Eastern Blizzard Takes MSU by Storm

University Works Around The Clock to Restore Order

By Inbal Kahanov
Managing Editor

With the biggest blizzard in a decade to hit the region, the MSU campus struggled Monday and Tuesday to unearth itself from under the over two feet of snow recorded by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

All classes were cancelled and offices closed Feb. 17 and 18 as MSU personnel worked, some for over 48 hours, according to Karen Pennington, Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life, to clear the snow from roadways, lots and walkways, preparing the campus to reopen Wednesday.

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The University closed for two days this past Monday and Tuesday after a blizzard hit New Jersey, causing over two feet of snow to accumulate on campus. Various MSU departments worked together to clear the roads and University parking lots for students, faculty and staff.

"We tried to keep it to necessary escorts... such as cooks needing to go from one building to another to provide food," said Cell.

One medical condition due to snow was at a student jumping into a pile of snow, injuring their neck and shoulder.

Cell also added that though University Police was aiding in removing and parking cars from snow, they received many calls from students, who were upset when University Police could not help dig them up from under snow.

"People get confused about the role of University Police. We’re here to assist and help," said Cell. "We helped when we could, but there were snow conditions that you needed machinery to help remove these vehicles from under a foot or more of snow. We don’t have access to such machinery.

Lot Closes Once Again; Lack of Use is Reason Given by MSU

By Cesarina Miceli
Assistant News Editor

Shuttle van services to the Alexus parking lot have been shut down for the second time, due to lack of utilization, effective Wednesday, Feb. 19.

On October 10, the lack of student usage caused the University to cease use of the Alexus parking lot. This semester, a second attempt to provide additional student parking in the Alexus lot failed.

According to the Director of Parking Services, Elaine Cooper, less than one car per day utilized the Alexus lot this semester. Shuttle vans have been providing services to the off-campus leased Alexus lot for commuters, as well as to Lot 40, the resident student lot behind the Floyd Hall Arena. The shuttle vans and drivers have been leased from a supplemental transportation provider.

The shuttle vans are capable of holding 12 people and stops at all shuttle stops throughout campus, but was mainly for the Alexus lot and Lot 40.

Now, the shuttle vans will only be leased for resident students, who park in Lot 40.

According to Douglas Cooper, Director of Architectural and Engineering Services, the Alexus Steakhouse through May, was costing the University approximately $750 per month.

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MSU will no longer be utilizing the Alexus Steakhouse parking lot due to lack of use. The shuttle van will now be primarily used for Lot 40.
**Weather**

**Coming Soon...**

- SGA Election petitions circulate
- Residence Village lowers its prices
- Laramie Project showcases on campus
- Living situations at Clove Road
- Apartments anger many

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**Newark Police ID Two Shooting Victims**

City police yesterday released the identities of two men slain in separate shootings. Terrance Judge, 32, of Orange died Monday afternoon from a gunshot to the abdomen on Stuyvesant Avenue around 2:40 p.m. Although the motive is unknown at this time, Judge may have been killed during a robbery. Witnesses told police the shooter fled on foot during the blizzard. He is described as a black male, about 5-foot-4 with a thin build, and 25 to 30 years old.

**Caldwell Firm's Exec Accused of Sex Crimes**

The president of West Caldwell-based Rich Corp. was charged with sexually assaulting an 18-year-old child between 2001 and earlier this month, and having inappropriate contact with a girl in the mid-1990s and another in the mid-1990s. James Iverson, 52, who lives in Montclair's Pine Brook section, was charged with aggravated sexual assault, a first-degree crime, as well as sexual contact and child endangerment.

**Stolen Credit Cards Result in Two Arrests**

An Elizabeth man and an East Orange woman trying to buy a PlayStation 2 from the Best Buy on Route 10 were arrested for using stolen credit cards and matching fake identification. Chief Fringville, 31, and Malpea North, 33, attempted to make the purchase around 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

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**National News**

**Plane Carrying 250 People Crashes in Iran**

A plane carrying at least 250 people, most of them military personnel, crashed in southeastern Iran... (continued)

**Ridge Launches Terror Preparedness Campaign**

U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge on Wednesday stressed the importance of being prepared — instead of panicking — in the event of a terrorist attack, and he urged the American public to take simple steps to protect themselves and their families. The campaign includes a Web site, broadcast media and print ads and a 1-800 number with information on what people should do to prepare for a possible attack. "An emergency is not the time to plan; it's the time to react," so be informed," Ridge said. "The actions you would take in a conventional attack may be counterproductive if you don't think in response to a different kind of attack."

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**SGA News & Notes**

Three H.I.L.E.L. appropriations passed.

A description for the position of Chief of Staff was introduced.

