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Vernon Jordan: 'No Time For Shuckin' And Jivin'

by Dana Davis

"This society, this nation cannot long withstand the negative impacts of its major urban centers becoming increasingly poor, increasingly Black, increasingly angry, and shorn of economic opportunities" according to Vernon Jordan who spoke to some 150 people yesterday in the College Center Theatre.

Executive Director of the National Urban League, Jordan was the main speaker during Black History Week at the College.

Jordan also shed light on other economic factors that are affecting Blacks in the United States, including President Ford's State of the Union Address. "Not one single reference was made; not one single reference to Black people, to Puerto Ricans, to Chicanos, to Asians, to American Indians was made in the whole speech."

Jordan then went on to explain how his Urban League Full-Employment policy will help inner city residents keep up with the rising costs of living. The main purpose, he explained, is to insure everyone a decent job with decent wages. This will be accomplished, along three guidelines:

a) the Urban League Full-Employment policy will be an incentive to the private businesses to hire and train unemployed workers.

b) The setting up of a Federal

Public Works Program along the same lines of the old W.P.A. that helped sustain millions of jobless during the depression of the 1930's.

c) A vastly expanded Public Service Employment Program that would fill the need for public services by creating new jobs.

Also, according to Jordan, the Urban League is trying to institute a minimum income level which "no family would be allowed to fall below. Inevitably, he continued, "The program will be a double thrust at the roots of poverty and the social ills that arrive from it."

"I believe," he continued, "that there can be no greater commemoration of our country's 200th anniversary than the adoption of this program that can fulfill the dreams, the hopes, and the too long neglected aspirations of so many Americans."

Whether or not Black people should participate in the Bicentennial celebration was also brought up during Jordan's speech.

"We have an obligation to be involved in the planning and decision-making processes that take place around the Bicentennial."

"We must remind the nation," he continued, "and ourselves of our role in making this country what it is. Black people should look forward to the Bicentennial year. This

land is great in part because of our labor, our sacrifices, and our faith."

According to Jordan, Crispus Attucks, a black man, was the first to die at Lexington and Concord, "the first to die to make this a democratic nation."

Jordan concluded his speech with this message: "We are tired of the long struggle that has brought some gains but left true equality still in the far distance. Yes, we are tired in the black community and in the minority community of the pain and humiliation of having to fight for basic rights other people take for granted. We are tired in the black community of being sick and tired; we are sick and tired of being sick and tired. But I promise you that we ain't no ways tired in our souls; that our souls are rested in the knowledge of the righteousness of our cause and the ultimate victory of our aims. Our souls are rested in the faith of the goal of human dignity and brotherhood will be reached and that our Nation will fulfill it and that our efforts will help create. That's the spirit of black people today and that must also be the spirit of Americans in this Bicentennial year."

"I do not believe that minority kids: Black, Puerto Rican, Cuban, American Indians, whatever; I don't believe that you have any time to be shuckin' and jivin'."



'NO TIME FOR JIVIN' — Vernon Jordan, Executive Director of the National Urban League, brought many issues to light yesterday in the College Center Theater. (photo by Mario DaCosta).

Female Student Wins Bus. Div. Election

by Rich Winzenreid

On Tuesday, February 3, Susan Becker became, simultaneously, the first student and the first woman to be elected to the position of Chairperson of the business Department Divisional Council.

Susan takes her duties seriously and, after winning the election contest over an unidentified faculty member, has set several goals for the upcoming year. Among them are the formation of an Executive Committee, the planning and holding of at least one activity (such as a guest speaker or other presentation) per month, and "more involvement from the students of the Department."

Susan, who will serve in her new post until next February, does not come as a complete



Susan Becker

stranger to this type of activity. She was involved in numerous High School Activities, culminated by her serving as Senior Class President.

Athletic Complex Ready This Spring

by Deborah Wood

A cooperative venture by Middlesex County and MCC has resulted in the development of recreation facilities for use by the College and the community.

