**Party of 200 Crashed**

Back-To-School Party In North Caldwell Is Disassembled By Cops

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On Monday, Sept. 11, the Campus Ministry Council held a memorial service and a flag viewing at the Student Center flag pole to remember the victims who perished on the 9/11 attacks five years ago. The Flap of Honor, a memorial flag displayed on the anniversary bible readings, personal accounts, of the Campus Ministry Council Peace Week was created to stand as a symbol of tribute and encouragement to students dealing with grief and loss.

During the memorial, staff and students of the University shared words of hope and encouragement. Father Albert J. Bernard, chair of the Campus Ministry Council Catholic Center, prayed for safety and peace while Kara Morillo from the MSU Alpha Christian Fellowship explained how she felt five years ago.

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Two police patrol cars from North Caldwell responded, with aid from nine other jurisdictions. In total, 30 officers handled the raid.

Complaints about the house were made 40 times in 2005 and 36 times in 2006, thus far. The estimate includes parking disputes.

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9/8/06 - A police officer on patrol reported the theft of a stop sign on Carlisle Road. This case is under investigation.

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9/6/06 - A recorded message at the college administration office said two students were killed but police confirmed only one dead shooter.

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Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at 314-415-4477. All calls are strictly confidential.

The Police Report: MSU Campus Calendar

THURSDAY 14

NPRC: Cookout, Blanton Quad, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Broadway Play Trip: "Drewery Chaperones," RH Dinner, 6 p.m.

ASSIST: Coffeehouse, SC Ratt, 9 p.m.

FRIDAY 15

Class of 2010 Welcome Ceremony, SC, 12 p.m.

MONDAY 18

Internal Sports Entry Meeting, SC Commuter LG, 4 p.m.

ISO: International Mixtures Mixer, SC Ballrooms, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY 19

Talk Like A Pirate Day

Women's Center: Open House, SC 420, 7:30 - 11 p.m.

HSA: Date Auction, SC Commuter Dining Room, 8:30 - 11:30 p.m.

TUESDAY 19

ELLC Retreat, Off Campus, All Day

SUNDAY 17

Cinematheque

Movie Night: "Pirates of The Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest," SC Ballrooms, 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 20

Activation Fair, SC Quad, 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Field Hockey, Sprague Field, 7 p.m.

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SGA Notes

- HEART heart attacks
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Corrections

In last week's story, "Crime Plagues SC Annex Over Summer," the MMC's General Manager-Walter Beauchemin's name was misspelled.

ESSEX - More than 300 federal agents and local police officers fanned out across Essex County this morning, arresting 22 suspected leaders and members of the violent street gang Crips.

The suspects were arrested in Newark, Irvington and East Orange and face charges ranging from drug distribution to the sale of assault weapons, according to FBI spokesman Steve Siegel.

The suspects were transferred to FBI headquarters in Newark for processing and are scheduled to appear before a federal magistrate judge at noon.

NEWARK - Seton Hall University is holding a memorial service Wednesday at 7 p.m. for Lt. Howard's son, Daniel Wayne Smith, 20.

The couple have one child, Nicole Smith's 20-year-old son, and that the singer had devoted her life to improving relations between Christians and Jews.

The service will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, and located at 89 Ridge St. in Newark.

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the lawn and divided by age. For those without identification, their information was recorded. Guests over 21 were free to leave. Minors were transported to another location and released to parents or sober rides.

"To the Dean of Students, we apologize for giving Montclair a bad name," said Didio, the only tenant who wished to be quoted during the interview. "We're sorry to the neighborhood. We didn't expect so many people."

Wilson and Behen are former soccer players and were released from the team after last season.

"They were let go way prior to the incident for in-house reasons," said Men's Soccer Coach Brian Sentowski. "They were not part of this team going into the season."

Sentowski also said that some of his former players had lived there, but that past residents included other athletes and non-athletes students.

Marjorie Pellegrino, 89, has lived on Henry Ave. for 50 years. She said she had no idea about the incident until days later, even though she was awake until about 1 a.m.

"They don't bother me," said Pellegrino. "The only thing is the parking, and if I had to get out, I could always get out because they weren't in or blocking my driveway."

The Star-Ledger and New York Post declared 2 Henry Ave. an "Animal House" in their coverage.

Dr. Karen Pennington is the Vice President for Student Development and Campus Life. She said the event sends the wrong public message about MSU students.

"Students should use their common sense," she added. "Any situation that might cause them difficulty should be avoided, or at least be well-thought out, so that they understand and are ready to accept any consequences that might befall them. For example, if you are underage and attend a gathering as large as this one in a residential community, you should expect that the police will be called and that you will face arrest."

The first month of each semester is Rush for Greek organizations, where new recruits are sought out. Numerous fraternities and sororities lease houses.

 Hayden Greene, Greek Adviser, said that when his office receives complaints about houses associated with Montclair State Greek organizations, they are directed to their local authorities because MSU has no authoritative jurisdiction over locations off-campus.

"MSU does not sanction or recognize off-campus Greek housing and neither do any of the national offices of our national organizations," said Greene.

The six tenants have been approached by various news organizations since the incident, and are being represented by the same attorney.

"We weren't out to cause trouble," said Didio. "It just got blown up out of proportion. There were no fights and nothing got broken or stolen in the house."

Capt. Gallagher said the town is addressing issues regarding the landlord's "continued inspections of building and fire code violations."

He estimates that MSU students began renting the property three or four years ago, when the previous tenants, who were diplomats from the United Nations, moved out.
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Junior Classics major Courtney Rose found that one of her roommates had a previously unknown hold on her account. Her friend had a problem with the bursar’s office, which had applied her housing application fee to the wrong semester.

Rose and two friends signed up for a space in Alice Paul Hall with three openings. Over the summer, the final spot in the four-person apartment opened up, and Rose and her friends worked with the residence office to get the final girl into the apartment with them.

As housing sign-ups were coming in, it was clear that the waiting list numbers would be large. According to the director, the number of students on the waiting list is changing daily as spots are available and list entries are placed.

Priority was given to first-year students who had paid their housing application fee by May 1. This was a decision of the university’s administration, rather than one from Residential Education and Services itself.

