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Village Security Measures Questioned

By Lillian M. Aleman
Managing Editor

Though guards have been posted in the Village, securing the $75 million dollar residence halls continue to be a work-in-progress. Early last week, MSU hired DMS security guards, who have been used by the University to secure Clove Road and the Student Center at night, to sit at front desks of William Carlos Williams, Millcent Fenwick, Count Base, and Alice Paul Halls.

According to the Director of Residence Life, Regina Sargent, the guards have received instructions from MSU on how to make sure that everyone who enters the buildings are allowed to be there. When a person enters the hall, the security officer should ask the individual for their name and check their supplied roster to make sure the person is on the list. If the individual’s name is not in the roster, they should either be escorted by a resident of the specific building, or they should be asked to leave.

We have spent a bit of time training them (guards) and we have to trust that they’ll do what they’ve been told to do,” said Sargent. “We have attempted to spot check their work.”

This past weekend, The Montclarion Photography Editor Steve Miller walked into Fenwick Hall at 10:30 p.m. and found a security guard at the desk, but captured students walking into the building from the back entrance and walking up the steps without hesitation.

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Talent Show Kicks Off Homecoming Week

The Shape of Things Whips Up New Lifestyle

Tania Rodriguez: "The Myth of the American Dream"

By Shauna Foster
Staff Writer

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New Key System Implemented

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According to Terri Giardino, Assistant Director of Facilities and Services, when asked why the system was changed, she believed "You can duplicate it in the office because we are able to use existing materials from Diebold," said Giardino.

The Millennium System was Giardino’s idea. "It is more friendly to operate over a long term," in her opinion, the new activated system “fulfills food service needs and operates well.” The Millennium System costs less than $2,500 and works in a way that it could not before.

"There are locks that students have and some students leave them open and don’t close them once they’ve entered the building,” students have complained about the conventionality of the locks. "It’s a pain," said junior early childhood education major Crissy Remihel. "It’s [to open and lock the doors] unnecessary to do that especially if you are carrying things... it makes it such a hassle. No one uses it anyway and it’s a waste of money."
Weather

Thursday

mostly cloudy
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friday

mostly cloudy
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monday

partly cloudy
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9/22/03 - The Little Falls Ambulance unit responded to the Floyd Hall Access on a report of an injured skater. The male juvenile victim was transported to Passaic General Hospital with a cut on his lower lip.

9/23/03 - The MSU ERC unit responded to Life Hall on a report of a male student fainting and losing consciousness. The victim refused medical attention. He was transported to a friend's home on Clove Road to get something to eat.

9/22/03 - While investigating a fire call in Fenwick Hall, an officer found two petal signs in the lounge area. The signs belonged to MSU Parking Services and a hotel. The signs were confiscated and placed in the Police Headquarters property room.

9/22/03 - A male student reported the theft of a laptop computer from his office in College Hall. The case is under investigation.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-l-1-1-P-S (8477). All calls are strictly confidential.

Parsippany Hoping to Tap Water Source

With its eight billion gallons, the Jersey City Reservoir has been a massive provence in Parsippany for 99 years. Now Parsippany Mayor Mimi Letts wants it to be more than a neighbor by acting as a back-up to the townships that draw all its water from wells. "It's an opportunity we may never get again, to tie-in and assure of an injured skater. The accident happened Friday night about halfway through Seifried & Ray's show at the NOCA Mirage Hotel and Casinos on the Las Vegas strip. Complied from The Star Ledger by Beth Colburn.
Restructuring of Campus Computer Labs Causes Extended Waiting Times

By Shauna Foster
Staff Writer

Last year, the Office of Residence Life and the Office of Information Technology (IT) teamed up to make MSU students’ lives easier by opening several computer labs.

Computers were available to MSU residents and commuters. In eight academic buildings, such as Ruis, Freeman, Bahn, Morehead, Dickson, Richardson, Chapin, and Blanton Hall. According to Stacie Straley, Director of Technical Support Services, throughout last year, computers began to get older and each of them was in need of an upgrade.

Although those computers were replaced, new computers also began to break down, which created a repetition of broken computers. This caused an altercation between the Office of Residence Life and IT, since the Residence Life Department did not want to be responsible for worn down computers.

According to Straley, as a result of non-functioning computers. It was forced to shut down all public labs which is only available to Computer Science majors who have access to a Pegasus account.

Since then, for the fall of 2003, the only three public computer labs available to MSU residents and commuters are the Pragmatic Library Computer Lab, Morehead Hall’s lab, and the Student Center Lab. All are becoming packed this fall as many MSU students are taking advantage of the technology resources.

According to Straley, the Office of Information Technology is six months into a total refurbishing and reorganization of our public computing lab facilities.

As part of this program, every computer in these facilities was upgraded to a brand new high capacity PC or MAC.

Straley said, “All of our teaching and learning laboratory facilities were upgraded in the same manner. By all reports, these improvements have been very well received by our faculty and our students. As for the particular question of the public computing lab facilities, it is true that the total number of public computing lab facilities on campus was reduced (the number of rooms). This was done to maximize the utilization of this greatly improved equipment.

Last year, if all of the computers in the Student Center were taken, there was a five minute wait until one was available. So for this semester, there is an average waiting time of twenty minutes, with the longest waiting time being an hour.

Tracey Prince, a freshman commuter, thinks that the whole process is frustrating. “It just isn’t fair,” said Prince. “For me, being a commuter makes it more difficult to complete an assignment regarding a paper because no computers are available.”

Some people, such as Straley, believe that although there is a computer lab problem, it can be resolved. “Until this fall, there were no computer facilities up to date,” she said. “Now, although there are still problems, they are being resolved.”
opportunities are outstanding. We are extremely grateful for his genero-
sous gift to establish the Institute, as well as for his continuing work
with UNICO National to create an endowed professorship in Italian
and Italian-American Studies." Coccia came to MSU to hear a
lecture, he spoke with the faculty, and discovered that MSU's Italian
program is one of the largest and most successful Italian programs in
the U.S. He met with Gigliotti, and soon after, Coccia established the
Institute and asked that a proposal be constructed.

