**Concerns Induce Parking Changes**

By Cesarino Miceli  
News Editor

This 2003-2004 academic year, the Department of Transportation and Parking Services has implemented changes to MSU’s parking policies in response to student complaints. According to this year’s MSU Parking Regulations pamphlet distributed to students by the Office of Transportation and Parking Services, there is currently a 26 percent increase in the number of parking spaces on campus from September 2002.

However, it is also stated that MSU provides approximately 6,000 parking spaces to accommodate an estimated 18,000 employees, students, and visitors. Alterations to improve the parking conditions on campus include the installation of a parking meter system, new parking decals, and area-designated overnight parking.

In the past, we have not had the facilities to offer visitors to the campus,” said Elaine Cooper, Director of Transportation and Parking Services.

### Summer Shooting Leaves Student Injured

A shooting took place this summer in the Clove Road Apartments. The case is under investigation.

By Lillian M. Aleman  
Managing Editor

Minor details regarding a June shooting that left a woman injured at Clove Road were confirmed yesterday evening by the Dean of Students, Helen Matusow-Ayres. After several attempts for information, were denied by University Police and MSU Public Information and phone calls to the Director of Residence Life, Regina Sargent, and the Director of Clove Road, Roberta Garrett, were left unanswered, the vice president of Student Activities and Campus Life transferred The Montclarion's questions to Ayres late last week.

According to Ayres, at about midnight on June 16, a female summer resident of Clove Road was accidentally shot in the upper leg by a male, non-MSU student, that she knew. Four students at Clove Road took the woman to Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge, after hearing the gunshot and going to her room.

The students did not call University Police or MSU EMS, but one student did contact their resident director on duty, who then, in turn called University Police. By then, according to Ayres, there was nothing that University Police could do since the woman was already on her way to receive treatment for her injuries.

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DJ Wuss takes advantage of the new parking meters.

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According to Cooper, the purpose of these changes is to “provide options to people.”

Students who choose to utilize the parking meters daily are not required to purchase a yearly parking permit, although both are recommended by Cooper.

According to sophomore Bohn Hall resident Rachel Smith, who drove around for 50 minutes on Monday morning looking for a parking space, “The parking meters are a great last resort when parking is impossible to find, but I don’t think there should be a time limit for the parking meters. If I have back to back classes from 11:30 a.m. until 6 p.m., and I am willing to pay for the entire time, then I should be able to. Maybe the University should not give out more permits than the number of parking spots available to students.”

In previous years, only three types of permits were offered to students: resident student permits, commuter student permits, and faculty/staff permits.

This year, seven different types of permits have been created: Freeman/Russ permit, Clove Road permit, Village permit, campus resident permit, general permit (commutes included), employee permit, and service vehicle permit.

The manufacturing of multiple parking permits is connected to the changes with overnight parking.

According to Cooper, overnight parking has been created by clusters of parking spaces near most halls. Overnight parking is no longer lot 28 as it was last year, but instead, each residence hall is assigned a certain number of overnight spaces to occupy. The Village contains 50, Freeman/Russ has 37, and Clove Road has 54 overnight parking spaces.

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with simple assault and is awaiting a court date in the Montclair Municipal Court.

9/13/03 - The Little Falls Fire Department responded to statements made about a fire alarm. Residents cooking, burnt the food, causing the smoke detector to activate.

9/12/03 - Ryan J. MacEachern, 21, Fairview Hall was charged with hindering and criminal mischief and is waiting for a court date in the Little Falls Municipal Court.

9/12/03 - Richard J. Cordone, 18, Stone Hall, Mark N. Kosta, 18, Stone Hall were charged for hindering under age possession of alcohol, and counterfeit IDs, and are waiting for a court date in the Little Falls Municipal Court.

9/11/03 - The MUS EME unit responded to Blanton Hall on a report of a male bleeding from the head. The victim was transported to St. Joseph’s Medical Center.

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

Six Teens in Mugging Case Face Bias Count

Six Morristown teenagers whom the Morris County Prosecutor’s Office revealed yesterday. Meanwhile, a group of residents demanded Israel halt threats to expel Palestinian Authority residents of low-lying areas to evacuate. The storm is growing to a major Category 5. Tropical storm-force winds extend as far as 275 miles to the coast.

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School Project Heading Into Space Again

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New Shuttle Buses Aboard Campus

By Theresa Cevetello
Staff Writer

A brand new fleet of shuttle buses will be welcomed aboard campus temporarily by late Spring 2004 as part of the new shuttle bus system.

Elaine Cooper, Director of Transportation and Parking Services, said that the decision to obtain new shuttle buses was made because although much use can still be acquired from the current red and white buses, they are beginning to reach the end of their useful life.

"Also, we want to add to the fleet to serve the greater community," Cooper said.

The new fleet will be funded by a federal grant in which New Jersey Transit is the primary grantee and MSU is the sub-grantee.

"We do not have a date yet for the new buses because we are working with New Jersey Transit on bus specifications and technicalities for bus grant assistance," Cooper said.

According to the September 2003 edition of the TransPark News, a publication of the Transportation and Parking Services Department, the new buses are to be in service by low spring.

Until the new fleet arrives on campus, a three-stage process has gone into effect. The first stage involves temporarily leasing vehicles, which are the white vans on campus, from an outside company. These white vans act as shuttles until the second step ensues, which is getting used buses from New Jersey Transit. The final stage is getting the brand new fleet. Until then, the New Jersey Transit buses will be used as the campus shuttle.

Another change has been made to the shuttle bus system besides expanding routes and adding new buses. With 20 years of transportation and delivery experience behind him, Melvin Little has been recruited from Coach USA to take on the position of Shuttle Bus Coordinator on Aug. 11.

According to Cooper, Little's duties include managing drivers, dispatching buses, and any customer issues.

"I am basically in charge of the whole operation," Little said. "From payroll, discipline of drivers, maintenance—the full realm of campus transportation."

In regards to the New Jersey Transit shuttle bus replacement process.

TV Discovered in Quad

By Alano I. Capria
Staff Writer

Propositions were addressed at the MSU Board of Trustees' first meeting of the semester last Thursday.

The meeting opened with a moment of silence in memory of the Twin Towers and all those lost during the Sept. 11 tragedy.

The first issue addressed was the election of the new board officers for the 2004-2005 school year. A vote for a contract award in the amount of $100,000 was carried by the board, the best course of the actions voted on during the Aug. 19 meeting that carried motions for multi-space parking meters, new research equipment, site preparation for a new academic building on campus, and a resurfacing of the employee parking lots. These motions totaled $2,212,520.

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The woman did not file charges against the male who accidentally shot her, but the University is currently investigating the incident.

When asked to comment on unconfirmed reports that the four students who took the woman to the hospital were fired from their positions and expelled from the University, Ayres would neither confirm or deny the allegations.

“They should have called the police immediately,” said Ayres, “We have our own EMS on campus. Whatever did happen to those students is what needed to happen...we have high expectations of our resident assistants and when something happens like this [the shooting], we need to call the police.”

Ayres did not release the names of the students involved or the consequences of their alleged actions due to the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, which states that, “A school will not have to release information if disclosure would jeopardize the confidentiality of the victim.”