Last month, they put in efforts to create more spaces by asking residents in the Village if they would make their double rooms into triples for a lower cost. This would free up space in the traditional residence halls for first-year students.

Residents of the Village were contacted through e-mail and phone calls. “Not many people were willing to triple,” Ferrin said. “Less than five, probably.”

Also, the Village residence requirement was lowered this semester from 60 credits to 50, so more students could be housed there. Current spaces in the Village are now filled.

One new Village resident is transfer Business major Melissa Rovez. She signed up with preferences for Ross Hall, only to find out she was placed into Alice Paul.

Priority after first-year students was given to upperclassmen based on the date they paid their application fee. Those who paid on or before March 1 were given first priority, in order of distance to the school.

“We went on a case-by-case basis,” Ferrin said. Students who lived a considerable distance to the campus were accommodated as quickly as possible. “There are always exceptions,” she said. The system was no different from the way the waiting list was handled last year.

During housing sign-ups, students were led to believe the hotels would not be an option. It soon became clear more housing was necessary.

The Wellesley Inn at Clifton was selected first, housing upper-class students from the waiting list. There is no shuttle scheduled to run to the Clifton location. Only students who owned cars were given the spaces, and given a free permit to park in the Transit deck. They were contacted by the Office of Residential Education and Services, and given the opportunity to turn the offer down and remain on the waiting list.

The Fairfield Wellesley Inn was later opened for freshmen, mostly males. There was a shuttle arranged to run to the Fairfield location for the new students.

A double in the hotel locations costs $3,750 each semester. Comparably, the traditional residence halls cost $2,845 per semester, with Ross Hall at $2,999 per semester.

There are currently about 200 students in the hotels, there were about 160 students on the waiting list, Ferrin said.

The event goal is to move all residents from the Fairfield location into campus housing. According to Ferrin, the office would prefer not to keep maintaining the space.

“IT’s not cheap to keep people there.” Five students have been moved onto campus since last week.

The new director would like to avoid housing freshmen in the hotels next year. She would like to provide accommodations on campus for as many students as possible.

The administration knows of the problem. According to Ferrin, MSU President Susan Cole is advocating with lawmakers for new housing.

Most of the students who did not get housing have opted to commute to campus. Her office made that suggestion to freshmen for their first semester, and to reapply for housing for the spring semester.

One of those students is Palumbo, who lives 40 minutes from campus and does not own a car. He relies on family and friends to get him to campus for his classes and organizations.

Other options offered by the office were living residence nearby campus. “We talked to students through finding additional housing off-campus,” said Ferrin, “but housing in the surrounding area is expensive.”

“I’m not aware of anyone who couldn’t return,” she said. One student who did not return after not procuring housing was Jackie Rees, who would have been a junior. Rees attempted to sign up for Clove Road with her friend Angela Rowe, a junior biology major, and two of their male friends.

According to Rowe, the surname was informed that the Office of Residential Education and Services was attempting to make it harder for students to get co-ed apartments.

“We had to turn in a paper form a month before everyone else had to sign up for housing,” Rowe said. Their application was turned down when it turned out some of the applicants had electronic holds on their account when the form was turned in.

Last year, there were a large number of students who cancelled their housing, even by late-July. This year, a great deal fewer have cancelled. Those who cancelled did so after the office called them, checking on students who had not yet registered for enough credits for housing.

According to Ferrin, there is a trend in students attending N.J. state schools. Incoming freshmen pay housing deposits at a few schools and do not let them know whether they will be attending the school.

Ferrin said that housing sign-up system needs to serve students better. She would like to be able to track the students better to find out if they are actually registered for courses or whether they paid what they needed to.

Ferrin would like to tighten the housing processes and make the office more user-friendly. While her main goal is to create more of a community atmosphere on campus, she never wants to lose sight of keeping the facilities the best they can be.

She would like to see more programming in the residence halls.

Ferrin said, “I hope to help students grow through their experience living in the residence halls.” She wants to see students who live on campus because they want a good college experience, not just because it is convenient.
Students, faculty, administrators, police and firefighters gathered by the flag pole next to the Student Center to commemorate the events of Sept. 11 on the fifth anniversary of the tragic events.

**Rave Wireless Wins MSU National Award**

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Peggy Healy  
**Staff Writer**

The Jean Clery Top Campus Safety Award, which honors one college or university annually since 1994 for making a commitment to campus safety was awarded to Montclair State University an attribute to Montclair's Rave Wireless program, which was initiated in Fall 2005 for first-time freshmen.

A ceremony was held in the Student Center Ballroom on Sept. 5, 2006 recognizing the Rave Wireless Guardian Function, as well as the Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) and the Center of Non-Violence Prevention Programs: Students Against Violence, which has just been chartered last spring semester.

Fall 2005 freshman received the mandatory Rave Wireless Mobile Phone. MSU was the first school to institute such a phone. The phone is the first of its kind that has a GPS-based safety application, which tracks the location of students who have the feature.

Director of the Center of Non-Violence Prevention Programs, Jhon H. Velasco stated, "We are the only ones who have all of these resources on campus."

"We are all about education and want to give the power back to the victims. Rave offers that next level so students can take it to another level and use it to their benefit," Velasco went on about Montclair's Sexual Assault Response Team. "Montclair is one of the only five schools in the country to have a team trained and committed to assist assault victims."

Not all students are enthusiastic about Rave Wireless, such as freshman Amanda Lottu. "Say someone attacks me. Rave protects the phone, not me."

When asked, Sergeant Kevin Barrett of University Police responded, "The RAVE phone has a feature called Mobile Guardian; it does not replace 9223 or 911. The Mobile Guardian feature is an extra feature on the phone that allows for mobile GPS tracking."

Vice President of Rave Marketing Todd Piett stated, "The usage scenarios are a lot different than calling 911. Students are able to voluntarily activate a timer on the cell phone device. When the timer goes off and is not deactivated it will send an alarm to the campus police."

Piett went on, "Most problems are random. This device puts a distinct time stamp on an event. All of your information is sent to the police, such as your location, profile information, picture, dorm room, all that wouldn't normally go over to a 911 call."

The university has just instituted this monitoring service in the past week. "Just under 4,000 students currently have Rave Phones at Montclair. Over the past week, the alarm actually went on five or six times a night," said Piett.

