Nearly everyone at MSU knows that on-campus parking problems is one of students’ main concerns.

Parking on potholes is another.

MSU attempts, using several methods, to repair the ongoing problem of potholes. Recently spending, on average, an estimated $25,000 a year on this issue, according to Senior Vice President Harry Shuckle.

According to U.S. Roads, a road management and engineering journal, “Small cars, motorcycles, mopeds and bicycles... are easily damaged by potholing and bicycles... are easily damaged by potholing, and fatalities may result from pothole related incidents.”

All of the potholes on campus are currently being repatched by the Dept. of Physical Plant, using the short-term method of “cold-patch,” in which they pour bagged cold-patch into the existing pothole and tamp until firm, fixing the problem for approximately one to two months, according to Shuckle.

“Cold-patch is done throughout the winter months as problem areas are detected or reported.”

Bill Estine of D&C Contractors, an outside pothole patching company, claimed that cold-patch is more effective than hot-patch, which is only less expensive but also less effective, said Shuckle.

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**Placing the blame...**

**FOUR MAJOR CAUSES OF POTHOLES**

- Roads that have insufficient thickness to support traffic during winter/spring thaw cycles without localized failures
- Poor drainage, which will usually cause failure in combination with thin pavements, but can also affect thick pavements and new overlays
- Failures at utility trenches and castings
- Miscellaneous paving defects and cracks left unmaintained or unsealed from water intrusion

**Patching Procedures**

Proper pothole patching requires four steps:

- Removing the surface and base to the level of firm support
- Applying a coat of tacking material
- Placing a full-depth patch of asphalt mixture
- Compacting and finishing the patch so it is level with surrounding pavement

Not following these procedures can result in unnecessary, expensive pothole repair.

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**By Lillian M. Aleman & Inbal Kahanov**

**News & Production Editors**

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All bills proposed including the SGA advertisement flyers, the Theta Xi Class IV Charter, the Inter varsity Christian Fellowship Class II Charter, and the Polish Student Organization Class III Charter were introduced but put undetermined business.

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President Bush urged Americans Tuesday night to be patient with the war on terrorism, to be steadfast in the protection of the United States and to know that creating new jobs is the best cure for U.S. economy wounded by September 11. The President also warned in his first State of the Union address that “our war against terror is only beginning”.

Among the new course offerings at Montclair State University’s Academicly Gifted/Talented Youth programs this spring is a “Harry Potter” class. Participants will create their own fantasy adventures and play, conduct interviews with the characters, produce exciting portfolios, role play events, extend critical reading skills, design magical toys and create their own magical school.

Saludos Masanos/Saludos.com a career and education site and magazine for bilingual Hispanics. It has awarded its “2001 Educators of Distinction” award to Montclair State University and named it one of the “100 Best U.S. Universities for Hispanics.”

This marks the second time in two months that MSU has been listed as an educational leader by a prominent Hispanic national higher education magazine.

MSU Press Releases Jan, 2002
Administration Reacts to N.J. Budget Cuts

By Lillian M. Aleman  
News Editor

MSU officials were well aware that $3.2 million reduction in state funding long before the announcement was officially made last Tuesday by Governor James E. McGreevey. According to Senior Vice President Harry Shuckel, a memo was sent to all vice presidents and deans at MSU on Nov. 30, 2001, stating that a deficit in the budget was a possibility.

“Our decision to send out the memo was based on conversations with state administration officials who were beginning to develop projections for the state budget shortfall,” said Shuckel.

The memo established how much of the funding needed to be returned to Central Administration, it also mentioned that “in order to avoid any interruption or disruption to University services and programs, [vice president’s] should be sure to act in the most fiscally responsible manner possible,” according to Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life, Karen Pennington.

“I didn’t have a reaction to the letter because I was prepared to receive it. The President and Vice President had discussed this possibility thoroughly, and had put such a plan in place.”

Most recipients of the memo reacted similarly to Pennington, such as Vice President for Facilities and Business, Patricia Hewitt.

“I was not surprised… I expected to have to cut back, which is why I told my staff months ago to give back money this semester,” said Hewitt.

Hewitt expects additional cuts for the next year, but adds that the Division of Facilities and Business does not plan to lay off faculty. They plan to look elsewhere for possibilities in cuts for their budget.

“I have pushed MSU’s involvement in a Northern N.J. Purchasing Cooperative effort with Kean, Ramapo, William Paterson and NJCU. Together, we are exploring ways to save money by joint purchasing,” said Hewitt.

“We feel that there are significant savings out there if we monitor how we spend our money.”

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“Some recipients of the memo, such as Dean for the School of Arts, Owen Oppenheim, were dismayed. ‘It was quite concerned. While we have been assured that essential services will not be curtailed and educational programs will remain intact, the School of Business may need to be quite innovative in identifying sources of funding,’” said Oppenheim.

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"It doesn't matter how early I get to school," said commuter student Brandon Marucci, "if I wait for the bus, I am going to be late.

Kiki Williams, Director of the Physical Plant, said a Shuttle Bus Coordinator has been hired to address student concerns. In addition, shuttle schedules will now be posted in all shuttle stops, as well as in the buses. A new bus stop is also planned for Lot 22.

"We are also establishing focus groups with students in residence halls to identify with what they want to see changed, and also what they don’t want changed," Williams said. "That way we aren't thinking one way, where they are thinking another way."

Another "quick-win" addresses the problem of work orders.

"We have moved from a paper based system to a computerized system," Williams said. The new automated system will allow faculty and students to input work-orders online and follow the work-order to see the date the work is scheduled to be done and to find out if and why there are delays. Williams said over 2,500 orders have been processed online since it was implemented in September. Many students are pleased that work-orders are being processed online.

"It's much more convenient," said sophomore Janina DiBarolo, who lives in Banton Hall. "I don’t have to go down to the front desk, and can fill out the papers right from my computer."

Another area being concentrated on are the restrooms. A log sheet detailing when the bathroom was cleaned and by whom will appear in each bathroom, and an inspection check list is being created to keep track of how clean specific elements within each bathroom are at any given time.

Williams said that the Physical Plant also has a number of long-term goals, including hiring additional staff for different hours and utility upgrades.

"Some initiatives will require additional resources so it will take longer to accomplish," she said.

The Physical Plant is also in the process of developing a website that will inform the campus community about Physical Plant services and initiatives. In addition, the site will allow students to link directly to the automated work-order system.
**Budget**

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Although concerned, Oppenheimer believes the School of Arts will not see any noticeable effect in the short term.

"I don’t think that the effect will be too noticeable. Our school is in the unique position of having relatively close ties to the business community."

Most of the vice presidents and deans mentioned that the biggest effect would be on discretionary spending, which would not include necessary supplies that could affect students.