In June, MSU's Board of Trustees passed a resolution that established
the "Joseph and Elda Coccia Insti-
tute for the Italian Experience in
America," as the newest part of the
College of Humanities and Social
Sciences.

Cote congratulated the faculty
on its success at yesterday's cer-
emony. She said, "It is their [the
faculty's] energy, enthusiasm, and
vitality that made all this happen."
Russo also expressed his gratitude
to those who funded and supported
the Institute.

He said, "I thank you and praise
you for this effort as the first Italian
mayor of Montclair."

As of Sept. 3, 2003, the number of
computers available to our students in public facilities was 119.

As of Oct. 30, 2003 the number of
workstations expected to be avail-
able to students in public facilities
will be 220 (138 desktop or laptop
computers and 82 Web Services
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By G.M. Grosso
Staff Writer

Dear G.M.,

My boyfriend is pledging a fraternity. Since rush began, it seems that all he does is spend time with those guys, and now that pledging has begun, all of his time is consumed by table hours and events. I miss him and want him to spend more time with me. What should I do?

K.C.

Pledging a fraternity or sorority takes a lot of dedication and consumes a great deal of time. This is a serious commitment that your boyfriend has decided to make, and maybe you’re feeling that he left you out of making it.

The truth is, although you have to deal with seeing him less, he has a lot more to deal with than you may be aware of.

In addition to losing most of his time, he’s taking on quite a bit of responsibility between educating himself about the organization and carrying out the activities of pledging.

He also has to learn how to balance schoolwork, his family, friends, and you in all of this mix. Chances are he’s feeling pretty overwhelmed. This must be awfully hard for you, especially if you’ve been used to seeing him all the time. I know it’s going to be hard, but you’re going to have to try to be realistic for the next six weeks or even beyond that.

This is the beginning of pledging, and things are only going to get more intense for him as the process goes on. There are going to be days that he won’t even have time to eat lunch, let alone talk to you on the phone for hours of a time. It does seem unfair that you have to go through all of this with him, but if you truly do care about him, you’ll find a way to stick it out.

The important thing to remember here is that this was his choice to pledge.

You aren’t taking part in joining this fraternity, so this shouldn’t change the occurrences of your daily life. As much as you may be missing him, this also gives you time to do things that you’ve been neglecting.

Maybe this is a good time to concentrate on your studies or hang out with friends more often than you have been. While he’s sitting at the table, you’re free to go shopping or go out to lunch with your best friend. It may not be the wisest thing to ruin all of your free time in his face, but you can let him know that his choices aren’t stopping you from having a good time.

If you feel that he is so consumed with this new fraternity life that he is completely neglecting you, then by all means you should talk about this with him.

If you feel that he doesn’t really care when you speak about the way you’re feeling, then there is no reason to hold the candle while he makes up his mind whether your relationship is important or not to him.

If this is the case, then he can find consolation with his new brothers, and you can be on your way to finding someone who really cares about you.

Pledging is truly a test of a character. Not only is he proving himself to a group of already established brothers, but he’s also proving himself to you.

If you guys can make it through the next few weeks, then you’ve made it over a tremendous hurdle. Be patient with him.

He’s going to be very stressed out, but do remember that you don’t have to deal with being neglected and under appreciated.

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 Montfeature@yahoo.com with the little attention G.M. Grosso. I look forward to hearing from you.

The Perils of Dating a Pledge
How to Handle Less Time Together Without Losing the Relationship

TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1002: Leif Erickson landed on North America.
- 1781: The last major battle of the American Revolutionary War took place in Yorktown, Va.
- 1888: The public was admitted to the Washington Monument for the first time.
- 1930: Aviator Laura Ingalls landed in Glendale, Ca. to complete the first solo transcontinental flight across the U.S. by a woman.
- 1940: St. Paul’s Cathedral in London was bombed by the Nazis. The Dome was unharmed in the bombing.
- 1967: Che Guevara was executed by Bolivian soldiers for attempting to incite a revolution in Bolivia.
- 1983: Helen Moss joined the Brownies at the age of 83. She became the oldest person to become a member.
- 1989: The official Soviet news agency Tass reported an unidentified flying object. The report included a trio of tall aliens that had visited the city of Voronzh.

Watch Those Minutes
What to Look For When Buying a Cell

By Chuck Myers
KRT Campus

Cell phones have added greater portability and convenience to our lives. But shopping for the right cell phone plan is not always that simple.

Many cell phone plan providers offer calling packages with a range of no-cost features, such as voice mail, caller ID and call waiting. Where plans differ is when it comes to the amount of pre-paid calling minutes and the network’s coverage area.

THOSE PRECIOUS MINUTES

Most people do not realize that both dialled and incoming calls count against the number of calling minutes designated by a specific plan.

So a few things to consider right off the bat:

- How much you think you will be using your phone and how many other people will have your number.

- A relatively inexpensive plan usually offers around 200 calling minutes, while more expensive options feature 500 minutes or more.

- The price for minutes beyond a plan’s monthly minute allotment is often significantly higher than a household landline plan.

It’s important for you to consider how frequently you will use your cell phone before you sign a contract with a provider.

- Many providers require a customer to commit to contract for at least a year.

- Free long distance minutes are typically included in most plans, but it’s still a good idea to ask about them before you buy a plan.

ROOM TO ROAM

Many of the larger cell phone service providers have nationwide networks that allow customers to make calls seamlessly between localities, states and regions without incurring further usage charges.

This is known as roaming. Most established communication companies offer this service free of charge, but other smaller outfits may not.

International cell phone calls are another entirely different matter.