The United Asian American Student Organization (U.A.A.S.O.) appropriation failed.
Lot

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so the vans will no longer need to
go off campus.

Though the shuttle vans only
picked up the passengers of one
car per day at the Alexus lot, numer­
ous complaints, such as problems
with students waiting from 30 to 45
minutes for a shuttle van to pick
them up from Lot 40, and an incident
that occurred when a shuttle van
stopped at the Little Falls’ McDonalds
on Route 46, have evolved.

The Director of Parking Services
refused to comment regarding these
complaints, but it has been men­
tioned previously by Cooper that
once the stairs leading from Lot 40
to the lot above it are built, the
shuttle van service will no longer be
provided.

According to Cooper, the design
for these steps will be complete after
four to six weeks of constructed. The
stairs are expected to be completed
in April of this year.

Blizzard

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machinery.”

The decision to close the University
for the two-day span came following
consultation by many members of
the administration, according to
Pennington.

A discussion occurred between
Kid Williams, Director of Physical
Plant, and Harry Schuckel, Senior
Vice President for Administration,
regarding the ability to handle the
snowfall and get the campus pass­
able. In an assessment was made
between Pennington and Call of
internal and external road condi­
tions, taking into consideration
municipal and state eval­
uation of the situation
and any regional or state
restrictions levied.

The conclusions from
these considerations
were discussed with Rich­
od Lynde, Provost and
Vice President for Aca­
demic Affairs, and he
was given a recommen­
dation by Pennington
and Schuckel regarding
whether to keep the Uni­
versity open, closed, or
on delay.

Lynde then discusses
all these recommenda­
tions with President Susan
Cole and a decision was
made to close campus.

Also, according to
Cole, he was keeping MSU
administration continually
updated on the situation
on campus over the few
days by e-mailing photos
of the campus every
couple of hours and call­
ing.

“We have students,
faculty and staff coming
from so many different
areas... We have to
decide whether or not
it is safe and feasible for people to be
on campus and get around,” said
Pennington. “Many individuals have
other options, such as public trans­
portation, and people should make
themselves aware of those options
well in advance of the winter
months.”

Notification of the University clo­
sure was posted on the University
web site, recorded on the campus
emergency hotline, and
sent through an all-student
e-mail on the evenings of
Sunday and Monday, notify­
ing students of the following
day’s closing.

In addition, announce­
ments were made on televi­
sion and radio station.

“Aside from [this]
notification... most faculty have
developed a system to
communicate with their stu­
dents,” said Pennington.

The department of Physi­
ical Plant is still working on
clearing some roadways
and parking lots, specifi­
cally Lots 14, 17, 18, 19, 25,
40 and by the Clove Road
apartments, according to
Call and Elaine Cooper, Director of
Transportation and Parking
Services.

“People need to be
patient and understanding
during this type of
duration. Everything is
not under our control and
we have to learn how to
accept those things. Most
individuals try to do the best
they can under difficult circum­
stances,” said Pennington.
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Body Acceptance Week at MSU!

February 24-28, 2003!

2/25, 1:00pm, SC417: Muscle Men and Women Waifs - The Quest for the Perfect Body, Campus Rec, CAPS

2/25, 8:00pm, Webster Hall Lounge: Ice Cream Social (sponsored by Residence Life)

2/26, 4-5pm, SC417: Body Acceptance Workshop with Barbara Reese

2/26: INSIDE OUT DAY! Show your awareness of inner beauty: wear an article of clothing inside out to symbolize: It’s What’s Inside That Counts!
If you plan to live on campus next year, please be sure to mark the following dates:

- **Sign up for single rooms located in traditional areas** (Bohn, Blanton, Freeman, Russ, Stone & Webster):
  Wednesday, February 12 & 13, 2003

- **Sign up for The Village**:
  Tuesday, February 25 - Thursday, February 27, 2003

- **Sign up for Clove Road Apartments**:
  Tuesday, March 4 - Thursday, March 6, 2003

- **Sign up for the residence halls**:
  Tuesday, March 18 - Friday, March 21, 2003

Specific instructions and eligibility requirements for each process are outlined in the information packets that will be distributed to each current resident student during the first week of February. Non-resident students may pick up a Room Selection Packet by going to any residence hall desk and/or stopping by the Office of Residence Life, located on the 4th floor, Bohn Hall.

All students must pay a $125 deposit prior to participating in any of the processes. Should the student not obtain a space, the deposit is refundable.

All four processes will allow MSU students who are not current residents to participate. Be sure to check out your opportunity to now live on campus!
Landing That Job
Professionals of the Round Table
By Reginald Macclang  Staff Writer

While individuals of Spanish background have been less visible in Da’ing than in MCing and graffiti art, they have played a prominent role in hip-hop musical production. Many of the early Latin DJs grew up listening to African-American Jazz and R&B, but they frequently added rich experience of Latin/Caribbean music to the flavor of hip-hop sounds.