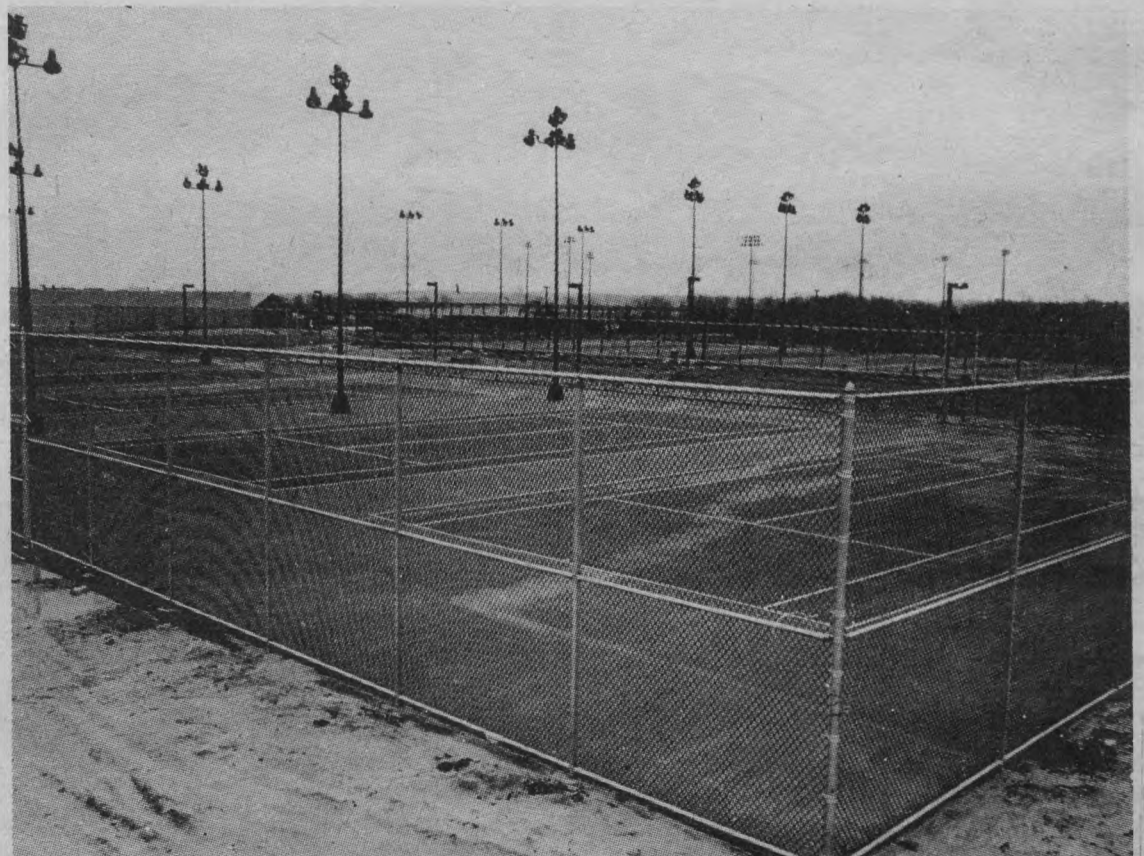
Forty acres of County Park land has been converted into a major Athletic Complex to be known as the Raritan Arsenal County Park. Construction started in the Fall on the much needed outdoor facility, as both the indoor and outdoor facilities for recreation and athletics had become severely overcrowded on campus.

Facilities available to the campus will include 16 lighted tournament design tennis courts, two softball fields, a multi-purpose playing field, a soccer field, a combination

field hockey practice/archery range, a lighted eight lane quarter-mile track, (with a nine lane straightaway for tri-team meets) complete with a full range of track and field events, a hockey field infield and two confort stations. A baseball diamond will be added by the Middlesex County Park Dept.

Twelve lighted tennis courts will be opened in the early spring, while the four additional courts will be opened sometime in late June. The tennis court lighting as well as the track lighting will be supplied and maintained by the County Parks Dept.