If you travel overseas for business or pleasure, you should find out if your plan has an international calling feature, such as a calling partnership arrangement with a foreign-based mobile service, or an option to purchase a limited number of international minutes.
Imagine yourself at a packed concert, there is barely enough room for all the people attending and you must stand shoulder to shoulder with someone you barely know. The music is pumping and the noise is at a level that even your own thoughts are lost amongst the buzz of hyperactive people there to have a good time.

Now, place this scenario at MSU, and the result is the Homecoming Talent Show.

Upon entrance five minutes before the starting time, the place was completely packed. This trend continued throughout the first act, people slowly filed in, and it looked as though college students had been shoved into a sardine can.

But, you could tell in the audience’s eyes, that the atmosphere more than made up for the cramped feeling. Jacob Hudnut and Ron Botelho hosted the event, introducing the acts with humor and a graceful dose of seriousness. The acts ranged from singing, to lip syncing with a dance number, to some very “unique” talents. It was most certainly an evening filled with humor.

From a rendition of “Sir Mix-A-Lot’s “I Like Big Butts” performed by Gina Occhipinti from Sigma Delta Phi (along with a group of others) to Chris Barbieri from Tau Phi Beta, who downed an entire gallon of milk (and only vomited twice), the performers showed off a wide variety of skills and talents.

One of the performances that got the best audience response was that of Theresa Santanello from Delta Phi Epsilon, who, along with a group of five others, did a rendition of “The Call Black 10” from Chicago. Complete with fake jail cells and sultry moves, the audience went wild for this performance.

The performers showed up in their performance-wear, and with supporters in just about every part of the room, there was no visible form of hesitation amongst them. Balloons decorated chairs, signs were held up, but the best response to any of the acts was the crowd approval via applause and cheering (which there certainly was a lot of).

Aside from singing and dancing, there were also a few spoken word artists. One of the most notable being Alisha Tilman from OSAU who read an original piece entitled “Four Women Only.”

The audience could be heard cheering through parts they enjoyed the most.

Another rather interesting performance was Michael Sulfriz from Delta Chi, who caught everyone off guard with his actual performance, not what it seemed. It was going to be at first. A group of guys followed him up carrying something in a rolled up sheet, where he began singing a cappella, stop, sing, stop)

He stated he was going to wrestle an alligator, and as the sheet was unraveled, a guy sat up, holding a baby alligator, named “Rough House.”

The end result was far from alligator wrestling. Three swallowed goldfish and an alligator bile on the lip later, the crowd cheered, though some looked on in doubt. It was, however, an interesting performance.

“It was very, very strange at times, but all in all it was very enjoyable,” said Hayden Greene who helped staff the event that occurred on Monday, Oct. 6.

Indeed, it was strange at times, but this fact was offset by performances such as Stephanie Bashall from Play¬ers who, from the moment she took the stage, was Jessica Rabbit personified.

Complete with red dress, arm-length blue gloves and a look that would have won first prize at any Jessica Rabbit impersonation party, she performed the staple song from the movie. It seemed as though she held the crowd in the palm of her hand.

Some audience members were not as grabbed by the performances that occurred.

“There were very few King nominees there with actual talent,” said Tracie Gerardi, a sophomore theater major.

As a flipside to her statement, look at performances such as Devin Peacock’s. Peacock did two songs. The first was the tender, “Can You Feel the Love Tonight?” and the second was a very upbeat tempo song sung as a duet with Mike Martin.

As Devin removed his shirt for the second song, the crowd erupted into wild cheers and applause. As he worked the audience, the cheering continued.

By the end, he received a rousing round of applause from his captive audience.

All in all the performers did their best to showcase their talents, whether it be normal or the more unique side.

It was indeed a great kickoff to homecoming week. The spirit could be felt reverberating through the ballrooms that night.

“I couldn’t have asked for a better start to Homecoming week,” said Jacob V. Hudnut, SGA president.

“I wanted to see a high turnout and audience participation and organizational pride. I am grateful to all the organizations that participated and came out to support these events.”

High turn-out is a definite understatement.

The Ballrooms were packed, the energy level was through the roof. As stated before, this was indeed a great beginning to homecoming week.

For More On Homecoming
See P. 7
Homecoming Week Initiates Fun, Competition and School Spirit

Jacob V. Hudnut, SGA President, gave the proclamation that preceeded yesterday's Flag Raising.

Jessica Juarte and Orville Morales take part in a bean toss game at yesterday's carnival that took place in the Quad.

An air tunnel was just one of the attractions to be found at the carnival that took place in the quad.

There's no better way to show your school spirit than to have pies thrown at you, as this young lady proves at the carnival yesterday.

Hayden Greene presided over the mic as he announced the Homecoming King and Queen finalists.

Alisha Tillman gets a hug after she is announced as one of the finalists for Homecoming Queen.

President Cole raises the flag at the flag raising on Wednesday Oct. 8, 2003. The raising, which took place after the King and Queen voting, started off the day's events which included a Pep Rally and Carnival.
EDEN Helps Eating Disorder Patients Recover

By Todd Brobender
Special to TheMontclarion

I t's a new program that combines hands-on and online support for those challenged with eating disorder behaviors and distorted body images.

The goal is to provide newfound nationwide support for communities in the months and years to come.

It's called EDENprocess.com and was launched September, 2003. The site is a joint effort between The Life Enrichment Center (LEC) of Lawrence, Kansas and the Eating Disorder & Education Network (EDEN) of Michigan.

The EDEN Process is a Recovery Skills Program that helps people overcome eating disorder eating patterns and eating disorder behaviors by guiding them through a recovery process, helping to set and achieve goals and teaching them healthy coping skills.

The EDEN Processes are designed to be part of a community-based solution that focuses on building recovery skills that encourage individual processes and offer a great deal of peer and professional support. EDEN Processes empower the individual to take responsibility and action for their recovery, are theoretically-based (Prochaska's Transtheoretical Behavioral Change Model) and are cost-effective.