Last year, incoming freshmen were not charged for the base plan during the fall semester. This year, there is a base plan for $31 a month, $186 for every six months. Sophomore Jennifer Lepkoski doesn't feel the phone is necessary, stating, "If I don't feel safe, I know that all cell phones are emergency 911 carriers, I have Blackboard on my computer, and I don't think the shuttle GPS was too accurate. If you already have a cell phone, don't bother."

While dissenting student voices are growing louder, it doesn't seem to be discouraging Rave. The company is currently working with 18 other colleges and universities nationwide, while reaching out this year to 100 other schools.
One Editor Investigates What Makes a Woman A “Slut”?  

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Managing Editor  

In today’s world, women often assign titles to each other that are degrading, like slut, whores, the “C” word, etc. These titles are hurtful and relate to a woman’s sexual practices with men, but they aren’t often placed upon women by men unless you make a man angry or he is a jerk. It’s been a long time since the days of Hustler Pyron.

I asked myself, what do women know? Why would another woman think be relevant to anything that has to do with another woman’s sex life, and why does sexual practice tie in so closely to a woman’s character? After all, men are more inclined to have a “moment of weakness” than a woman; it’s more like a life of weakness when it comes to sex — let’s be honest.

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By, she has a piano player, another violinist, and every single one of them is a singer. Georgie's platform, "Living with Asthma—Advocacy, Education and Response," has been part of her life long before Miss America came around. A barrel of asthma, Georgie was half-home-schooled nearly all of her life because of complications with the form of her asthma. "My platform chose me more than I chose it," Georgine said.

This year, Miss America has a brand-new twist to it. Country Music Television, who televised The Miss America Pageant for the first time last year, has turned the competition into a reality show. The 51 competitors in the pageant became roommates on Sept. 3, in order to be filmed for the upcoming Miss America series airing in January. Camera crews will follow the state representatives around while they pick their dresses, compete and deal with living in a house full of women. America will vote for their favorite girls in choice which ones move ahead to the top 15 for a shot at becoming Miss America 2007.

Despite the glamour and glitz of being Miss New Jersey, Georgie is just a typical girl. "She's like everyone's best friend who lives next door," Georgine said. "She's best described as a genuine individual." Within six months of her becoming Miss America pageant, John Zies. She's made it her mission to become known in New Jersey and has kept her promise thus far. Georgie has been making visits and appearances all over the Garden State, while keeping up her community service projects and promoting her platform. Montclair students are just as psyched for Georgine to be in this pageant. "I think we should be proud of her for going for her dreams," said sophomore business major Amber Turner. "We're all going to be voting for her January." While Georgie has her work cut out for her next year, she plans on finishing college and then going to law school, making her the first generation of lawyers in the DiMaria family. Miss America is a scholarship competition anyway, after all.
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worn in unconventional ways. Polos are the dorm room floor. But it should look as if it was picked up off the floor.

It's very important for women to show personal style," says Gregg Andrews, Midwest fashion director for Seattle-based Nordstrom stores. "You usually wait until later in the fall for serious shopping."

Evidence of the low-key approach can be found in the school-oriented fashion media. In July, Seventeen magazine was promoting Christina Aguilera's cover shot for the September issue, traditionally the back-to-school look.

At the same time, students are devoting money to furnishing dorm rooms and apartments. College kids have returned to fashion. Cohen says. For a time, they were spending their money on electronics. But now it's about the dorm room, having the cool coffeemaker, towels and pillows. "It's all about style," he says.

In general fashion trends, young women want to separate themselves from the guys. They are wearing skirts, Cohen says, and leggings are a surprise hit. Pants in new-wave fabrics in a range of shapes—including wide legs—are likely hits. And some women will love the gauchos. A shift in clothing proprieties is making the biggest news, says Patricia McCabe, J.C. Penney's trend analyst for juniors. With leggings, high boots and skinny jeans, legs are a new focal point. They are balanced by longer tops and tunics often anchored by a wide belt.

Layers are also important. "Just put layers upon layers," McCabe says.

For women, short, shrunk jackets are good basics that can be dressed up or down. For guys, the blazer will go from jeans to twill trousers to shorts.

"It's like wearing your personality," Cohen says. "Isn't that what it's all about?"
Search for: Bees & Book-Turnin' On
A clip from a 1970s variety show where Ben Arthur wears a sequined green housecoat and sings (with Rock Hudson) to less than enthusiastic audience. Then, Rock is shown throwing a temper tantrum. Notable lyrics include "I remember a time when a fella got depressed, he still got it off his chest by simply callin' on a greatest fall into his teacher/Goughin' up a half a back to see a double feature/But now it's pills and now it's pot, and now its God and now its what. Basically, you can't die of an overdose without seeing those three minutes and 22 seconds of classic TV history.

Search for: Japanese Aerial TV Show
If you like multi-tasking as much as I do, check out this video of a trio of Japanese aeronautics instructors on how to lose those extra pounds and learn pretzelmaking English for your next trip to the States.

Search for: The Office – Pursue
One may find it gauche to watch a TV clip on Youtube, but once you stumble upon your first Jim and Pam romantic montage set to a showtune to tackle the subject of a girl's firstoning, the authors are going to have to use some of glory, the authors are going to have to use some of their coping tools she's learned from her life. This is her first face-to-face confrontation she's going to have to use. Namely: dancing robots and lots of star swipes. Enjoy.

Search for: Carrie the Musical – Out for Blood
I have often asked myself the important question: If it was the 1980s and I wanted to do a Broadway musical version of Stephen King's horror novel Carrie, how would it look? Thankfuly, my question was answered in a series of video clips detailing the extrava-ganza.

Search for: The Trip Back BPA
This clip served as the inspiration for Jerri Blank and Comedy Central's Strangers with Candy where she says that her culture just smoked marijuana, until they got "horse". Florence's story is definitely not enviable. She can't just smoke one stick of pot. She can't take one "horse". She can't take one needle of cocaine. After spending 17 years in jail and enduring a lobotomy after being thrown off a horse, she's an example of a path you definitely don't want to follow. You'll put down the "horse" and "try to make it on the street scene with the straighties."
Wutang Truly Ain’t Nothin’ To F**k With

Wutang’s Killah Priest reached the audience’s expectations for a good headlining set.