The Parks Dept. was responsible for clearing the land, laying the sewer pipes and



ALMOST READY — The new tennis courts, fully lighted for night time playing, are scheduled for opening this spring. Twelve of the sixteen courts have only the nets to be installed before members of the College community can practice their forehands and backhands (photo courtesy Office of Public Information).

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Letters To The Editor

Editor:

I liked Dennis Freeland's article on the **Doonesbury Chronicles** (Q.V. 2/5/76). Sure, he still can be too cute, (...gasp...scuse me...cliche #294), but he does get specific.

He quotes from the material he is reviewing and makes it come alive. (As for Gallo wine, a splendid wine, a meaningful wine - especially the Burgandy.)

Emergency Closings

E. Di Pasquale
English Dept.

Editor:

As you are aware, emergency closings are announced on area radio stations as follows: New York, WOR-710 kc; New Brunswick, WCTC-1450 kc; Plainfield, WERA-1590 kc; Morristown, WMTR-1250 kc; Princeton, WHWH-1350 kc; Elizabeth, WJDM-1530 kc; and Somerville WBRW-1170 kc.

We have learned that some stations will not announce the specific time of delayed openings. For this reason please note that in all cases, when an announcement states "delayed opening" reference is being made to a 10 a.m. delay.

Office of Public Information

According to William Convent, Tau Psi Advisor Alpha Phi Omega, Tau Psi Chapter, National Service Fraternity will hold their first meeting of the Spring Semester on Thurs-

day, February 12, at 8:00 PM in the Student Center. Any and all Middlesex County College students, male or female, are invited to attend our open meeting.

What's Happening

Thursday, February 12

Alcohol Review Board in the College Center, Room 114 at 10:00 am.

Circle K Meeting in Bunker Lounge at 7:30 pm.

Women's Basketball- at Camden County College, 6:00 pm.

Men's Basketball- at Passaic County College, 8:00 pm.

Friday, February 13

Cosmos Club Meeting in Raritan Hall, Snoopy Lounge at 10:00 am.

Concert "Di Bella", sponsored by Alpha Delta Epsilon, in the Theatre at 8:00 pm.

Saturday, February 14

Women's Basketball- US. Atlantic County College, Home at 6:00 pm.

Men's Basketball- against Atlantic County College, Home at 8:15 pm.

Concert "Di Bella", sponsored by Alpha Delta Epsilon, in the theatre, at 8:00 pm.

Monday, February 16

School Closed

Tuesday, February 17

College Chorus in the Old Theatre at 3:00-5:00 pm.

Distributive Education Club of America (DECA) Meeting, in Main Hall Room 101 at 11:00 am.

Third World Student Movement Meeting, in the College Center, Room 313, at 12:00 noon.

Delta Sigma Psi Meeting, in the College Center, Room 312 at 4:00 pm.

Alpha Delta Epsilon Meeting, in the College Center, Room 321 at 4:00 pm.

Radio Club Meeting, in the College Center, Room 319 at 4:00 pm.

Outdoors Club Meeting, in the College Center, Room 310 at 4:00 pm.

Karate Club Meeting, in the Gym at 6:30 pm.

Business Division Hour- Introducing "Stuart Hall", freelance photographer who covered Evil Kneivel jump; in the Health Tech. Amphitheatre, at 11:00 am.

Wednesday, February 18

Concert "Kenny Rankin", in the College Theatre at 8:00 pm., sponsored by the College Center Programming Board (CCPB).

Forum Scheduled Tuesday

A Mental health forum titled "You and Depression" will be presented at MCC, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on Tuesday, February 14, 1976, according to the Office of Public Information.

The seminar, which is being co-sponsored by the Division of Continuing Education of the College and the Middlesex County Committee of the New Jersey Association for Mental Health, is designed to assist those who have periods of depression and those who associate with those who do.

Three lectures will be followed by question and answer periods, with discussion on mental health services available at various agencies.