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As of September, 2003, launch, the EDEN Process community-based programs are currently in Michigan, Hawaii, Kansas, Minnesota, Florida, Colorado, and soon New York and California.

The goal is to expand the services and support to communities throughout the U.S. The purpose of the online option of EDEN Processes is that traditional eating disorder recovery support may not be available in their area.

The goal is to have EDEN Programs in communities nationwide with trained facilitators and an outpatient treatment team in place in each locale.

Until those individual community programs are set up, the web-based program can help assist those individuals in settings that are both inpatient and outpatient settings.

In my 15 years of experience with eating disorder clients, I have learned that the amount of impact a therapist can have is totally dependent on the amount of additional support from other professionals and the community,” says LEC Co-Director Ed Boch.

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The Shape of Things Whips a New Lifestyle

By Lisa Panzariello
Arts and Entertainment Editor

Hit Off-Broadway Play Spoofs Hearthrobs

Matt and Ben
David Warren
P.S. 122

Forget the Matt Damon and Ben Affleck that America has grown accustomed to. The white-heart, Bostonian buddies who thought long and hard about their Oscar win for their joint collaboration on Good Will Hunting. Forget the Ben and Jen scenario, the Matt Damon and Minnie Driver affair; erase everything you thought you knew from the pair.

Matt and Ben, a very unconventional and original off-Broadway hit that is surprising the East Village at P.S. 122 is the Good Will Hunting story told through the eyes of two people that make a comical spin on the story really was created.

The play was written by the two females that starred as Matt and Ben, Yes, that’s right, females.

Kaling and Affleck are real life friends that play the Hollywood stars and even attended Dartmouth University when writing the wildly witty act. Convinced? Possibly, but just let’s hope their well-deserved fame doesn’t include an El True Hollywood Story like the heartthrob.

The setting is in Somerville, Massauch use the very intimate and lived-in apartment of Ben Affleck.

The yellow and red checkered couch sits in the middle of the set, while a rather old computer resides on the left corner. The wall is plastered with movie posters such as School Ties which Damon and Affleck both had starring roles in, all the while making the show of the beginning with Affleck hard at work plagiarizing word for word on his computer. J.D. Salinger’s “Catcher in the Rye,” and Garfunkel’s “Bridge Over Troubled Water,” which Affleck runs by taking the stage in a New York accent.

“Th epresent from the sky was none other than the screenplay of Good Will Hunting, which they read with concerning and excitement until they became more aware of the very odd situation. This just kills it for the fans that are firm believers of the real life Matt and Ben’s take on how the Oscar performance came about. Of course, if anything fell through the sky that was sheer perfection and award-winning worthy, for that matter, nothing would go particularly smoothly. There had to be some bizarre twist to it, which Kaling realized. However, Withers’ only interest was that his name was first in the screenplay. Once the pair seem to realize this, the movie postcards such as Hollywood表面上, Kaling thinks it’s a brilliant play, and nothing else. This all comes in place when Damon reminisces about his high school talent show where he attempted to play the guitar while singing “Bridge Over Troubled Water,” which Affleck runs by taking the stage in a New York accent.

This could possibly be one of the most hysterical moments in off-Broadway history, as Kaling and Withers portray a modern-day Abbott and Costello type of scene. For both characters, when they realize that their egos are driving them to literally hate each other, Gwenyth Paltrow appears, (played by Kaling) changing Damon’s concept of friendship.

Damon. What was so ironic was that Damon is a rather terse man, acted by a tall female, while a petite woman illustrated the towering Affleck.

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The Shape of Things is a truly phenomenal production by the MSU Theater Department, if runs until Oct. 11, so if you haven’t seen it already, what are you waiting for?

The Shape of Things
Neil LaBute

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The play was written by the two females that starred as Matt and Ben, Yes, that’s right, females.

Matt Damon. What was so ironic was that Damon is a rather terse man, acted by a tall female, while a petite woman illustrated the towering Affleck.

Kaling and Withers are real life friends that play the Hollywood stars and even attended Dartmouth University when writing the wildly witty act. Convinced? Possibly, but just let’s hope their well-deserved fame doesn’t include an El True Hollywood Story like the heartthrob.

The Shape of Things is a truly phenomenal production by the MSU Theater Department, if runs until Oct. 11, so if you haven’t seen it already, what are you waiting for?
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Badu

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(Badu and Rashad “Ringo” Smith) arises as the most politically charged single, evident to fans of the collaborative artists.

The most noteworthy song on the entire album would be a tie between "Bump It" and "Think Twice."

The first single mentioned emits a smooth jazz appeal without sounding, Kenny G. cheesy. It's the type of song you could imagine laying on the beach with your cocktail, looking at the sunset without a care in the world.

But for the practical, the appeal that “Bump It” gives possibly affect both young R&B fans as well as the adult contemporary division of the same genre.

Not forgetting about "Think Twice", the homage to jazz impresario Donald Byrd, was a remake that did not disappoint.

The modern twist to the 70's jazz/funk fusion proves Badu’s recognition of the masters of the past, maintaining her “Neo-Soul” throne.

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Erykah - with what I said, thank you for coming out with quality over quantity.

Do me a favor and tell P. Diddy and Irv Gotti what I said, maybe they'll grow a backbone and put more effort into a remake.

In all honestly the album is not flawless but a well produced and written effort.

That should not take away the fact that many can’t compare to the skill and lyrical imagery Badu creates.

Imitators beware! Badu is back with an innovative return.

Even if there is a commercial backlash, this album will be added to the greats of the Neo-Soul catalog.

Show fouts a promising mix of humor, witty banter and the consequences of falling in and out of love.

Based on a British hit with the same name, Coupling really stands out on its own amongst the other sitcoms on its network.