Koren Frankfort
Managing Editor

Class One Concerts came through for the MSU hip hop fans in their hosting of the concert held on Friday, Sept. 8. The concert, held in the Student Center Ballroom, was a mixture of diverse talent and styles and was generally impressive.

The lineup was unusual, particularly when placed in the gib surroundings and quality of the SC Ballroom, including The Wu Tang’s own Killah Priest and Cappadonna in addition to some extremely talented up-and-comers.

As a singer/songwriter myself, I felt mildly embarrassed by the lack of red carpet rollout for these artists who contributed to the authentication of the genre in the eyes of the music world; they put in their lumps already.

favorite artists, I felt the charge in the air, the beats in my chest and the bass line in my hips. It was the air that only real hip hop could create.

Kosha Dills kicked off the show with DJ Ed Head. Though the man was relatively unknown, as far as mainstream fans are concerned, Mr. Dills rose to the challenge with great delivery, delivering bar after bar harder than those found in prison cells. He stood in a fresh, judicious orange Division East tee with a lime green yarmulke representing his Hebrew heritage in addition to proving that an MC can be ill without being filled with bullet holes and naming themselves after pocket change, I was impressed with the artist in my first impression.

Following Dills was MSU’s own Just who I found to be unimpressive, unconvincing and an artist who tries to hard to sell an image that is blurred by a lack of authenticity, that, and her voice kept cracking – not good for a hip hop artist. Her content wasn’t as wry and witty as the others, lacking depth and perception, her track, which had a hook pertaining to bubble gum is as shallow as the Chicken Noodle Soup song that Harlem is currently trying to live down.

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Comic Relief
By Kevin Dunphy

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A Look At The New Fall Programming

Every year, the television networks parade out new show after new show - each one put through countless focus groups taking out the soul, which probably never existed in the first place. However, each year there are usually three or four diamonds in the rough. These shows manage to survive the art-crushing machines that are network executives. Sometimes they manage to survive (Silkwood, Scrubs). Sometimes they don't (Freaks and Geeks, Arrested Development). And sometimes they can't even get more than two episodes (Clerks: The Cartoon).

What about this year? What should you waste away your life in front of for this upcoming fall television season? Fortunately, The Montclarion is here to tell you what to think.

Heroes (Mondays at 9 on NBC)
What's it about? Average people wake up to the realization that they have super powers.
Will it be good? With a combination of geek backing (Heroes was presented at Comic Con 06), and an ambitious marketing campaign (showing the first episode on iTunes, as well as an online comic) the show could very well become a hit. However, from the look of the commercials, the show will run at a snail's pace. It looks like the kind of show that unfolds little by little, without the action that makes superhero shows so interesting. Will viewers be patient, or will Heroes suffer the same fate as the serials Surface or Invasion?

Studio 60 On the Sunset Strip (Mondays at 10 on NBC)
What's it about? After the producer of a late-night comedy show goes insane, network president Amanda Peet hires two former head writers, Bradley Whitford and Matthew Perry, to rejuvenate the show.
Will it be good? Writer Aaron Sorkin is excellent at punching dialogue and dealing with issues of the day, so the premise could be perfect for him. Watch it until he hands the show off to someone else, as he did on The West Wing.

Help Me, Help You (Tuesdays at 9:30 on ABC)
What's it about? Ted Danson is a group therapist who, shockingly enough, needs therapy himself! The comic possibilities!
Will it be good? Ted Danson is overrated as a

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**Friday Night Lights** (Tuesdays at 8:00 on NBC)

**What's it about?** Buzz Huggins's non-fiction bestseller about the Texas high school football obsession, also a feature film, gets re-adapted for television.

**Will it be good?** If it's anything like the film, and it looks like it is, yes. Peter Berg (who directed the film) is at the helm of the pilot and it looks to be a solid drama. The serial format should also give Berg plenty of time to explore some of the book's themes his film didn't have time for.

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**Justice** (Wednesdays at 9:00 on Fox)

**What's it about?** Four L.A. defense attorneys work on high-profile celebrity and criminal cases.

**Will it be any good?** Who cares? There are way too many courtroom dramas on television. Also, Victor Garber leading the cast doesn't play well in its favor.

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**Ugly Betty** (Thursdays at 8:00 on ABC)

**What's it about?** An American adaptation of the Spanish program *Yo Soy Betty La Fea* which stars America Ferrara as an ugly duckling making her way in a fashion magazine.

**Will it be any good?** If it takes after its source material, yes. The original had a soap opera quality that worked. This version also has a great lead in Ferrera, who was excellent in *Real Women Have Curves*.

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**30 Rock** (Wednesdays at 8:00 on NBC)

**What's it about?** Former *Saturday Night Live* head writer/star Tina Fey writes and stars in a sitcom about the goings-on at a late night sketch comedy show, sort of like *Saturday Night Live*. I wonder where she got the idea. I wonder where she got the idea. Perhaps Fey was overrated during her SNL run, but Alec Baldwin and Tracy Morgan co-star, so there is hope. Unfortunately for 30 Rock, *Studio 60* on the Sunset Strip looks to be the better show, which would make Fey's show Studio 60 Lite.

**Will it be good?** Perhaps. Fey was overrated during her SNL run, but Alec Baldwin part was too small for anyone to notice. Here, and Traty Morgan co-star, so there is hope, it looks like it will become way too apparent.

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**Happy Hour**

**What's it about?** Small town guy John Sloan loses his girlfriend, job, and apartment in the same morning, forcing him to move in with his irascible alcoholic buddy. Hilarity supposedly ensues.

**Will it be good?** Well, after careful analysis of every preview available for Happy Hour, I've come to a conclusive three word answer: dear God, no.

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**20 Good Years** (Wednesdays at 8:30 on NBC)

**What's it about?** Jeffrey Tambor and John Lithgow play aging rich stiffs who decide to live up the rest of their time on earth.

**Will it be good?** As good as Tambor and Lithgow seem together, the premise seems dumb, and the previews look dumber.
A night on Broadway is never complete without a few laughs, tears, and a whole lot of help to him either. By the end of the show, all is resolved, and to say the least, Janet and Robert end up not being the only two people saying "I Do."