"There are always things we buy during the year and now we are cutting such purchases. I am confident the cuts will not affect the quality of our work with students," said Dean to the College of Education and Human Services, Ada Beth Cutler. Cutler also mentioned that although most of the money received by state funding is directed toward faculty salaries, the College of Education and Human Services is continuing to hire faculty and staff.

"We need to continue the high quality of instruction for our students and outreach to the community that this College and the University are known for throughout the region," said Cutler. Other areas on campus, such as Student Development and Campus Life, will be unable to continue hiring staff for a short time.

"Our reduction will be made by conserving wherever possible, that means that position vacancies may not be filled immediately," said Pennington. "This will eliminate a need for us to cut any services, programs or supplies."

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KISS: keep it safer sweetheart!

February 14, 2002:
Safer Sex/Healthy Relationships Day
19-4 SC Lobby with condoms and info
(co-sponsored by MSU’s VOX Group)

She Said, He Said: A Discussion on Relationships
12:30 SC 417
(co-sponsored by Student Leadership)

Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2002:
Vagina Facts Workshop
12:30 -1:45 pm Student Center 419

V Day Art Exhibit:
Experiencing Women - The Art of Being
2:00 pm -4:00 pm Student Center 419

10:00 am 7:30 pm 8:00 pm

An MSU benefit performance of
THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES
McClellan Recital Hall
Tickets: $10 students/ $15 staff/faculty in advance, $15 at the door. For more info, call the Women’s Center at 605-5114. All pro­ceeds will be donated to charities that work to end violence against women.

Friday, Feb. 15, 2002:
Echoes of Women Performance
Poetry, monologues, and stories about women’s lives.
12:30 pm -1:45 pm L H Fox Studio Theatre

Thursday, Feb. 21, 2002:
V-Day Victory Party
Come out and celebrate victory over violence with dancing, food, and friends. Meet the cast and crew 8:00 pm -10:00 pm Student Center Rathskeller
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Lefties Are No Longer The Quiet Handicap

Why the ‘Other’ Hand May Not Necessarily Be the ‘Right’ Hand

By Simona Kogan
Feature Editor

T hey are different from us, yet
inconveniently so. They are the
ones that need the different
desk in the lecture halls, the ones
that hold their pens in a different
direction, have a hard time using
right-handed scissors, and the ones
that could be considered the more
creative beings. The simple fact is
that they are different in an interesting
and peculiar way.

But, at one time, those people
who used their left hands to write
were neither interesting, nor creative,
who used their left hands to write
from Satan.

They don’t get involved as much as residents do, with extracurricular
activities because either they
don’t know about them and what
they stand for or they have work
immediately after their
classes are through. That excuse is legitimate
and understandable.

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HERE IS TO GET OFF-
CAMPUS STUDENTS ON
CAMPUS AND NOT JUST
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ACTIVE. 99

By Rachel Warshawski
Staff Writer

M SU is primarily made up of
commuter students. What exactly do commuters do (besides cause traffic)? They come. They go to class. They leave.

The spring activities fair was held on Wednesday, Jan. 23 in the Student Center. Its goal was to get more of those commuter students active on campus.

The organizations came together in one room to speak out and promote campus involvement.

Full of excitement and spunk
as always Rob Vincent,
gave away free keys,
chains and magnets
promoting the new university organization called CARS.

CARS is about
campus involvement for
off campus students.

He said, “Our main goal here is to get off-campus students on
campus and not just interested, but really active.”

The Organizations
that set up tables filled with
candy, pictures, keys, chains, and
magnets included the recreation
activities club, Chi Alpha Fellowship, the
national Honor Fraternity, the Phi Sigma, WMSC
radio station, Japanese Club, the community
service organization, H.E.A.R.T. NJ Community
Water Watch, A.S.S.I.S.T., a new A Cappella
singing organization, C.L.U.B., La Campana, Conservation
Club, S.G.I., a new organization at
MSU about spirituality, and the Health
and Wellness Center, which was at
the fair giving away fun items like
vitamins and condoms.

MSU student Domingo Estrada listens attentively as Graduate Assistant Rob
Vincent informs him about CARS, the new organization specifically targeted towards
commuters, the majority of students on campus. Other organizations also gave out
brochures to interested students during the annual Student Activities Fair.

Instead of just coming to school, going to class, and going home
you can become involved, meet
new people, and find something out
about yourself you never knew.

Famous Lefties

Billy the Kid
George Bush
Ronald Reagan
Julius Caesar

Paul Mcartney
(above)
Oprah Winfrey
Charlie Chaplin
Jim Hendrix
Cary Grant
Jay Leno

Napoleon Bonaparte
Robert Deniro

Tom Cruise (above)
Jerry Seinfeld
Paul Simon
Jack the Ripper
Judy Garland
Marylin Monroe
(below)

Fidel Castro

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Drink Some Essential Fluids, Save Your Life
This Common Necessity is Just a Glass of Water Away

By Joseph Pandolfo
Special to The Montclarion

Over 70 percent of the earth’s surface is water, most of it undrinkable salt water, which literally makes water one of the most common substances on earth. Yet, many of us know little about something so common. Here are some water facts:

1) In the human body, water comprises 92 percent of the blood, 75 percent of the brain, 75 percent of the muscles and 22 percent of the bones.

2) Water acts as a transport system, carrying nutrients to the tissues and carrying away metabolic toxic substances to the kidneys, where they can be removed from the body.

3) It is a lubricant, functioning as the main component of tears, saliva and mucus.

4) It controls excess body-heat through means of evaporation. This is very important so that athletes can maintain temperature control.

5) Our body weight is composed of 65 percent water.

As you can see, adequate water consumption is important for everybody, not just exercise enthusiasts.

Hydration is a crucial part of life itself, and water loss at a mere one or two percent of your body weight can impair functioning both mentally and physically.

The result is sluggishness, dulled senses, a general sense of fatigue, and an all-around lack of peak performance.

By now you’re probably wondering how much is enough. Ideally you’ll do your body a favor by drinking anywhere from eight to 12 glasses of water per day depending on your lifestyle (active or sedentary).

This can be achieved by carrying a bottle of water with you everywhere you go: to the gym, school, work, in the car and even to a friend’s house.

Hydration needs to be an ongoing process and if you relied solely on your thirst, you’d only be taking in 50%-75% of what you need.

Now, for people engaging in a low-carbohydrate diet, extra water consumption is very important. The less carbohydrates you take in, the less water you have in your system. Carbohydrates are broken down by the body and stored with water (each gram of glycogen stored in the muscle also stores three grams of water with it).

Therefore, those seven to 10 pounds you lost during your first week on the Atkins’ diet is mostly, if not all water and this is something we do not want to remove from our system, especially if you’re looking to build muscle.

For people who exercise, a good habit to get into is to drink 16 ounces of water two hours prior to your workout, and another eight ounces 30 minutes before.

During your workout, drink three to seven ounces every 10-20 minutes. Also keep in mind that cold drinks are absorbed more quickly than lukewarm drinks.