The motif of the show - when couples get together (characters Susan and Steve); they join hands with each other...and their excess baggage, namely being a round-a-bout of best friends and exes who talk about sex and relationships in the sheer hopes of one day finding that special someone.

Sex and lots more sex (with lots of humor), but in a more creative fashion, away from the no-boundaries, cable world of HBO’s Sex and the City.

It's hip and frisky, how can you go wrong?

Coupling, Thursdays, 9:30 p.m., NBC.

It's All Relative.

Just another show for the rising queer-trend on TV?

Maybe so, but this show about homosexuality and two modern families’ struggle to understand one another touches base with the topic is different in the likes of Will & Grace and the past summer’s Queer Eye for the Straight Guy.

As explained by the executive director Neil Meron, the humor of the show is not blatant and straightforward but will come out in the “honest depiction of these characters.”

When Bobby gets engaged to Liz, their families get together for the first time and learn the likes of uncomfortable conflict.

Bobby’s close-knit, traditional Catholic family is no match in tradition to Liz’s upbringing by means of not one, but TWO dads.

For It's All Relative, the producers of Chicago and the writers of Frasier came together to bring forth a cosmopolitan of a comedy.

This one looks to be a keeper.

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BEACON THEATRE

SUCC ST  
LUNA LOUNGE  
THE RECIPE  
LION'S DEN

HEN LOI  
DON HILL'S  
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LIFE OF AGONY-RIVER RUNS AGAIN, LIVE

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

Be sure to include the name of the event (who’s performing) where it’s being held, and the exact date it’s happening.

Send all information to the following e-mail address:

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Sean Patrick Flanery 1965  
Victoria Andrew 1968

Happy Birthday

How old are you now? How old are you now?

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

Sunday, October 12
Lock Martin 1916  
Luciano Pavarotti 1925  
Kirk Cameron 1970

Monday, October 13
Laraine Day 1917  
Sammy Hagar 1947  
Chris Carter 1956  
Marie Osmond 1959  
Rob Schneider 1963  
Tisha Campbell 1968  
Quiana Finley 1991

Tuesday, October 14
Dwight Eisenhower 1890  
James Bush 907  
Jack Arnold 1916  
Ralph Lauren 1929  
William penn 1944  
Jon Seda 1970

This Week in Entertainment

Theatre
The sassy and glamorous Las Vegas duo, Bernadette and Roy may have to terminate their long-time career. Roy Horn, 59, was attacked by one of the tigers in the show. Horn suffered severe injuries to the neck and is in critical condition.

Music
Rock’s bad girl pin-up, Courtney Love was hospitalized in Los Angeles after a possible drug overdose. She was arrested by the LAPD after the controversial rocker was found attempting to break into a friend’s home.

Movies
The cult classics director, Quentin Tarantinno, says his new flick, Kill Bill Vol. 1, is primarily about girl power. The new movie is known to be extremely gory to the point where the director himself was getting sick on the set.

Compiled by Lisa Parazinela from cnn.com
ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14 AT 7 PM IN RUSS HALL/KOPS LOUNGE, MSU WILL MAKE HISTORY. IT’S AN EVENT YOU CANNOT MISS.

100 leading organizations are coming to MSU to host a rally and town meeting in support of the landmark lawsuit to allow lesbian and gay couples in New Jersey to marry.

THE SPEAKERS:
The couples participating in the historic lawsuit for marriage equality, including MSU’s very own Cindy Meneghin and her partner Maureen Kilian. It will be the couples’ first joint appearance at any university.

Also speaking will be legislators and community leaders from across the state.

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Security Issues Are "En-Guarde"

The Residence Merits at the Village are not Ft. Knox. Obviously retina Because of the 848 added beds, reaching occupancy was far from
scans and fingerprint identification are not necessary to enter the d problem from the lure of going to college in an apartment rather
1 dormitories. But the issue of security is a big one, especially in the brand
new facility. In the advent of an altercation at the Village, printed Reality now has set in and the idea of an actual apartment has
last week, Residence Life has stiffened up their ways around security, been hindered through the addition of the guards at the Village. But
Increased efforts were done by placing guards in the lobbies of the four residence halls, attempting to give residents peace of mind. But the question remains - Is
the Village really safe?

Some say yes and some say no in regards to the question. Weighing out the pros and cons, pros going
first: there is a visible presence when you enter the building, names are being checked for residents and
guests must sign in when entering. Now lets hear the cons: guards are not always present* as people walk:
in each respective building, names are not being
properly checked, in addition to names not being
checked at all.

Are the guards the scapegoat? The rush effort on Residence Life to institute these guards without proper
training to the protocol of insuring safety was improper. Desk assistants now, on main campus are required a week-long training session before the
beginning of each (fall and spring) semester. Regina Sargent, Director of Residence Life, stated the guards have been properly trained. The
guards at the Village have only been working the lobbies of the Village for the past two weeks. So where did the training happen? One may
assume the problem could be solved by adding a swipe card system, similar to the ones main campus has. But as a result, the selling point
of the Village was apartment styled dormitories that do not require the I-card system that many left main campus for in the first place.

Because of the 848 added beds, reaching occupancy was far from
a problem from the lure of going to college in an apartment rather
than a dormitory.

Really now has set in and the idea of an actual apartment has
been hindered through the addition of the guards at the Village. But
*wait - if an apartment styled domicile was desired, wouldn't that include a doorman-simitar to the best
in NYC? The devil's advocate would say that this isn't New York City but Montclair State. But the devil's
advocate has to remember that the apartments with the doorman have less occurrences of violent activity. Obviously violence and breaches of safety
occur anywhere but isn't it better to have a guard than nothing at all?