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Friday pertains to the weekends. Additionally, annual parking deck permits are available on a first come, first served basis, to faculty, part-time employees, and students for an annual fee of $250.

Sophomore Freeman Hall resident Jeff Grant said, “If it is affordable to students, I think the best parking option on campus is to purchase an annual parking deck permit.”

In response to complaints, this year’s students are offered a choice of either a hangtag or decal permit, and will be allowed to register a backup vehicle if purchasing the hangtag permit.

According to commuter Paula Soulo, “The new parking hangtag is great for me because at this moment, I’m driving a rental car. I highly recommend the hangtags to all students, because they are very convenient and allow you to register more than one vehicle.”

According to Cooper, a future solution to the parking problems on campus may be to rid parking privileges from freshmen.

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to remember that when we are not on time, it’s for reasons beyond our control: traffic jams, construction, buses breaking down. Sometimes in these situations, we need to re-route a bus which could cause them to be late.

Some students find that the shuttle system has improved from previous years.

Jennifer Valle, commuter student and junior math education major, said she takes the bus every day to and from lot 24 or 24A. “This semester, I haven’t waited longer than five minutes for the shuttle. Other semesters I’ve waited 20,” Valle said. “Just in case I miss my bus, there is always another one in sight.”

Andrea Jegletsch, Village resident and film studies exchange student said, “Most of the time they’re on time, I’ve had no problems.”

Valle said that the only problem she has had so far with the shuttle is that sometimes the driver does not stop at every stop in their route. “I noticed that sometimes they do not stop at a stop if people are not waiting outside even if that stop is in their route, but they should because that might be a student’s stop that is already on the bus,” Valle said. “I shouldn’t have to say ‘next stop’ because it is assumed that the driver will stop there because it is in their route.”

There are five bus routes, each servicing between four and six areas on campus including the Red Hawk Deck, Student Center, Clove Road apartments, the Village at Little Falls, and general parking lots.

According to the shuttle bus schedule, the A, B, and C buses run every 20 minutes, the D bus runs every five minutes, and the E bus runs every 30 minutes.

According to Little, the Village and the Quarry get the most attention; however, he said that traffic would flow smoother if more students parked in lot 28 and then took the shuttle.

“Lot 28, that’s the place to go,” Little said. “If everyone parked in 28, we have the capacity to run every 10 minutes from 28 and just shoot students straight up to the Student Center.”

Commuter student Sonia Martinez said, “The shuttles are better than last year. I just park in lot 28 and take the shuttle.”

Students’ comments about the shuttle bus system can be voiced by calling the shuttle hotline.

Little said that a new shuttle system needed to be instituted, “I want to be the best shuttle service in the nation. You’ll see it in the months to come,” Little said.

Guye said, “I’m skeptical about being the best in the nation, but if it happens, I’ll be really happy and so will everyone else.”

“If you talk about shuttle service, you’ll talk about MSU,” Little said. “I am not going to stop until we achieve that.”

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When Exes Go From the Past to a Problem

By G.M. Grosso
Staff Writer

Q: Dear G.M.,
I’ve been seeing my girlfriend for about three months. Everything was going smoothly, and then an ex-boyfriend of mine showed up.

A: The ex factor always causes problems in relationships whether it be two weeks down the line or a year and a half into the relationship. We all have this irksome thing called our past, and it always seems to find a way to catch up with us. Some people have an easier time separating themselves from their ex’s, while others linger in the unsettled waters of love gone sour.

The best way to say that some couples can’t transition from dueling lovers to civilized friends is that it takes some work.

The problem is that the current student trustee means that you love interest you have a heavy load to carry. You are in the process of building the founda­tions of a relationship. The first six months are crucial, and you’ve been doing really well so far.

Then, out of nowhere, Mr. Wonderful from days gone by decides to call. If you’re in that encore performance because he misses your girlfriend tremendously. She says it’s no big deal, but obviously it is a big deal to you.

First of all, you have to own up to the way you feel. There is no reason for you to suppress the emotions you’re experiencing.

There’s probably a bit of anger, lots of jealousy, some feelings of insecurity, and that’s perfectly okay. Everyone has thoughts about their ex-girlfriend. She’s not a mind reader. She may very well think that you’re okay with what’s going on. If you’re honest with her, then maybe she’ll be able to empathize with you and understand your emotions.

If she resists you too much and dismisses your feelings, try to explain your side of things. It’s a kind of reassurance that it’s not just you who feels this way, but it obviously is a big deal.

I’ve heard of couples who can’t transition from dueling lovers to civilized friends. It just takes some work.

When Did It Go Wrong?

When Exes Go From the Past to a Problem

By Antoinette Trióla
Feature Editor

Very rarely do students feel as though everything is being done to make sure their voices are heard.

Often times they feel as though the University never hears what they have to say about certain issues. As is the case with colleges everywhere, there are issues that students have a very big opinion on, and sometimes decisions are made that leave the students feeling as though they have not been heard.

However, this is not necessarily the case. I had the distinct pleasure of interviewing Al Fatale III, one of the two Student Trustees here at Montclair.

Basically, a Student Trustee sits on the Board of Trustees as a sort of student liaison to the Board (the Board being the final decision on policies and such made here at the University). There have been Student Trustees since 1967, and when the state did away with the legislature mandating this position, MSU kept on the Trustees to make sure that the voices of the students were heard.

When asked about the position he currently holds, Fatale said, “Students are part of a community and they deserve their say like anyone else. On paper, being a Student Trustee means that you go to a meeting once a month and you vote on an issue given to you. But real student trusteeship is going out there and being in touch with the students. There are only three people from the Board of Trustees who are here every day. They are the faculty trustee and the two student trustees. The student trustees tell the board what’s happening on campus. We tell them what policies enacted are really working here on campus.”

Fatale is no stranger to making sure that the voices of students are heard. This is his second year as a Student Trustee, which gives him the ability to be a voting member on the board. This year is also his second year on the board of the New Jersey Higher Education Student Assistance Authority (NJHESAA).

He currently sits on the Student Advisory Committee. The NJHESAA distributes financial aid to the state. This organization decides where and who the money goes to.

I wanted to talk to students, work with the SGA, work with organizations. To be in the office every day and talk to people, to make sure their ideas get heard. Last year was the textbook case of student trustee-ship. I found myself understanding the student and University needs. What we were trying to accomplish last year just wasn’t fitting with what Trenton was giving us.

As we all know, last year budget cuts were placed into effect. It angered many people, and rather than being one of the ones who sat around and complained, believing nothing could be done, Fatale went out there and did something about it.

He organized the rally that went to Trenton last year to protest the budget cuts. The result was 1,000 students going to Trenton and a snow day.

With the combination of this, and testifying before the budget committee, of the $10 million cut, we received half of that back.

Another fulfilling moment was the growth that occurred during his term.

Both academically and construction-wise, Fatale has witnessed within his term, plans that will thrust the University into a new age of growth. The biggest example is the academic building being constructed where Lot 14 used to be.

“It’s going to be a phenomenal building,” Fatale said. “People all over are going to know about this building, just as they know about the new residence halls.”