Despite my initial thoughts of what this show would be like, I thoroughly enjoyed every minute of The Drowsy Chaperone. Any theatre-lover can identify with "Man in Chair," played by Bob Martin, as he explains to the audience how he loves Broadway musicals because they take him into a wonderful, beautiful fantasy world. Sutton Foster's character, Janet, is an exquisite dancer and singer, blowing everyone away with her strong, belt voice and her high-kicks that reach her nose. Beth Leavel's Tony Award-winning performance as "The Drowsy Chaperone" deems her right. She is witty and charming, and all the while drunk.

Kecia Lewis-Evans, best known for her performance as Annika in Once On This Island, literally blows everyone away at the end of the show with a soulful solo, as she soars onto the stage in an airplane (and you thought the helicopter in Miss Saigon was cool).

Her character Trix the Aviatrix is a small, but crucial, role to the show, and it was worth the entire to hours just to hear her sing at the end. The mix of comedy, wit, and good old-fashioned corny musical theatre makes The Drowsy Chaperone a show for all ages. From the humor of the gangsters trying to sabotage the wedding with pastries, to the excitement and energy of the big dance numbers, to the subplots of how everyone experiences love differently and of course to understanding the main character's love of theatre, The Drowsy Chaperone proves that their 5 Tony Awards and Drama Desk award for Best Musical were rightly given.
Rave Phones Draw Raves

We've got the rap, it's tied to me, what's left buddy?

Koren Frankfort | The Montclarion

Congratulations Montclair State University, for receiving the 12th annual Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Award! It is an honor to even be considered for this type of accolade, but MSU should not rest on its laurels just yet.

Though this is a step in the right direction, the real question is: Are we really safe? It was only last year that MSU violated the classified nature of students' personal information in the Russ Hall fiasco (in which students' tax receipts and social security numbers were left nakedly unprotected in the hall's basement). And need we mention how the social security numbers of 9,100 students were left vulnerable online for four months, only to be discovered by a MSU undergrad surfing the net during his spare time?

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The central reason MSU received the Clery award was due to its investment in Rave Wireless Phones. The Rave "Guardian" is a setting on the phone which works as a homing device to track students and provide their location to campus police. A sound idea, but the reality is that this new form of technology is merely an option for those wishing to activate it. Being credited as a school with an eye towards safety is no effective in any real or simulated incidents? Especially when the feature is merely an option for those wishing to activate it.

The award states that it is an "exciting new technology," first pioneered by this university. But just because we are the first to use this device does not mean we are the safest. For example, many students have complained about the lack of police officers patrolling desolate parking lots late at night, a time when students are most vulnerable.

Or how about the university's shuttle service that operates on a skeleton crew in the early morning hours, providing spotty pickup schedules? Now, if the phone was more than a James Bond-type weapon to dodgey situation, then it would be a definite defensive upgrade. But if it just alerts someone on the response team, scrambling to rush to the aid of the endangered student, it becomes nothing more than a plug to the end-all, be-all of campus safety.

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Commander-In-Chief's Line of the Week:
"We will make no distinction between the terrorists who committed these acts and those who harbor them."

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My four years of high school were divided equally, not by the summer that separates sophomore year from junior, but by a single morning in Sept. 2001. That morning, my teacher, Mr. Tracey, had barely started to lecture when a ripple of unrest began to surge through the hallways with the all the subtlety and poise of a flood and caverning off the curb of a residential neighborhood. It was something about the news, an airspace, an unsteady pilot.

Six hours later, five of my friends and I stood on a lookout deep in the Watchung Reservation, staring speechlessly out to the New York City skyline.

Manhattan, a $10 train ticket away, was burning.

Seeing the city like that, where many of our parents and neighbors worked, where we saw The Rockettes kick up their legs at the Radio City Music Hall’s Christmas Spectacular with our families as kids, didn’t seem to mean anything to us as we did our best to make sense of what was going on, to find meaning in this moment, to grasp the magnitude. Millions of dollars have exchanged hands for Made in China merchandise embossed with the American flag, the Twin Towers, and the ridiculous image of an eagle shedding a single tear. It’s a sad fate that we, as a supposedly “advanced” people, feel that an emotion as complicated as grief can be summarized by such an absurd illustration. The deaths of almost 3,000 people - businessmen, smokers, mothers, musicians, card players, alcoholics - were trivialized by this meaningless, unfeeling, inhumane artifact.

We’ve seen the deaths of 2,760 people produce nothing more than trinkete for corporate America to sulk over. How cheap, how callous, how brutally silly.

When “9/11” became a product, the individual, honest ideas that could have been expressed were lost to the insatiable greed of advertisers. We’ve found the simple yet beautiful words that could have spoken about this event overpowered by mindless, trademarked slogans.

We’ve seen the breath of that day still touch us constantly, in every walk of life, with every concern facing our country. For countless Americans, the horrors of that day still weigh as heavy burdens to live with. Ryveldness to human bloodshed, walking targets in the eyes of suicidal jihadists, we live in a world where the belief in the impenetrability of the United States has been betrayed. But we realize that these are the times we live in and must make the best of what’s here.

We understood once again how precious and fragile life is. On this Sept. 11, we reminded ourselves how grateful we are to be alive and prayed for the future to bring us stability and peace.

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A Student's Unflinching Account from The Blacktop Jungles of MSU

Facebook's Fallacy
21st Century Meeting Hub Has Gone 'Too Far'

I'm mad. You may ask why I'm mad at Facebook: a one-time fun-filled 15 minutes of checking what others are doing. Facebook is a pre-requisite to checking my e-mail and MySpace. Facebook was something I liked to do in the privacy of my own home.

For those of you who are living under a rock, here is the definition of Facebook according to the Wikipedia encyclopedia: A social networking service for high school, college, university, corporate, non-profit, military and geographic communities primarily in English-speaking countries.

This week, Facebook decided to tap into my life and the life of millions of others and let everyone and anyone know what is going on in our worlds, "in our Feel." Although Facebook is online, easy-access and not exactly private, I think the majority of people would agree that this time they have gone too far. News Feed allows you to track other members of Facebook by the minute.

