thing already!" Thus, on Wednesday they released their findings.

"The state of Florida would like to apologize for keeping the bolts of the entire world in the vise. "We didn't mean any harm," a spokesperson said. "But the future President of the United States and of America, with a total of 50,745,104 votes..."Gilligan!"

After a long hard struggle and a long pause, the Florida County in which Bob Denver was a write-in candidate explained, "Well we had to do it. We didn't want to do it, really. We just had to do it. We had to run before by instituting N.S. policies (not-stupid policies) are already being instituted in every facet of campus life. Carolyn Velchik, Managing Editor of The Montclarion, had much to say about this:

"We've already made it so the library hours are not stupid, the buildings are not stupid, and the food is not stupid, but there is only so much we can do in such a short period of time. We're still trying to figure out what from before is stupid and what is not. You'd be amazed, though, at how ingrained stupidity is on this campus. But once we dig it all out you’ll see some amazing things, such as not-stupid classes, not-stupid book prices, schedules to trees that are not stupid, roads that are not stupid, and mail ordering marijuana. Not only did he do drugs, he ordered them through the mail and thought it might be legal. There was no file trial due to the fact that he was not stupid, but there is only so much we can do in such a short period of time. We're still trying to figure out what from before is stupid and what is not."

The Montclarion executive board member, James Davison, the Production Editor, had only this to say about the takeover. "I did it." The veracity of this claim is dubious. Regardless, this not-stupid reporter eagerly awaits who did what and the changes in store for the future of MSU.
Perot Enters Endless and Ridiculous Election Debate By Demanding Hand Recount of 90 Million Votes

By Justin Yvelucci
Not his fault. He voted Third Party

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Former presidential candidate and Reform Party founder H. Ross Perot entered the fray of Election 2000 debate on Tuesday, demanding a hand recount of the entirety of the nation’s 90 million popular votes.

Perot, whose 1992 run for the presidency prompted many to ask if third party candidates could seriously sway more votes to the Electoral College vote, began asking how third party can be sure-fire electoral winner.

"You see, specific attention here must be paid to Alaska and Utah," said Perot. "John Smith and Juneau, hallmarks both of them, will prove vital to the survival of institutions of our Republic. Because, you know, you can't throw a paraplegic penguin off a wooden bridge and expect for the shadows in the sun, you see?"

More than a little perplexed, representatives of the news media asked no more questions of Perot.

Perot's request comes on the heels of almost two weeks of unprecedented action and debate surrounding the validity of the nation's electoral vote.

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Following news announcements that the results of the presidential race were "too close to call," several areas of the nation rounding the validity of the nation's electoral vote. Following news announcements that the results of the presidential race were "too close to call," several areas of the nation went into a media-fueled recount madness, the most noted in Southern Florida.

Reports from the Sunshine State indicate that people are still incredibly dumb for not being able to accurately complete an absentee ballot. Florida Governor Jeb Bush responded to claims that the sun was making Palm Beach residents a little dull around the edges.

"The fact of the matter is, I don't care for two seconds who wins," said Florida resident Aulms. "I can tell you one thing for sure, though: Perot won't be recounting my vote."

Aulms claimed to have spent Election Day in bed, as he figured, "I'd be a lot more productive than taking part in some idiotic and morally void popularity contest." When told that Perot, who had endorsed Bush in his presidential bid days before Election Day, was demanding recounts in several previously uncontested regions, Bush representatives began to weep.

"When will this end?" asked a weary-eyed Bush campaign representative. "I want to go back to bed."

Sources close to both candidates have stated, off the record, that both Bush and Gore have responded to Perot's announcement by continuing to write and edit both concession speeches and suicide notes.

With no end to election debate anywhere in sight for most of the nation, representatives of the Associated Press have confirmed rumors that the corpses of America’s founding fathers indeed have turned over in their graves.

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B U Y  S M A R T. W A S T E  L E S S. S A V E  M O R E.
By Mike Halper
Staff Writer

A deep bench and good conditioning have been the cornerstones of the Red Hawks Hockey program this year, allowing MSU to jump out to a 12-0-1 record, much from deficits and all but own the second half of every game. Third period prowess has allowed the Red Hawks to come back to tie Marist, beat defending M-ACHA champion Rider two times and outscore their M-ACHA opponents 66-12.