However, as every position does, there have been difficulties for Fatale. Perhaps the biggest example is the tuition increase plans.

On the July 17, 2003 meeting we were confronted with the tuition plans for the next three years. Even though we are going through tuition increases, it isn’t even close to what our sister institutions are charging.

While the rest of the state institutions were doing 10 to 15 percent increases, we were doing two and three percent increases. It was difficult. Because higher education is expensive and many students getting this higher education, I could not have voted if I didn’t feel that the tuition increase was justified. I was at the meeting.

I’m here to answer your questions. If you have a dilemma like the one above, I’m at your service. Just e-mail me at Montclarion@yahoo.com with the title attention G.M. Grosso. I look forward to hearing from you.
Time Managing Made Easy for Students

By Merin Campbell
Courtesy of Wellness Education

Ah, the start of a new semester—new professors, new syllabi, new books, and new classes. But why stress out now? Exams and papers won't start coming due for at least a few weeks. You may as well just relax and consider this time an extension of your summer vacation, right?WRONG!

Now is a crucial point in setting goals, establishing priorities, and learning to develop a schedule that best utilizes your time.

Designing a consistent and balanced schedule early on will not only help you become more organized and efficient in meeting your academic requirements, but it may actually prevent you from experiencing stress, anxiety, and panic that comes with having to cram or pull all-nighters.

And, planning ahead and designing specific times for your free time is the advantage. Are you a morning person? Maybe you're most efficient in the afternoon. Schedule your most demanding tasks for the time of day that you're most up to the challenge.

But, for many people, the challenge of time management proves easier said than done. So, here are some helpful tips in getting started down the road to successful time management:

- Becoming self-aware. Think about the times of day that you are most productive. Are you a morning person? A night-owl? Perhaps you're most efficient in the afternoon.
- Take this self-awareness and use it to your advantage. Schedule your most demanding tasks for the time of day that fits your lifestyle.
- Set clear-cut goals. Define the specific things that you hope to accomplish over the course of the semester.
- Whether you aim to study for three hours a day or finish a project within a given time frame, be specific. Also, break goals down into sub-goals—the smaller, the better!
- Identify priorities. List the different types of tasks you need to complete over the course of the semester.

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Meningitis a Growing Threat at College

By Marilynn Marchione
KRT Campus

Viral meningitis cases, which peak in late summer and hospitalize tens of thousands of people each year, are on the rise, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention warned Thursday.

The peak comes just as students head to college, a time when they should consider getting vaccinated against a more deadly form of the disease, bacterial meningitis.

It also coincides with the height of the season for mosquito-borne diseases such as West Nile virus, which can cause meningitis, too.

“There is some opportunity to potentially confuse what the cause of illness is,” said Stephen Ostroff, deputy director of the CDC’s National Center for Infectious Diseases.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the lining around the brain and spinal cord that can be caused by viruses or several kinds of bacteria. The viral forms are usually milder, but they’re still quite important, Ostroff said.

About 2,600 cases occur each year in the United States. The worst is meningococcal meningitis, caused by the bacteria N. meningitidis. Such cases have a 5 to 15 percent mortality rate.

Symptoms include high fever, an intense headache, stiff neck or neck pain, confusion, nausea, vomiting, and sometimes a pink rash.

Cases are usually sporadic rather than part of an outbreak, and often serious, and can lead to deafness, neurological problems, seizures and death.
Trustee
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However despite all of that, Fatale has done a great job in his position at MSU and with the NJHE-SAA.

Rarely is a person found with such drive as to make sure the voices and ideas of students are heard. It is difficult to get the ideas of all that attend.

So then, our ideas are being heard. Al Fatale is merely a student like the rest of us.

It takes character to stand up for those who cannot speak directly to the powers that be and make it known that we have an opinion in the matter.

"It’s exciting," he said "to have the ability to tell the administration exactly what the students are feeling. The main thing is to stay connected with the students. To be in the office and listen to students when they speak."

Such is the case here at MSU then, that our voices are being heard where it matters. So whether we believe so or not, our ideas make a difference in the long run.

ASSIST Kicks Off Another Year

Vice president Lynn Bartkowicz sells 50/50 raffles for ASSIST's first coffeeshop of the year. The proceeds, totalling 94 dollars, went to the Red Cross.

Menangitis
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occur in places where there are crowded living conditions, such as Army barracks and college dormitories.

For that reason, the CDC and other groups of health professionals recommend that all college freshmen consider getting the meningitis vaccine.

More than a dozen states and hundreds of colleges and universities require new students to be immunized against meningitis or at least to be told of the benefits and relative value of the vaccine.

It protects against bacteria that cause about 70 percent of cases. In addition to new college students, the vaccine also is suggested for people with no spleen, certain lab workers, people traveling to countries where meningitis is common, and military recruits.

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Libras have a desire for peace. They tend to be very fair and try to maintain a proper balance. Libras are artistic, musical, level headed, sympathetic, perceptive and generous, though they can be bitter and very moody at times. You always seek perfection and don’t have the outcome you think. It’s time to start over.

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J.Lo and Ben Break-Up Before Wedding

By Lisa Panzariello
Arts and Entertainment Editor

C
mon, it was so obvious it was going to happen.
The hype on Ben and Jen was just too much for any­body to handle, even Bennett, them­selves.

Which is why they broke up right before their scheduled wedding day on September 14.

No matter how many times Ameri­cans saw J. Lo’s face every time she looked at Ben, something just didn’t seem right.

He always seemed to look away in space or had this harsh look on his face, that facade of, "How do I get out of this?"

But, Jen seemed to not be any happier, which as bitter as this sounds, was just sheer perfection.

I think it’s been a while since anything nice was said about Jen­ner Lopez, to be honest.

By Antoinette Trióla

The trouble is that because a film does not have a major moneymaker and concentrate on doing work that means something. Independent films are classic for their edgy subjects and raw use of cinematography. They defy the money market of Hollywood and concentrate on their junior high school. Every couple of years, there comes a movie that breaks the boundaries of indepen­dent firms.

The preconception of indie films is that they are indecipherable and make no sense.

People believe, that because a film does not have a major Hollywood budget, the film shall be sub­par.

Even so often, there comes an inde­pendent film that breaks this stereo­type.

The film this year is Thirteen. Co­written by and starring actress Nikki Reed when she was thirteen, this film touches a chord with those who see it.

Catherine Hardwicke who co­wrote the screenplay with Reed directed Thirteen.

Ben Affleck stars as Tracy and Reed portrays Tracy’s troubled friend Evie Ramirez.

Holly Hunter stars as Tracy’s mother Melanie.

Melanie is a caring mother whom, despite her problems, tries her best to remain in her daughter’s slowly evolving life.

The story is one of angst filled teens trying to find their way through a dark passage called life.

Hardwicke does a great job in directing this piece.

It is very reminiscent of the movie Kids, which showed the drama of life for older teens.

Thirteen, meanwhile, focuses on middle school aged girls.

It gives a glimpse of the world of the “popular kids”, and those who want nothing more than to be accepted.

