Staff Writer

With the passing of the March 22 deadline for candidate petitions, the SGA election season has officially begun.

Most positions are going uncontested this year, with current Vice-President Chris Fitzpatrick as the presidential front-runner and President Pro Tempore Derek Macchia running for Vice President. The only contested position this year is for Secretary, Colleen Halpin, who is running for the position.

During his SGA career, Derek Macchia helped streamline the Constitutional Review Committee, trained freshman legislators, and brought more organizations to the SGA. As a treasurer, Macchia feels the position will help him, "...be a better voice for the student body." Macchia ran for Treasurer last year, but was forced to back out due to internship problems. As treasurer, he says he will implement a plan to, "increase the amount of available funds [to students] without increasing fees."

SGA Elections Soon Underway

Secretary Only Contested Position in 2002

By Robert Schmetter

Pennington Elected President of NASPA

By Lillian M. Aleman

"Several appointments of chairpersons for national meetings will be made by the current President, but the meetings will not be held until my term in office, as there is much planning that must take place," explains Pennington.

Pennington Elected President of NASPA

By Lillian M. Aleman

Multicultural Affairs office

"The intention behind these grants is so that communities are able to respond to the needs of their residents, COPC does so by concentrating on helping to solve these urban problems: Community Organization Activities, Housing, and Education. They do so with the help of their partners HomeCorp and The Montclair State University."

By Jennifer Bender

The Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC) of MSU has been accused of ignoring ethnic classes in their programming which assists the community of Montclair.

"It is no surprise to us that we have run into this problem. We will solve it, but we have to work on it."

COPC: A program designed to help the community, has been accused of ignoring residents, specifically those of a lower ethnicity, as stated in an article of The Montclair Times several weeks ago.

"One of the main goals of COPC, has been to attract diverse people to work," said Dr. Ken Brooks of the Anthropology Department.
3/25/02 - Officers responded to lot 18 on a reported dispute between two commuter students.

3/25/02 - An MSD EMS reported that he was missing his EMS walkie-talkie. The radio was used to transmit several false reports, police said.

3/20/02 - Officers responded to Stone Hall on the report of a person trespassing. The person was transported to headquarters and released pending a court date in Little Falls.

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

Police Chase Ends at Police Border

Two Jeeps were stolen yesterday morning on Glen Road which led to a three-block police pursuit to the border of Orange. Police spotted two men breaking into one of the vehicles and moments later, a silver BMW sped away followed by two Jeeps. Police chased the finish car but stopped the pursuit at the Orange town line. One jeep was later recovered in East Orange.

Mother Turns Daughter in to Police

A Vernon teenager has been arrested on drug charges after being turned in by her mother. After finding a hypodermic needle at her home, Alison Mulholland made a difficult 'tough love' decision -- she picked up the telephone and called police. Her daughter, Blair Kittredge, 18, was arrested Monday at 3:35 p.m. after Mulholland called police to investigate possible drug possession and use by her daughter.

Robbery Gone Bad Turns Deadly

Newark resident Morris Battle, 27, was arrested for the killing of another Newark man earlier this month. Police said Battle gunned down the man in an abandoned rowing house in retaliation because the man broke into Battle's home and stole money. Battle also shot and injured a woman police said.

 Sgt.

Fraternity May Be Charged for Pledges Death

Members of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity at the University of Maryland College Park could face criminal charges after an autopsy concluded that a student pledge died from alcohol and hazing. A 20-year-old pledge named Matthew was found dead last Friday night in his fraternity's living quarters. The pledge's family and friends have not been able to contact the fraternity's chapter president, who was not present at the time of the incident.

Sailors Return Home from Terrorism Fight

The first of five ships returning from the war against terrorism docked yesterday in Norfolk, Virginia where families members waited the return of US Navy and Marine personnel. The USS Theodore Roosevelt pulled into port following a record 189 days at sea.

Dead Bodies Found on Beach

The bodies of two women and a man were found by people walking along a popular beach just north of Santa Cruz California on Tuesday. Police say all the victims appear to be in their mid-20s and died of gunshot wounds. A shotgun was found nearby. There were no suicide notes or signs of struggle.

SGA News & Notes

Class III Justice Studies Club was chartered.

Class 1 WMCS-FM rechartered.

The Commuter Student Union was approved.

President urges legislators to write a letter to Administration about possible parking fee increase.

Undergraduate opinion questions constructed and voted on for Spring 2002 Ballot.

Controversy over Student Directory

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NASPA

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Karen Pennington, V.P. of Student Development and Campus Life, says Pennington.

"I need to be involved in selecting those persons and in the preparation of the meetings so that when they occur, I am fully informed," said Pennington.

As President-Elect, Pennington believes she will aid MSU for many reasons, including gaining a greater knowledge and understanding of conditions that affect higher education, and creating networking capabilities with colleagues from various universities and schools across the country.

"That networking is an extremely important part of my work, as what is happening at other campuses affects us all," said Pennington.

"If I can keep current about the theories and practices that guide what we do, have colleagues that I can call on for advice, and provide more informed direction for services and programs." Some of the duties that Pennington will be responsible for as President-Elect are ensuring that the plans set by the board of directors are followed through, making suggestions for the policies, future goals, and direction of the organization, and working closely with the executive director and the national office staff.

Pennington has many goals that she plans on accomplishing during her term of NASPA, which includes expanding membership, providing educational leadership within the University, serving as the external voice for student affairs, and promoting the growth of all ranks and groups within the profession.

"During my term, my vision for NASPA is of a future that further establishes our organization as the international voice for students and student affairs professionals." Pennington has been a member of NASPA since 1988. She has also been part of the Health Education Leadership Project (HELP), which was designed to assist colleges and universities in HIV and AIDS awareness education.

She has recently been the Region II Vice President and chair of the nominations and awards committee, a member of the NASPA Strategic Membership Committee, a chair on the NASPA task force on campus violence, and the NASPA representative to the U.S. Department of Justice/National Criminal Justice Association.

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Karen Pennington, V.P. of Student Development and Campus Life.

Don’t just turn the page... make the page!

Write for the News Section

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By Lillian M. Aleman
News Editor

The recent rejection of the $8 million architecture plans for a new Children's Center has forced both the College of Education and Human Services and the current Child Care facilities on campus back to the drawing board.

Because the Children's Center does not bring in tuition dollars or benefit all MSU students as other building projects on campus do, the entire cost of the proposal will be fundraised.

The fear of many involved in the project, such as Director of the Child Care Center Janet Deluca, was that the projected estimate of $8 million was "out of reach" because there was a possibility of frightening potential donors away from the idea of a completely fundraised building.

During a meeting two weeks ago with the Dean of the College of Education and Human Services Ada Beth Cutler, both Deluca and the Psychoeducational director, Toni Spiotta were made aware of the limitations we currently have," said Spiotta.

"We realized that the building designed by the architect we worked with is too expensive and we need to go back to the drawing board to have a less expensive building," said Cutler. Because of the high projected cost of the center, MSU facilities management employees, Semmy Ju, who was unavailable for comment, was recently asked to re-design a less costly facility for $5 million.

"It is because [President Susan Cole] is so supportive of the new Children's Center that she has asked us to work with Semmy Ju and come up with a more economical plan," said Cutler.

According to Deluca, drawings for the 27,000 square foot, single-story building set to match the Spanish architecture of MSU, began two years ago alongside contractor C.J. Lowen for many reasons.

One such reason was a recent requirement for NJ schools to provide support and accommodations for children with and without disabilities to learn side by side, which is not the case with the three Child Care centers currently at MSU.

There are also various court mandates that have increased the amount of comprehensive class-rooms in public schools, which Spiotta feels is a necessary reason for obtaining the new Children's Center.

"We need to increase the amount of inclusiveness, then continue with the limitations we currently have," said Spiotta.

Also, with the increasing amount of students in the Early Childhood/Elementary education program who spend time in both the Child Care Center and the psychoeducational center programs observing and learning from and with the children, the new Children's Center is extremely prevalent.

Although the price tag has dropped and the plans have been tossed, Deluca and Spiotta remain optimistic with the plans to redesign a more economical building that will make the task of fundraising a bit easier.