One of the biggest factors in the offensive explosion has been freshman forward Dave Bodson, who took the Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association’s Divi-ision 2 offensive to a new level in his first month of play, leading the nation in scoring with 4.25 points per game. When asked how he likes playing for MSU, Bodson shrugged, “It’s been a lot of fun. The puck never stops going once you get the offense going with the puck.”

The defense and goaltender Robbie Martinez have also been the drive behind the offense. Martinez has been the frontrunner for the M-ACHA’s Player of the Week honors in the first two periods. The potential forwards had no trouble converting turnovers into goals, baffling Rodriguez with a mix of speed and deception.

The Mid-Atlantic Collegiate Hockey Association (M-ACHA) named Dave Bodson its Player of the Month for October after Bodson led the Red Hawks to a league-leading 5-0-0 record and a ranking of fifth in the American Collegiate Hockey Conference—Division 2’s Northeast Region. Bodson’s former Bayonne and current Millersville teammates, Kevin Micek and Jim Latham, are tied for seventh in the league’s MVP last season. Bodson, a freshman, led the M-ACHA with 19 points in October, including a team-leading 9 goals. His biggest games were against the University of Maryland—Baltimore County on Oct., 22, when he scored three goals and three times, and against Temple on Oct., 28, netting the game-winning goal with 2-1 left.

After a slow start that saw his score only two goals in two games against a weak Seton Hall team, Bodson has asserted himself as one of the Red Hawks’ top scoring options. He leads the 96-team ACHA’s Top Performers list with an average of 4.25 points per game in eight ACHA contests through Oct., 29. Micek is fourth on the list with an average of 3.13 points per game, and Anthony Rossillo and Jim Latham are tied for seventh with an average of 2.75 points per game. Ryan Trott and Brent Sopko also made the list, with per-game averages of 2.00 and 1.88 points. Robbie Martinez was fifth on the goalkeeper’s list with a save percentage of 89.6 and a 3.25 goals against average.
In the midst of a four-overtime game against Richard Stockton along with ECAC Metro Tournament Championship Game, the MSU men’s soccer team learned that experience was something they have gained this year.

“Experience doesn’t always win games. All it does is help prepare for a game, what to expect and how to handle situations mentally and physically,” said coach Rob Chesney. “You couldn’t get much better for an ECAC championship title of ECAC Champions. The theory was to come this far and not win it.”

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Experience continued to build to build a strong defense for the ECAC Final.

It was a game that tested the team mentally and physically. And although the team was riding a high from two big wins and experienced enough on how to hold leads and take advantage and play big in away games. MSU’s step by step process had reach its end.

It would be here were all their season learning and bumps would come through. But it wouldn’t be enough as the foot of senior Marie Plaskett.

It was a dramatic game that waited till there was :58 seconds left in the game before a goal was scored off the foot of senior Marie Plaskett.

And, as the game began under the early darkening sky, the MSU women’s soccer team set foot on the field and didn’t disappoint.

The first Sunday of November came with the first championship for the women’s soccer team as they captured the ECAC Championship over New York University 1-0.

“IT’s a great accomplishment for our players. It was a test to their desire to reach the post season,” said Coach Eileen Bias.

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After the game Athletic Director Holly Gera (far right) hands an award to MSU players after the victory.
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MSU’s Top-Ranked Rushing Defense Faces Springfield’s Top-Ranked Rushing Offense

By Andy Seyka
Staff Writer

In every sport, at every level, the top ranked defense vs. the top ranked offense is the most exciting game. Springfield is the highest ranked team in the nation and MSU is currently third in the nation. Springfield’s offense has scored 42 points in each of the last three games while MSU has only allowed 17 points in the last two.

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At the beginning of the game, one player was heard yelling, “You gotta feel this guys.” Coach Rick Giancoia left the locker room after saying one line to his team, “Make plays all day. And they did.

In last November’s quarterfinals, Rowan drove down the field and scored on their first drive of the game.