Dr. Arnold M. Kallen, Director of the Community Mental Health Center of Rutgers Medical School, will present a lecture answering the questions: What is depression? How commonplace is it? Why does it happen? What can you do about it?

Dr. William E. Smeltzer, Director of Children's Services and Chief Psychologist of the Raritan Bay Medical Health Center, will lecture on how to recognize depression in children, how do depressed children behave, and family factors in childhood depression.

Joyce Grady, Chief Psychiatric Social Worker of Roosevelt Hospital, will deal with the question of depression in young adults. Robert A. Kaiser, Group Therapist of the South Amboy Memorial Hospital will serve as program moderator.


The forum which will be held in Room 102 of the West Hall Building on campus requires a \$1.50 preregistration fee. Persons desiring additional information should contact the Colleges' Division of Continuing Education, which is located in the Academic Services Building. The office is open from Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

Make Some 'Great Decisions'

Citizens of Middlesex County will have an opportunity to participate in Great Decisions '76, starting the week of February 11, according to the Office of Public Information.

The program, which is being conducted state-wide, is an eight-week citizen discussion program, which will focus attention and provide background facts on eight key foreign policy issues the United States and its citizens will face during the coming year.

The eight issues will provide weekly topics for television and radio broadcasts, special



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TRAVEL TIPS TO MEXICO

With vacation time fast approaching, many of you will no doubt be traveling to Mexico. Some of you might even be coming back. Here are some helpful hints.

1. A man on a burro always has the right of way, unless he appears to be a weakling.
2. In local cantinas, pouring a shot of Cuervo down a man's collar is not thought to be humorous.
3. Falling onto a cactus, even an actual Cuervo cactus, can be a sticky proposition.
4. It is tough to find hamburger rolls in the smaller towns; it's best to bring your own.

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newspaper coverage, and informal discussion groups, giving all citizens an opportunity to participate. The eight issues to be discussed are: (1) Arabs vs. Israelis; (2) Our Mediterranean Commitments; (3) Latin America and the United States; (4) Asia After the Vietnam War; (5) The American Dream Among Nations; (6) The United States in the World Economy; (7) India; and (8) Rethinking United States Foreign Policy.

Interested persons are urged to set up informal discussion groups of 8 to 15 people to meet once a week in private homes

to discuss Great Decisions. Special background study materials will be provided to all discussion groups. At the end of each discussion, individuals may register their opinions through Great Decisions Opinion Ballots. A summary of ballot results will be forwarded to Congress and the State Department.

In Middlesex County, plans are moving forward in a drive to locate people who will organize their own discussion groups. Details concerning the program may be obtained from the Community Services Office, located in West Hall.

Colts End Losing Streak

by Jim Ayotte

The MCC Colts broke an 11 game losing streak Tuesday night by defeating Bergen CC 84-77. Middlesex is now 3-14 on the season.

Ahead most of the game, Middlesex entered the locker room with a four point advantage (48-44) and commanded that lead to come out on top. The Colts were led once again by freshman standout Kevin Deegan with 26 points. Deegan is currently leading the team with a 14.7 average in 17 games. Scott Justus also shared part of the load with 19 points; Mike Lanza added ten and Dave Simon and Bob Wernick both had five.

In Saturday night's game the Colts suffered a 60-40 beating from the hands of the West Point Army plebes. Kevin Deegan again paced the way with 14 and Donald Hepworth

added 12.

Coach Kohora commented on the team's record thus far by stating "Despite our bad streak the kids refuse to give in. They show a tremendous amount of enthusiasm before each game."

With three quarters of the season all ready completed it is doubtful if the Colts will achieve the respectability so arduously fought for in the beginning of the season.

"We still have enough time to come out with a halfway decent record," commented Kevin Deegan.

"We have to find the right chemistry to put in the game at crucial moments," added Coach Kohora.

The Colts go against Passaic, at Passaic, this coming Thursday night.



BETTER LATE THAN NEVER — The new quarter mile track, located in the rear of the College, is part of a cooperative effort by MCC and Middlesex County, which includes tennis courts, softball fields, a soccer field, and a field hockey field (photo courtesy Office of Public Information).