Residence Life has pointed out that additions, such as proximity readers and self-locking doors,
will soon be installed. Like Communism and cold fusion, the additions sound good in theory. Thought and action are two different things; When they are
installed, maybe ideas of security will change. But for
training to the protocol of insuring safety was improper. Desk assistants now, it is hot an issue to residents when they are not visible,
on main campus compromise their apartment wishes. The politics of safety is an example of this. So the best that residents can do is to put up with the present
system. But don't blame the guards who ended up having to sit there for you. Don't blame the people who put in the locks when there was
similar to the ones main campus has. But as a result, the selling point in regards to security. During the Village construction, wouldn't you think
of the Village was apartment styled dormitories that do not require someone in Residence Life would have thought about a way to handle safety?
The I-card system that many left main campus for in the first place. Maybe Res-Life should keep a checklist to remember instead.

The Voice of Montclair State University

Do You Feel Safe On Campus?

"No, I don't feel safe on campus. I'm not saying that there is no
security on campus, but maybe we should have more of it
instead of raising money for other things. Because point
blank, I strongly feel that my safety as well as the safety of
others comes first."

Jacqueline E. Vega,
biology, third year

"How can I feel safe when
there's an 80-year-old man
who's sleeping at 9 p.m. at the
desk?"

Derek Cirignono, finance,
fourth year

"I do feel safe on campus for
the most part, but it's not hard at
all to bring weapons or people
into our residence halls without
the knowledge of the desk
assistants or even campus police,
which can cause potential
harm."

Ghulam Chaudhury, business/
psychology, third year

Do You Think Security Is Effective At The Village?

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to respond.
Osama bin Laden is still a popular figure in the Islamic world. Clearly, Washington has to improve its public diplomacy in the Muslim world to get along better with that part of the world. Does Al Qaeda want to sweep away the rule of the Taliban? Is it a clash inevitable? No. Let us take some time to look at Operation Iraqi Freedom from a strategic perspective.

Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Kuwait and Iran, could become the linchpin of a new policy towards the Islamic-Arab World. Iraq could be held up as a model for its neighbors... Yet you were taught early on the importance of education. Just as you were taught that being educated will serve to make you a better worker. But, then men would not be well educated either. Max Summary: Islamic religious schools would sprout up everywhere to teach about Islam... How do you expect these deprived individuals to understand the Law of Relativity when you have not even explained to them what a variable is? In planning for our future and our lifestyles, we need to be more realistic. Are we really giving people a fair chance at life? Are we depriving certain classes of essential skills needed to survive?

Tania Rodriguez, undeclared, is in her first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.
Resignation Responses

I recently read your article in the November edition regarding the Student Government Administration. I am in the Cabinet of the "Students for Students" and proud of it. I feel this organization and cabinet is able to communicate and work towards the Montclair State University Community.

Christine Devveney
Director of Commuter Affairs
Broadcasting major

I'm writing in regards to the recent resignations of Veronica Nealis and Joe Foster from the SGA. I would like to point out to the student body that these are only two people. Two people who could not stick it out during a bad moment in the SGA's long history. I have a lot of pride in the SGA and in the president, Jacob Hudnut. He is a hard working individual with many goals set for the future. In regards to "Hudnut Administration" being in tip-top condition, I completely disagree with this. This is in no way run by my friend. Jacob. He works well with others and only good things can be expected of him and the Executive Board in the future months. I ask all Montclair students to attend an SGA meeting and see for themselves Wednesday in the Student Center 4th floor at 3 p.m. See that we really are "Students for Students."

Jamie Droser
Legislator
undeclared

Don't think that the resignation of two SGA Cabinet members was something sudden, or something that hasn't been brewing for longer than many of us may have thought. You'd be feeling yourself.

The major reason that it seems as though there is no malice from Jacob Hudnut's end and not from Ms. Nealis or Mr. Foster is because Veronica and Joe are being honest and up front with the students, they have nothing to hide.

Jacob would not take the chance to harm his perceived level of credibility by making a malicious statement in print. He's too political for that. Jacob will not make an honest public statement about this matter because he is too busy talking about Veronica and Joe. As one member of the SGA (past and present) behind their backs, only to deny or ignore such charges when the comment gets back to the target.

I have been the victim of this on several occasions already, and as of now, despite numerous attempts on my part to meet with Jacob, he has not so much as returned with a phone call to set up a meeting. He's too political for that. Veronica and Joe, when they left the "team" for a very valid reason - there is no "team" anymore. The climate of the SGA has changed so drastically from what my friends tell me that it stopped being fun a long time ago - roughly around June or July.

You can't ask people to be a part of something they don't believe in anymore. Veronica and Joe are and always will be phenomenal leaders, and their honesty and ethics are a big reason why.

They made the most mature decision possible. They had goals too, one of which, was to further develop as dynamic student leaders. When that development was blocked or stifled by the current SGA administration, what were they supposed to do? Veronica and Joe will be back, and better than ever, and they will lead on their own terms and at their own pace, because that is part of their development - and we are, after all, college students - aren't we here to LEARN something?

Chris W. Fitzpatrick
business administration major

Beating the "Bush" Wacker

A liberal slant on an opinion article is to be expected for a university newspaper, but I feel Ms. Tricia's article "Beating Around the Bush" warrants a response. Right off the bat was an allegation that President Bush "disregarded the constitution in the matter of the separation of church and state. First, I challenge the writer or anyone else to find the words "church and state" anywhere in the Constitution."

I checked there was a clause that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." I don't see how our President, in personally "speaking out" against abortion or gay marriage, has done either of these. Ms. Tricia puts up a big stink about Bush making "America the policewoman of the world." I can't help but ask myself if the writer really is a supporter of former President Clinton's war against Iraq in 1998, where Ms. Clinton used many of the same arguments for war that President Bush used this time around.

If the United States isn't going to prevent rogue nations from getting the capability to harm their neighbors and potentially the United States itself, I ask who is. I certainly do not trust the United Nations, under the leadership of the likes of France, to take such action. Lastly, the economy is not "shoddy", as the writer would suggest.