Some things on Facebook take getting used to like the time when the high schoolers joined and their class section showed up. When tagging pictures came, I certainly did not want it out there what I was doing at that party the other night. Honestly, in the past 48 hours, Facebook has gone wild.

I now know who got dumped and who got engaged. I know who minxes who and I know that some random chick who I apparently friends with has added "exploring" to her activities. (Like I care!) I also know that at 10:15 a.m. today, Sloan Smith added another parking inconvenience and are forced to suffer as a result of poor management.

Many students, after only a week of classes, are already complaining about the new parking arrangements on campus. Now for this year, all freshmen and sophomores must park in the Transit garage while juniors, seniors and others have the Red Hawk deck and permit lots available.

At first, it seems like a good idea: split up the parking and it would be no big deal, right? Wrong. Even before 7:30 a.m. on the first day of classes, the line to get into the transit deck was so long that it caused traffic to back up onto Clove Road.

Once I was able to get around the long line (and enter through the far side of the deck), I drove around for over 15 minutes before I found a vacant spot on level five. Frustrated, but giving everyone the benefit of the doubt, I figured that it was just the first day and people were arriving early. Boy, was I ever wrong! I left home even earlier in hopes of finding a closer spot. I like being on campus early in my classes early. I thought that if I left earlier, I would get a closer spot. However, I still ended up parking on level four.

When I registered for classes last Apr., I looked for as many 8:30 a.m. classes as I could. Besides the fact that I am a mor-ning person, I wanted to be able to get a good parking spot. Last year, I would arrive at the same time, if not a few minutes later, and could park on the first or second level.

I now have to leave my home in Cedar Grove over an hour and a half early in order to get a spot at all! By the time 10 a.m. classes start, I hear complaints from literally everyone around me that there are not enough spots and that they had to make do.

I drove back to school on Thursday afternoon and found a sign in front of the Transit deck that said "Card-holders Only." The deck is so full that not only are all floors open this year (as opposed to only first five last year), but if you do not have a pre-paid parking permit, you are going to have a hard time parking. Thankfully, I have a card and was able to park.

So what's the problem? Are there a lot more commuters this year who use the garage and commute to the city by the train? Has MSU taken in too many students this year, thinking only about the money they will be making and not about where they will all park? Or has the decision to regulate the parking been a flipp, only angering more and more students as the days progress? How come no one parked in the Transit deck last year and those who did had absolutely no problems?

The lack of parking is causing people to create their own parking spots. Cars are parked on the yellow lines (which is obviously illegal) or anywhere they can find, making it nearly impossible to maneuver and turn the corners. If there has not been an accident yet, I am very surprised. Give it another week and I'm sure that someone will clip the back bumper of an illegally parked car.

The best way to get into the garage is to have a swipe card instead of buying daily tickets. Many people neglect to buy them, so it should be required by MSU to have one. If you do not, then you can't park.

Why are more people being enrolled with the already scarce parking situation and even forcing them to live in hotels, not even on (or remotely near) campus? If this has become such a problem, do not allow freshmen who live on campus to have cars, at least for their first semester!

Now before anyone tries to hunt me down or key my car for saying this, I understand that it is easier to have a car on campus. You are away from home and you want a car to get you places. But eventually, everyone will be able to have their car on campus. Most colleges do not allow freshmen to have cars, so it would not be like MSU would be the only campus with these rules.

Before my hate mail starts rolling in, I must say that I am not badmouthing any of the staff at MSU or saying that they are not doing their job correctly. I am merely illustrating the worsened parking conditions on campus thus far this year.

I hope that things will be resolved quickly enough so that everyone is able to bring their car to school and commuters may become less frustrated. If the parking issues are ever resolved, it will make for a great school year. Good luck fellow commuters and drive safely.

Jamie-Lynn Coryell, a business major, is in her second year as a columnist for The Montclarion.
Question of The Week

"How do you feel about the new Facebook 'News Feed'?

ANDREW SOMAN
Year: Sophomore
Major: Fine Arts

"At first glance, I thought that it was an open invitation for creepy Facebook fiends, but then I learned to use the Mini-Feed. It's your choice to show whatever you want to, so you can't blame the program."

CHRISTIAN ADAN
Year: Junior
Major: Biology

"I don't like it. mainly because it notifies every single action users make 24/7. I wouldn't like a list of what I did to appear on the homepage for everyone to see right away. If people are interested in what I did on Facebook, then they can just read my profile instead."

MATTHEW YAO
Year: Sophomore
Major: Music Education

"I like the News Feed. Now I can see what all my friends are up to. I have no problems with it at all, but I do understand if people feel that their privacy is being violated. I just happen to be a very open guy."

MARISSA MANGIACAPRA
Year: Junior
Major: English

"I think the new Facebook is very inappropriate! There is far too much information being provided that people don't care about! It's only supposed to be a social thing!"

KENNETH PAWLOZA
Year: Senior
Major: Biology

"The news feed is too much information to give. The only information they should give is who posted notes on their site and who updated their site."

CHEYSA SANTANA
Year: Junior
Major: Biology

"I hate it! But you know you live dealing with people's business. It just stinks they have to take yours."

Debate: The Week opinions expressed by the students of Montclair State University, and are not necessarily the views of The Montclarion.

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November 22 – December 20

Social invitations and group awareness are on the rise. Over the next few days, loved ones may wish to expand their daily commitments, hobbies or team activities. This is an opportunity to explore new options.

December 21 – January 19

Witty remarks and minor social conflicts are enjoyable this week but easily misinterpreted. Colleagues and close friends are now sensitive to private doubts and low self-esteem. Take care of ambition and close needs and now sensitive strong link to societal ties in and renewed enthusiasm for a new week but easily misinterpreted. This is a time for subtle answers or additional social information that present minor provocations or trusted friends may openly challenge expectations to be a private source of tension.

December 21 – January 19

Geminis in love may now contemplate long-term financial strategies. They are more willing to expand their daily commitments, hobbies or team activities. This is an opportunity to explore new options.

May 21 – June 20

Close friends and relatives may be unusually sensitive to minor provocations. Romantic proposals or complex business proposals may all be accepted. This is a right time for social expansion and renewed career ambitions.