Rowan quarterback Mike Walker by MSU outside linebacker Ron Broking at his team’s 18-yard line. It was Broking’s second of three picks he would have on the day. Rowan could not be held down much longer and scored on their first possession of the second quarter. Walker hit Al Beverly for a 68-yard bomb and he broke past MSU cornerback Adam Ceminaro to arrive unscathed in the end zone to put his team ahead 6-3. MSU butculture blocking Nick Frade’s extra point attempt and Taras Glenn ran it back all the way, but the possible two-point conversion was lost because of a MSU penalty. So Rowan headed to halftime with the three-point lead, 6-3. At the half, Giancoia told his team to stay focused. “He [Giancoia] said to keep our minds and start all over in the second half,” said linebacker Omar Lucas.

The Red Hawks offense had another shot to score less than four minutes later, but running back Laquaint Majette fumbled the ball at the Rowan 24 putting an end to another solid drive. It would take one of his teammates on the defensive side of the ball to make a big play for the go-ahead score. Ron Broking, who quietly has gotten the job done all season, made another great read and intercepted the MSU quarterback’s pass, returning it 24 yards for the touchdown. His third interception led on an MSU single-game record.

Majette said it best when he called Broking, “The Silent Storm.” “Ronnie’s been the unsung hero of our defense. [Kevin] Kelly, Balamon, Mesce and Omar get a lot of play, but Ronnie’s very steady,” said Giancoia. “He makes a lot of great plays, but because of the position he plays, he doesn’t get the notoriety. He’s in on hits that stop a guy from making a play down field.”

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Kevin Kelly who does it every week or a Carlos Bolanos, but today (against Rowan) it was A.Z.'s (Adrian Zayas) day and Ronnie's (Lutes) day," said Giancola.

If it wasn’t for Ed Collins having a big game finding his favorite targets - Eric Magrini and Jamel Dorsey - it was Laquan Majette and Joe Dillaro combining for a solid ground attack. Setting the tone on kick returns was Ray Meyer and Greg Hope who almost always gave the Red Hawks’ offense a good place to start.

And what can be said about a defense that has allowed an average of only 12.7 points per game? They boast the 4th best rushing defense in Division II football because of the defensive line of Kelly, Robert Cannonarizo, Bill Heaney and Bolanos. The MSU defense also has a hungry group of linebackers led by John Lurie and Omar Lucas, who managed to cream someone at least once a game. Backing them up is a secondary, capable of making a tackle if the need arises.

So while this team lost player after player from day one, they never gave up the fight and throughout it all, believed in each other. "Every game we take the same approach: Stay focused and don't let the game get away from us," said Lucas earlier in the season.

Lucas, his teammates and coaches kept their sights set on the big picture, winning the NJAC. "There's an old saying, "Where there's a will, there's a way." No one is sure who coined the phrase, but one thing is for certain: The 2000 NJAC Champion Red Hawks willed their way to victory this year with help from a combination of pride, passion and tradition. They simply would not and could not be denied.

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Junior Linebacker
Hometown: New Milford
Broking was named Co-Defensive Player of the Week after intercepting Rowan QB Mike Warker three times and returning one of the picks 26 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter to give MSU a 10-6 lead.

Maggie Findlay
Senior Midfielder
Hometown: Berkley Hts., NJ
Findlay ended her MSU soccer career getting ECAC MVP honors scoring 3 goals and assisting her teammates twice. She scored the lone goal in the win over WPU.

Marie Plaskett
Senior Defender
Hometown: Stillwater, MN
Plaskett also ended her MSU soccer career by scoring the game winner in the ECAC Championship Game against NYU with :58 seconds to play for a 1-0 win.

Ed Collins
Junior Quarterback
Hometown: Union, NJ
Collins was named NJAC Offensive Player of the Week for leading the Red Hawks in an 11-play 67-yard drive which he capped with a 1-yard run for the game-winning touchdown.

Alex Luna
Junior Goalkeeper
Hometown: Newark, NJ
Luna broke the all-time shutout record of 18.5 over the week as he recorded two shutouts in the first two rounds of the ECAC Metro Championship. His record is now at 20.5 shutouts.
Men's Soccer and Field Hockey Fall in ECAC Championships

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Queens of the ECAC: Women's soccer team takes a group picture with the ECAC Championship Trophy after they defeat NYU with a 1-0 victory last Sunday. SEE STORY ON PAGE 26-27

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Hats Off: Players celebrate as MSU's football team avenges its loss to Rowan in the quarterfinals last year by defeating them Saturday to capture the NJAC Title and eliminate the 10th-Ranked Profs to end their season. SEE STORIES ON PAGE 28-30

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