Of course, Ms. Tricia uses no statistics to back up her claim. A little research would show that our nation's GDP grew at a rate of 3.3 percent in the three months from April to June. This is definitely a slowdown from the run-up (economic bubble) during the '90s, but certainly doesn't "suck." The writer cites "Stock drops", while the S&P 500 has gone up about 15 percent since the beginning of the year.

Truth be told, we are no longer in a recession, which Unitarians mark as unmarkable considering the economic shock of such devastating terrorist attacks nearly two years ago. The writer calls it a "feeling of suprem­acy." I call it patriotism. Either way, I have no embarrassment for that feeling and I, for one, hope we have four more years under the strong leadership of President Bush.

Brian Gates
political science major

Al-Qaeda

Middle East is facing quite a crisis. Approximately forty percent of the population is under the age of eighteen.

With little chance of academic success, these kids have one of two choices. They can either work very hard to get through the stigma of being unable to support yourself or your family; or, become a terrorist to vent your frustrations upon the nameless, faceless "they" that your government says is the cause of your misery. Unfortunately, the "they" that the state-controlled media paint as a villain, is the United States.

The paramount importance of literacy cannot be stressed enough. Certainly, we take the ability to read and write for granted; but it is far from universal in the Arab-Islamic World. The inability to read and write is a prerequisite for coming to achieve economic success and having an educated citizenry that is a critical foundation of democracy.

An illiterate population will be totally incapable of being a part of the global economy; trade and commerce will flow elsewhere. For instance, according to the CIA World Factbook, only 57.6 percent of Egypt's population is literate, Iran has a literacy rate of 79.4 percent, Pakistan 82.5 percent in Qatar, and 78.8 percent in Saudi Arabia. Those statistics should speak for themselves.

Robert Wettengel, a history major, is in his first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

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The Sports Guy

Intramural Sports Update; Playoffs Begin

The regular season for both Intramural Flag Football and Badminton ended earlier this Monday. "Those Guys" took the top seed in the Co-ed leagues by way of a game winning hail mary on Monday.

The Men’s league, All-MadSen ran the tables, finishing as the only undefeated team at 5-0. They may have to go through "The Keen Around Guys" who only lost one game all season, and have won their last four.

The playoffs begin with the Fraternity title game on Thursday October ninth between, who else, Pike and Beta Chi. This will the second time the two teams will meet this season. In the first game Kevin Tewey helped Pike from behind to get a 31 - 25 victory. The rival fraternities both had a 3 - 2 record this season, and on the ninth day of October, it’ll gonna be a battle for all the marbles. The winner will move on to meet the independent champ for the biggest game of all, the Intramural flag football championship game, for Intramural Supremacy.

By Jose Ortiz
Sports Editor

Sports Guy

Which MSU Teams Will Make The Playoffs?

The Sports Guy was born on the baseball diamond, raised running the football field, baptized with a soccer ball, and de-virginized by a Chelsea fan. He is a fan of sports, and sports is him. This week, The Sports Guy wants to turn his attention to you, his loving fans at MSU. October is rolling along, and we are in midseason for most of our fall sports. So this week, The Sports Guy will examine which teams will be playing in the post season, and which teams are going home early.

The Sports Guy is going to talk about the teams that are definitely out this year. First team, the women’s volleyball team. Their current record is 7 - 22, which translates in a .241 percentage, and gives them a seventh place ranking. So what’s the problem? You could start with their seventh place ranking, their lack of depth, and their lack of scoring. Or you could move to the fact that in all six statistical categories, MSU ranks lower than fifth in all but one, including dead last in digs. This has translated into the volleyball team posting almost four times more losses than victories. The Sports Guy says they lose more than Enron stockholders.

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The Sports Guy will now turn his attention to the teams who are definitely in. Starting with the Women’s Field Hockey squad. They are currently ranked tenth in the nation. The Sports Guy says this team is hungry, that showed after they upset TCNJ in the closing seconds of double OT. Lose is not a word in a hungry team’s vocabulary, they were driven by a high powered offense led by Sarah "The Tiny Terror" Levine, and Megan Ulicny. The Sports Guy says these lads go together like peas and carrots, or peanut butter and jelly. Those two combined with a balanced defense make them the Sports Guy’s most definite team to advance.

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Question: What starting pitcher holds the single season record for lowest ERA?

Answer to last week’s question: Bobby Bonds and Willy Mays are the only two players with back-to-back seasons of 35 homers and 35 stolen bases.

Sports Trivia

MSU’s Top Ten List

Ten Reasons Why You Should Be At Homecoming This Weekend

By Jose Ortiz
Sports Editor

1. It’s free. If you include the cruise, the barbecue, the football game, the soccer game, and countless after parties, there are about ten hours of fun for free.

2. You never know what Senate will do. After last year’s fiasco, with the property damage and all, Senate may be looking to top it. These guys always have something up their sleeves. What do they have to lose? They already lost their charter. It sets up to be one of the last nice days of the semester. The high going to be at 70, and no rain in the forecast.

3. If you haven’t noticed by now, MSU doesn’t compare too well to your television stereotypical college campus. Almost everyone is a commuter, there’s no drinking allowed, and anyone who does live on campus, goes home on the weekend. This is one event that shows everyone the college life should be like. Theta XI, who traditionally does well in the float building competition, is back, and you can bet they’re hungry.

4. Pike is coupled with the Dance department for this year’s homecoming competition. Traditionally, a fraternity and sorority pair up, but Pi Kappa Alpha, went against the norm. With the fairy tale theme, all I can think of is hot and sexy ballerinas in tights, oh my!

5. The theme for this year’s homecoming is “Once Upon a Homecoming.” An original theme is going to bring out a bunch of original performances.

6. Jamar Neal from O.S.A.U. and Amanda Palacioskia from Sigma Delta Phi were crowned homecoming king and queen last year. Who will be this year’s winner? Find out at the end of the football game on Saturday.