The troubled rela­tion­ship between the two friends is amaz­ingly portrayed by both Reed and Wood.

The chemistry between both actresses is evi­dent, and the spectator can actually feel the ten­sion between Evie and Tracy have their falling out.

Such is the case that most indie films have a raw effect that makes them so great. Thirteen often looks as though it has been shot on a home video camera, giving it that fresh view into the lives of the people in the film.

The angles that are used make it very realistic, but add a tinge of surreality that one would find in a film like Memento in the Afternoon, by filmmaker Maya Demen.

What is even more amazing is that this is Hard­wicke’s first piece as director.

Her use of color (fading to duller colors) and camera tilting and panning, are more professional than most Holly­wood motion pic­tures.

Despite the whole over dra­matic teen angst story line, the dial­logue was com­pelling and this reviewer truly felt for each character on the screen, even though it is clearly obvious they are not real.

Hardwicke and the actors do a good job in making an overplayed topic unique and raw.

It shows what people can accomplish if they stop trying to be money makers and concentrate on doing work that means something.

Independent films are classic for their edgy subjects and raw use of cinematography. They defy the money market of Hollywood and focus on the art of film.

Thirteen is no different and I sin­cerely hope we can look forward to more works by both Hardwicke and Reed.

Co-writing such a poignant piece at the age of 13 is an amazing task.

Hopefully this is a foreshadowing to more of Reed’s talents and future works if she continues to further her career in the filmmaking field, which she definitely has a knack for.

Thirteen shows more than a dysfunctional outlook of a teenager’s life and her wacky mother and falling friendships it focuses on the attitude of a generation that is often misunderstood.

It embodies the true spirit of inde­pendent filmmaking as an art form.

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Iced Earth Return

By Andres Nuiver
Staff Writer

Few people know of the terror unleashed within an Iced Earth song, unless of course you are a fan. One of those hell spawn creatures on earth who, when listening to Iced Earth envision the epic stories of the battles between heaven and earth.

Emotions stir deep within the human subconscious, ripping the souls of all who dare to listen. Epic tales echo within the depths of the masterful melodies crafted by Jon Schaffer (rhythm guitar) and the painful screams that resonated from the former lead singer, Matthew Barlow.

With Iced Earth's new album, The Glorious Burden complete, new frontman, Tim Owens (Judas Priest) is prepared to forefront the ongoing revolution in the states.

Heavy metal has lacked exposure from crowds in the United States, waiting to be converted back into the full fledged advocates they once were. The main reason being the trite tastes and limited visions the mainstream media continuously reveals to the public. Sadly, the public is unaware of the spectacular talent that emanates from the metal bands in Europe, such

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Lucky McKee Directs May, a Twisted Thriller

By Phil Casale
Staff Writer

At your local video store sits a movie the big studios don’t want you to see. A movie that, upon viewing, you realize you’ve been cheated by big budget monstrosities that fail to bring you the human element you realize is sorely lacking from mainstream horror.

It’s that connecting factor to any movie that makes a character likable. It makes you root for them. Any movie that makes a character likable. It makes you root for them.

The titular character May (Angela Bettis, of Girl Interrupted and Bless the Child) starts out a lonely little girl with a childhood affliction; she has a lazy eye, and in having so she was forced to go to school wearing an eyepatch. Upon bouts of ridicule and isolation from the students, May realizes her only friend is a pale-faced doll named Suzie. Suzie was given to her as a birthday present from her mother, and from the get-go this glass-encased entity strikes an ubiquitous presence on the life of May.

The story speeds up to the present day, when May (somewhat devoid of any mental counseling what I consider he film’s one big flaw) is withdrawn, shy adult working as a nurse in an animal hospital.

In her spare time, May enjoys watching blind children play, cutting open her finger with a scalpel as a form of relaxing, as well as sewing.

The eye is still a glaring physical defect at times, but with her new and improved contact lenses, she’s free to stalk whoever she wants. And she does not waste any time, desperately seeking for the love of Adam Stubbs (Jeremy Sisto, of Dead Like Me) as Clueless. She becomes obsessed with him, especially his hands.

Realizing she isn’t like other girls as she takes cues from his student film (featuring a couple in a park of Adam Stubbs (Jeremy Sisto, of Dead Like Me) during their first make-out session, the Dario Argento-obsessed Adam makes quick work of their “relationship,” not returning her calls and pretty much abandoning her. Without an object of her unwanted affection, May leaves down her guard and accepts the seductive passes of Polly (Anna Faris of Scary Movie trilogy), the lipstick lesbian secretary of her animal hospital who has a beautiful neck, according to May.

Due to her severe social inexperience towards dealing with anyone but her dolls and the destruction of Suzie, May’s psychosis begins to take hold. It is then that she makes the startling realization that she only likes parts of people, not the whole. In realizing this, we’re treated to 20 minutes of insanity the movie was merely hinting at previously.

A cross between Mary Shelly’s Frankenstein and Taxi Driver, May is unique, to say the least. But saying the least isn’t my style. Writer-director Lucky McKee has created a movie that isn’t afraid to take its time in getting to the plot, as he is willing to give us a more detailed glimpse into May’s world. The story is partly-derived from his childhood experiences. Not to say lucky sat in solitude in his room and talked to a doll. Like May, Lucky has suffered with a lazy eye as well, and through this color-coaled collage of eye-carnage, it appears he gets to relinquish the demons of elementary school.

Until now. Like the opening sequence of Day of the Dead (thousands of zombies crawling out of a wrecked city), legions of horror fan-turned-writers, directors, actors, or producers are coming out of the woodwork.

They bring with them a visible interest in original concepts, and their interest stems from the influence of the past.

Films from Hammer studio, from Universal in the 30s-40s, the Italian horror craze by way of such directors as Mario Bava, Dario Argento, and Lucio Fulci, as well as Sam Raimi have, in one way or another, left a valuable imprint on our new horror generation, and these twenty-somethings are letting it be known by producing films that harken back to those times by trying to create something inventive for once.

Lucky McKee is amongst these
new young filmmakers, out to make the best product they can and shove the proverbial middle finger into the face of Hollywood and the MPAA.

In the case of influences, McKee is heavily guided by the demented stylings of Dario Argento, but that is not at all a bad thing. That would mean he’s taking cues from the best in regards to visual sense, and surprisingly his stylings of Dario Argento, but that is heavily guided by the demented into the face of Hollywood and the MPAA.

If enough can’t be said about Angela Bettis. Her performance in “May” is something to talk about. Herpetile, child-like mannerisms almost emit a certain pathos to her, and her striking features resemble that of a living doll at times.

The glaringly over-abundance of Argento’s impact leaves you with a passion for the Italian Auteur. Fans relishes the opportunity to meet under the right circumstances.

Sure, her actions at times are evil and murderous, but she imbues a certain innocence for most of the running time that is hard to shake once the first murder takes place. She’s a misunderstood creature out to make a creature of her own in this macabre love story of tragic proportions.