"Even though the ideal center we planned on might not be a reality, there is always room for expansion in the future," said Deluca.

Child Care Center

There are currently three programs on campus that assist with the care of children from the age of three months through five years of age.

The Child Care Center, which is located in Stone Hall, offers early care and education to children of MSU students and staff, as well as families from surrounding communities.

There are a total of 120 children that are currently on a waiting list because the center is licensed to hold a maximum of 76 children at one time due to space restrictions.

"Our waiting list gets longer and tighter and it's unfortunate we can't accommodate all the families," said Deluca.

There are four rooms in the Children's center which include an infant room (3-15 months old), toddler room (15 months - 27 months), pre-school (27 months - 3 1/2 years), and the Pre-K room (3 1/2 - 5 year old), which according to Deluca, are not appropriately spaced.

"The new center would provide us with enough space not only to have more children enter our center, but it would give us bigger rooms so things won't be as crowded."

One-third of the 80 student workers for the Child Care center are in the Early Childhood Education Program.

According to Cutler, "We have 300-400 students in our Early Childhood/Elementary Education programs and they all spend time in both programs observing and learning from and with children."

"We are increasing enrollment in the Early Childhood/Elementary programs, so an enlarged Children's Center will be helpful."

Demonstration Program

The Demonstration Program is a special education school for three to five-year-olds diagnosed with autism, pervasive disorders, and significant educational learning needs. Because of space restraints, the current Demonstration Program is only able to have 12 children.

"There are many children whose families are waiting for spots to open in the program," said Spiotta. According to the recent proposal, parents and school districts call daily to seek admission for the additional children.

There are also problems with the accessibility of the Demonstration Program because its location is upon a small hilltop on Clove Road.

"It's not accessible and it needs to be for the children because of the terrain is hard to handle," said Spiotta.

"Little children we can carry, but there are issues where they might need crutches, and we don't want anyone to get hurt."

Although there have been thoughts to possibly tying the current building where the demonstration program resides, the narrowness of the internal hallways of the building prevent that from occurring.

The new Children's Center will be
able to offer "easy, direct accessibility," according to the recent proposal.

Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program

The Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program is an early intervention program for families with infants and toddlers who have been diagnosed with a range of disabilities including autism, spina bifida, hearing and sight impairments and feeding disorders.

Children from birth to three years of age come to the program as referrals from Special Child Health Services, physicians, or hospitals.

Because an adequate on-campus facility is unavailable, interventionists work with these children only in the family's home.

According to a recent proposal statement for the new Children's Center, interventionists work with 125 families, 25 of which are from Montclair. When just three years ago, the University supplied intervention for only 25 families.

The new Children's Center will be able to provide both an on-campus service for the intervention program where staff members will be able to assist more children because of the reduced travel time.

They will also be able to offer therapy rooms, activity rooms and studios, along with "a staff comprising a nurse, teachers, therapists and consultants."

Fundraising

Currently, $1 million has been fundraised to begin the Children's Center through various sources.

Donors have consisted of corporate sponsors, such as Fleet National Bank, Summit Bank, 1st Union Bank, Prudential, Sodexho Marriott, Best Foods, Public Services and Goya.

According to Director of Major Gifts, Nancy Hutchinson, ticket sales for events such as the University Dinner dedicated to the new Children's Center last March, has also contributed to over $180,000 of the fund-raised monies.

"The people who come to the dinner either became donors or made connections with other donors which is a form of networking that is needed in fund-raising," said Hutchinson.

Private foundations, such as the H.C. Foundation of New York, the Montclair Foundation of New Jersey, and the MRM Foundation, which has already contributed $100,000, have been contacted with proposals seeking capital support for the new Child Care Center.

The proposals sent to the foundations include an in-depth analysis of the three childcare programs, an explanation of the extent of need in each program, and a proposed monetary amount to be considered.

Although corporate sponsors, grants, fundraising events, and private donors have attributed to the fund that has been raised, individual donors or "family foundations," according to Hutchinson, have donated the largest portion for the Children's Center.

Richard Preza, parent of a child who successfully graduated from both the Demonstration School and the Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program, wrote personal letters to friends and business colleagues that resulted in more than $300,000 in donations.

There is approximately $2 million in grant requests that are pending at foundations and corporations such as Rosie O'Donnell's, "For All Kids Foundation," which is primarily focused on high quality childcare and early education programs.

Proposals have also been submitted to "Newman's Own Foundation," which is funded by the sales of actor Paul Newman's food products.

With 20 percent of the estimated $5 million raised within the last two years, the timetable for when construction will begin for the new Children's Center is unknown.

"I hope we could look forward to a new Children's Center around the same time the College of Education and Human Services moves its new home in the new Academic Building, but it's difficult to say at this point," said Cutler.

The academic building Cutler is referring to is expected to begin construction this upcoming fall semester and be completed by the Fall of 2003.
Elections

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ers and technology into the SGA.
Hoskinson, if elected, plans to use
the Internet to promote SGA events
as well as for archives.
Hoskinson’s opponent Colleen Halpin
says her “first priority is to
improve the awareness of organiza-
tions with the SGA.” Her plan includes
publishing an events calendar for
Class I – IV organizations.

As the current
Director of Public
Relation for the SGA,
she feels the position
of Secretary, which
includes the respon-
sibility of keeping files
and records, would
be a continuation of
her current duties.

Board Of Trustees
Student Alternate
Candidate Alfred L.
Fotile III says one of
his main concerns will be with tuition,
citing Trenton’s funding cuts.
He believes it is, “important for
students to voice their concerns
about a tuition increase.”

Fotile’s major contribution during
his two years with the SGA was
authoring the Student Bill of Rights.
The lack of contention this year for
most of the SGA positions has stirred
mixed feelings among legislators and
candidates alike.

Current President Jeanette Mam-
maro is disappointed by the lack
of candidates for several positions.
She says the
competition, “[it] gave me motiva-
tion to strive and work harder,” and
with her eventual win, the “...felt supported by the student body.”

Orlando Macchia agrees, adding
that it, “takes away from the demo-
cratic process.”

Chris Fitpatrick says that although
he regrets not being able to run a
campaign, the lack of contention,
“...leaves me free to give 100 per-
cent to [my cur-
rent] position.”

Ultimately, it
comes down to
student interac-
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HomeCorp, a community-based
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on providing affordable housing in
response to the problems addressed
by Montclair residents.

“The University has been helpful in
many ways,” said Executive Director
of HomeCorp, Beverly Riddick.
HomeCorp and COPC work

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Prisoner, Then Professor
Two MSU Professors Fight For Feminism

By Kara Morillo
Staff Writer

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 sprint it already! You’ve cursed our government. You might’ve said something bad about Bush out loud. You’ve held shouting debates in class because that know-it-all in the front row said something so contradicting to your beliefs that the anger you felt exploded into words.

How would you feel if your freedom were taken away?

What if your freedom never existed?

Dr. Lidia Falcon and Dr. Nawal El Saadawi, both award-winning authors and world-renown activists, know what it is to be silenced. It is what brought them together many years ago in the international fight for women’s rights. Both were imprisoned on false charges and told to forget their struggle last Thursday, March 21 in their dialogue called “Women as Political Prisoners: International Perspectives.”

The Women’s Center, Women’s Studies Program, and Spanish department co-sponsored the event in honor of Women’s History Month. Dr. Falcon, 67, is the founder of the Partido Feminista de España (Feminist Party of Spain) and author of over 30 books. Under the dictatorship of Francisco Franco (1939-1975), she was imprisoned twice, once on the account of being an accomplice to a Basque terrorist.

Reading excerpts from her memoir, in Hell: Being a Woman in the Jails of Spain, Falcon depicted the horror she saw while incarcerated. She explained the nightmare of seeing women raped and physically and psychologically abused by guards. She described the disgrace of having seen babies born and die behind bars.

It is not easy for a woman to be freed from jail. Women are given short trials and long sentences, said Falcon. In addition to this, women are not granted pardons or remissions. The circumstances have definitely not improved; the number of women in Spain imprisoned today has multiplied by five since 1975.

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Falcon attributes this number to the growing business of drug use brought into Spain by international “mafias.” With them, they bring young girls who will inevitably be sold into prostitution, a $7 billion global industry.