In Juan Flores, from Bomba to Hip-Hop. Charlie Chase, former DJ for the rap group Cold Crush Brothers, states that it was his experience as a musician in a Latin band coupled with his detailed knowledge of black music that made him such an influential music producer. By the early 90’s, rap music was rise in status as a MC was primarily based upon his ability to perfect the New-York-thug persona. In fact, on his first album, Repentant, Fat Joe went by the name Fat Joe the Gangsta. While the additional hip-hop has largely been seen as an African-American cultural creation and falsely publicized as a new black art form, what wasn’t mentioned was that Latinos, more specifically, Puerto Ricans, played an instrumental role in laying the foundation of hip-hop culture. Yet, despite their continuous contributions, Latinos have repeatedly struggled for legitimacy within this new-aged social movement.

Without leadership and economic opportunities, working class African Americans and Latinos needed to find new ways to express their political frustration and their economic aspirations. While many turned to crime and wrongful activity, many also looked inward and found legitimate outlets. During the late 1970’s, African Americans and Latinos living in the same neighborhood in New York created a form of expression that today has become the world’s most influential art form.

While the term for this art form has often been labeled as hip-hop, few have accurately defined it. Many have placed primary emphasis on the verbal portion of hip hop and ignored the other aspects of the culture. However, there have historically been four essential elements linked to hip-hop: graffiti or aerosol art, break dancing, DJing, and MCing or rapping.

While there has been thousands of break dancing and graffiti crews throughout the world, the most prominent and influential has been the Rock Steady Crew. Established in the late 70’s in the South Bronx, Rock Steady is a great dancing troupe and graffiti crew made up primarily of Blacks and Latinos.

This group of individuals has had a direct and important role in shaping mainstream American perception of hip-hop culture. Since, Rock Steady has played a significant role in laying the foundation for the style and image which allowed him to pass in a way unseen before in mainstream America’s perception of hip hop.

While the rise of cocaine and the economic downturn in the late 80’s, America’s ghettos were becoming increasingly violent. Therefore, it was no surprise that harsh realities of poor urban living would become the subjects of rappers’ lyrical styles. For example, the first Puerto Rican MC to break into the world of mainstream rap was Fat Joe. Despite the acknowledgments of his Latino heritage on wax, after a closer examination of his earlier music, it became clear that Fat Joe’s...
Pisces are imaginative, selfless, and sensitive. They are usually idealistic and unworldly. They may be secretive, but are easily led by others.

Gather up the courage and if need be, write your words down on a paper. Let them know what's up.

Times are a changing but you have no problems adapting to change. You love to take up a good challenge and show off your superior skills.

On that note, prepare to face in the near future a challenge that may prove to be a little too overwhelming.

Your journey is a long and hard one but don't give up. All the little things you learn along the way will help you a great deal in the future.

Many travels are seen in your future. Make the best of every trip and bring your friends along for the ride.

New people will enter your life along with new approaches to solving old problems.

Your greedy ways are getting you nowhere. Learn to share with others and stop being so damn picky.

Continue in your ways and isolation awaits you. Change and doors will open in your favor.

Things could be better and they should be. Go that extra mile to get all that tiresome work done with and out of the way. After that's done, try pampering yourself by doing what will help you to relieve all that unnecessary stress.

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It's hard to express your true feelings to that special someone, especially when they make you forget what you have to say.

Gather up the courage and if need be, write your words down on a paper. Let them know what's up.

Only you can change your ways; don't depend on others to change it for you.

You have so much potential and so many goals yet you keep putting them off, thinking that they'll still be there waiting for you. They won't.

Getting your way isn't easy but that's why you have to stay on top of things.

Don't be afraid to keep pushing and breaking a few rules in the process. These are things that must be done in order to get to the next level.

Stop meddling in other people's business. You're making it hard on everyone and making everyone hate you.

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recreation. "This class helped me get into contact with some of the organizations. The other half, I had to learn on my own," said Maclchio.

During the discussion, the panel of professionals gave sound advice to students about acquiring jobs and effective suggestions.

"Networking is knowledge," stated Barbara Davidson from the Leonia Department of Recreation represented the physical education and recreation segment of the discussion. "Get involved in your field of work and recreation."

Steve Smith from MSU Campus Recreation needed to students that experience will get you the job down the road. Even though the professionals of the event had careers in health professions, physical education, recreation and leisure studies, the advice that they had all given was very universal.