7. MSU football has won three straight and is playing conference rival Kean University at Sprague Field, at 3 p.m. The Red Hawks are 3 - 1 and Kean is 1 - 4. MSU is looking to make their season with a victory and Kean wants to save their season, and avoid the loss. Should be a good one.

8. It’s for homecoming. What starting pitcher holds the single season record for lowest ERA?

9. Springfield is going to be at 70, and no rain in the forecast.

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**Men's Soccer**

**Standings Through 10/8/03**

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**Cross Country**
Saturday 10/10
Away vs. Messiah College
@ 3 p.m.

**Football**
Saturday 10/11
Home vs. Kean
@ 3 p.m.

**Field Hockey**
Saturday 10/11
Away vs. St. Leo's College
@ 3:00 pm

**Honorable Mention**
Liyas Tasci
Freshman
Hometown: Paramus, NJ

Scored game-winning goal on the road against conference foe Rowan.

Lea Smith
Senior
Hometown: Edgewood, NJ

Smith set a single game MSU record with four assists against Ramapo in 9-0 blowout.

Carmen Alvarado
Senior
Hometown: Newark, NJ

Alvarado had 13 kills and two serving aces in MSU home victory over Ramapo.

**Volleyball**

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**Men's Soccer**
Saturday 10/11
Away vs. Villa Julie
@ 1 p.m.

**Football**
Saturday 10/11
Home vs. Kean
@ 3 p.m.

**Field Hockey**
Saturday 10/11
Home vs. Villa Julie
@ 1 p.m.

**Women's Soccer**
Saturday 10/11
Away vs. NJOU
@ 3:30 pm

**Football**
Saturday 10/11
Home vs. Kean
@ 3 p.m.

**Field Hockey**
Saturday 10/11
Away vs. Messiah College
@ 3 p.m.

**Women's Soccer**
Saturday 10/11
Away vs. NJOU
@ 3:30 pm

**Football**
Saturday 10/11
Home vs. Villa Julie
@ 1 p.m.

**World Cup**

Senior Line Backer
Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

Meyer had 2.5 sacks and 11 tackles against SUNY Cortland.

**Flag Football**

**Badminton**

**Men's Singles**

**Men's Doubles**

**Women's Singles**

**Women's Doubles**

**Mixed Doubles**
For the second half, MSU's defense went from suffocating to downright loose. They did not allow one single shot for the entire second half. The goalkeeper for MSU, Susan Hinds, only had to make two saves, in 90 minutes of play. This was the women's soccer team's best defensive game of the season, and the conference victory makes a statement that will reach the halls of every school in the New Jersey Athletic Conference. The Lady Red Hawks will not be denied. The defensive effort was more than just the back three. It stretched from the midfielders right to the forwards. Every pass, every ball, every shot was challenged as if it were double overtime in a playoff game. This is the type of intensity that the women's soccer team brings to the field every game, Rowan couldn't breathe, they couldn't see, they didn't even have time to think. With a conference record of 4-1 and an overall record of 7-2, who could argue that this team is a contender. After all they've only allowed five goals all season long, and only three goals in five division games, if you didn't guess, that's tops in the conference. Coach Blair says that this team is for real. When asked about her team's fourth conference victory win of the season, she said, "It's a testament to them, that they've become such a cohesive unit."

The team, however, MSU is 0-2 whenever their competition scores a goal. This shows that the defense is the foundation of the women's soccer team. Coach Blair showed her disagreement, when after the game she made reference to their game at William Patterson, when MSU came from behind to force overtime, she then followed confidently saying, "this is a team that will find ways to score." Still the Red Hawks lost to the Pioneers in double OT, and certainly would have trouble competing in a high scoring contest. Lucky for them, they won't have to worry about that, their defense hasn't allowed more than three goals in any game this season.

There are eight games left in the Red Hawk's soccer season. That's before the NJAC playoffs begin. At third place in the conference, they look good to make the post season. Watch them in late October when they play three home games in six days. Two are against the top schools in the conference. Richard Stockton and eight time NJAC champs TCNJ, who have won the last four consecutive conference titles. Things are looking up, but there's still half the season remaining. Can their defense continue to carry them to victory? We shall see.

Tennis Woes Continue, MSU Falls 9 - 0

MSU's tennis team suffered a 9-0 blowout defeat at the hands of NYU on Wednesday October 8. The loss gives them an overall record of 3-5, putting the ladies in fourth place in the NJAC. The doubles competitions were, for the most part, a one sided affair. Senior Paola Alexander and Sophomore Eva Salierno came close in their match, and actually had the lead at one point during the contest. But NYU's number one and two players, Michele Dest, and Megan Hayes proved too much for the two to hold off. In singles competition, the Red Hawk's top player, Ashley Tomaske, lost only her second match this season, dropping her to a 10-2 mark. This was by far the best singles record on the team, and definitely something for the sophomore to build on. She has tremendous tenacity, and is quick like lightning, if one thing can be said about her game, it's that she needs to work on her power. In today's match against freshman Erika Olson, Tomaske was first out over power, as a result, she was sent running around the courts like a headless chicken. But otherwise, the Sophomore tennis star's game is sold in every other aspect.

The shutout was MSU's first of the season. With the last game of the season this Saturday on the road against number two ranked TCNJ, the Red Hawks are in danger of facing their first losing season since 1991. If they get the win, it would be their first season at .500 since 1998. The tennis team had a tough season. Most teams going through a rebuilding season have a tough time rebounding, and suffer for a few seasons.

Coach McLaughlin insists that this season has not been the norm, and will not be a continuing pattern. He then added "there's a lot of historical perspective with the current players and the current coach," He may have been referring to tennis team's 22-8 record over the past two seasons, or to the fact that MSU is the only other school, besides TCNJ, to win the NJAC since 1985. They have a ton of young talent with a bunch of potential, so maybe next year.