“In jail, we do not find the heads of Mafia groups, nor the bankers or businessmen...only the poor prostitutes and those who are powerless to go to prison,” commented Falcon.

She continued to say that political prisoners found in jail are the “terrorist kind”: wives, woman-friends, and mothers who all were suspected of being accomplices to terrorists. As a political prisoner, one can go four years without being tried and then become acquitted after finally being filed.

Falcon then commented, “In prison, I learned the true meaning of solidarity.”

Dr. Nawal El Saadawi, visiting distinguished scholar to the English department and author of 37 books, disagrees. “I recommend that all of you go to prison!” she exclaimed to the audience, “In prison, you feel yourself, your energy...you discover yourself. In prison, you feel yourself. In prison, you feel yourself. In prison, you feel yourself.

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Meet, Greet, and Paint Placards

By Simona Kogan

Junior Chris Fitzpatrick had a dream. His dream was to get as many organizations as he could together and find a creative way to advertise for their organizations. He wanted to display each club and organization in an artistic fashion.

He devised the idea of the Placard Party, a night where all of the organizations can come together to design their placards, have some refreshments, and meet each other along the way.

The Placard Party drew 25 organizations that came together in the Rathskeller the first Monday after Spring Break, carrying their ready to be painted signs, paint supplies, and spray cans.

The idea of the Placard party was based on a placard-painting contest that took place during the S.G.A. conference. "It went so well that I thought we should do it with all the organizations," said Fitzpatrick.

Fumes filled the air as did the happy, cheerful voices of the students participating in the project. Most students appeared enthusiastic about the event. "I'm having fun, I get to do what I want with the placard," said Mike Bezama, a freshman from S.P.E.C.I.R.U.M.S.

Sophomores Marianne Castillo and Amy Torres, two members of Phi Sigma Pi, painted their placard in their sorority's colors of gold, purple, and auxiliary white.

"This is a good event. It brings all the organizations together. We should do it again next year," said Castillo.

President of the Arabic Student Organization (A.S.O.), Nawal Ezzouhary, was also proud of the placard party because of the message it allowed A.S.O. to convey with their placard. "We really like this idea the S.G.A. has because we can educate about the Arabic culture after Sept. 11; there is a lot of ignorance about Arab culture and we wanted to be able to educate and promote our organization."

No one was more excited then Adrienne L. Salimbere, a sophomore representing the S.G.A., A.S.S.I.S.T., Conservation Club, and W.M.S.C.

"I think this is a really great way to get people out there and meeting each other. Being in the S.G.A. has been a great experience for me. I've made so many new friends," A.S.S.I.S.T. and S.G.A. member Tom Hoskinson added. "This is great for the organizational community."

Other organizations in attendance included Phi Sinfonia, Iota Phi Beta, and Campus Recreation. They were pleased with the way Fitzpatrick and the S.G.A. put together the Placard party.

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-Mike Bezama

**SPECTRUMS**

"The enthusiastic spirit of the S.G.A. (made me come here.) This was a great opportunity to bring fun organizations together," said head of Campus Rec, Keith Fonseca.

"Iota Phi Beta also wanted to express gratitude to the S.G.A.," said Mike Bezama, a freshman from S.P.E.C.I.R.U.M.S.

"We would like to thank the S.G.A. for putting it all together. We are working on Greek unity this semester. This enables us to work together as a Greek community," stated senior Chris Suarez.

Chris Fitzpatrick summed up the interesting night. "This works so well for everyone involved. The organizations get to advertise for free and it brings a diverse number of them together."

What Are You Taking Tonight?

Drugs Like XTC Often Contain Unknown Ingredients and Effects

By Stephanie Brunello

Club Drugs or "Party Drugs" have been closely associated with raves and nightclubs. However, these terms can be misleading. The popularity of these drugs is increasing as they are being used in a variety of settings. Among these drugs are ecstasy (XTC), GHB, ketamine and oxycodone. These drugs can produce a series of undesirable effects. Here are the facts:

- Many drugs can be made and there are many recipes. There's no way to be certain of the contents of the dosage.
- Effects of drugs are unpredictable and possible deadly. It varies for each person and you can't count on the same effects each time.
- XTC can contain speed, cocaine, OXM, PMA, and other unapproved drugs.
- A person may experience changes in sleep, memory, and mood days after using a drug.
- XTC raises body temperatures and can lead to a heatstroke.
- Some of these drugs are slipping into drinks and used in sexual assault and rape.
- XTC can trigger emotional problems including depression and paranoia.
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Latin Women Make Their Mark in Politics

Latinas Speak to Students About Their Emerging Culture in Government

By Cristin Curry
Assistant Feature Editor

The emergence of Latinos in our political society has slowly been occurring throughout the past few years. The amount of Latinos holding a political office is very minute in comparison to the amount it should be to allow for equal representation of their race and culture.

The Women’s Center in conjunction with Latino Caucus/ L.A.S.O. held a discussion entitled “Latinos’ Emerging Voice in Our Political Arena” on Tuesday in the Student Center. Three guest speakers were asked to participate in the event.

Sonia Rosado, Passaic County Democratic Freeholder, was not able to attend, but Nelly Pou, a N.J. Assemblywoman in the 35th district, and Esther Perez, a Prospect Park Councilwoman, spoke to the crowd.

Carmen Reyes-Cuevas, Assistant Director of E.O.F. and founder of Latina Day, hosted the event. This was the first year the Women’s Center and L.A.S.O. dealt with women in politics. In past years, poets, writers, and public speakers were the main focus.

They felt it was time for Latinos in general and especially Latina women, to have their voices heard, and allow their opinions and philosophies to be expressed in the world of politics.

Esther Perez, a former student at MSU, is a councilwoman for Prospect Park, and works for the Paterson Public School System.

She is one of only two Puerto Ricans on an all-lingual council of six people, and she plans on staying on the council after her term ends in 2003.

Nelly Pou, the first Latina woman elected to State Assembly in the 35th District since 1997, was the second speaker.

She was born in Paterson and went to both Kean University and Rutgers University. Though she held dual positions for years in the state government, she was not the first choice for State Assembly when the position opened up.

The first choice was for a man to fulfill the job. Yet she proved them wrong after winning the election and showing that not only can a woman do a job just as well as a man, but a minority woman at that.

Some of the projects that Pou is working with in her job are trying to change the amount of Latino representation in the Senate.

The last Latina in the Senate was Congresswoman Menendez 10 years ago.

Also there are only seven Latinos in the Legislature, three women and four men.

There are only 21 women in all of the 120 people on the entire legislature.

Pou is working hard to get many more Latinos involved in the way our country works.

"It’s hard to take on the world when you’re also changing diapers... we’re juggling a lot of responsibilities," said Pou.

Pou also gave suggestions for getting involved for people interested in politics.

Students from the E.O.F. program and Human and Relations and Leadership were also there to ask questions and give comments at the end of the presentations.

The issues of Latinos in America are often brushed aside as if third or fourth on the list of things that must be changed.

We should be addressing these issues to establish a government of equal representation for this country of “equal opportunity.”

If we have primarily white male decision makers, then we will have primarily white male ideas and views.

We should have a melting pot of people in support and in charge of our melting pot country.

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**Greek Unity Equals Greek Community**

One Studnt Says Greek Unity is Necessary for Survival of the Greeks

By Erica Manen  
Staff Writer

The Greek community is comprised of nearly thirty different organizations. Of these 30, half are social and the other half are multicultural. The social organizations consist of six locals, the rest are national. All of the multicultural organizations are national. This creates an extremely diverse group of people.

Unity among each and every Greek organization is crucial. It ensures the survival of the Greek community at this school. Unity among the Greeks makes them a powerful force to accomplish any goal that they may have. In addition, Greeks are pillars of the campus community, and as such need to be unified in order to uphold the principal on which Greek life was founded, and remain pillars of the community.

To ensure unity among the Greeks, Greek Council created a new cabinet position, the Greek Unity Chair. This chair was formed to devise and implement activities that foster Greek unity and bring the organizations on this campus together. Since the creation of this chair, there has been a marked improvement in the unity of the Greek community at MSU.