The recreation leadership class helped those majoring in health professions, physical education, recreation and leisure studies with the "Meet the Professionals" event. So to those seeking jobs- go out and do the work in order to work (or get the job) later on. Happy hunting job seekers!!

Learning to Play, or Rather Eat, the Triangle

Ami Desai
Staff Writer

Do you know? Do you know the Food Guide Pyramid? It is a guide that asks you to include three concepts:

1. The pyramid is the guide-line that is provided by United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) on five major food groups. The pyramid works from bottom to top, as you go on top you need to decrease the intake. The top of the pyramid is reserved for soft drinks, candy, butter, oil etc. The second layer is for animal and dairy products including milk, meat, fish and eggs - good sources of calcium, iron, and zinc. The third layer is of plant food - fruits, and vegetables - good sources of vitamins, minerals, and fiber. The base of the pyramid is stored for grains - a good source of complex carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals.

The food guide pyramid is your general fat-combat plan, then nutrition facts panel is your ammunition. So you ever gazed at every food item you buy? The point is that a lot of information you call for to make a sensible food selection is right under your nose apparent and reliable. But very few of us take the pain to read the panel. Care should be taken especially when buying packaged food. Roll the item around and find the word "nutrition fact." Make sure to check the serving size also along with the caloric and the fat content while reading the fact. This small alteration while shopping for groceries will help you manage weight. And remember to follow the pyramid in the correctly; from bottom to top and not the other way around, increasing fat and decreasing the grains!!!

New research...

A current study in the Journal of American Dietetic Association highlights the portion size increase in food consumption since last couple of decades. This study suggests that there is an eight-fold increase in portion size of the federal standards and market place selling of food. The researchers also found that portion sizes of many foods and beverages are two to five times larger today than when the item first became commercially available. Also, the portions of some foods exceed the serving-size recommendations of the package's food label. This may be one of the many reasons for the obesity dominance in the United States.

Recipe of the week...

Vegetable Stir Fry

Ingredients:
- 1 pound fresh broccoli, 1 Tbsp margarine, 1 Tbsp peanut oil, 1 lb carrots, peeled and thinly sliced
- Sliced mushrooms, thinly sliced
- 1 medium green onions, thinly sliced
- 1 Tbsp fresh lemon juice
- 2 Tbsp sherry
- Fresh ground black pepper
- 1 tsp nutmeg
- 1 tsp thyme
- ¼ tsp salt
- 1 pound fresh mushrooms
- Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- Freshly chopped parsley
- 1 tsp (or more) of your favorite special addition

Directions:
- Heat margarine and oil over medium heat
- Add broccoli, carrots, mushrooms and onions. Cook and stir five minutes, or until vegetables are tender-crisp. Stir in lemon juice, sherry and other seasonings. Serve immediately.
- Nutritional fact:
  - Calories: 78
  - Protein: 3 g
  - Carbohydrates: 11 g
  - Fat: 4 g
  - Cholesterol: 0 mg
  - Sodium: 63 mg

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stream rap music. The playful chant of “Boricua, Morena” grabbed the attention of listeners everywhere. While the acknowledgement of this closeness is neither new to hip-hop nor music history, this minor shout out is unique, as no other Puerto Rican rapper has been as commercially successful as Big Pun in wearing his Latino heritage. In fact, his lyrical delivery in conjunction with his use of the Puerto Rican flag in photos and performances opened the door for other Puerto Rican rap albums (specifically Tony Sunshine, Angie Martinez and Terror Squad). Some may argue that this recent rise of the Latino MC is because of America’s new-found acceptance of Latino culture. Others might debate that it is because record labels have figured out how to package them.

Regardless of the reasons, it’s clear that there isn’t going to be a huge flood of Latino MCs taking over hip hop anytime soon. Despite the success of groups such as Fat Joe, hip hop is still perceived as an African-American creation. Hip hop was birthed as an alternative to the traps of poverty, and as long as people, regardless of race, are facing economic difficulty, there will be those that will search for outlets in dancing, artistic design, and musical production. Regardless of what it is called in the future, for those born in the Post-Civil Rights era, it will always be hip hop.

You Thought You Knew Them

Adam Hussein asks questions of couples during the co-hosted Campus Rec and SGA’s The Dating Game last Wednesday night. Winning the evening was Colleen Halpin and Frank Herring. Halpin said, “We’re like the Osbourne’s: it’s dysfunctional, but it works.”

Are you one of a set of twins that goes to MSU? Lets Us Know!

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A Television Milestone: 301 Episodes of America's Favorite Dysfunctional Family

By Jerome D'Angelo
Staff Writer

Long before "The Sopranos" was trying in vain to convince us that New Jersey is hell, and long before "Joe Millionaire" was showing us how love is without a Enron-type capitalism, "The Simpsons" were showing America that jaudiced skin and monster-like eyes could make us smile. That child abuse and alcoholism reminds us all of those traditional family values he’s not to dear.