June 21 – July 22

Group events will this week offer unexpected emotional opportunities. Romantic introductions, improved friendships or complex business proposals may all be accepted. This is a right time for social expansion and renewed career ambitions.

July 23 – August 22

Over the next two weeks, short-term contracts and special agreements may be vulnerable to last-minute reversals. Before mid-week, an experienced colleague will likely offer new terms or adopt a leadership role. Remain patient.

August 23 – September 22

Unusual romantic encounters are anticipated over the next few days. Many Libras will soon see major significance changes to their social lives or long-term commitments. A recent phase of relations or following potentially enjoys.

September 23 – October 22

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The Editors’ Picks

BOBBY
Assistant Sports Editor

Buffalo over Miami
Minnesota over Carolina
Cincinnati over Cleveland
Chicago over Detroit
Indianapolis over Houston
New Orleans over Green Bay
Philadelphia over N.Y. Giants
Baltimore over Oakland
Atlanta over Tampa Bay
Seattle over Arizona
Denver over Kansas City
New England over N.Y. Jets
Tennessee over San Diego
Washington over Dallas
Pittsburgh over Jacksonville

Overall Record: 9-6 (.667)

Upset Pick: San Francisco over St. Louis

MIKE
Sports Editor

Miami over Buffalo
Carolina over Minnesota
Cincinnati over Cleveland
Chicago over Detroit
Indianapolis over Houston
New Orleans over Green Bay
N.Y. Giants over Philadelphia
Oakland over Baltimore
Atlanta over Tampa Bay
St. Louis over San Francisco
Denver over Kansas City
New England over N.Y. Jets
San Diego over Tennessee
Dallas over Washington
Pittsburgh over Jacksonville

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Is America’s Pastime America’s Future?

Mike Johnson
Sports Editor

If you walk around the streets of most American cities, there is a good chance you may find more than one person wearing a baseball cap. Whether you’re in Boston, New York, Chicago or Los Angeles, you may get the feeling that everyone is a baseball fan. Then why is baseball rapidly losing ground to football in popularity? The answers may be hard to find.

Will America’s pastime soon become the past and will football move into the slot as No. 1? It would be hard to imagine everyone walking around with their favorite team’s helmet on, but sales of football jerseys have been on the decline for years. Since America is the land of opportunity and everyone wants to make money, maybe one of the biggest reasons for this sudden shift in popularity starts with the economic aspect of football.

We all know that the Super Bowl is watched by millions of people, but how many people who are actually watching it may be somewhat of a striking fact. On Jan. 15, 1967, the country got its first taste of what would become a yearly tradition known as the Super Bowl between the Green Bay Packers and the Kansas City Chiefs. Almost 62,000 attended the game, and according to the Nielsen ratings, NBC had 18.5 million viewers and ABC had 22.6 million. The cost of a 30 second commercial was $420,000. Only 19 years later, the American public finds itself in 1986, watching the Bears literally dance all over the Patriots in Super Bowl XX. This time almost 76,000 people attended the game, but an unimaginable Nielsen rating showed that a staggering 84.3 million people tuned in for the big game and big businesses spent a whopping $550,000 for a 30-second commercial, and we all know that commercials run less than 30 seconds.

As it if couldn’t get any better for the sport, another 20 years later, on Feb. 5, 2006 in Detroit, 68,000 people packed the stands to watch the Steelers take Jerome Bettis to his first Super Bowl victory, but the real drama was in the ratings. According to Nielsen ratings, Super Bowl XL drew an estimated average 90.7 million viewers in the United States, making it the most-watched Super Bowl since 1988, which was the last time the Steelers appeared in the Super Bowl. If that isn’t amazing enough, the cost of that infamous 30-second commercial had gone up to $2.5 million.

So where does football stand in all of this? The 2005 World Series games one and two drew lower on the Nielsen ratings than Super Bowl I in 1967 and the rest of the games drew even fewer viewers. It is because of the excitement of the one-game showdown that more viewers tune into the Super Bowl or is it the snappy commercials that the Fall Classic lacks?

It’s interesting how a sport like football, which was supposedly created in Athens as a form of rugby, can be considered an American sport when the first rough form of baseball was created in Hoboken, not Cooperstown. And it was not invented by Abner Doubleday, although some baseball fans seem to think so.

One major reason for this decrease in popularity for baseball may be its swing toward the Latin community for its star players. Today, the majority of big-name players in baseball are Hispanic. The reason for this is simple. In more poverty-stricken countries like Panama and the Dominican Republic, the resources necessary to organize a football game are more difficult to obtain than those of baseball. All that is needed in baseball are a bat, ball and glove. For this reason, more and more Spanish boys are picking up the game and trying to make a name for themselves. It’s actually quite possible that the reason for this entire debate is that the baseball season is simply too long.

In today’s society of fast food, one-hour photo and one-day dry cleaning, plus the overall boredom that today’s youth faces, maybe a 16-week schedule with one game per week is just the right thing instead of the 25-week schedule we see in baseball, with each team playing anywhere from five to seven times per week.

Instead of claiming a singular sport as our pastime, we should look to both as the All-American sport.

How Much Is Too Much?

A Look At How Much Of An Impact Superstar Salaries Have On The Fans, The Team And The Game Itself

Mike Johnson
Sports Editor

"So, Mr. Berra, how do you think you guys will do this year?"

This could have been a perfectly good question for Yogi Berra, catcher for the New York Yankees from 1946 to 1963. You could have asked him this at the ball field if you happened to catch him on a way to or from the stadium, or you could have asked him this question in the offseason as he was selling suits. In fact, most of his teammates had jobs as well.

Back in the day before player pensions, big contracts and free agents, you had a player who signed with a team for a small amount, and when his contract was up, they would make a new one worth a little more amount, and when his contract was up, they would make a new one worth a little more.

Today’s player would never settle for that, what with the Player’s Union and all. Sports salaries are reaching all-time highs, but now that three of the four major sports have gone with the salary cap in maximum a team can spend on the entire team’s salary teams are starting to offer less and players are starting to take it. Of course, all of this directly affects the prices of tickets, parking and concessions at a game. When you go to a game and pay $60 for a ticket (and that seat most likely will not be too great), $15 for parking, $8 for a drink and $6 for nachos ($89 when you can watch it on television for free), you can thank players like Jarmir Jagr and Alex Rodriguez (both pictured) for stretching the limits and going boldly where no other player has ever gone before.