And who could possibly compete any review of “May” without mentioning Suzie? Sure, that harbinger of chaos may just sit in her ever-cracking glass case for most of the movie, but her presence is felt. Move over “Wilson”, we may have a new inademeat object on our hands that’s almost as interesting as the main character. She just sits there in that case, all glass eyes and a faddic expression, like a BFA or something. And yet when May lashes out at her, you know it’s going to effect her psyche in a bad way.

As the case cracks and slowly spiders from one end to another, it rattles and jangles May’s nerves to the point where she’s yelling at the poor doll.

In one last attempt to save face with Suzie, May brings her to a class of blind children to show them her “friend.”

In a truly disturbing scene, we witness the death of May’s sonity, as well as her beloved doll. Starting with a jolt of an opening. page 12

Angela Bettis portrays a tortured, young doll like girl in Lucky McKee’s new thriller, May.

“May” promises us blood, severed appendages, a great soundtrack and plenty of atmosphere.

Does it deliver? Of course. Just give it patience.

Unlike the movie’s premise, where there are only so many parts to like, this gem delivers as a whole.
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Happy Birthday
How old are you now? How old are you now?

Thursday, September 18
Greta Garbo 1905
Lita Ford 1958
James Gandolfini 1961
Jada Pinkett Smith 1971
James Marsden 1973

Friday, September 19
Adam West 1928
Mama Cass Elliott 1934
Twiggy Larson 1949
Joan Lunden 1950
Jim Abbott 1967
Jimmy Fallon 1974

Saturday, September 20
Upton Sinclair 1878
Dr. Joyce Brothers 1928
Sophia Loren 1934
Gary Cole 1957
Kristen Johnston 1967
Stephnie McMahon 1976

Sunday, September 21
H.G. Wells 1866
Larry Hagman 1931
Stephen King 1947
Bill Murray 1950
Faith Hill 1967
David Silveria 1972

Monday, September 22
Tommy Lasorda 1927
Nick Cave 1957
Andrea Bocelli 1958
Joan Jett 1960
Scott Baio 1961
Bonnie Hunt 1964

Tuesday, September 23
Mickey Rooney 1920
John Coltrane 1926
Ray Charles 1930
Bruce Springsteen 1949
Jason Alexander 1959
Matt Hardy 1974
Lillian M. Aleman 1981

This Week in Entertainment

MOVIES
Christian Bale, star of American Psycho, has just been picked to play Batman in the upcoming Batman movie. Christopher Nolan, director of Memento, will start filming in late 2004.

MUSIC

TV
John Ritter, star of Three's Company, died on the set of his new show, "8 Simple Rules For Dating My Teenage Daughter," at age 54. He had a massive heart attack caused by an aortic dissection which was unrecognized. He would've turned 55 on September 17.

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THE ADVENTURES OF SKULLY

BY WILLIAM MORTON

PIRATE SKULLY

AVAST, YE SCURVY DOGS!

JOLLY ROGER.

YO-HO-HO AND A BARREL OF RUM.

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EARL, I THINK IT'S TIME FOR MY COMEBACK.
YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ANYWHERE, FRANK.

“Nice waxing, Steve.”
CAPTAIN RIBMAN

Hey, what are you watching?! It's a New Fox Reality Show called: "Pickin' Scabs!"

If it does well, they already have "Pickin' Scabs 2: Las Vegas" planned.

I'll be back! Take your time ... pervert.

"Then, 'Scabette"

"Healing: the 'Pickin' Scabs' reunion show"...

"Pickin' Scabs 3: Pickin' to the Oldies."

...and, "The Scabette..." "Dry blood" a pickin' Scabs move. ...and, "Scar tissue: 'Pickin' Scabs' uncensored!"... "With too-sick-for-TV, 'eating' footage...

...and, "Infected!" How 'Pickin' Scabs' changed America..."

Crossword

ACROSS
1 Med. care plan
4 "The Screen" dramatist
9 Christmas tune
14 McKellen of "The Lord of the Rings"
15 Pontificate
16 Maytag rival
17 Pains in the neck
19 Chew noisily
20 One fisherman
21 Protection from the elements
23 Nerve gaps
25 Breakfasted
26 Hilarious fellow
27 Center, in hoops
32 Spoils
34 Ray of "Battle Cry"
35 Teamster's rig
36 Large vase
37 Cassava dish
38 Ignited
39 Opening
42 Childishly disobedient
45 Bit of tomfoolery
47 Motorcycle maker
48 Dressed
51 "Tara Road" writer Birnch
52 "Maria..."

Solutions

1. Aries or Taurus
2. Kansas City skyline
4. Fries alternative
5. Capetown, South Africa
7. Sain summer
8. Hardy lad
9. Regained consciousness
10. Charms
12. A single time
13. Back and forth
16. Kill, as a dragon
20. Hurricane's aftermath
24. EMS devices
26. Nuptial vows
28. Lotion ingredient
30. Like radios
31. "Battle Cye" author
32. "Tara Road" writer Binchy
33. Altercation
34. "Tarzan's friends"
36. Ignant
37. "Tara Road" writer Binchy
38. "Maria..."
41. Aries or Taurus
44. Trees for dates
45. Captain RibMan's pal
46. "No, Billy ... The saying is: 'If you love something, set it free,' not on FIRE."
Finding the Parking Spot
In a Haystack

Due to September parking problems, MSU has come up with new ways to make room.

Parking is as confusing on the first day of classes, as an incoming freshman trying to find their way to classes. Years come and go yet parking, especially in the first month of school, becomes more packed than leaving Manhattan during rush hour.

Time later progresses during the year and it seems to clear up. Students drop out of school, the motivation to attend classes regularly begins to decrease, and as a result more spots open up. Regardless of these happenings, complaints still remain. What are the parking options for MSU students? The construction of the academic building that erased the faculty parking lot resulted in professors dealing with the same parking concerns as their students. What options hold for them as well?

So here are the facts. There are 6,000 spaces for 18,000 students, employees and visitors. Keep in mind not every single person coming to the University is driving. But if every student, every faculty member and every employee drove, where would they park their car? Practically speaking, the idea of everyone having to park a car wouldn't happen. The best way to publicize is to use percentages. A 26 percent rise sure looks like a big increase in comparison to a 6,000 spots for 18,000 people.

So a resolution made by the University was the Red Hawk Deck, allotting people mere parking spaces. Keep in mind that the 6,000 spaces include the Red Hawk Deck. Maybe the enrollment numbers shouldn't be aimed so high. Life seems to sound a lot better in the ears of student motorists. The parking issue looms over the many heads, but more concern besides finding a spot would be paying to use it in the first place.

The unavoidable bill for all that come to MSU is the parking fee. The standard parking permit is $50 for many surface lots. For the Daddy Warbucks individuals, you can pay up to $250 a year at the Red Hawk Deck. That's only the initial fee. Add $25, and you get a refundable E-Z Pass module for the deck. $25 – a big refund isn't it?

But that is only for adjunct faculty, part-time employees and students. For those who work at the University making top dollar, the fee increases according to salary.

Faculty have the option of having money withheld from their paychecks to pay the deck fees. So, you come to work to make money and lose it all at the same time?

Talk about hands on learning. There should be independent study credits for business majors on "revenue strategy." Obviously, tuition and state funding alone cannot pay for all the fees of construction costs. Why not raise parking fees?