The first unity event entailed a representative from each organization spending the day with another organization. In some cases, this was replaced with mixers, which gave both organizations a chance to meet their partners' entire organization. The purpose of this event was to get to know about an organization, its history, ideals, and the members in it that was drastically different from one's own organization.

The next event being planned for early April is an all Greek organization retreat to be held on campus. The next event will be a banquet. The banquet, in mid-April, will be held in the Student Center Ballroom and will include both dinner and dancing. It is going to be a good time and promises to create an open, enjoyable environment allowing Greeks to do what they do best, have fun with each other.

A different atmosphere on campus is being generated by the Greek unity chair with the assistance of the Greek Council executive board. It is a welcome change and promises to bring new life to the Greek community. The Greek life experience can only be enhanced by this movement to unity.

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**Prisoners**

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When asked to comment on the Sept. 11 events, she replied, "Very few people blamed Islam for the oppression of women. It is not the only religion that oppresses women...to blame Islam is non-sensical.

She then stressed that it is more important to celebrate similarities and not embrace differences because nationality, religion, color and gender are all 'false divisions.'

When asked their opinions on today's young American woman 'fitting away from using the "feminist," Salafawi replied, 'Young women are afraid to label themselves as feminist because they think it's a fight against men, domestic violence or rape. It is political, economic, and social. Feminism is not just one thing.'

Falcon agreed. "We shouldn't be afraid to be feminists...we must fight."
STEPS TO A BETTER YOU...

Learn To Clean Up The Clutter

Learn to Be Physically Organized

By Simona Kogan/Feature Editor

So now you know how to balance your time. You know how to break the time up between a social life and the schoolwork you never want to get done. You know how to mentally prepare yourself for tests and how to know when to grab a minute here and there for free time. You’re organized.

But your room is still a mess! There are candy wrappers here, a pile of papers there...and not much space to move. You don’t know where your keys are or how to find that Psychology paper from last year so you can look over it again. Is something wrong with this picture?

It’s time now to get physically organized. You may have it down when it comes to mental organization but organizing your room is a different story.

Cincinnati-based professional organizer Stephanie Denton is helping us out by giving us some ways to clean up the clutter whether you live at home or in a residence hall.

• Mount your phone on your wall to create more work space. Also mount hooks so you can hang keys, your wallet, and a small purse for loose change, on them.

• Keep a box or container on your desk to hold pens and other utensils (pencils, scissors, etc.) and always make sure it is within arms reach.

• Create e-mail folders to save important e-mail messages and always update and check for junk e-mail.

• Keep all coupons in the same spot and when necessary...take-out and fast food coupons can save a lot.

• Create a personal rest area where you can spend time during a free moment. Keep a butterfly chair, bean bag, or footstool placed there along with something to help you relax.

• Don’t stash loose clutter under the bed. Use storage boxes with mini wheels so you can roll them out easily.

• Keep a box or container on your desk to hold pens and other utensils.

• Keep a hamper in your room instead of the bathroom. So dirty clothes don’t start piling up on the bed. If you want to, keep a separate hamper for whites and another one for darks.

• Take an inventory of your clothes each season. Make a list of articles you need to complete or accessorize outfits.

• Post a list of possible outfits for the week on the inside of your closet door.

• Stay flexible. If you planned something but something is missing that you need, don’t stop everything and make a special trip just to get it. Do something else that you’ve put off.

• Create junk boxes for things that you can’t throw away, but if you don’t live on campus, it’s good to have one at home too. On those days when you need to write yourself reminders or to stick one on your door when you don’t feel like talking to your family.

Don’t let your closet get as messy as this one!

Top 10 Things Every Student Needs to Stay Organized

1. Post-its

For all those little notes, phone messages, and other last minute reminders.

2. Scrapbook

So you won’t have ticket stubs, old photographs, or other memories lying around on the floor. Put them in a safe place and relive your memories always.

3. Erasable Message Board

Those who live on campus have to have one to put their doors so friends can leave messages! It’s a college necessity! But if you don’t live on campus, it’s good to have one at home too, on those days where you need to write yourself reminders or to stick one on your door when you don’t feel like talking to your family.

4. Colored Folders

When you put all of your extra papers in the folders, make sure the folders are different colors so it will be easier to remember what goes where.

5. Student Planner

Every student needs one of these to stay organized and write down dates from their busy schedules. It’s easy to keep yourself up-to-date with a student planner.

6. Highlighters

Keep these bright pens around for all the lists you make and the important things on those lists that you must remember.

7. Plastic Containers

These rubber plastic contraptions can be used for more than simply storing food. They can be used for all your favorite junk that you just can’t throw away. Remember to get one brand of containers to promote unity.

8. Fillers

You don’t need a file cabinet to use these dividers. They’re simply a way to keep papers separate but know that every paper has its place.

9. Desk

Sounds like a given, huh? But a desk is something most students have at home and don’t take advantage of it. So don’t make it a waste of space...use a desk for more than just piling papers.

10. Trash Can

This is another given. But if you don’t want candy wrappers and other small items on your floor invest in a wastebasket.
Office of Residence Life
Room Selection Schedule 2002-2003

• Pay your application fee today!!!
  Monday, March 18 - Monday, April 1, 2002
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Deadline to accept single room Thursday, April 18
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Locations for Room Selection Events

→ Community Advantage sign-ups will occur at your Residence Hall Director’s Office during the designated days.
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Surprises Abound at the 2002 Oscars

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The rest of the awards show was business as usual. The show lingered on for a lengthy four hours and approximately 15 minutes, proving that just because you have concise acceptance speeches, even if It is a Bird? A Plane? No, it's Whoopie Goldberg proving once again why it is always important to question the costume designer "before" walking on stage looking like a peacock.

In light of these "should haves" actually happening, I propose a two minute time limit and the band starts up regardless of where in your speech you are, you get cut off, there is just no stopping some people.

Whoopie Goldberg hostesd, and has hosted previous shows as well, including the 1999, 1996, and 1994 ceremonies. Her jokes ranged from visual jokes - making a grand entrance on a swing suspended from the ceiling a la Moulin Rouge - to cheap shots - cracking jokes about John Nash's mental illness, who was the basis for A Beautiful Mind and was also present in the audience.

At one point she joked about security, in case the aforementioned swing from the ceiling malfunctioned. The response she received? "We have Billy Crystal on call." It is much too bad they didn't employ him this year.

Included with the "In Memoriam" segment this year, was a moment of silence for the victims of September 11th. A few other references were added to the World Trade Center attacks, most notable being the entire beginning segment introduced by Tom Cruise, a short film on what people's favorite movies are, and what they like about movies.

The inspiration for the film being the escape from tragedy that movies and entertainment can provide. Not a bad touch.

A tacky touch, which may have been appreciated by some, was Whoopie Goldberg's final outfit, which included a cape with FDNY, EMTS, and the escape from tragedy that movies and entertainment can provide. Not a bad touch.

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**Tu Mama: A Sexual Joyride to Mexico**

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Tu Mama Tambien enters the world of Julio Zapata and Tenoch turbide, two Mexican teenage boys who are constantly trying to quench their adolescent thirst for sex. With their girlfriends away for the summer, the boys are on the prowl for new women. They meet the older, married Luisa Cortez and invite her on a road-trip to a deserted beach. When her husband confesses his infidelity to her, she decides to leave with the boys on an erotic, dramatic road-trip filled with sex.

The beauty in Tu Mama Tambien is that director Alfonso Cuaron is able to explore the world of sex with sophistication and maturity. The film is comical while still maintaining intelligence. The power of sex explodes on the screen as it makes the characters feel complete and empty at the same time. The world that Cuaron creates is one of endless, external sexual infidelity where everyone is sleeping with everyone. It seems that no one is faithful as the confessions continue to pour out through the journey. Luisa teaches the boys to understand sex as a communal act rather than a private affair that breeds jealousy and insecurity.

The weak point of the film is the omniscient third-person narration that continuously interrupts the experience of the film. The narrator has a quirky sense of humor that is typical in contemporary foreign films. The narration is completely unnecessary during several moments. There is no need to explain everything. The actors did a magnificent job expressing themselves. They did not need a narrator to explain the feelings and inner thoughts of a character. The cast does a wonderful job filling the characters with loneliness, confusion, and sexuality. Maribel Verdú plays Luisa with the right mixture of sensuality, intelligence, confidence, and understanding. Gael García Bernal and Diego Luna have powerful chemistry. Julio and Tenoch respectively that is exemplified in the pure moments of utter rage, jealousy, and competition between the two adolescent characters.