"The Simpsons" treats the word "family" like a four-letter word, exactly as it should be. Much of the reason why the show has lasted 301 episodes is because of its unique brand of randomness and irrelevancy.

On no other show has malice and daily strife been disguised so well that it looks innocent and commonplace. Were "The Simpsons" not a cartoon, it could so easily be compared to a Greek tragedy.

Instead, it is merely black comedy done so well that happy endings seem unnatural.

Each of the four main characters (Sons Maggie) are trapped experimenting on their own private hell called 742 Evergreen Terrace, Springfield. Homer is stuck in a dead-end job that he is oddly enough, nowhere near qualified for. His laziness and ineptitude actually serve as his only means of survival, as nothing is expected of him. Will he ever cook and clean for himself? Homer would inevitably make him sick. He bares his wife no ill will. At least not consciously as he constantly disappoints and upsets her with his egocentric methodology, while all the time taking advantage of her learned-servility. "Marge, I’m home, I don’t want to talk about it."

Marge is the quintessential kitchen slave. With her trademark blue bee hive protruding from her easily influenced head, Marge exerts control of the household, and little else. Her good-nature and June Cleaver-era morality do nothing to benefit her in the presence of the town’s buffooness. Her son’s antics often leave her depressed at the realization of his lack of innocence. "Special little guy," as she often refers to him.

She and her daughter are on different planes completely, be it emotional, philosophically, aptitude.

Despite sharing intrusive personality traits, they can almost never share their intimate feelings with one another.

Her relationship with her husband seems more like a business deal than a marriage. "Because I knocked you up," she often refers to him.

Bart, originally the central focus of the show until the writers decided to shift the focus to Homer, is the son that can get away with anything.

His mother loves him too much to enforce discipline, and his father is either too disinterested or too stupid to do it himself.

With no role model except for a tax-evading TV clown with three nipples, Bart lashes out for attention, as would many children his age would.

And with no drive to better himself and no structure, Bart commits his young life to that of the "Under-achiever, and proud of it" mentality.

Convinced by both his own ego and the fact that no one around him will stop his behavior, Bart pushes the envelope more and more and gets away with everything and anything he wishes, if not of the outset, then by the time he is forced to apologize.

Lisa, a brilliant musical talent and highly intellectual, progresive-thinking, idealist, is utterly suffocating from lack of recognition of her abilities.

She is alienated from the rest of the family and her ignorant peers or jealous family members. No matter how much she accomplishes with skepticism and disdain, Lisaバー Bart is infallible. Lisa pays the price of being born a female by being ignored or disregarded.

With the death of her idol and mentor, a saxophonist named "Bleeding Gums" Murphy, Lisa is totally alone, and given that her father has no advantage of her ability.

Homeworker’s neighbor, Ned Rlander, is a bible-thumping do-gooder with no regard for secular values. Abraham Simpson, Homer’s father, is a delusional war veteran, albeit in memory that is too sensitive to realize are not real.

He once proclaimed that he was the queen of the Old West. "I held a six-shooter in my garter, I did."

Ironically, the most intellectual characters on the show are those of the Jerry Lewis based scientist, Professor Fink, or are the three main brainiacs.

"Fat Tony" is the local Mafioso whose fines are larger than Springfield’s mountain of burning garbage.

Sideshow Bob displays masterful diabolic schemes, like stealing a trillion-dollar note from the U.S. government, and capture the Lockness Monster.

He can never seem to remember Homer’s name. "Simpson, ohhh!"

It’s in this way that "The Simpsons" is the most complicated show on television, and arguably, the best. It would bring us to tears if we were not so hysterical.

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An Action Movie that Dares to be Simple

By Todd Anthony
Courtesy of ART Campus

Daredevil
MARK STEVEN JOHNSON
USA

The more human the superhero, the more entertaining the movie. That seemed to be the lesson of last summer's Spider-Man, which showcased an endearingly neurotic masked marauder and established a new high-water mark for flicks adapted from comic books. Like that film's emotionally conflicted protagonist, Daredevil's Matt Murdock struggles to fight crime and maintain some semblance of a normal life. But the latest Marvel Comics character to make it to the big screen has a physical handicap to match his psychological issues: He's blind. Ben Affleck dons a fetishistic red-leather cowl and body suit to play the titular guardian devil, a lawyer of last summer's Alias transforms Daredevil's love interest into a secret weapon. The alluring actress squeezes into the tightest black leather togs this side of Michelle Pfeiffer's Catwoman. Garner moves fluidly and confidently, looking as natural and believable in the smartly choreographed fight scenes as she does eye-popping in the cleavage-baring active wear. She brings smarts, sass; sentiment and sex appeal to what could have been a throwaway part. But just because you're blind doesn't mean you can't have a point of view.