If incoming freshman knew that only two years ago, a parking decal was half the price it is now, there would be more concern on the fare. Tickets and such also have increased but instead of complaining, there's nothing you can do about it.

Inflation increases the price and MSU has bills to pay themselves. Unfortunately the check has to be paid.

The Voice of Montclair State University

What Do You Think about the New ResGuest Policy?

"Don't they have better things to worry about like 1,000 cars exiting all at once through one exit, and Village residents waiting an hour for a bus so they don't have to walk all the way to campus?"

Derek Fahsbenner, English, fourth year

"It's such a waste of time, even the desk assistants complain about signing so many guests in."

Ivy Carregena, Communications, second year

"I feel that the new procedures are redundant and totally unnecessary for campus residents who pay good money in order to live on campus and shouldn't deal with the tedious procedures that the school feels are necessary."

Jose A. Monge, Finance, third year

How Do You Feel About the Parking Situation?

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How Long Will They Mourn Me?

Tupac Shakur's Memory Should Not Be Like Elvis Tabled

Regardless if you believe it or not, the youth of America has been under the affects of the hip-hop generation. Unlike the 'fifty - thirty - sixties' who were raised listening to either Rock and Roll and/or Soul, the children of today hold hip - hop as their own. From this contemporary affamark the seven years of Tupac Shakur, and his most celebrated icon, Tupac Shakur. Why mention Tupac Shakur in the first place? Moreover why focus on the man seven years after his death? The mystery surrounding his ultimately murder continues his legacy, gaining more and more converts, even to those children too young to even remember that Friday the Thirteenth in 1996. This number seven holds many symbolic references to both theologians and numerologists, associating the reference to both King and God.

Coincidentally, Shakur's first posthumous album was subtitled "The 7 Day Theory". The story of the title of Shakur's final planned studio recording in fact was "Walkavellii: The Don Kilminti." The obvious allusion Italian writer Nicolo Machiaveii, who's claim to fame happened to be taking his own death, shadowed the world that Shakur's suicide sky - rooked his own path. Now put these ideas together: the number seven, Machiavelli and Shakur in Nostradamus type fashion made a prediction of his demise. Although all speculation, many fans had the idea of his return hang over their heads ever since his passing. The seven year anniversary seemed to be anticipated like the return of Jesus, although not as earth shaking.

Ironically, this is not the first musical that is faithful to the account of the crucifixion in the four Gospels and is meant, "To inspire, not offend." In my opinion this film dwarfs the passion of Jesus, which is referred to as his "passion." This is usually the initiation of new music before it reaches mainstream listeners. For Shakur, like Jesus, the chosen music of the youth usually is represented by the spirit of rebellion. Traillazing the film, Shakur kicked down the door without regret. Please however, may a clear distinction that Shakur and Presley's comparison should go no further. Tupac Shakur's intention in music was far more introspective.

Often labeled as hypocritical, Shakur would objectify women in his songs (how do you want it), and express his respect for all females in another (Keep your Head up). In later interviews, his main answer to all criticism was that his music dealt with humanity we all face. I am not at all impressed. Making "thug" a regular term in hip-hop vocabulary may give a rookie in 'the hip hop game a negative...

Spirituality Banned in Hollywood

Mel Gibson Movie About Jesus Christ, The Passion, is Censored

I have been watching late night TV, and the one thing I notice is that whenever I turn on a well known talk show, I hear a great deal about Mel Gibson's new movie based on the final hour of Jesus of Nazareth's life. The film is called The Passion of the Christ. I have been watching this film from the beginning, and the film itself is very slowly gaining the attention of those who have no idea about Jesus, and the Jewish communities because of the many differences people of these respected faiths have.

The controversy, meanwhile, centers on arguments from people who have never seen any version of the film, that it is anti-Semitic. The charges are unfair and inappropriate, in my opinion. Many of the people who stood outside the Fox Theater when the film had not even seen it (for have it not for that matter).

Michael A. VALENZANO

There are many liberals who both oppose and support this film, and the same holds true for conserva­tives. There is a bigger picture here. I believe that it is the secular music that is being condemned by those who are trying to keep spirituality out of America. Indeed to me, this is spiritualism vs. secularism. Whenever there are films or books that attempt to inspire deep religious feelings in people, the very secular society we live in tries to condemn them.

Fifteen years ago when the Last Temptation of Christ was released many religious leaders condemned the film and were told by the liberal (secular) persons to have an open mind and that if they did not like it, don't go to see it. Much of the violence and sex in the movies today is also condemned by religious organizations and they still get the same response. "If you don't like it, don't watch it, and patronize it." Now when a film is made to inspire spirituality in the world the liberals consider it and seek to have it not shown.

My response to this is the same they have given for years, if you do not like it, leave it out.
To Pledge Or Not To Pledge
Two Sides Try To Answer College's Age Old Question:
Is Greek Life Really Worth It?

Come Join My Fraternity
Falling Into the Brotherhood Hype

So you’re strolling along to your 1 p.m. class when you’re suddenly confronted outside the Student Center by some husky mongrel covered in Greek letters. He hands you a flyer and mumbles something about a mixer this Thursday.

You probably got stopped because of your Abercrombie shirt, Diesel sneakers, your just-bought-but-already-faded jeans, or your spiky hair that was gelled up just right today.

What would be college without fraternalism? Well, it would probably be a lot less like high school.

Frats run rampant on campuses across the county, mostly consisting of macho, arrogant, insecure boys looking to recreate the “in crowd” in college.

If you look close enough you’re sure to discover that the majority of frat boys fall into one of two categories.

The first of these two groups is the high school “geek” who took some weight gain after his senior year and was lucky enough to have their “acceptance” of others.

The second group making up frat boys are those that have already been initiated from their high school days and are trying desperately to continue on with that success.

These are the ones that usually have the barbed wire tattoo around their biceps. The ones not exactly comfy with their masculinity.

Now I know what you’re thinking, “frats are a great way to meet new people and participate in events benefiting the community.” That argument is about as fired as the “paying for friends” criticism (which this writer is purposely avoiding due to oversuse.)

The drunken escapades that go on with frat boys totally outweigh the amount of worthy causes they do.

Then there’s those that claim being in a frat and living in a frat house breeds independence, responsibility, and maturity levels.

Pardon me while I roll my eyes.

Please excuse me if those filthy, unkempt, disgusting living conditions exemplify the aforementioned traits. It’s almost as if Animal House has caused all frat boys to forget the basic chores their mothers taught them.

And don’t forget those feelings of superiority that are preached, no doubt leading to sweaty, manly, competition with rival frats. Ah yes, maturity.

Rushing is always fun. What better way to spend the bulk of a semester than becoming a lap dog?

It’s worth it once you get that license to act like a jerk and take advantage of intimidated girls.

Then there’s also coloring in block letters with chalk on sidewalks toadvertise frat

This all seems well worth the time it takes to carve out your own paddle so your big brother can get Neanderthal on you.

But hey, it’s all a rite of passage. That’s what your dad says anyway.

Loyalty, brotherhood, and a way to get hired without the credentials.