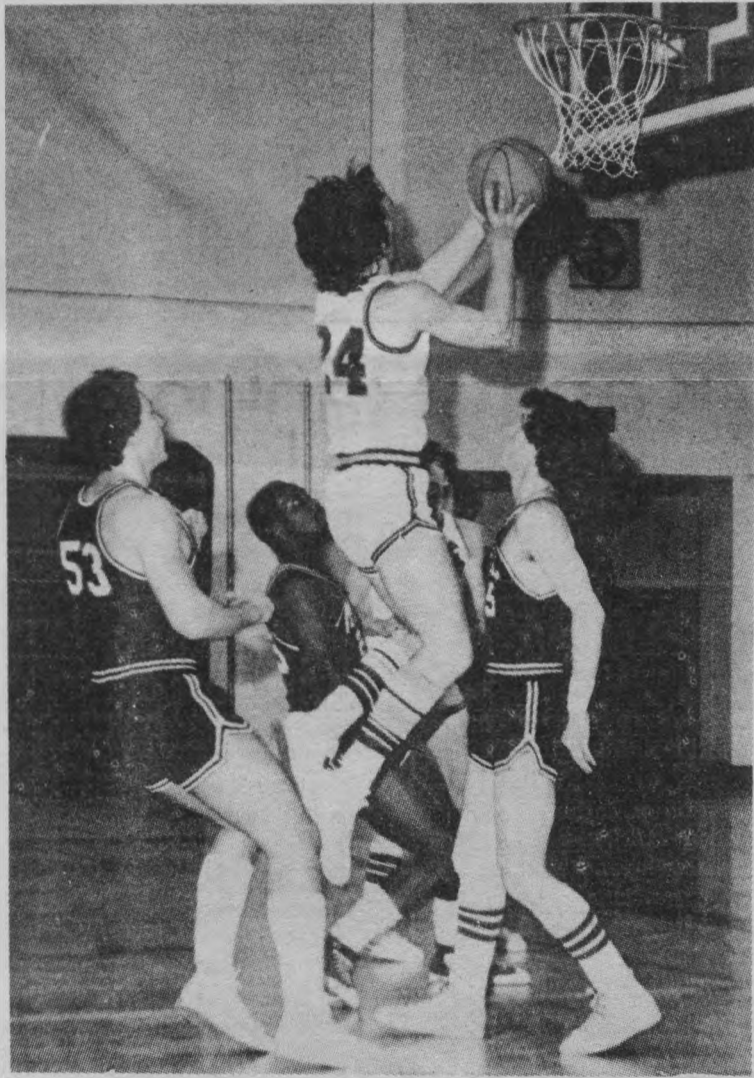
New Tennis Courts Ready

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paving the parking areas, bicycle paths, and sidewalks. Another responsibility of the County Parks Dept. was to install utility and telephone lines and to maintain a se-

curity system. This brought the county's portion of the cost to an approximated three or four million dollars. Originally, MCC's share of the bill was estimated between

\$650,000 and \$800,000. Mr. Theodore Kleban, assistant to the President for Plant Operations and Facility Planning, assesses the true cost to the college at \$700,000.



AIRBORNE — Kevin Deegan (24) goes high in the air to put in two of the fourteen points he had against West Point Saturday night (photo by Mario DaCosta).