Tu Mama Tambien is a provocative film that is filled with more emotion than any other film of the year. Cuaron explores political, social, spiritual, and sexual issues through the collision of these three characters. Tenoch is the son of a Mexican politician. Julio is from a middle class family, and Luisa comes from a poor family.

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**This Week in Entertainment**

T.V.

Pamela Anderson disclosed last Wednesday that she has contracted Hepatitis C. The serious liver disease from her ex-husband Tommy Lee. The actress says she contracted the disease from sharing a tattoo needle with the rock star. She has accused Tommy of having the disease and never disclosing it to her during their marriage. Lee has yet to officially comment on what he calls "outrageous allegations," but the Lee camp has said that the allegations are "...a clear attack on Tommy." The two are currently in a bitter custody battle over their two children.

Music

Peter Buck, guitarist for R.E.M., has denied accusations of inventing a sleeping pill story to avoid accusations of drunkenness after an alleged British Airways incident where he assaulted two cabin crew members. Rick has said he took Ambien, a powerful sleep inducer with alcohol before taking off and that mixed in his system, the drug caused him to go on a rampage. British press office head David Bates QC, has accused Buck of making up the story to cover up his behavior.

Movies

Tom Green took home the gold sprayed Razzie’s this year when his comedy Freddy Got Fingered won five awards including “Worst Movie of the Year.” Also awarded for their under achievement in Hollywood this year was Mariah Carey, who wandered the crowds by publicist in award percent of the vote for worst actress for her movie Glitter. Other winners include Planet of the Apes, who won “Worst Remake of the Year.”

Compiled from E! by James Topoleski
Oscars

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Best Supporting Actor
Jim Broadbent for *Iris* 
Ethan Hawke for *Training Day* 
Ben Kingsley for *Sexy Beast* 
Ian McKellen for *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* 
Jon Voight for *Al* 
Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring

Best Supporting Actress
Jennifer Connelly for *A Beautiful Mind* 
Helen Mirren for *Gosford Park* 
Maggie Smith for *Gosford Park* 
Kate Winslet for *Iris* 
Meryl Streep for *Mamma Mia!* 
Maggie Smith for *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* 
Jim Broadbent for *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street* 
Robert Altman for *Gosford Park* 
Ridley Scott for *Black Hawk Down* 
Ron Howard for *A Beautiful Mind* 
<br><br>Most of the awards this year were highly anticipated. The winners included*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* for Best Picture, *Iris* for Best Director and Actress, and *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* for Best Screenplay Written Directly for the Screen.

Best Director
Ron Howard for *A Beautiful Mind* 
Robert Altman for *Gosford Park* 
Peter Jackson for *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* 
David Lynch for *Mulholland Dr.* 
Ridley Scott for *Black Hawk Down* 
<br><br>Best Writing, Screenplay Written Directly for the Screen
*Gosford Park* - Julian Fellowes for *Gosford Park* 
*Le Fabuleux destin d’Amélie Poulain* - Guillaume Lalant, Jean-Pierre Jeunet for *Amélie* 
*Memento* - Jonathan Nolan for *Memento* 
*Monster’s Ball* - Milo Addica, Will J. Horstak for *Monster’s Ball* 
*The Royal Tenenbaums* - Wes Anderson for *The Royal Tenenbaums* 
<br><br>Best Animated Feature
*Shrek* - Doug Koon, Howard Fine for *Shrek* 
*James and the Giant Peach* - Arndt Ross, Tom Herbst for *James and the Giant Peach* 
*Monsters, Inc.* - Detlev Buck for *Monsters, Inc.* 
*Toy Story 2* - John Lasseter for *Toy Story 2* 
<br><br>Congratulations to all the winners! The Oscars are always a highly anticipated event and this year’s ceremony was no exception. The best performances of the year were celebrated and the industry was treated to an evening of excellence.

Happy Birthday!

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

Thursday, March 28
Zeroes - Dan White
Punk - John Doe
<br><br>Friday, March 29
Angus Young - AC/DC
Punk Rockers - John Doe
<br><br>Saturday, March 30
Angus Young - AC/DC
Paul McCartney - The Beatles
<br><br>Sunday, March 31
Ewan McGregor - *Trainspotting* 
Jumbo Elliot - *Looney Tunes* 
Ted Elliott - *The Incredibles* 
Edward Hirsch - *Tribute* 
<br><br>Shrek - Aron Warner 
Jimmy Neutron: Boy Genius - Pete Docter, John Lasseter
<br><br>Best Cinematography
*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* - Peter Jackson for *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* 
*Shrek* - Pete Docter, John Lasseter, Ofer Mokady, Aron Warner, John A. Davis (I) 
*Black Hawk Down* - Slavomir I. F. Idzik for *Black Hawk Down* 
*Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* - Slavomir I. F. Idzik for *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* 
*Vanilla Sky* - Bruno Delbonnel for *Vanilla Sky* 
<br><br>Best Song
*Monsters, Inc.* - Randy Newman for *Monsters, Inc.* (For the song "If You Ain’t Got It"") 
*Kate & Leopold* - Sting for *Kate & Leopold* (For the song "Until"") 
*Black Hawk Down* - Hans Zimmer for *Black Hawk Down* (For the song "Until"") 
*Vanilla Sky* - Paul McCartney (For the song "Villa"") 
<br><br>Best Original Score
*The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring* - Howard Shore 
*Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* - James Newton Howard 
*Vanilla Sky* - Hans Zimmer 
*Monsters, Inc.* - Randy Newman 
*Shrek* - John Musker, Ron Clements 
<br><br>Happy Birthday to everyone out there celebrating today! We hope you have a wonderful day filled with joy and love. Thanks for choosing the Montclarion for your birthday celebration.
A Little Princess

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Spain where she had to begin working at 16 in order to support the family. Cuaron's characters are alienated from one another on different levels such as age, social class, experience, intelligence, and political importance. These divisions are the true foundation of this movie as Luisa tries to find a level of consciousness where these divisions do not exist and anything is possible.

With Y Tu Mama Tambien, Alfonso Cuaron steps back into his homeland of Mexico and into the Spanish language after two Hollywood films, Y Tu Mama Tambien and Hotel Rwanda. As a response to this, Cuaron provides a roadtrip through Mexico in Y Tu Mama Tambien in limited engagements. It is definitely one foreign film that will not disappoint.

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"Hello, this is MSU, do you have $3 million you can spare?"

It seems that MSU fundraisers won't ask that question of the numerous corporations and contributors that they expect to fund the building of the new Children's Center. However, they certainly seem to think that they will be able to raise $5 million—brought down from the first estimate of $8 million—which was the originally anticipated cost of construction.

Since the new building will not benefit all students or bring in tuition funds, the construction will not be paid for with tuition dollars. However, the Children's Center, of which the construction is being funded solely by fundraising, is University subsidized for the building use and expenses. The recent decision to downsize the construction, which will require a new building plan, seems financially responsible. There has been a definite attempt to avoid the common stigma of "build it now and we'll figure out how to pay for it later" in which the state of NJ has recently found itself with the inception of the still unpaid-for E-Z Pass system.

Other than fiscal responsibility, the administration has also admitted its own boundaries. Staring into a blackhole shortage of $7 million, with only $1 million already raised, administrators made a wise decision to revamp the building plans to afford for a more workable budget. Afraid of scaring away potential contributors with a large deficit, they have saved face by cutting the proverbial fat. They can now say to prospective donators, "We may still need $4 million, but just think of the $3 million that we're saving."

As far as the currently planned improvements are concerned, the redesign of the entrance to the Children's Center, which will be an adhesion of the Child Care Center and the two units of the Psychoeducational Center, to accommodate the handicapped children that will use the building is a much-needed addition. The concept of a building for handicapped persons without a handicapped accessible entrance is quite preposterous and the rectification of such an absurdity is definitely a win-win undertaking.