I must be stupid to pass up such an opportunity.

It really all depends on how bad you want it! That five-dollar Russell Athletic windbreaker with Greek letters ironed on. Happy pledging!

While walking around campus it is hard to deny the fact that fraternities and sororities exist.

Great placards near the Student Center are painted with Greek letters and rush slogans, rocks surrounding campus are painted in similar ways, and students neatly display letters on their shirts.

It may be obvious that the Greeks do exist on campus but there are many misconceptions about the Greeks that exist.

Let me first say that I am a member of the Delta Chi Fraternity and have been for the past three years.

Joining a fraternity has been a positive experience in my life and I can honestly say it is a major factor that has kept me at MSU.

The purpose of this article is to dispel the misconceptions that I have encountered in my years here at MSU.

For example:

“Frats is only exist to party.”

Many people do not understand that there are other types of fraternities than just social. To name a few there are honors fraternities, business fraternities, and low fraternities that are very common and do exist on campus.

While social fraternities do “party,” many social fraternities are involved in philanthropic activities, intramural sports, and non-alcoholic events.

These may not be the main focal point of the organization, but they do play a role in the operations of the chapter.

But what is the problem with partying all college anyway?

Is being social such a horrid thing for college students to do?

Should we all sit in our dorm rooms thinking that our physics professor will email us extra homework?

“Fraternity members are buying their friends.”

Yes, dues are a part of belonging to a fraternity, or sorority but friendships are not exchanged upon payment.

Dues are a necessary part of a fraternity because college campuses require the organization to be insured. Unfortunately, insurance is not free.

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This would make grandpa’s house look trashy. Obviously these houses aren’t the cleanest, but it’s a good idea to understand that college students living together are not the neatest people in the world whether they are in a fraternity or not.

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Fraternity members are college students and people. Every person is obviously different and some people are immature.

This happens whether you are in a fraternity or not. Making such a statement is extremely prejudice. If nothing else, a fraternity offers many opportunities to grow and become more mature.

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Joe Rathgeber, an English major, is in his first year as a columnist for the Montclarion.
ResGuest Responses

The new ResGuest policy may be an inconvenience to many MSU students, but it is an effective way to maintain safety throughout the campus.

Katie Adler, undecided
In regards to the new ResGuest policy, there are some downsides to this new, and supposedly improved system, but overall, I think that it works to the benefit of all the students and staff of Montclarion State.

Ryan Swanson, undecided
This policy can be an inconvenience as well as the best move yet. Perhaps residents would appreciate the policy if something harmful were to occur.

Jenna Fragale, psychology major
I believe that the New Resident Guest Policy provides Montclair students with a great amount of safety.

Krystyna Kupryienia, undecided
I think its very reassuring that this policy is in effect because it might be a drag to the students, but it's for their safety.

Leonor Familo, justice studies major
Although the ResGuest Policy is getting extremely negative comments, I believe the effort is going to be effective in the long run.

Barbara da Silva, international business major
The inconvenience to the residents will be inevitable. It will just take a while to get used to.

Parking Plea

All mighty powers that be at Montclair State University, I hail you! Thank you for your amazingly prescient ability to negatively impact the future of so many of your students.

Sasha Rutka, undecided
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Lindsay Jones, undecided

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In my opinion, this is a safe step to protecting the lives of all residents.

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Fraternity continued from p. 18

Also, many parents comment that their sons are much more mature than when they left for college the previous year.

Fraternity members are more likely to graduate college and many members of Congress, CEO's of Fortune 500 companies, and Presidents are fraternity members.

College is not all about partying and drinking, but these things happen whether you are in a fraternity or not.

Unfortunately, movies like Animal House and Revenge of the Nerds give people a reason to misunder-

stand these college organizations.

After reading this, I hope that you have come to a better understanding of what a college fraternity is and maybe possibly consider joining one. It's never too late... fraternity membership last a lifetime.

Mike Cafaro, a computer science major, is in his first year as Editor In Chief for the Montclarion.
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Where's The Love?

MSU student shows his school spirit at home women's soccer game.

By Jose Ortiz
Sports Editor

What happened to the days of cheerleaders dancing, marching band trumpets blaring, and crazy college kids painting their faces and bodies in support of their team? It seems as though school spirit at MSU is about as alive as Bohm Hall on a Saturday night. Attendance barely cracks 200 at any sporting event, and Sprague Field seats 1100. There were more fans in the seats at my high school games.

When was the last time you went to a Red Hawks home game? If you're like most MSU students, the last game you went to was last year's Homecoming game. Students constantly complain about there being nothing to do on campus, and no where to go. Yet combining all seven fall sports, there is average of at least four home games per week that any student could attend at any time, and the only thing it would cost is time. And students let's face it, most of you aren't doing anything much more productive anyway.

It isn't as if our athletic teams are bad. This season our men's soccer team is 5 - 1, second place in the conference, and a solid women's sports program. Yet star lacrosse player Jessica Hann says, "students don't take it as serious as they might take other schools because we are D3."

We have strong talented athletes here at MSU, which can only get better if we, the student body, came out and support them. Besides the fields and Panzer Gym are just a hop, skip, and a jump away. Imagine how heart breaking that is to an athlete to look up and see no one rooting for them. So why is it that at every home game there are more empty seats than filled ones?

To find this answer, I turned to the source, you the students at MSU. The biggest reason that students aren't going to games, and supporting the teams is because they don't know about them. There just isn't enough notice of games being played. The school doesn't put up any signs, or make any general announcements. The only way people know is by reading our school paper, or hearing about it on our radio station WQSU. Maybe it would help if the school put out some fliers in the dorms.

According to freshman Sara Barett, she doesn't feel that there is enough going on at these games outside the game itself. The school has no marching band, no pep rallies, there is just no extra incentive for a student to want to go to a game. Maybe if the school provided some other halftime entertainment outside of a cigarette break, we could fill those seats up a little more.

Academic advisor of the SGA, Percy Chang, also made some good suggestions proposing the school could use some school spirit equipment such as noise makers, free t-shirts, or anything to make the games more interesting. The former residence life director also complained about the parking. You have to pay to park so you can support your team, and that's not right. The least the school could do is reserve some spots for home spectators, "we're paying all this tuition, and we're not seeing the money."

Bottom line, if MSU wants to fill the seats at home games to give our athletes some support, the school is going to have to bone up some of the money that we keep paying, but never seeing. Fat chance!

Men's Soccer Wins

The lone goal came on a header at 25:07 in the first half by #3 Steve Leonard, and was assisted by, who else, but the NJAC offensive player of the week, Sean Horan. However, MSU allowed many scoring opportunities to pass through their fingertips by failing to convert on all but one of their corner kick opportunities. When asked for a comment on his team's lack of scoring, Coach Sentowski attributed it to poor decision making on the attacking third, as well as poor execution.

This victory puts your MSU Red Hawks at second place in the conference, and at #6 overall in the division III polls. But they have yet to play a conference opponent, so their first real test will be this Saturday, on the road, against Rutgers - Camden. Then their next four games are against conference teams, including MSU longtime rival, Rowan. on the road.