Piano Player Scales Competition

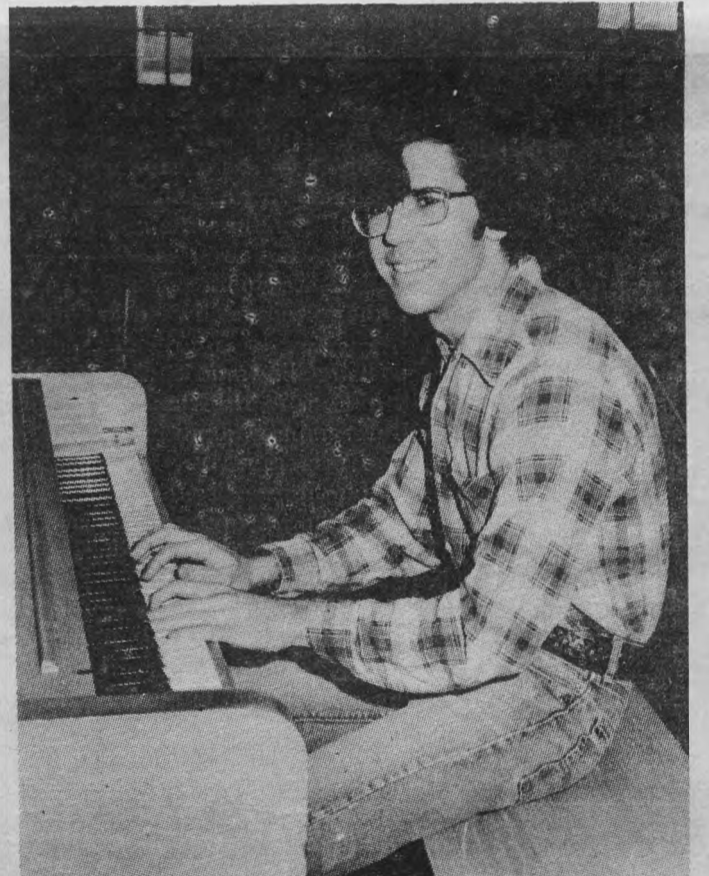
by Leslie Burton

Bob Himelbert, a music major here at MCC, was pleasantly surprised on Saturday afternoon in mid January, when he received notification that he had won in the All State College Jazz Band competition for his piano playing.

His instructor, Professor Condit Atkinson, describes Bob as an "Excellent player, who is going to be a real star one day." Bob proved his professor to be right at a concert held on January 31.

Bob started playing the piano when he was six. Originally starting off playing classical pieces, he soon found the mellow rhythms of jazz music which have seduced him forever.

Bob also plays bass in the Jasy Owens jazz band, and has also played bass for the play "Anything Goes" and for "Lil Abner". He also has written some pieces on his own.



FIRST PRIZE — Bob Himelberg, a student here at the College, has won first prize in the All State College Jazz Band competition last month (photo by Jay Kahn).

Jazz Band Makes History Week Swing

Sounds of Jazz Music filled the air this past Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. when the Morris Nanton Quintet visited the new theatre at MCC.

Approximately 300 people listened as Morris Nanton on the piano, Ronnie Bedford on the drums, Mack Goldsbury with the enor sax, soprano sax, and flute, Norman Edge playing base together with singer Dave Blocker, entertained the audience.

Member of the audience felt the group was "enlightening" and successful in capturing the mood of the audience.





"TWO FOR THE POINTS" — Janis Austin (12), showing her fine shooting ability here, is one important reason why MCC's Women's Basketball Team has been successful this season (photo by Mario DaCosta).

Women's BB Team Rebounds

by Jeff Woller

The MCC womens basketball team dribbled back on track this past week by winning one game and then playing first rate defense before losing the other game.

Having lost their last four out of six games, the team rebounded back with an impressive victory last Saturday over Mercer CC by the score of 97-42. Monday night brought Orange CC (11-1) to the campus and MCC fought for

most of the game before falling 56-37. Statistics for the two games show an excellent performance by Janis Austin with 32 points and 48 rebounds, also helping out in the scoring and rebounding departments were Eva Sikora, 29 points; Dorris Shelling, 21 points; and Linda Johnson, 21 points and 26 rebounds.

The Colts (3-5 for the season) and (3-2 GSAC) have plenty of height on the front line with Austin (5'8"), Johnson (5'10") and Leslie Stewart (5'11") all contributing to an average of just under 35 rebounds per game.

Austin and Johnson have led the offense throughout most of the season, with aver-

ages of 19.8 and 12.6 respectively. Leslie Stewart has also come through for the team, averaging points per game.