Daredevil succeeds at showing us the world through the useless eyes of its sightless superhero. In the mold of Spidey and Batman, this Daredevil dude takes up crime-bustin' as response to the murder of a close family member. Daredevil's obligatory "origins of the superhero" sequence entails our sympathy for the devil even as it leaves us with a few troubling questions. For example, radioactivity ramps up Matt's capacities to hear and smell, but where did this economically disadvantaged orphan and cash-strapped legal eagle come by extraordinary levels, not unlike radioactivity ramps up Matt's capacities to hear and smell, but where did this economically disadvantaged orphan and cash-strapped legal eagle come by the martial arts training, the flashy accessories and the amazing vertical leap?

Rather than lay on the expositional detail, Daredevil focuses on character development. Every good superhero needs a worthwhile villain, and Daredevil gets two: a physically imposing crime kingpin (Michael Clarke Duncan) and his dappered Irish hitman (wild-eyed Colin Farell in yet another scene-stealing turn). Equally impressive is Jon Favreau as Murdoch's wise-cracking partner. He pitches strike after strike in comic relief; you can't help but wonder if the filmmakers asked the Swingers screenwriter to pen his own one-liners.

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Peter Mulvey
Robin's Nest

Soledad Brothers
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North Six

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Timmy's mother was shocked to discover her son had suddenly switched from model planes to runway models.
A Marshmallow World

"It's a marshmallow world in the winter," goes an old Johnny Mathis tune, "when the snow comes to cover the ground." It was indeed a marshmallow world at MSU this week, as more than a foot of snow covered our campus, as well as most of the eastern seaboard. The world pretty much shut down for several days; school closed, post offices closed, and even the lights of the Red Hawk Diner were off. It was a shut down we truly needed, especially after a week of anxiety over new terror threats and commands to buy duct tape. The storm made it easier to forget about Osama bin Laden and impending war with Iraq. And, thanks to everyone's efforts on campus, the blizzard caused minimal problems.

Classes were cancelled for Monday and Tuesday. During the last storm, MSU did not close until 2 p.m., and we were one of few schools open at all. But, due to the extreme warnings issued on Sunday, the administration decided, and rightfully so, to strike preemptively. The University's web site announced the closing early Sunday night, before even a snowflake had fallen on campus.

We were all grateful for the early decision, as it gave us time to prepare for the storm, instead of for class.

Judging by the state of the parking lots, though, perhaps it would have been wise to cancel classes on Wednesday, too, or at the very least, delay opening while the Physical Plant cleared the lots of snow. Granted, the Physical Plant did an excellent job with snow removal, especially considering the massive amount that was dumped on our area. But, students returning to school on Wednesday were faced with huge piles of snow taking up spaces in lots, as well as dangerously icy roads. Many schools in the area remained closed for a third day, so why not MSU? While cabin fever was driving many people crazy, it was difficult, if not impossible, to get to class on time on Wednesday morning.

University Police and the Physical Plant were of great help during the blizzard, but the students who were stuck on campus are chiefly responsible for keeping the campus relatively chaos-free. There were few medical emergencies and motor vehicle accidents, only snowball fights and sledding down the hill to Lot 25. And, when time came to dig out from underneath the 22 inches, students were helping out everywhere: shoveling the walkway outside of Stone Hall, helping fellow students extricate their cars from the snow, keeping order in the cafeterias.

What could have been a chaotic few days turned out to be a pleasant break from the pressures of school and the world outside our campus. Thanks to the efforts of everyone: the administration, for canceling classes (which it seems never to do); the Physical Plant and University Police, for working overtime to clear up the roads, parking lots, and walkways; and especially the students, for, as corny as it sounds, lending lots of helping hands.

Where are you planning on living next year?

"I am going to live near Stone Hall, because I'm a Desk Assistant there, but the Village is tempting." Laurel Ubinski, Sociology, second year

"I plan on living in Blanton because that seems to be the place to be." Lorraine Nwaoko, Biology, first year

"I plan on living in Blanton, because it is the most convenient. It has the food, it has the bus stop and it also has the Wellness Center." Dawn Cordasco, Music, first year

How did you occupy yourself during the blizzard?

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No to Partial-Birth Abortion

Since the landmark Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade, abortion has been one of the most controversial and hotly combated issues in American politics. To those who wear the pro-choice label, it is a battle waged over unrestricted rights. To those who see themselves as mavericks, valiantly defending the right of a woman to choose her own reproduction, even if there were no pre-natal life to be spared, it is a struggle of life and death.