The new plans also call for the Children's Center to have a maximum capacity of nearly 500 children, triple the current number. And with both the Child Care and Psychoeducational Centers being housed under the same roof, all the children will be able to interact with one another instead of sectioning off children based on special needs. The Children's Center will provide support for parents of disabled children and it will also expand its current program for children with autism.

The consolidated Children's Center's increased size over the current Child Care Center will likewise benefit MSU education students, which are increasing as the years progress. With the current number of students running between 300-400, the Early Childhood/Elementary programs are bound to be beneficial since all of the students will use the Children's Center to learn from and interact with the children.

So, with $4 million to go to a Children's Center that will benefit just about everyone at MSU, keep the phone calls going and just maybe someone on the other end will say, "Three million? Who do I make the check out to?"

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Were You Upset to Find Your Name in the Student Directory?

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- Very Upset
- Slightly Upset
- Slightly Upset
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- Not Happy
- Not At All Upset
- Not At All Upset

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15% 36%

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Drug Testing for Extracurricular Activities is an Invasion of High School Students' Privacy

When Did Schooling Become Socialization?

Looks like no more getting high before chess games after class. The United States Supreme Court, ultimately the last word on the letter of American law, all but announced on March 19 that it would allow for public schools to expand their current policies of drug testing to activities beyond just athletics. The Supreme Court has already found that random drug testing for students involved in sports is constitutional.

According to The New York Times, the debate itself seemed almost an afterthought as the case progressed, because the majority of the justices seemed warm to the idea of a broader scope of testing. Drug testing for students not involved in sports, but rather, for other after-school programs and/or clubs such as the Math team, the drama club, and yes, even chess, has been described as a justified action that a public school may take in order to ensure that a drug problem does not go undetected. The expanded policy was started in a rural Oklahoma school where middle-school students were asked to pass a drug test in order to participate "in any extracurricular activity that involves inter­scholastic competition, including the chorus, the band and the Future Homemakers of America." Because you know how homemakers and drugs go hand in hand.

What the Supreme Court obvi­ously does not realize, or perhaps what it blindly refuses to realize, is that allowing public educational institutions to screen students not involved in athletic activities as well as those who are, will not prevent drug use. The Bush administration, who had a representative on hand to argue their part of the case, would be wise to believe that asking members of the chess club to urinate into a cup will systematically eliminate drug use in minors. But the reality of the situation is that the world will do what they want to regardless of what policies are in place. While the argument is made that young people who are coun­seled about drug use will lead more productive lives, there is no evidence I have seen to support this. Discour­aging drug use is not going to stop it.

Aside, from the fact that a school should have no right to control students into drug testing in the first place, whether they are in sports or not, the conservatives are failing to see yet one more detail. Students who know they are going to be drug tested may be less inclined to join extra­curricular activities for fear that if their use of drugs is exposed it will affect their ability to get into a better college. This could very well cause a worthy academic mind who happens to occa­sionally take part in alterna­tive forms of enjoyment to be passed over by a one­dimensional, "book smarts only" type student.

Yes, I just basically said drugs are not as big a deal as they are made out to be. Some of the smartest and most successful people I know have used drugs. People seem to think that drug use in any form will cause instant addiction, leading to a wasted life, this is not necessarily the case. All things affect all people differently.

There are some who enjoy them selves responsibly, and then there are those who can't have fun unless their neurotransmitters are swimming in chemicals. It ultimately depends on the individual. The Right should stop this "march of morals" it has engaged in, and come to the real­ization that drug abuse cannot be stopped by taking civil rights. The Oklahoma school also shows a severe set of double standards. By saying that the drug testing will be for competitive inter­scholastic groups, they leave out other groups. While clubs and bands and cheerleading do not endure drug testing, it's a state test to assume the Bible study group won't have to go through that. The criteria should be the same. You want to spend your time after school reading about the evils of Sodom and Gomorra? Then you better prove you're not a sinner, god-boy. While you're at it, why not test the video­ audio­visual club for drugs too? Those morning announcers at my high school always did seem a little too happy to me.

Seriously though, there is a reason for the whole chart to be addressed, and that is personal privacy. While I agree that drug use can become very bad, that still does not give a school the right to force its students to prove themselves. If a young girl wanted to try out for the cheerleading team, it shouldn't matter that she had used marijuana the night before with her friends. Just because she smokes weed, doesn't mean she can't be a cheerleader. Who in their right mind would allow themselves to be tested on their own time is his/ her own business. What happened to an individual's right to privacy? Doesn't it have anything to do with being your own boss and not being some government agent just because you go to school.

Jerome D'Angelo, a political sci­ence major, is in his third year as a member of The Montclarion.

Rosie's Out, but What About Her Kids?

I will apologize right away. I'm sorry, but I'm going to have to mention Rosie O'Donnell's name. Yes, I know, I'm sick of hearing about her. Ever since she came out, there's been a steady drumbeat to Diane Sawyer (or, more accurately, came out in dribbles and drabs over past few months, ensuring her fan base of mid-Western mommies wouldn't be too shocked at her revelation). O'Donnell's been every­where: magazine cover shots, talks shows, newspapers, etc.

I'm apologizing because O'Donnell is unbelievably obnoxious. She's a little more than a corporate shill, selling business­wise, millions in ad revenue and handing millions in profits all because they donate a few thou­sand dollars to some good cause. Her "coming-out" interview was quite amusing. It was obvious she couldn't be marching in pride parades any time soon. She swore that she would not want her children to be gay, and went on and on about how difficult a lifestyle it is. Me thinks the lady doth protest too much. I understand why she did this, but it was a bit dis­honest. Rosie, you and your children have millions of dollars and all the fame you could hope for: the little gay boy who got kicked out of his house probably has it worse than you do. To pull your whining and build your kids another swimming pool.

The good part about O'Donnell's coming out has been the spotlight it has put on the issue of gay adop­tions. During that very special "Prime­time Live," a gay couple from Florida was interviewed. They are the adop­tive parents of two children and the foster parents for three. They want to adopt their foster children, but the State of Florida won't let them. You know, I'm sick of hearing about her. While the Florida court ruled that it would be contrary (it would be easier for me to list the states that give up adoption to Florida, but this is the state where a mayor recently banned Satan from their city. Oh yeah, I also have to mention that the Floridaly does not allow homosexu­als to adopt children (the courts won't take them from the parents of gay children are from Oregon).

I'll leave the gay couple and their children being interviewed, you would be hard-pressed to find any evidence that the gay lifestyle isn't good. In Florida, gays can be foster but not adoptive. In Oregon, they can't even function as foster parents of the year award by the agency that gave them the children.

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The Christian Right, in an attempt to dissuade women from getting abortions, are constantly claiming that there are thousands of people out there clamoring to adopt; however, the children they want to adopt are healthy, white babies, not the children of this Florida couple. Were it not for these two men, their five children would still be homeless and parentless. It is reprehensible for the Christian Right to claim they are “pro-life,” and then crusade to keep children from stable homes.

Also interviewed by Diane Sawyer was Florida Representative Randy Ball, a total nitwit who has said, “Placing a child into a homosexual household is like placing a child into a whirleywind of sexual partners, disease and depression.” (Ball says this even though he acknowledges that he has gay family members - holding the Ball family must be fun, huh?) Ball told Diane Sawyer that heterosexuals will always make better parents than homosexuals. His conclusions came to after studying research and Bible verses. The research he uses, though, is phony. (In his interview with Sawyer, he疍 lied that there is no Bible verse about homosexuals being unfit parents [plus, we are a secular country, and Bible verses should have no influence on our law].

The American Academy of Pediatrics recently issued a study stating that homosexual parents raise children that are just as happy and healthy as children raised by heterosexual parents. Who are we to believe? Doctor, or the representative of a state that has banned gay adoptions outright?

Terrence Thornton, a political science major in his first year as a member of the Montclarion.

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• Letters must be typed, preferably on disk (text only format) or via e-mail. • Letters exceeding 500 words will not be considered for publication. • Once received, letters are current finances. • All delineated from the directory, included among the students. I suppose Bush believes heterosexuals like himself make better parents, even if they are alcoholic, mass-murdering cokeheads. After all, look how the Bush daughters turned out.