Coach Donna Gray talked about her team by saying, "We play an aggressive team defense and steal a lot of passes, but our shooting especially close up to the basket has been very poor. Another thing that hurts us is that we move the ball on offense very quickly and because of all the movement we cause a lot of turnovers on our own." Coach Gray went on to say, "It shows in the rebounding stats that we have enough opportunities to score but our fast break layup and our jump shots have just not gone in for us."

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Wrestlers Wrangle West Point

by Michael O'Kane

Once again, Paul Curka, MCC's "Mr. Clutch" was the deciding factor as MCC defeated the Army J-V 18-7, at West Point. With the Cadets winning 17-15 going into the heavyweight class, Curka decided Bob Matzelle 10-5 to enable MCC to extend its unbeaten string to 32, and raise his personal winning record to 13-1.

Also winning for the Colts were Mike Marino, MCC's 118-pounder with a 5-0 decision over Jeff Heckel to raise his record to 14-0. Mike Menzel (134 lbs.) decided Curt Kaminsky 9-0 to raise his personal record to 13-1. Joe Carchia (142 lbs.) raised his record to 10-0 by defeating Al Gomez 12-4. Carter Smith (177 lbs.) kept his record perfect at 14-0 by defeating Carl Black by the score of 8-6.

MCC's Wrestling Team, still ranked tops in the East, and 4th Nationally, will finish up their season with a match

against SUNY at Delhi on Saturday, and the the Zone Championships at MCC on Feb. 20.

Middlesex C.C. 18
Army (J.V.) 17
118-Marino (MCC) dec. Heckel 5-0
126-Wolfe (Army) dec. Schuyler 8-0
134-Menzel (MCC) dec. Kaminsky 9-0
142-Carchia (MCC) dec. Gomez 12-4
150-Faught (Army) pinned Liapes 2:14
158-Cavanagh (Army) dec. Ammon 9-7
167-Coyle (MCC) tied Galston 6-6
177-Smith (MCC) dec. Black 8-6
190-Sullivan (Army) dec. Pochalski 9-6
HWT - Curka (MCC) dec. Matzelle 10-5

Team Records: M.C.C. 14-0; ARMY J.V. 7-2

Player Coaches Dream

by Jeff Woller

Janis Austin is a dream player come true for Coach Donna Gray's Basketball Team. The reason for this is her stats, where she is averaging 19.8 points and 14.8 rebounds per contest.

Janis has been playing basketball since she was 12 year old. "I started out playing basketball with my older brother, who I would follow down to the courts everyday after school," stated Janis, who went on to say, "When I entered Vailsberg High School I became aware of the newly formed girls basketball team and played three years averaging 18 points and 10 rebounds a game."

Upon graduation Janis entered Rutgers University and,

in her freshman year, made the womens basketball team. "My experience on the team was not that outstanding, but I learned a lot about the fundamentals of basketball," said Janis.

After leaving R.U. and sitting out one year Janis decided to come to MCC and, with her arrival, came great happiness for Coach Gray. Coach Gray stated, "Janis is a great asset to me and to the team. Her experience and knowledge of the game helps us in many ways."

Additional notes on Janis are that she idolizes Walt Frazier and plans to attend Southern Connecticut University in the future.

Women Wanted For Track & Field

by Mario DaCosta

For the first time in the history of Track and Field events at MCC, the young women on campus have the opportunity to acquire knowledge, experience and fun in this unique sport. Like the rudiments of any physical fitness team, the sex symbol, names, places and events of track and field may seem dull. But without them - all spiritual interest for both men and women in their struggle for athletic victories becomes meaningless.

According to Prof. Bill

Siebel, female students who are concerned in forming a Women's track & field club are urged to attend an organizational meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 12, at 4:00 p.m. in the Gym. He also affirms that "If the number of girls interested is satisfactory at the meeting, they could become an official club on campus with a budget. And with hope and work become an inter-collegiate team in the future."

If you are interested, please contact Prof. Sieben in Center II, ext. 411.