Researchers at the University of Utah conducted a test relating hydration and fat loss. They noted a significant drop in the resting metabolic rate of the dehydrated volunteers.

Subjects began using a higher percentage of energy from carbohydrates as opposed to fat.

Their conclusion was that dehydration may reduce the effectiveness of a diet by lowering the metabolic rate and altering the fuels their bodies use for energy.

So, do your body a favor and keep its thirst quenched. You may be all dried up before you know it.
The Unhappy Side of Disney World??

A Different Look at the Location Known as ‘the Happiest Place on Earth’

By Jennifer Gaynor
Staff Writer

Walt Disney is billed as the happiest place on earth. It certainly seemed that way on the numerous family vacations I’ve taken there. Nothing ever seemed to go wrong there; the cast members were always pleasant, helpful, and forever had a smile on their face.

So, seeing the table set up in the Student Center looking for applicants, I picked up a card and figured, “what the hell?” At worst they can tell me no. At best, I go to Disney for a few months, to live and work there. I’d have a well-known employer to put on my resume.

I sat through the slide presentation, nervously answered questions in the interview and in what seemed like the blink of an eye I was standing at a Spirit Airlines gate at Newark Airport, saying goodbye to my mother and brother.

At first it seemed like everything they told us it would be. They had told us it would be hard work and that we would frequently come across some unhappy guests. They didn’t tell us that the same people we were trying to please would degrade us almost to the point of tears. They didn’t tell us that our jobs would have hidden hazards that would injure us or make us sick. They didn’t tell us that our transportation was completely unreliable, even though emphasis was made on us showing up at the bus stop on time because times were exact. They didn’t tell us that our housing inspections would take place as early as eight a.m. that the inspectors themselves were perhaps the most unpleasant human beings to walk the earth.

Everyone I talked to before I left told me I’d love it, that my experience there would be one of the best of my life. I’d love to find them today and ask what kind of brainwashing they underwent before they came home.

My job itself wasn’t difficult — serving hot dogs, french fries, and beverages in a baseball uniform on Main St. in the Magic Kingdom. Gaynor and other Disney World crew members pose for a group shot before they go back to working hard in the Magic Kingdom. Working in Disney World was not the pleasant an experience she had hoped for, Gaynor says.
Disney
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My management team was, for the most part, easy to work for. The cast members in my location got along very well with few exceptions. My roommates and I also got along very well. In a way, we all bonded almost to the point of being a rag-tag, dysfunctional family, which helped me through seven months of being far from home.

Maybe that’s what the people who came back to work were talking about.

I often found myself wondering, how is what he was working at as an English/creative writing major or sports writing. I was working as an intern, trying and schedule something on my day off. I gave up after a while. Working at the bottom of the corporate ladder is a place I never wanted to be and yet, that’s exactly where I found myself, working under the guise of an internship. I worked long hours and put in a lot of effort to keep up the “Disney look” and rarely found myself on the receiving end of praise.

I knew sign language, learned enough Spanish to take an order from a Spanish-speaking guest, made sure our young guests had Mickey Mouse stickers, and still, my efforts went unnoticed, as did the efforts of several of my cast members.

After much time not seeing anything in return, I began to wear down and grow weary of your job. I began counting the days until I came home shortly after Sept. 11th.

Up until that point, I still believed that I was right in taking that internship, that I postponed my graduation another semester for good reason. Today, I won’t say I made a mistake, but I certainly didn’t make the choice from which I’d benefit the most.

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He grabs the podium, the inflection of his voice rises, and you can almost see the thoughts churning as his eyes dart from side to side. Occasionally, he’ll grab the handles of the seat and almost kneel on top of it, or he’ll pace from side to side to the room. He’s almost as if he’s sitting, he’d grab the handle of the seat and almost see the thoughts churning as his eyes dart from side to side to the room.

With such an enthusiasm for his subject, you might think Professor Benjamin Lapp was always fascinated by European history, but this is certainly not the case.

In fact, professor Lapp never enjoyed his history classes in high school, and went into his undergraduate studies as a comparative literature major, only deciding to change to history in his sophomore year.

The moral and political issues raised by 20th century German history -- particularly the Weimar Republic and the Nazi Dictatorship -- fascinate me,” he says.

He attributes his fascination with European history to a year in 1988, before the Berlin Wall came down. While he lived in the German Democratic Republic, as well as several other areas.

He first moved to Germany while he was an undergraduate at Berkeley in order to learn German, Later, he returned to live there for several years, for the purpose of his doctoral research and subsequently when receiving a postdoctoral grant at the Free University at Berlin.

Professor Lapp remembers his stays in Germany fondly and continues to visit there from time to time for research visits.

He recalls, “The biggest difference [between living in Germany and living in America] was when I lived in the German Democratic Republic for a year in 1968, before the Berlin Wall came down. While West Germany was very similar to the United States in terms of its political culture, Communist East Germany was an entirely different world. I was lucky, as a historian, to be able to experience this world before it vanished in 1989.”

Lapp sees working at MSU as a continued learning experience, which allows him the opportunity to continue to pursue his scholarship along with teaching. This supportive environment allows him to pursue his other interests as well, such as exploring NYC, his place of residence, reading fiction and writing.

In the future, Lapp hopes to be able to write a second book.
The Bathroom Between the Bedrooms:

When Dorming Gets Tough, Nothing Says 'Suitemateship' Like a Nice Clean Ladies' Room, Except May be an Extra Roll of Toilet Paper

By Michele Phipany
Chief Copy Editor

Ever wonder what really ticks your suitemate off? Just take the garbage can out of the bathroom that connects your rooms, never replace the toilet paper rolls after they've been reduced to the cardboard cylinder, or steal a can of the Campbell's chunky chicken noodle soup sitting on their side of the food shelf. What follows could be a story worth telling, or at least a memorable tale time enough to may one day serve to forgive your state appetite for suitemateship.

When Dorming gets tough, there are four things you will need: a transition. My roomie and I were not the only ones who've read my article last year in The Montclarion. That and the water outage last year in those of you who've read my article on campus.

She'd lock all the doors and without unlocking, and the rest of us were free to experience it, you understand. It meant that no one, roommate included, how quickly things seemed to take an effect on the foursome.

Perhaps she forgot about those times I came in to find her printing term papers on my laptop, or about the times she used my roommate's cell phone.

I suppose that nothing is equivalent to a good bathroom scrubbing and sliced bread, but at least acknowledge our contributions, though may seem trivial. Because, after all, we did buy toilet paper.

I guess the moral of this story, if there must be a moral, is to communicate your expectations to the people you're living with. Nothing is going to work out the way you expect it to if you do everything for everybody and pout about it to yourself. Express yourself openly and honestly to your suitemates. The bathroom scrubbing amongst the four of us becomes an open door policy established about sharing food. Empty the garbage frequently. And most importantly of all save your pennies to buy extra toilet paper.