If the offense can get it clicking, we will have the makings of a very good men's soccer season. They are a young team, having added seven new players to their roster this season and according to Coach Sentowski, "the chemistry isn't quite there yet..." Still they have managed to find a way to win, and in the end, that's all that matters.

Sports Trivia

Question: Baseball: Who are the only two players in baseball history with nine consecutive seasons with at least 100 RBIs, and 35 home runs?

Answer to last weeks question: Wimbledon is played on a grass court.

Sports Trivia

Men's Soccer Wins

It was a rainy Monday afternoon at Pittser Field as the MSU men's soccer team extended their record to 3 - 1 on the season by defeating King's college from PA, 1 - 0. The field was wet, but as usual, the Red Hawk defense proved impervious.

From whistle to whistle Montclair dominated Kings University by winning all first and second balls, and allowing only three corner kicks and 10 shots on goal in the entire game. Meanwhile MSU boasted identical stats in the first half alone with a commanding 21 shots on goal and 11 corner kicks. Watching the game, the only thing that was not reminiscent of MSU's domination was the 1 - 0 score. Once again, the defense bailed them out of a game that should have been a blow out. When asked about the defense's great play, senior defensive man Jeff Fiorino simply said, "Defense wins games." And it's been just that simple for the Red Hawks this season.
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This Week’s Red Hawk Action

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Saturday 9/20
Away vs. Frostburg
@1 p.m.

CROSS COUNTY
Saturday 9/27
@Drew Invitational
@10:30 a.m.

FIELD HOCKEY
Thursday 9/18
away vs. C.W. post
@ 4 p.m.

Saturday 9/20
away vs. Muhlenberg
@ 1 p.m.

Wednesday 9/24
Home vs. SUNY New Paltz

MEN’S SOCCER
Saturday 9/20
away vs. Rutgers-Camden
@ 6 p.m.

Wednesday 9/24
Home vs. Rutgers - Newark
@ 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9/24
Home vs. Rutgers - Newark
@ 1 p.m.

Volleyball
Thursday 9/18
@ William Paterson
@7 p.m.

This Week’s Red Hawk

SARAH LEVINE
Field Hockey

Senior
Hometown: Pompton Plains, NJ

Levine scored the final three goals in double OT victory over TCNJ.

Honorable Mention

Steph Sabaliauskas
Junior
Hometown: Edison, NJ

Steph had two goals and two assists against Ferrum.

Edgar Dinten
Sophomore
Hometown: Oldbridge, NJ

His goal keeping performance earned him a shutout against Ferrum.

Jenn Soss
Freshman
Hometown: Hamilton, NJ

Soss scored her first MSU goal Saturday.

Steve Leonard
Senior
Hometown: Pompton Plains, NJ

Scored only MSU’s goal against Ferrum on Monday.
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Football Team Loses First Home Game 22-16

Football team walks off the field disappointed after their home opening loss to Springfield.

MSU 16
Springfield 22

Senior linebacker Jesse Baker (Rutland VT/Rutland) intercepted three passes and keyed a Springfield defense that caused five turnovers as the Pride held off Montclair State, 22-14 at a soggy Sprague Field on Saturday afternoon.

Junior quarterback Ryan Sylvia (Malvern, PA/Rochester Regional) rushed for 53 yards and threw for a pair of touchdowns at Springfield (2-0) defeated Montclair State for the second times in as many meetings. The Pride won the first meeting, 31-29, in the 2000 NCAA Division III Playoffs. Montclair also dropped five in a row from 1997-2001.

In a game that featured nine turnovers in all, the Pride thwarted a Montclair State drive late in the fourth quarter as Sylvia lost the ball at his own five yard line and the ball was recovered by the Red Hawks’ Mike Walls (Lincoln Park, NJ/Boonton) at the three. On the following play, DiGirolamo connected with tight end Rich Bellina (Little Falls, NJ/St. Peter’s Prep) to cut the deficit to 22-14.

Montclair had an opportunity midway through the fourth quarter as John Lennox (Cart- eret, NJ/Carteret) blocked a punt and MSU recovered at the Springfield 42. DiGirolamo then connected with Steve Armstrong (Paterson, NJ/Mary’s) down to the Springfield 15, however on the following play, Montclair turned the ball over.

The Red Hawks would return the favor on the next play as freshman Brian DeCarlo (Midland Park, NJ/Midland Park) forced a fumble and Lennox recovered at the at the Springfield 21. Montclair then moved the ball to the 11 where Baker ended the drive with his third interception. MSU got the ball back one last time with 17 seconds and moved to the Pride 46. However, a mishandled snap was recovered by Jason MacDonald (Brewster MA, Nauset Regional) ending the game.

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Are you ready for some FOOTBALL? Back from a disappointing 5-5 season, the MSU Red Hawks hope to return to their former championship glory. Two seasons removed from back to back championships, Coach Giancalo wants to show that last season was just a chink in the armor, and not to be repeated again.

This season’s roster is a young one, with not much experience. With the loss of seven all-conference seniors, they begin this season with only three seniors on the team. Outside linebacker Ray Meyer, defensive lineman Matt Champion, and fullback Scott Wisniewski are the team captains, and return after being named to the NJAC all-conference teams last season. Ray Meyer comes off of a great season in 2002 where he had eight sacks and 75 tackles, 15 of those came for a loss. He leads a depleted defensive squad that led the conference in total defense last season.

Also returning is last year’s NJAC offensive rookie of the year John DiGirolamo, from Parsippany Hills. He passed for 2300 yards, 16 touchdowns, and only nine interceptions. He led Red Hawks #1 ranked passing attack in last year’s campaign. Averaging over 230 yards per game, the sophomore quarterback stands to lead an offense with some new fresh talent.

Rushing back sophomore, Jermaine Bute made the NJAC all-conference second team, and led the Red Hawks in rushing with 635 yards. He averaged 5 yards per carry, 70 yards on the ground, and finished with six touchdowns.

Coach "G" is the longest tenured coach in MSU history going on his 24th season dating back to 1983. And he certainly knows how to win. He boasts the second highest winning percentage amongst all MSU football coaches, as well as six New Jersey Atlantic Conference championships, one and six NCAA DIII playoff berths. To put it plainly, Coach Giancalo gets the job done.

MSU will have a tough challenge ahead of them season. Any time a team loses as many quality players as the Red Hawks did, the team suffers. But coach “G” insists that his team will be able to rebound, and return to their winning ways. He shows tremendous confidence in his players’ abilities. He says, “overall, our team is talented, and the guys have shown tremendous leadership qualities.”

Indeed the players will have to step up if they want to win. The line is very inexperienced, with only one returning starter. Speaking to some of the players, I found that they are up to the task. Just ask defensive back Derrick Morrison who blames the team’s recent downhill on himself and his teammates, not the coaches. Strong safety Paul Goldin who boasts that the Red Hawk D is their strongest asset says, “If we do our job, we will win.”

It’s just that simple. The football team lost their home opener, and is on the road this Saturday against Frostburg University. Only time will tell if the Red Hawks will go on championship form, or if it will be back to back sub par seasons. It’s time for the MSU football team to put up or shut up.