Use What You've Got

Congratulations on your recent reward from NJPA as it shows the campus community what a fine job you continue to do in providing us with excellent news coverage. In addition, congratulations to Robert Vincent for his recent award from ACPA as it could not have been given to a more dedicated member of our student body. We should all learn from his dedication to honest integrity, community service and a great willingness to help improve our student services.

It is terribly unfortunate that the same benevolence cannot be said about our SGA Executive and Legislative branches. Although both branches continue to do fine work for our fellow students of the University, it is still disappointing to read about the apathetic actions that continue to plague the view of the two branches.

The recent letter to the Montclarion by SGA legislator Jacob Hudnut left the impression that the SGA has the right to express his or her views about a student issue unless it is acceptable by the SGA legislators. The truth is that all 10,000 plus undergraduate students are members of the SGA and we all have the right to say what we feel about any issue that concerns us and especially about an issue that directly affects our individual finances.

There is nothing improper about a student calling for full disclosure of the SGA's finances and the audit reports because, as shareholders of the corporation, we have a right to see these reports. I recall asking the last two SGA Presidents for a copy of the audit reports which I never received and only got the run around for months, leaving the impression that there was something to hide. As a result, I am inclined to agree with the students that called for this action. If nothing is improper about the financial issues of the SGA, then there should be nothing to hide. All undergraduate students have the right to know how efficiently the Executive and Legislative branches of the SGA are allocating student funds.

The proposal for increasing the student activity fee from $3.10 (not $3.15) per credit to $4, which is 29 percent over the next three years, might have merit but the Executive and Legislative branches of the SGA have yet to give us evidence that they can handle the current finances. Yes, there have been budget cuts of some organizations but unless we go to the SGA Legislative sessions on Wednesdays, we do not know what changes the two branches have made.

If the legislators want the proposal to pass, they should be getting out into the campus community, talking to all students about why they feel an increase would be necessary and not just because the price of a loaf of bread has increased. Contrary to what Jason Long believes is justifiable, our economy is still in a recession and the majority of corporations are cutting back financially as well as laying off thousands of employees. Instead of asking for more money, why cannot the SGA come up with creative ideas to help maintain their programs like the rest of us in America?

Ned T. Gross, Jr. Business Major

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A Little Privacy Please

As a full-time mother of three and a student at MSU, I have relatively little free time. Therefore, I find telemarketers and receiving junk mail particularly distracting.

So, when I've registered each semester and read the question that asked if my personal information, i.e. home address and phone number, could be included in the student directory, I've always checked off the "no" box; believing that the people who would most benefit from such a directory are credit card companies and various types of telemarketers who prey on college students with various sales pitches.

So, imagine my surprise to see my personal information, which I specifically requested to be omitted from the directory, included among the thousands in MSU's most recent waste of our tuition dollars.

How many other students, including those on campus who might be recent victims of crime or domestic assault and require some anonymity for their own safety, have been insulted with this publication? Does registering as a student at MSU mean that we are no longer entitled to maintain a "private" address or unlisted phone number? Perhaps you may wish to include our university address in the student directory. Instead of asking for more money, why can't the SGA come up with creative ideas to help maintain their programs like the rest of us in America?

Laura Reilly English Ed. Major

THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY, TALKING TO STUDENTS.

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Unsung Heroes

Athletic Training Staff Key to Winning

By Eli Gelman
Assistant Sports Editor

Montclair State starting tailback Leroy Horn tore his medial meniscus (cartilage) in his knee in football camp in 1986. He was expected to miss over four weeks. MSU head athletic trainer John Davis got Horn to a doctor immediately to perform arthroscopic surgery to repair the torn cartilage. Davis worked with Horn intensely to rehab his knee, using a total pool workout to strengthen it. Horn played in the first game of the football season against East Stroudsburg, and rushed for over 70 yards. He was out a total of 13 days.

MSU head football coach Rick Giancola is thankful to have Davis and his staff at MSU.

"You can't survive without them," said Giancola, echoing the sentiments of his fellow coaches. "You need John and his people to be able to say, 'This guy needs to be shut down for the day or we're going to lose him for a longer period of time.' "

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"When [John] tells me we can't get a guy ready this week, I trust him. He's never put a foot wrong with me," he added. With MSU recently adding the first Athletic Training Education Bachelor of Science degree program in New Jersey, prospective students will have an opportunity to prepare for a career as certified athletic trainers. They will be able to take what they've learned in the classroom and put it to clinical use when working with MSU's training staff.

"Our goal is to graduate students who are better than students from other schools," said Middemans. "The quality of a student's education and where they end up will be a step higher than it was," said Davis of his student assistants. "For all the hours the kids have put in, they have directly affected the success of the athletic program."

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"Of all the pieces of the puzzle...that's the one area I never have to worry about," said MSU Athletic Director Holly Gera. "That's a tribute to John's professionalism."

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While much of the success of MSU’s athletic program can be attributed to some very gifted athletes and coaches, Davis' staff plays a major role in each victory.

They provide initial first aid to injured athletes, decide how badly they're hurt and what needs to be done. If an athlete is sent to a doctor, the training staff performs their prescribed treatment. But most important is the primary evaluation on the field.

"That opportunity to evaluate the kid right on the field, whether it's me, a student trainer, one of my graduate assistants doing it, that's the single most important thing we do for athletes," said Davis. "The best time to evaluate is 15 minutes after a player gets hurt because [they're] not swollen yet. That's the best reason to have an athletic trainer.

At some schools, coaches and athletic trainers don't have good working relationships and built heads off. That's completely the opposite of MSU. "I'm blessed with good [coaches] who are interested in student athletes as people and not just as pieces of meat on the fields," said Davis.

"I have been very lucky that good people have come here and have been willing to put in time whether they get paid or not," said Davis of his student assistants. "For all the years I've been here, for all the hours the kids have put in, they have directly affected the success of the athletic program."

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The new Athletic Training program and former director of Rowan’s Athletic Training program Martha Grant-Ford feels MSU provides a family atmosphere for students to learn. “Our program is small and we personally have vested interest in every student,” said Grant-Ford. “We’re leaving our mark on these students and the athletic health world will be different because students went to MSU.”

As National Athletic Training Month comes to a close, Davis, Middleman, and Grant-Ford hope the history of excellence at MSU will draw some of the best and brightest to the only Athletic Training Bachelor’s Degree program in New Jersey Division 1 Schools like Seton Hall are more focused on getting injured athletes back than they are on educating student trainers.

One of Davis’ student volunteers, Aleks Tamarkin, says MSU provides a better learning environment. “I got more experience here in one year than I got in three years at Seton Hall. John lets me think and act more independently,” said Tamarkin.

MSU men’s lacrosse players Dave Gondres and Joe Wenzenter tore their ACLs in their left knees in the first half of last Tuesday’s game. They could be out four to six months. Somehow, it’s hard to imagine they won’t make a quicker recovery.

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BASEBALL GAMES

Rain puts a damper on every-one’s parade, and this week it interfered with Montclair’s hit parade. Their offense was shut down for a game this week due to the wet weather.

In the past week, MSU had two games against SUNY-Cortland at home on consecutive days and one game against Wilmington was postponed until the end of April due to rain. MSU dropped the first meeting with SUNY-Cortland 6-3. Corey Hamman had a rough outing giving up five runs, all earned, walking five, and striking out four over seven innings. Josh Pine and Rick Haas threw the other two innings. Pine gave up a hit and struck out two during his inning of work and Haas walked one, struck out one, and surrendered one run in his inning. Shawn Dyckman was 2-3 with an RBI on the day to lead the Red Hawks. There was some role reversal in the second meeting between these teams as MSU took the second game 12-6.

With the last game rained out, MSU has the challenge of facing Rensselaer on Thursday March 28, prior to jumping into NJAC play with a doubleheader against New Jersey City. This past week showed how MSU had the disadvantage in the first meeting where the ball was not placed where they wanted it and had the complete advantage in the second game. They were doubled up on Saturday then were the ones doing the doubling up on Sunday.
Good ol' days: Kevin Cooney, far left, and the 1987 baseball team following their regional championship victory at Pittser Field.

