April 20: A Day for Arrests, Not Celebrations

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Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-I-P-S (8477). All calls are strictly confidential.

SGA Notes

- Spring Bash takes place tonight.
- Phi Sigma Pi was chartered this week.

1. A student reported the theft of his backpack and its contents left unsecured outside of the Student Center.
2. A student reported the theft of her wallet and its contents while in University Hall.
3. A student reported being harassed by a known suspect while in Freeman Hall. The victim refused to file criminal charges.
4. An MSU employee reported the theft of mulch by a known suspect in Lot 28. The mulch was returned and criminal charges are not being pursued.
5. A student reported the theft of her parking hangtag from her unsecured vehicle parked in Lot T1.
6. A student reported the theft of his mobile phone left unsecured in the Recreation Center.
7. Seven laptop computers, one mobile phone and one iPod were reported stolen from unsecured residences in Freeman Hall.
8. A student reported criminal mischief damage to his vehicle parked in Lot 19.

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Correction:

In last week’s article “Fires Sweep Campus,” the student who was removed from Freeman Hall still attends MSU as a commuter and has not been charged with arson.
Aside from just the archives being opened, Martinez has other aspirations for them as well. He wants to make the archives more accessible to the students. He also wants to conserve the status of physical items, such as a scrapbook that was wrapped safely. He wants to preserve materials digitally as well, such as the digital versions of The Montclarion.

For example, Martinez preserved an ice cream glass from the Bond House on campus. The Bond House was an ice cream parlor in the 1950s before it became the Center for Child Advocacy.

The Sprague Library Archives are still a work in progress, because a lot of detailed work will go into the organization of them. Martinez wants the archives to be cataloged in “proper ways.” If things are cataloged correctly, it will make research much easier.

Martinez anticipates that archaeology classes will compile research on the university’s history through the archives. They can only be viewed through appointment with Paul Martinez, due to the fact that many of the items are delicate. You can e-mail Paul Martinez at martinezp@mail.montclair.edu.

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Not just history researchers will be using these archives though — Wendy Neill, a current student and employee of the Multimedia department, plans on using them as soon as possible.

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Neill considers herself the “genealogist” of the family, because she is very interested in her family’s background.

She intends to gain more information through articles and photographs of those years. Scanning the pictures to print and sending them out to fellow family members is another task she also hopes to accomplish through the archives.

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New degree programs important

- “As a student, I am aware that faculty are being recruited for the 2010
- “If we don’t have enough money to go here, there will be no MSU students,” she said. Both agreed that the

- “The legislature indicated a hearing will be held for the public to talk to the legislature in Trenton, and we will make sure students are informed about the event. Buses will be facilita-

- “Juliette Shubza, a senior, commented, “I pray that America’s stu-

- Hip-Hop artist J. Cole will be on event’s pamphlets.
- “The company will produce official looking letterheads and mail out ‘in-

- “Congratulations! Because of your support, academic performance at Montclair State University, you’ve been invited to join the prestigious society of [Insert some greek name here].”

- “To that extent, before you send your money to any of these societies, espe-

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To reduce the opportunity of theft of personal and Montclair State property and to increase your personal safety, we suggest the following general tips:

In Residence Halls:
- Look your exterior room door and interior bathroom door before going to bed or leaving the room.
- Keep items of value out of plain view and in a secure area.
- Immediately report any suspicious person(s) or activity.

In vehicles:
- Lock all vehicle doors and windows.
- Utilize any vehicle theft prevention devices your vehicle may have.
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In University facilities:
- Secure all university property that is under your direct control and encourage others to do the same.
- Lock all offices, laboratories, cabinets and classrooms with special equipment when not in use.
- Report unauthorized vendors attempting to sell or purchase items directly and immediately to the University Department.
- Inventory purchased items at time of receipt to track assets for your area to include serial numbers and equipment assignments.

Dr. Barrett advises students to “report suspicious activity as it is occurring. If it does not seem right to you, chances are it may not be right, and we can help prevent crimes together.”

The campus-wide e-mail sent out by Paul Cell indicated:

“The University Police Department would like to take this opportunity to remind all community members to be consistently vigilant throughout the academic year when it comes to personal safety and theft prevention.”

All community members should report any suspicious activity immediately to the University Police Department by dialing ext. 5220 on campus phones or (973) 655-5222 from your personal phone.

In addition, a confidential University TIPS line may be accessed by dialing ext. 8477 (TIPS) on campus. The TIPS line is strictly confidential, and all information will be investigated.

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 Sophomore

There were also students that anonymously stated that the day of 4/20 was a “good one” for them. There are many theories behind why people celebrate 4/20. Many people believe that there are 420 chemicals in marijuana, when in actuality there are 315 chemicals.

“I don’t really see an issue with it.”

Sophomore Mike Tarnofsky believes 4/20 is “sort of like the Valentine’s Day of pot, you love your woman every other day just the same, but on this day you buy her things and perhaps overlook in her.”

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The grind of wheels on the metal tracks caused a spark, which escalated into a brush fire.

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