You never knew when you might need a roll to prove yourself worthy of the foursome.

Santeria: Traditions of Yoruba People

This West African Religion is Practiced by Many Latinos

By Edgardo Santos
Staff Writer

Santería is a religion that originated in West Africa in what is now Nigeria and Benin. It is the traditional religion of the Yoruba people.

Between the 16th and 19th centuries, the Spanish colonizers imported hundreds of thousands of slaves from Africa to work on the sugar and coffee plantations in the Caribbean. The slaves were brought to the shores of Cuba, Brazil, Haiti, Trinidad and Puerto Rico among others. The Roman Catholic Church upon arrival typically baptized them, and their native religious practices were suppressed.

However, they were able to preserve some of their traditions by fusing together various beliefs and rituals and by synchronizing the Orishas, with Roman Catholic saints. This unique syncretism resulting from the arrival of the Orishas, who have attributes and stories similar to the stories and attributes used to describe the ancient Greek and Roman pantheons. The Orishas are divine ancestors, immediate in form, who control some aspect of natural human activity. The Orishas are multidimensional beings who represent the forces of nature, and function as sacred patrons of "guardian angels". They have attributes and stories that take a active part in everyday life. They are known by synonyms, living entities that take an active part in everyday life. They are known by synonyms, living entities that take an active part in everyday life.

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In the New World the Orishas and much of the religion was hidden behind a facade of Catholicism with the Orishas represented by various saints. To the followers of Santeria, the Orishas are the sacred world of Santería is motivated by faith. Ashé is growth, the force toward completeness and divinity. This is a belief that the real world is one of pure movement. In the sacred world of Santeria, he states that the beliefs of the Orishas are connected by ashe. The Torba and their spiritual descendants view the world as a web of interconnection, where the Orishas are connected by ashe.

Santería is currently concentrated in Cuba and other Caribbean islands and is rapidly growing elsewhere. It is practiced by many Latinos throughout the United States. There are believed to be 300,000 practitioners in New York alone. In Brazil, it is believed that there are over a million followers of Santeria.
Incubus Views the Morning

By Anna Larwence
Staff Writer

Incubus
Morning View
SONY EPIC RECORDS

The boys of Incubus are at it again. In fact, anyone who bought and loved their last effort, Make Yourself, will most likely go out, buy, and love their current album, Morning View. This is not necessarily a good thing. All musicians’ progress in some ways be them for better or for worse. And, many times, a musician may end up with a totally different sound than they started out with. It’s the way things happen, especially in the music industry. If you can’t prove with your next album that you’re still with it, that you’re bigger and better, than you just won’t sell. It’s a fact.

On the other hand, sometimes it works for a band to stick with the same sound. They experiment with a few different styles and once they’ve found one that works, they stick with it. This must be the case with Incubus. Their first three albums fit in more with a playlist from the local college station 89.5, famous in New Jersey for their hard rock and industrial shows, and didn’t get any airplay at all on the bigger station 92.5, which plays predominantly alternative rock, with some hard rock thrown in for taste. However, this all changed with their 1999 album, Make Yourself. With songs like “Pardon Me,” which had two versions — electric and acoustic — and “Drive,” Incubus opened themselves up to a new audience. The sound was a little softer, but still had a lot of edge to it. The mix of driving riffs, lots of record scratching, and lead singer Brandon Boyd’s haunting voice and lyrics worked almost miracles. The band that had been around for four years and already put out three albums was now practically a household name.

The current record, which already has two hit singles, “Nice to Know You,” and “Wish You Were Here” (which is not, in fact, a cover number of sub-plots. The Countess, played by Maggie Smith, is a perfect example of a woman of old nobility struggling with a new order. Her maid, however, does not struggle with her social position and acts as a stalwart figure to her peers. The theme of nobility struggling with changing current events and their servants whom maintain their loyalty is understated throughout all the actions of the film.

Other cast members include Kristen Scott Thomas and Ryan Phillippe. Their relationship provides an added twist of sexual excitement. Scott Thomas is obviously bored in what appears to be an arranged marriage; she solicits Phillippe, a servant incognito, for sexual favors. Aside from their affair Phillippe also appears to have a lusty appetite for other members of the house both servants and guests alike. The sexual conquests of Phillippe illustrate the level of corruption that can occur in a noble household.

Twists in plot also occur in the servants’ chambers. The servants seem quite caught up in the affairs of their masters but their life experiences prove just as interesting as those that they cater to. When the servants are confronted with a murder in the house, secrets are revealed and heat begins to smolder. These are the most chilling and exciting moments in the storyline. Gosford Park, though not the quick paced murder mystery that it seems quite caught up in the affairs of its masters but their life experiences prove just as interesting as those that they cater to. When the servants are confronted with a murder in the house, secrets are revealed and heat begins to smolder. These are the most chilling and exciting moments in the storyline. Gosford Park, though not the quick paced murder mystery that it is, is nonetheless, entertaining. The cast is wonderful and the subplots are captivating. It proves itself worthy of a visit to the cinema or at the very least a Blockbuster night.

Music for Africa

The Children Of Uganda troupe presented “Tour of Light,” a program of African music and dance at the Memorial Auditorium on Sunday, Jan. 27. The award-winning dance troupe of 20 Ugandan children orphaned by HIV/AIDS is on a 17-city U.S. tour projected to raise $1 million to support orphans while increasing global awareness of AIDS and its devastating impact on children.
By Kathleen McFadden 
Staff Writer

Have you ever seen a cover band—actually pull off the theme song to Mike Tyson’s Punch Out while an elated crowd unanimously cheers them on? Well, I’m proud to say I have. I saw all this and then some when I attended the Dolly Rocker show at Ferrall’s Tavern in Jersey City. This quintet of Northern Jersey boys put on one hell of a show, setting an atmosphere that was cracking with energy and rippling through each song with zest and vig.

Dolly Rocker consists of John Flora, 22 (lead singer), Kevin Odenwalder, 20 (bass guitarist), Chris Szczesniak, 20 (bass guitarist), Chris Kaczka, 20 (drummer), and Joey “Pizza” Flora, 23 (lead guitarist), and Kevin Odenwalder, 20 (drummer).

Their rock-solid performance launched the audience into a trip through the decades within three sets, which included classics such as ‘Break on Through’, ‘Twist & Shout’, ‘All Along the Watchtower’; as well as the more modern flavor of ‘Dammint’, ‘Killing In The Name Of’, and ‘Chop Suey’.

I got a chance to sit down with the Dolly Rockers soon after to discuss their thoughts on music, cover bands, and Bennington’s.