**Cooney**

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Cooney came back and pitched the rest of the year with an ailing shoulder. The Twins made it to the Midwest Championship where they faced the Brewers in a best-of-three series. With the series tied at 1-1, Cooney shut the Brewers down to win the championship. That was the last game he ever pitched.

It was cut by the Twins the following year because of his shoulder problems. But at the end of his dream to pitch in the majors gave birth to a new one ... coaching.

After returning to MSC to earn his Physical Education degree, Cooney began a coaching career working as an assistant under Anderson from 1975-1976. MSC football coach Fred Hill took over for Anderson after he retired in 1976. When Hill took the head-coaching job at Rutgers University in 1983, Cooney was hired to coach his alma mater.

Cooney felt an immense pressure to win and become accepted after replacing Hill. He gives credit to Giancola for helping him through his first year at MSC in 1984.

"I came in and was goofy and joked around ... but if anybody got out of line or was thinking about getting out of line, they knew they had to face Coach G," said Cooney who compared their relationship to a "good cop/bad cop." Giancola also helped Cooney with organizing practices.

"I knew what I wanted to do in my head ... nothing was written down. It was all ad-libbed," said Cooney. "He showed me what they do in football and how they break it down into time segments. He made me a better coach."

Full-time assistant football/baseball coach Rich O’Connor joined the baseball staff the following year to form what Cooney calls "the best baseball staff" of his career.

Cooney re-called two of the most difficult decisions he had to make in the 1987 NCAA College Division Baseball World Series. After winning game one, O’Connor and Giancola scouted the Wesleyan-U.C. San Diego game, the loser of which the Indians would play, U.C. San Diego lost and Cooney asked his assistants whom he should pitch.

"They told him to go with Brian Chwiskew, a reliever and spot starter who had struggled all year instead of Jeff Vanderoef, their number one pitcher whom he held out of game one."

If they won, the Indians would have their ace in Vanderoef to pitch against everybody else’s number three pitcher. The pivotal third game would either send them into the championship game undefeated or drop them into the loser’s bracket.

"So you guys want me to skip our number one pitcher again?" Cooney asked them. "If we lose, I’m going to be the biggest idiot in the state of New Jersey."

But then his assistants said the magic words to their head coach, "If it works, you’re a genius."

The Indians won 9-4 and Cooney began to breathe again.

"They knew their head coach who has a little bit of an ego and doesn’t mind gambling and they knew what to say to convince me. I always considered that we did it," said Cooney.

The other decision was letting left fielder Leroy Horn swing away in the bottom of the 10th inning of the championship game against Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

After D.H. Mike Wernich got a leadoff single and Horn was due up, Cooney wanted to bunt, but Giancola and O’Connor had other ideas.

"Coach G looks at me and says, ‘I don’t think Leroy has ever bunted in his life,’ recalled Cooney. ‘I look at O’Connor and say, ‘so we’ll hit and run.’ He says, ‘no he swings through a lot of pitches. He’s not a good hit and run guy.’"

"I looked at the two of them and said, ‘you guys are a big help’ and laughed. Coach G says, ‘let’s just do nothing and see what happens.’"

The count goes to three-and-one, Horn gets a fastball, and hits a bomb over the right field fence to win the national title.

"We won the national championship because those two assistant coaches were smart enough to one, know their material, confident enough to voice their opinion and override their head coach in the two most important decisions in the whole course of the tournament," said Cooney. "We wouldn’t have won the World Series if I had been coaching alone. They put the proper players in a position where they could be most successful and it was their idea for those players."

In four seasons, the Cooney-led Indians went to four Mid-Atlantic Regional championships, winning the NCAA Division III World Series in 1987. Cooney was named New Jersey College Coach of the Year in 1985 and NCAA Division III District Coach of the Year from 1985 to 1987. He compiled a 138-50-5 coaching mark.

But Cooney got tired of having to raise money most of the school year for the baseball program most notably for yearly baseball trips to Florida. He wanted to practice outdoors.

"I was looking at these Florida coaches and thought they have the life," said Cooney.

When Florida Atlantic’s baseball coach Steve Traynor left to take over at Duke, Cooney jumped at the chance to coach in the Sunshine State. He was hired by FAU and said goodbye to his home at MSC.

For Cooney, it was painful to leave. He recollected his former player Pete Diaz calling him after hearing the news.

"He said, ‘I feel like my father is leaving me,’" said Cooney. "It was tough to adjust. My wife and kids were 1,300 miles away."

Even after 15 years, Cooney still feels like an outsider at FAU and has never developed the kindship with his colleagues that he had at MSC.

When Hill coached at MSC, he began a tradition of calling his players and assistants "Moose" to get their attention. Everyone who knew him carried that on after he left for Rutgers.

The first time Coach G, called me "Moose" I felt accepted, said Cooney.

Cooney recently began keeping a coach’s journal on the website for FAU. He said if they win the national championship, he’s going to turn it into a movie.

"But for Cooney, to be called "Moose" again would be enough.

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**Standings Through 3/19**

**BASEBALL**

- Thurs. 28 vs. Rensselaer: 2:30 p.m.
- Sat. 30 vs. NJCU*: 11:30 a.m.
- Tues. 2 vs Adelphi: 3 p.m.

**SOFTBALL**

- Thurs. 28 vs. Caldwell: 2 p.m.
- Sat. 30 vs. RSC*: 1 p.m.
- Tues. 2 vs Rutgers-Newark: 3 p.m.

**MEN'S LACROSSE**

- Thurs. 28 vs. DeSales: 7 p.m.
- Sat. 30 vs. Stevens Tech: 1 a.m.
- Wed. 3 vs Manhattanville: 4 p.m.

**WOMEN'S LACROSSE**

- Thurs. 28 @ Ursinus: 4 p.m.
- Sat. 30 vs. Rowan: 6:30 p.m.
- Tues. 2 vs. Lycoming: 4 p.m.

**TENNIS**

- Thurs. 28 vs. NJIT: 3:30 p.m.
- Tues. 2 vs. USMMA: 4 p.m.

**Honorable Mention**

- **Ethan Boyd**
  - Freshman Outfielder
  - Perth Amboy, NJ
  - Boyd was named "NJAC Rookie of the Week." He went 6 for 12 collecting 5 RBI's and coming around to score 4 times.

- **Cathy Homeik**
  - Sophomore Attacker
  - Toms River, NJ
  - Homeik scored 5 goals over the week and had an assist in the overtime loss to Messiah. She leads the team with 14 points (7 goals, 7 assists).

- **Tonya Barnes**
  - Junior Catcher
  - Mechanicsville, PA
  - Barnes hit 6-14 and is batting .348 on the season. She collected 3 RBI's to help MSU split it’s four games over the weekend.

- **Kevin Gondres**
  - Freshman Attacker
  - Fair Lawn, NJ
  - Gondres score three goals in a 10-7 loss to Richard Stockton. He also added 2 assists, his first points as a Red Hawk.
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Softball
The Red Hawks split four games over the weekend at the MSU/Keen Softball Classic, falling to third place in the four-game tournament. After defeating Muhlenberg 3-2 in the first game, MSU fell 2-8 to SUNY Cortland. The next day MSU lost another 2-8 decision to Ithaca, but won the night cap with a 5-0 victory against Bridgewater (VA).

Women's Lacrosse
MSU lost a tough overtime game to Messiah 15-13. Messiah scored two goals in overtime 11 seconds left. MSU lost another 2-8 decision to Ithaca, but won the night cap with a 5-0 victory against Bridgewater (VA). They are now 8-4 on the year.

Men's Lacrosse
After starting the season 3-0, MSU lost a 10-7 decision at Richard Stockton College this past Saturday. The offense, which has scored 10 goals in each of their first three games, was led by freshman Kevin Gondres with three goals and two assists.

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Catching Up With Cooney
Former MSC Head Baseball Coach and Pitcher Recalls Montclair Days
By Eli Gelman

Kevin Cooney was only 24 years old when he pitched his last baseball game, but his baseball career was far from over. Thirty years later, Cooney became the first head coach to lead the then Montclair State Indians to a Division III World Series Championship in 1987. Now managing at Division I Florida Atlantic University, Cooney has not forgotten his Northern New Jersey baseball roots.

Kevin Cooney speaking at the Ring Ceremony for the 1987, then Montclair Indians Division III National Champions.