To those who identify themselves as pro-life, it is a crusade carried out in the name of innocent unborn children at stake. People like me are often accused of being not as anti-choice oppressors, but as crusaders carrying their beliefs, as far as I stand.

Darned if I know. If I believe in a smaller, less intrusive government, I like to be consistent with my views. If a woman's right to control her own body is impregnated by some lowlife vat of scum, she shouldn't be forced to live with the consequences of the incident manifested in the form of a child. But if an across-the-board ban on abortion were to be passed with one of the only restrictions being the case of rape, I fear the consequences would be tremendous. Envision a situation in which women, in order to legally have an abortion, begin to file police reports of rape that never occurred. Innocent men are being accused of felonies they never committed; lives being ruined all because of a society uninterested in the implications on abortion, which exists today. That would be truly terrifying.

One of the main arguments in anti-abortion legislation allowing the procedure if the mother's health at risk is severe. I do not believe in unqualified eugenicists called doctors determining who is and isn't allowed to have an abortion. What if doctors start doing favors for friends, claiming a woman's life is in danger when truly is isn't? What if a woman dies during childbirth and her family decides to sue the doctor for not recommending a legalized abortion, even if there were no prenatal signs of endangerment to the mother's life?

I do know, however, that I personally have mixed feelings and moral issues with the concept of abortion. The very idea of it makes me queasy. I wouldn't recommend abortion for anyone, but I wouldn't condemn anyone who chooses it. Still, there are various reasons why women choose abortion, and I don’t understand all of the reasons, as well as the volume of them, don’t tend to sit well with me. In America, there have been 40 million abortions since 1973 or 4,000 each day. That means if you were born after 1973, you're lucky. One in three of pregnancies since have been terminated. Furthermore, the overwhelming majority of these (95 percent) are performed as a means of family planning. Another one percent are performed due to rape or incest, one percent due to fetal abnormalities, and three percent due to the mother's health problems.

Yet, just because some believe that life begins at conception, it doesn't mean that they believe that if the pregnancy was due to rape, does or should be forced to, Science can't yet and in order to do so is to decide what millions of women should agree to. Under the threat of living in a democracy, there is, however, a certain Congresswoman a child is fully formed inside the womb of the mother, and it is absorbed by its own death. On its own. Despite this, in the United States abortion is legal throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy that means if a woman decides a day before she is due to give birth that her mind is not with the pregnancy can still be terminated. This procedure is known as partial birth abortion, but liberals prefer the euphemism "late-term abortion," so as to try and make it sound less barbaric than it truly is. For those who are unfamiliar with the procedure, allow me to elaborate. The doctor first dilates the cervix and removes the fully formed baby from the mother's body, leaving only the head still in the womb. From there, scissors are inserted at the nape of the baby's neck. The baby is removed, causing several complications, and the baby is delivered.

Yes, this disgusting act actually happens every year. The only partial-birth abortions than any other state.

There is no way that this procedure should be allowed to go on. It is not unreasonable to suggest that a woman should have made her choice by the time the baby is to be born. Besides, it is hard to see how there is any danger to the mother's life at that point, with most of the baby's body already outside of the cervix. The baby that died by partial birth abortion could have just as easily been born and adopted by a loving couple who wasn't Blake with God with the same child-bearing abilities as the birth mother.

I applaud Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. Last July, a bill was introduced in the House to ban the practice of partial birth abortion. Bill Pascrell. In the only New Jersey Democrat to vote for the ban.
At the same time, I condemn republican Christie Whitman. In 1997, the former governor of New Jersey vetoed a bill that would ban partial birth-abortion in the state.

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The budget woes have been solved! Our illusory governor has solved the budget, with or without previous administrations thought of this? It is such an easy solution: take money away from education, arts, funding from studies of deadly diseases, and taxes. It is the perfect way to help bal­ance the budget. So, although New Jersey will have a balanced budget, we will have a citi­zens of our state will be affected, and disease ridden. Okay, may have exagger­ated the result, but the governor’s budget pro­posal, but the fact remains that he intends to take money away from areas that need it the most.

This stuns me, and to some of you reading this, it might. The governor promised that his office would admit it to the ten percent that parents should be the ones responsible for raising their own children, not the state.

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The State of the State
Budget Woes Have McGreevey In Hot Water

Michael C. McPhee

The budget woes may not be McGreevey’s fault completely, but it seems likely that he will be held to account for them. With property taxes rising across the state—a state that already has the honor of having the highest property taxes in the nation—there is a real fear of the Democratic faithful are expressing extreme dismay at his performance in Trenton. The majority of the Democrats are currently enjoying in Trenton today is because of their so-called “socialist” fiscal policies. Some may regret becoming so closely associated with him when McGreevey is held to account for the pathetic mismanagement of the State’s tax dollars.