KM—Let’s start with your name. Where did Dolly Rocker come from?
Chris S. — That question can be answered by our guitarist player Kevin.
Kevin—Syd Barrett was a member of Pink Floyd, and they kicked him out for excessive drug use. So he made a couple solo albums, and one of the songs on his album was called “Dolly Rocker.” When we were thinking of band names, I just kept on naming unreleased Syd Barrett songs until they finally agreed on one. I still say “Interstellar Overdrive” would’ve been a better name.

KM—How did you start playing together?
Chris S. — I’ve known Kevin for awhile. And I remember seeing John and Joey when they were a duo playing at Ferrall’s.

KM—How long have you been honing your craft?
John—I always liked music, but I never had any courses offered in high school. So in high school I did after school projects, music clubs. I’ve always loved classical. I’ve always loved jazz and now it’s turned into an alternative outlet where I get to scream and do my side (original) projects with a guitar stuff. Right now I’m studying music and hoping I get better at it.

Kevin—I used to draw all the time and then I just started playing guitar all the time.
Chris S. — I started playing when I was 14 mainly because everyone else played on instrument and I couldn’t. So I picked guitar because of this guy Anthony from high school, who was a [guy] when it came to that kind of stuff. So I thought okay, well I’m gonna be better than you. So I whipped him (but) basically.

KM—Good deal.
Chris K. — I was 15 when I started playing. I picked up the bass because I like the way it sounded.
Joey—Well, I’m a basement drummer. I started playing in 1997. I called up a friend one night and said, I want to be in a band. The first song I played was “Social Distortion” and that was that. I’ve been playing ever since. A lot of it is just winging it, getting hands on experience, being in front of people and doing the right thing. It’s cool, I love it. I love the cover band and I love all the members. I went from playing nothing to playing 80-100 songs.

KM—How do you choose your songs?
Kevin—What we do is pick best quality songs people want to hear from the radio.

Some are obscure but they’re good.

Chris S. — My thing is I’ll intentionally pick the most obscure MP3 off my computer that no one would ever think of a band doing, and then bring it back. Anything that sounds good.
Kevin—We play songs that people want to hear. If they hear the same Goddamn song on the radio and they drag they change the station to 95.5 and hear “Hungry Like the Wolf,” the song that they actually want to hear. That’s the song we play.
John—We fight a lot about what we’re actually going to do, but that’s the only thing we care about it. We keep a balanced sound. It keeps the band balanced.

Joey—This band is a democracy. It’s the perfect mix.

KM—What plans do you guys have for the future?
John—Big work, big rooms. Big following. Packing the house and getting paid well.

Chris S. — Right now? We’re going to Bennington!”

Dolly Rocker’s next venue will be on Friday, February 1 at the Full House in Bayonne. For more information call (201) 436-9156.

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By James Topoleski

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This Week in Entertainment

T.V.
- Fox won the battle by putting its controversial game show “The Chamber” on the air before ABC’s similarly themed “The Chair,” but it may have lost the war, according to Variety. The network decided Monday to pull “The Chamber” from its prime-time schedule in favor of sitcom repeats and movies. Three remaining episodes will likely air this spring.

Movie
- The Screen Actors Guild (SAG) has made it official, giving the green light to rerun elections for president, secretary and treasurer. Variety reports, The union’s national board, after hearing extensive comment from SAG actors, let stand the January 7 decision by the elections committee to toss out November’s results due to rule violations by SAG staff and polling administrator Sequential Voting Systems. Ballots for the 10 candidates will be out by March 31 with a due date of March 8, when results are scheduled to be announced. Most of the attention will focus on the race between incumbent Melissa Gilbert and Valerie Harper for president.

Music
- The Glastonbury Festival is set to return after organizers convinced local authorities about new safety measures. The three-day festival was cancelled last year because gatecrashers caused severe fears over numbers. Organizer Michael Eavis was fined £6,000 ($9,000) in 2000 after 200,000 people attended the festival—double the official number of 100,000. The most recent reports said the festival would go ahead with a small scale event.

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Dolly Rocker is Rocking The House

Happy Birthday!

HOW OLD ARE YOU NOW? HOW OLD ARE YOU NOW? HOW OLD ARE YOU NOW? HOW OLD ARE YOU NOW?

Happy Birthday! Sunday, February 3

Thursday, January 31

George Burns 1893
Carol Channing 1923
Gerald Harper 1943
Noland Ryan 1947
Portia De Rossi 1973

Friday, February 1

Brandon Lee 1965
Lisa Marie Presley 1968
Pauly Shore 1968
Rick James 1952
Bois'el Telnin 1931

Saturday, February 2

Sean Elliot 1968
Farrah Fawcett 1947
James Dean 1931

How old are you now?

September 12

William “Axel Rose” Baily 1962
Natalie Cole 1950

Know someone who's celebrating a birthday soon? What else says “Happy Birthday” (on a very limited budget) better than getting your friend's name in the paper? Email montclarion@hotmail.com with the birthday kid's full name and year of birth at least a week before the date and let them know you really care... even though you may be really poor.

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Cyberlife Brings You Muffins From The Web

By James Topoleski
Arts and Entertainment Editor

This week, web-toons take over Cyberlife yet again, with two new sites with entertaining Flash cartoons to waste time watching. If that was not enough, we have a well-designed test-taking site that actually organizes your tests for you too.

Muffin Films
www.muffinfilms.com

There is something strangely entertaining about Flash animations devoted to muffins. It’s the kind of entertainment you get at a brain wreck, you don’t want to look, you know it not right to look, but you watch and you can’t get enough. You watch one, and laugh at how funny it is, then another, then another. Soon you’re bringing your friends in to watch. You cry during “The Muffin Tree”, you cheer at “The Mutnally”.

But then you look back and ask how were you sucked into this world of muffin goodness.

The honest truth is Muffin Films, created by Amy Whitney for her MFA thesis project, is wonderfully put together, making it a joy to watch the short animations. Navigation is done by clicking on cups in a baking tray, each cup, a different film. Some like “FEED ME” require some interactivity, while others just play like mini-movies. They are short, but enjoyable and the muffins, quite addictive to watch. You will be surprised how addicted you will become to Muffin Films in the end.

Homestar Runner
www.homestarrunner.com

Homestar Runner is one of the most innovative cartoon sites on the net by far. Based on the book The Homestar Runner Enters the Strongest Man in the World Contest, the website continues the exploits of Homestar and his friends. The website uses Flash animation to give the stories of Homestar Runner and his band of misfits a new dimension.

On the site, you can watch the continuing adventures of Homestar, as well as play games with the characters. The site is very graphics heavy and actually playing with the interactive links page is almost as fun as the entire site itself. You can even find bio’s on the characters as well as buy products like t-shirts or view the original Homestar Runner Book.

Emode
www.emode.com

Last semester we looked at online tests giving a few sites with one or two tests on them. With Emode though, you have a huge database of online tests, everything from a Teen Celebrity Matcher to finding out your eating style can be done on this site.