So when will we see an end to this? We may never see the price of good players drop because as long as more cities want more franchises, there will always be a demand for more players and the more players.

In The Red

Here is a list of each sport’s minimum salary and the top paid player who puts their franchise.

**MLB 2006 minimum salary for a rookie is $27,000**

(Alex Rodriguez $25.2 million per year)

**NBA 2006 minimum salary for a rookie is $37,000**

(Michael Vick $13 million per year)

**NHL 2006 minimum salary for a rookie is $30,000**

(Shaquille O’Neal $17.1 million per year)

**NFL 2006 minimum salary for a rookie is $250,000**

(Jarmir Jagr $11 million per year)
Last Week's Results

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Field Hockey

NJAC Overall
MSU
0-0 5-0

Rowan
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Richard Stockton
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NJCU
0-0 4-1

Rowan
0-0 4-1

William Paterson
0-0 4-1

Kean
0-0 3-1

TCNJ
0-0 2-2

Rutgers-Camden
0-0 1-2-1

Rutgers-Newark
0-0 1-2-1

This Week
Sat @ Muhlenburg 8 p.m.

Last Week's Results
No Game Scheduled

This Week
Sat vs. Rowan 1 p.m.

SPORTS TRIVIA QUESTION

Which NFL quarterback threw

LAST EDITION'S QUESTION
Who is the only MLB pitcher with 10 or more wins in 15 straight seasons?

ANSWER TO LAST EDITION'S QUESTION
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Match 'Em

Match these football names to their college

1.) Tiki Barber
   a.) Tennessee

2.) Trent Green
   b.) Virginia

3.) Peyton Manning
   c.) Southern Miss.

4.) Keyshawn Johnson
   d.) Virginia Tech

5.) Daunte Culpepper
   e.) Southern Cal

6.) Michael Vick
   f.) Central Florida

7.) Brett Favre
   g.) Indiana

Soccer (Men's)

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Soccer (Women's)

NJAC Overall
Rowan
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Kean
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Rutgers-Camden
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Ramapo
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TCNJ
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Hometown: Hillside, NJ

Esposito scored two goals last week against Western Conn. and Wilkes. He was named NJAC Soccer Rookie of the Week.

Honorable Mentions

HEATHER ACIZ
Senior
Hometown: Secaucus, NJ

Aciz had a double-double with 15 digs and 11 kills in Montclair State's five set victory over Kean on Tuesday.

RYAN MORGAN
Senior
Hometown: Princeton, NJ

Morgan scored the game winning goal in overtime as the Red Hawks defeated College Misericordia 1-0 on Sunday.

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Athletics are very important to a college or a university. They are an outlet for students to get involved in college or a university. They are an important part of the life of a college student. In the stands showing school spirit or on the playing field. It gives student athletes an outlet to excel as they were, or bring them to a higher level, especially Division III schools, which sometimes may struggle to find top-notch athletes, seeing how the better one may want to go to Division I schools. One example of this is MSU’s field hockey team. The Red Hawk Field Hockey program has been one of MSU’s most successful in recent times. They have qualified for the NCAA Division III tournament in two out of the last three years. On a team that went undefeated at home, losing only three times the entire season, two players were named All-Americans. Unfortunately, both of those players are now gone. Alex Kelly had 41 points overall with 15 goals and 11 assists. Giselle Robyn Aprieu started all 20 games and held nine teams scoreless. Any program would be in a state of panic, losing their top scorer and their goalie. However, MSU strung gold when they found a freshman phenomenon.

In comes Rebecca Dobiesz, who is no stranger to field hockey. The Old Bridge native started playing during her freshman year of high school, and along the way she has turned out to be a great defender. Throughout her high school years at Old Bridge, she won various all-conference awards, was named a Middlesex County Scholar Athlete and was even selected the All-State Group-4 Third Team. She found the perfect college for her right here in Montclair.

"I really like the education program and the field hockey team," Dobiesz said.

She has turned out to be a great fit with the rest of the team. Since her arrival in Red Hawk Country, Rebecca has earned a starting spot on the squad, a rare feat for a freshman.

"When asked about this, she said, "I didn't expect to be starting this year. It was a shock to me, but it will just make me push myself even more."

The result of that drive has been very beneficial to the Red Hawks, as they are now undefeated, winning all four of their games this season and Rebecca herself is not shying away from the competition. In those games, Rebecca scored five goals and one assist, bringing her point total to 11. She is ranked second in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) for goals, and tied with teammate Jen Soss for first in game-winning goals. If she keeps up this pace, she could eventually score 20 goals with five assists and 55 points overall.

Compare this to Alex Kelly last year, who scored 15 goals, 11 assists and 41 points overall. Kelly was selected to the All-American second team and received various other awards and honors. Although it's too early to decide if Dobiesz will receive the same kinds of honors, her performance did not go unnoticed, as she was selected as the NJAC’s Rookie of the Week for her performance last week.

In her position, does she feel any pressure?

"There’s a little pressure. The girl at my position last year [Kelly] was an All-American. Those are some big shoes to fill," said Dobiesz.

So far, Dobiesz has done a tremendous job handling that pressure.

Off the field, Rebecca is an Education major, specializing in Early Childhood and Special Education. When her time at MSU is done, she hopes to pursue a career in those fields. "I really enjoy working with children, especially the disabled," she said. "The time she will spend on the field and in the classroom will leave her well-prepared for her future."

As for her future with MSU Field Hockey, Rebecca Dobiesz has high hopes.

"As a team, we want to go back to the NCAA tournament and win the NJAC this year," If Rebecca and the rest of the Red Hawk squad keep playing at the level that they started, they can reach their goals and possibly surpass them.

Last year’s team was the second field hockey team at Montclair State to make the NCAA play-offs. The 2003 team was the other. In 2003, the Red Hawks lost 2-1 to Middletown, VT, in the second round, and in 2005, lost 2-1 in the second round to William Smith, Penn. The 2006 team looks to surpass those teams and try to make it to the third round for the first time ever and be considered the elite.