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Snow

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through Monday into Tuesday, people trekked from the Blanton side of campus towards Freeman for food, warmth and trays for sleighriding. On the way back from Freeman, people passed those who were all decked out in ski apparel, including goggles. They proceeded to run, dive, slide and push each other into the snow, MSU was their winterwonderland. While waiting at the bottom of Blanton, or college with snowboards, they had taken themselves and their boards to the area where the new residence halls are being built, to go off the giant hills and cliffs.

Other people spent Monday running outside to see how high the snow was. Mid-day parts of the campus looked like a playground, when students enacted snowball fights. Ripping apart the quad between Freeman and Russ, Heather heil and her friends spent hours in the snow fighting and playing. "We threw snow balls at each other for awhile and we went sleigh riding. It was kind of hard, though, because the snow was so deep, we kept sinking in."

Other people had their fun with the dining-hall trays or sleighs they had horded.

The campus was ripe for an old-fashioned winter snowball fight. The announcement was followed by screams and people going outside to fight. Now, it is almost impossible to figure out if one wins a snowball fight.

Whoever gets involved is always covered in snow, sometimes someone may have more snow in their face than another, but everyone ends up cold and wet.

And when it comes to the strategy of a snowball fight, the possibilities are endless. People can team up, every man for himself, or you just gang up on one person.

Some people premake snowballs, prepare forts for hiding, or just go out and throw all the snow they can grab.

Whatever happens in the fight, it leads to people needing to be warmed up.

Although in America snowball fights are not an official sport, they are in Japan. There are official rules and uniforms along with a machine that makes them the same size and the same.

Tuesday morning came around, the snow had stopped, and people started making their way down to their cars.

Although, the storm is over and the campus is partially cleared up, there isn’t a man who has not gone outside, at least before the snow melts, and grab a sleigh or a tray, make a snowball and have fun.

Allen, a Top Hawks Player

MSU’s Five Time NJAC Rookie of the Week

Freshman Ebony Allen has received the New Jersey Athletic Conference Rookie of the Week Award five times this season, she was named to the All-Tournament team in the Tip-Off Classic, but she wasn’t always a basketball star.

After her father Dennis Pennick knew that there wasn’t a future for her in basketball. In high school, she played volleyball for Woodrow Wilson High School.

She made first team all-conference in volleyball, although not her first sport of choice, but her basketball coach was the volleyball coach as well and the offer to play for him was hard not to accept.

When Allen was done with high school, she had to think of where she was going to go to college.

She had offered to play at Division I schools, and a few Division III schools. Although she maintained a 3.0 GPA in high school, the only thing that kept her from playing at Division I schools, were her SAT scores.

Her high-school coach, Almar Dyer, who played football at MSU, helped her get in contact with MSU’s head basketball coach Jaime Hoffman.

Since MSU wasn’t too far away from her home in Camden, the location was great for her.

She decided to come to MSU and study business with the possibility of going into accounting.

The season at MSU has been pretty good. During the pre-season, Allen would wake up at five every morning to jump rope and jog. The hard work seems to have paid off for Allen.

She has learned to take one day at a time. She and the rest of the basketball team know that everyday is a new day for them.

"We take one game at a time. We really don’t want to focus on what’s going to happen in the future and overlook what we have to face in order to make it there.

The person that Allen looks up to the most is her mother. She is a single mother who has worked three jobs ever since Allen was in middle school at East Camden Middle.

"She does anything and everything to support me," says Allen. "Although my mother worked three jobs day in and day out she never missed one home game through out my high school career."

Question: Who was the first non-athlete to be named "Sports Illustrated" Sportsman of the Year?

Answer to Last Week’s Question: The Olympics were first televised in 1960.
Men's Basketball

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- 2/15: MSU 73, Rowan 87

**Swimming**

- Sat.-Sun. 2/21-2/23
  - Metropolitan Championships

**Wrestling**

- Sun. 2/23
  - Metropolitan Championships 9 a.m.

**Honorables Mention**

- Michael Gluck: Sophomore Guard  
  Hometown: Union, NJ  
  Michael scored 14 points in the second half of Saturday's game.

- Kristen Potenzone: Sophomore Guard  
  Hometown: Totowa, NJ  
  Kristen had a career high of 23 points and six 3-pointers.

- Darnell Moore: Sophomore 125  
  Hometown: West Milford, NJ  
  Darnell won his weight class on Wednesday.

- Gary Mikolay: Sophomore 133  
  Hometown: Andover, NJ  
  Gary won his match in 2:15 minutes.
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