Emode requires you to sign in to take any of the tests but your email is protected from spammers per their disclaimer policy (to be on the safe side though, it is suggested that as with any website you use a alternate email account instead of your personal use account). Your information is saved and to continue using Emode, you enter a password you created to access your account. The tests range from somewhat serious personality tests to cutesty “What Candy Heart Are You tests.” Your results are then kept in your account where you can send them to friends, retake, and even find out what day you took the test and retake it if things have since changed in your life. The site’s tests are even separated by most popular, love, identity, etc. so you can find tests relating to exactly what you want to test. In all an extremely well designed site for web-tests.
Count of Monte Cristo a Tale of Revenge

By Adam Rotenberg
Courtesy of KRT Campus

Even in this era of living politically correctly — when it's not popular to seek revenge upon our enemies, but rather forgive and learn from them — we reflect upon tales from classic literature and study those heroes. We examine what brings them to their breaking point — the point which separates right from wrong. Good from bad, innocence and evil.

What is learned is that it's not so much the act of revenge that is important, it's the journey a man takes to reach that point.

The Count of Monte Cristo entices audiences to "prepare for adventure" and "count on revenge." It hints that this may be an emotion on the forefront of audience's minds since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11.

The man in charge of bringing the classic tale to the big screen puts it more plainly. "This is the grandfather of all revenge tales," explains director Kevin Reynolds, "but a lot of the meat and potatoes, a lot of the journey a man takes to reach the point where he decides to seek revenge that is important, it's not so much the act of revenge, but a lot of the character development that you see now are quite one-dimensional."

In an interview, Caviezel echoes the priest when he says, "Freedom doesn't come from just walking around, it comes from within. Freedom can be arbitrarily taken from you based on the physical, but the interior freedom can only be taken if you allow it."

That is something the Count of Monte Cristo never learns. Caviezel claims that even though Dantes escaped from prison, he didn't have that interior freedom because he was possessed with forces outside of himself. "A driving force for Dantes was to reclaim his love for his beautiful fiancée Mercedes, played by relative newcomer Dagmara Dominczyk, who says she finds the story of the Count a dark tale that touches upon raw and brutal emotions. "The reason why stories like this prevail over time and years is because the settings are so exotic, so foreign to us, it's otherworldly, they recapture so much history that we've missed," says Dominczyk, in an interview. "The emotions that these characters deal with are so everyday. People everyday now are out to revenge something, or prove something, or fall in love, seek redemption, or have issues with God."

For Dominczyk, the plot and the characters balance out. The story endures over centuries because both the plot and the characters are equally as interesting. She smiles when she mentions the first time she read The Count Of Monte Cristo in high school, and mentions how she skipped over the all the historic

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Top 10 of the Week

1. Bad Religion
   The Process of Belief
2. Bob Zombie
   The Devil's Rejects
3. Slayer
   God Hates Us All
4. Club
   Elephant Salad
5. Scissorfight
   Montauping for Sport and Profit
6. Carpool Foge
   Please...Dial
7. Balt Irwin
   Homin, Kuhon, Pode
8. Qwel
   Still Life
9. Athlete
   Cursing the Living
10. Guzor
    Violence Has Conquered

Nick
Monday @ 1-4 P.M.
of the legendary Pink Floyd songs) is more of the same. In fact, it begs the question. Were these songs candidates for Make Yourself that just didn’t make the final cut? Regardless of the fact that Incubus appears to be resting on their musical laurels and not really entering new territory, this is a great album, from start to finish.

Incubus is still as angry as when they started out, which is evident on the songs, “Circles” and “Have You Ever.” Strong guitar riffs juxtapose sounding more like he’s teasing you than yelling at you. “Just a Phase” plays around with time signatures going from a nice waltzy feel to the odd 5/4 time (most famously found in the “Mission Impossible Theme”), which throws in a bit of unexpected tension into a dreamy song.

Incubus’ “Mexico” is another slow one, featuring just vocals and an acoustic guitar, which really lets you focus on Kevin [Reynolds] this band delivers in all their songs. “You can see me reaching so why couldn’t you have met me halfway? You could see me bleeding but you could not put pressure on the wound” croons Boyd, proving that not all song lyrics have to rhyme to sound good. Incubus does go out on a limb for their final song, “Aqueous Transmission.” Not only is this song slow, in fact it’s downright lullaby-like. The boys experiment with exotic instruments and melodies that sound more oriental than anything else. The harmonies here will mesmerize you, and as Boyd sings, “further down the river” over and over, you may even feel like that’s where you should be, in a transcendent kind of way.

With the exception of that last track, you will venture downtown with Morning View that Incubus hasn’t already taken you. There are the same familiar heavy guitars, the same poetic lyrics, and the same great melodies we all grew to love with Make Yourself. Not that that’s a bad thing. While Incubus hasn’t explored any untamed territory, be glad that the territory they’re in now should give you a whole again, and keep the Incubus fans happy for awhile.
It is a well known fact that Montclair State University is predominantly a commuter school. This is certainly no shock to the students, since most of you reading this are probably commuters yourself. In light of this fact, it is somewhat unsettling to learn that only 324 of over 11,000 commuter students responded to the Physical Plant survey that was conducted last February when 1,259 out of 2,200 resident students responded. Don’t be too quick to blame those commuter students though, especially when most of them have probably never heard of the survey in question.

While the surveys were distributed to the residence halls, commuter students were only able to complete them if they obtained a survey from the commuter lounge or Student Center or one of the other strategic placements on campus. A commuter that comes to class, uses the restrooms, parks in the parking lots, and simply doesn’t use the Student Center should still have been given the opportunity to voice his or her opinion regarding the Physical Plant. While the Physical Plant Customer Service Committee’s desire to get information can not be doubted, why not use better methods, i.e. a mail or web survey?

Regardless, the results of the survey were generally good which would leave one to believe that the students and faculty surveyed were mostly satisfied with the work of the Physical Plant. This brings up another grievance since the wording of the questions in the survey put a positive spin on the situation. The questions were posed in a highly positive fashion, leaving one to wonder how the survey results might have been different if the questions were neutral or negatively stated.

That having been said, the concept of the Physical Plant survey was a commendable one. With this survey and the implementation of online work orders, the department of Continuous Quality Improvement and the Physical Plant Customer Service Committee are getting feedback from students, faculty, and staff. They have also made definite attempts to improve the quality and efficiency of the shuttle bus service and bathroom maintenance, the two main concerns mentioned in the Physical Plant survey.

The highest complaint listed on the survey from resident students was the frequency and maintenance of the shuttle buses, with only 23 percent of the students stating that the “campus shuttle buses run frequently enough to accommodate [their] needs.” Despite the failure of bus schedules in the past, the Physical Plant Customer Service Committee is attempting to alleviate the infrequency of shuttle buses by posting bus schedules at bus stops and in the buses in an attempt to stay on this new schedule, they have even gone so far as to hire a Shuttle Bus Coordinator in order to address student concerns and hopefully improve the shuttle bus conditions.

An added benefit of this campaign to obtain input from students is the implementation of the online system of entering and tracking work orders. This feature will hopefully alleviate some of the bureaucracy formerly associated with work orders. All of these attempts to improve are favorable. However, it is important to remember that these proposed improvements are just attempts at this point. Whether the shuttle bus system is rectified or the bathroom maintenance improves is yet to be seen. Provided these improvements do take place, the gripe about commuter students not getting their say is diminished consequence.

Nonetheless, the moral of this story is perhaps that until the administration changes its ways, it is up to the commuter students to find out what is taking place on campus and how they can voice their opinions. Until this change occurs, commuter students will just have to go to the Student Center.

**Montclairion Question Of the Week:**

How Much of an Inconvenience are the Shuttle Buses?

Log on to: www.themontclarion.com to voice your opinion.
The American Flag: Symbolic or Trendy?

I can't help but notice the abundance of American flags along the sides of the highways on my route home from Montclair State University. I'm fairly certain that these people did not choose to die - not for their country or for any other reason. Given the option, I'm sure they would have chosen life. To associate their deaths with a symbol of patriotism has held a certain absurdity with me since 9/11. Why was I tearing an American flag on September 12th?

Being that I had some misgivings, I questioned my friends and family who previously had waving patriotism and a blatant disinterest in the goings-on of our nation. I suddenly found Americans who flaunted the logo of their cars, the theater, and the new academic building - will continue to move forward as planned. The government spent that time compiling data relevant to deadly chemicals to use in their proposed germ warfare division. The government spent that time convincing data relevant to deadly chemicals, but more specifically how to use them as a means of destroying human life.

Over the past few decades, however, with the emergence of the Freedom of Information Act and efforts to reveal to the common citizen the inner workings of the government, regarding the-bio-chemical blueprints to each deadly agent. As well as the reports themselves to various research groups, mostly scientists and historians. Transactions are often made via the telephone or the Internet. Critics of the distribution argue, and I think rightly so, that the information could be shared with individuals who would use the chemical data to assassinate members of the public. And this was not just a realistic data set said to be available to the government only. After all, the government had a list of all the people who had bought the Cold War data.

Before the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, efforts have been made to declassify the reports on biological weapons. In the hope they could be protected from the dangers of the world. Conversely through, the sale of American flags has continued. The American flag has been a symbol of our unity. It is a symbol of our country, as well as a symbol of our freedom. To display the American flag on September 11, to me, was a way of saying that we are all Americans. That we are all Americans who stand together.

I suddenly found American flags emblazoned on the sides of their cars. While some felt that the flags commemorated the victims of the World Trade Center attacks, I felt that the flags were simply a way of showing solidarity. For the first time in my life, I was actually seeing more Americans displaying American flags than pre-September 11 sales and purchases. Perhaps...or perhaps the trend has simply passed by.
in recent years under the Clinton administration, and now with the anthrax scare, more and more information is being declassified making it easier to obtain. Chalk it up to the cost of democracy.

The debate on whether or not the government should sell such information seems to amplify a question that has been around since governments began: how far should the right to know go? Obviously, making chemical weapons is not the only deadly thing that can be found on the Internet. If we wish to obtain copies of the reports, someone will make them available. Perhaps the real issue here is not the information itself, but whether or not the public should have a right to it.

Seeing as there are those groups who wish to obtain the information for re-search or historical purposes, should we tell these people they can't have copies of the reports because others in this country would have dark intentions for it?

I'm not certain that taking away civil liberties from law-abiding citizens is any way to deal with potential criminals. It's not like they couldn't just get the information they needed for chemical weapons somewhere else anyway.

I don't believe such information should be sold, especially not for profit, but I do support the freedom of the right to know. Should the public be allowed to access potentially dangerous information? It's a hard question to answer. But look at it this way: it's the kind of question that could only be a problem in a free nation.

Jerome D'Angelo, a political science major, is in his third year as a member of The Montclarion.
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McGreevey, The Usurper of Bad News for MSU

By Brian Cross
Humour* Section Editor

This past week our lovely University had the privilege of hosting the first town meeting of our newly elected governor, good ol' Jim McGreevey. Many MSU students were puzzlemented however by the question of, which town was he holding the meeting for. Knowing how MSU sits upon the corner of three different towns, debate among the faculty took four hours and in the end it was decided that our governor is an idiot, and they wanted to bring the last one back.

Jim McGreevey chose to bring his meeting to MSU only after Seton Hall University said they wanted nothing to do with him. Apparently, Seton Hall is not very fond of people who support Pro-Choice, however MSU was proud to host a meeting for NJ's biggest buyer who had some special news for the MSU and Jersey community. McGreevey, who many call the "education governor" decided in order to help out the New Jersey budget, it would be a good idea to take away five percent of the funding that goes to New Jersey public schools. This made some New Jerseys mad, because when they called McGreevey the "education governor", they didn't mean for him to take away their money and make it worse. "I would have voted for the guy," said Paul Saccio, a sophmore. "If I had known he was going to promise me a better education, then you know the money out of my pocket, kick me in the rear and whisper sucker into my ear, then there is no way I would have decided that Jim McGreevey was better then...umm...uh...damn it, I am sorry I didn't even really vote." Despite early conflicts, many were very impressed with McGreevey's speech, as he proceeded to show every one fancy charts and most silly hand expressions telling the MSU community that they didn't even really need the money. He pointed out that building like Free- man, Blanton, Calicia Hall and the other buildings that are falling apart were really in good condition, and then if we complained he would take away another five percent. However, some students weren't really bothered by the five percent cut from the school budget. "What would we really do with that five percent? It's so small, what does that come out to anyway? $1,2 million dollars...$3,2 MILLION DOLLARS, Holy cow! $3,2 Million dollars, my god! had $3,2 Million dollars, I hate you Governor McGreevey, you damn crook!" Susan Cole reassured the student body that the current plans of the school would not be hindered by this cut. "...All of our major construction products-the new student residence halls...[due 2012], the new parking garage...[due 2008], the new theater...[coming soon, because this is important]." Where this money will be taken from is not yet known. Several believe that Residence Life will be the target of the cut. In fact one administrator was quoted on saying: "The buildings are in pretty good condition, we don't think that any of them will blow up any time soon. Just as long as that tall one doesn't plummet down to Valley Road, and that Blanton Hall doesn't flood every time a tolet flushes on a Thursday..."

All-in-all, McGreevey's visit to MSU brought only bad news and bad weather for college students across the state.
Aries (March 21 - April 19): Are you satisfied with your broad new cable system they have installed into the dorms? Life is so much simpler now with 80 channels to watch and help you waste your time on topless pajama parties. And try every new flavor of beer. Join a fraternity and get to be a part of campus life, just a frat. If you are a girl, start learning to play hoops, parties, and hang out with frat boys for good times.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): Keep putting in and watching shows, sleep and start living it. If you’re a guy go out, start paying for your friends, stop hanging out with those geeks you met at orientations and get to be a part of campus life, just a frat. If you are a girl, start learning to play hoops, parties, and hang out with frat boys for good times.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21): The 864 has revealed it’s top priorities for this semester. Gee I wonder if they mean putting back all that money that always goes out before you have been getting as they can lay new cars, and get manicure. Oh yeah your horoscope for this week, see...you’re gonna die, eventually!

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Cancer this week brings you opportunities that you aren’t even aware before. Yes that’s right, this week you will be offered several favors by a widget, and a round trip vacation to Cleveland (Cleveland Rocks!)

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Alright so now the Pac-10 attention on Montclair State is getting a little out of hand. So for this week you get two friends who were last seen parking their cars in Lot 22, and you almost fell through the hole that leads to China on Cooling Plant 22.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Well, you’re a Virgo, how about you start a horoscope of your own. It’s been right at all this year, what the hell makes you think that I am going to be right this week. I am tired of getting it wrong and you saying what a smart I am. Gee now or Virgo, you are as smart as me.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): We understand the emotional stress you are under. It’s not everyone who can’t seem to understand the 4 dogs playing poker picture. It may take you a while to be able to figure out what the entire picture means, but we will give you a clue, it has nothing to do with Commission or the Enron scandal.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Stop thinking about quick schemes, we have one that is fool proof. Get together with your friends and try to think of 101 blonde jokes, get together and put them in books, and perhaps open a pizza place, get a fast food chain, and you can make a fortune just as long as we have thought of this idea before you.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Alright Gina, so you’ve read about eight of the horoscopes by now and you have finally realized that they are not lying. Well deal with it, try getting into a pattern and predicting the future without the benefits of mind-reading drugs like LSD and drugs. You need to really pull out the mind to figure out what is going to happen in this confesed world we live in.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19): So now it’s that time again, your buddies are going to be heading down to Mardi Gras soon, and you keep thinking to yourself that maybe I can’t afford it. Listen buddy, how about you grow yourself a pair of balls and realize that making and buying things is overrated, and that you need to participate in some good old fashioned recycling. Go out and have some fun you life.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18): So now it’s that time again, your friends are going to be heading down to Mardi Gras soon, and you keep thinking to yourself that maybe I can’t afford it. Listen buddy, how about you grow yourself a pair of balls and realize that making and buying things is overrated, and that you need to participate in some good old fashioned recycling. Go out and have some fun you life.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): Singing and dancing will make these weeks the best three weeks of your life because the hummer® reactor, the greatest part of the paper since the Orman Log has the same kind of power as it has had just when every issue of your germ that goes to them you see something. Keep live the hummer® reactor.
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NJAC Overall

NJC 9-3 14-4
Ramapo 8-4 13-6
Rowan 8-5 12-7
MSU 7-5 13-6
WPJ 6-6 11-8
Richard Stockton 6-6 11-7
TCNJ 5-7 10-9
Rutgers-Camden 5-7 10-8
Kean 4-8 9-10
Rutgers-Newark 3-10 6-13

**Women's Basketball**

Richard Stockton NJAC Overall

10-2 14-5
Kean 9-3 12-6
Ramapo 8-4 13-5
TCNJ 8-4 12-7
Rowan 7-5 8-10
Rutgers-Camden 7-5 13-5
MSU 5-7 8-10
NJC 4-8 9-10
WPJ 1-11 3-16
Rutgers-Newark 1-11 4-13

**Men's Basketball Action**

**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

Sat. 2 vs. Rutgers-Camden* 4 p.m.
Wed. 6 @ Kean* 8 p.m.

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

Sat. 2 vs. Rutgers-Camden* 4 p.m.
Mon. 4 vs. Manhattanville 7 p.m.
Wed. 6 @ Kean* 8 p.m.

**WRESTLING**

Sat. 6 vs. Springfield 7 p.m.

**TRACK AND FIELD**

Fri. 1 @ Mirose Games (MSG - New York, NY) 5 p.m.
Sun. 3 @ E. Stroudsburg, PA 9 a.m.

**Women's Swimming**

NJAC Overall

Rowan 3-0 3-2
TCNJ 1-0 5-1
WPJ 1-1 6-2
MSU 1-2 1-3
Kean 0-3 8-4

**Red Hawk Results**

**Men's Basketball**

1/16 - WPJ 75, MSU 61*
1/19 - MSU 80, RSC 84*

**Women's Basketball**

1/16 - MSU 53, WPJ 49*
1/19 - RSC 68, MSU 58*

**Wrestling**

1/26
MSU 31, Harton 15
MSU 45, Williams 12
Roger Williams 27, MSU 24
Delaware Valley 31, MSU 18

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1/26
(Men) Vassar121, MSU 82
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**Ben Martinez**
Junior Guard
Scotch Plains, NJ
Martinez had a game-high 23 points off the bench as he led the Red Hawks to a 16-point victory over then-seeded #2 Richard Stockton. He also had 5 rebounds, 4 assists, 2 steals and a block.

**Stephanie Croley**
Junior Center
Pennsauken, NJ
Croley wasn’t as big of a factor on the scoreboard but she collected 25 rebounds in both games along with 5 steals and 3 blocks.

**Joseph Thomas**
Junior Guard
Linden, NJ
Thomas led the team in scoring over the week with 16 and 23 points. Batt also grabbed 21 rebounds in both games along with 5 steals and 3 blocks.

**Dave Cordoba**
Freshman-141 Pound
Kearny, NJ
Coroba won his first two matches at the New England Duals for his MSU wrestling debut. The freshman wrestled at 141 pounds.
The Red Hawks hung in with 16 points on 7-13 but MSU did not get much help from any of the other players on the roster. The loss dropped MSU to 12-6 and a dismal 6-5 in the NJAC Conference. The Pioneers were led by Kashaun Barner, who had 26 points and 12 boards. Khalid Coursey added 16 and Torey Fisher had a solid ten points to allow WPU to move to 10-8 overall and 5-6 in the conference. The Red Hawks quickly regrouped to put themselves back on the winning side of basketball. Their next opponent was a respectable Richard Stockton, who came into the game at 11-6, but left 11-7 overall. The Red Hawks pulled off the victory, 80-64, behind a stellar effort from the Red Hawks. MSU and all scorers with 23 points was Ben Martinez. Harold Williams dropped in 18, Boehls had 15, and Thomas had 13 to assure MSU their 16-point victory. After 19 games played thus far and six games still left to play, the men’s basketball team looks to be riding along quite nicely and hold their playoff hopes in their own hands. Four out of their six remaining games are away from Panzer Gym, so it will not be an easy journey but MSU seems confident to do what the set out from day one to do and that is soar above the rest to Championship.