

Bleak financial future forecast by Channing

by Nick Gattuso, Jr.

Dr. Rose Channing delivered her annual State of the College speech in which she projected a gloomy financial future.

"I begin this spring semester with heavy decisions on how to get us in financial shape," Channing said.

Channing explained in the Jan. 16 meeting, that the main reason for the school's financial woes is that the cost of energy has soared beyond previous estimates.

Channing also revealed that the final draft is being completed for concluding the fall semester before Christmas break.

"I have heard constant pressure

from the students to have our fall semester end before Christmas. Hopefully, everything will work out right," Channing stated.

Channing has also placed a freeze on all job vacancies at the college

The school predicts that full time enrollment in the spring of '81 will show a 10% increase over last spring's class.

Channing concluded the somber speech on a rather positive note.

"September 81 marks the 15th year the college has been open. I would like to have a celebration," Channing smiled. "We owe ourselves a pat on the back."



Boardwalk scenes - Wrestling coach turned croupier John Sacchi works at the blackjack table at the Scholarship ball last Saturday night. The Atlantic City boardwalk atmosphere was recreated in the College Center complete with blackjack, craps and roulette tables. The ball benefitted the Scholarship fund and raised some \$2,500 more than last year. photo by Marguerite Bock

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3 strikes you're out— new remediation rule

by Ron Halper

The College Assembly wrapped up last semester by adopting new laws refusing students access to Remedial courses for a third time without their Dean's permission.

In addition, Dean Francis Spano introduced for the Curriculum Task Force a proposal to alter the structure of Civil Construction Engineering Technology.

Spano challenged that five science tech. courses were too much for one semester. He also proposed a pause between math courses and a shift of physics to the first semester. The Assembly unanimously approved the new format.

Also proposed and adopted was the addition of guitar classes during the day. The course, which was successful during the evening, carries no prerequisite and will be offered in both semesters.

Ball brings in \$20,000 for scholarship fund

by Marguerite Bock

"On the Boardwalk at Atlantic City—A Touch of Then and Now," was the theme for the 12th Scholarship Ball held Sat., Jan. 31, in the College Center.

The Scholarship Ball is a fund raising event provided by the MCC Foundation for the purpose of furnishing students with scholarships and, according to President Rose Channing, this year's affair brought approximately \$20,000, surpassing last year's \$17,200.

Honorary chairpersons for the gala were former Congressman Edward J. Patten and his wife Ann. Also attending were trustees of the college, faculty, staff, and students.

Each year The Foundation, along with volunteer students and faculty of the Business and Marketing curriculums, as well as members of the DECA Club, choose a theme and carry the idea through decorations.

Under the direction of Assistant Professor Patricia Graber, and co-chairpersons of the decorating committee, students Dottie Cavanaugh and Theresa Flores, were successful in bringing the Atlantic City boardwalk to the college Center.

Among the entertainment was a palm reader and caricaturist as well as gambling tables ranging from Black Jack to the ever famous roulette wheel.

Free gambling chips were made available and the rules of the games were provided by the croupiers—the faculty, staff and students.

For those with a sweet tooth, a sweet shop complete with Salt Water Taffy gave the "Boardwalk" an added dimension.

A fashion show, managed by Dottie Cavanaugh, featuring students modeling clothing that included bathing suits and formal attire, highlighted the evening.

Budget increased; still not sufficient

by Marianne Tamburro

The Board of Trustees at its monthly meeting on January 20, approved the operating budget for the 1981-82 fiscal year in the amount of \$18,990,500 as submitted by President Rose M. Channing.

Although the new budget represents an increase of 9.7 percent or \$1,676,123 over that of the previous year, Dr. Channing stated that the amount will barely be sufficient to maintain the quality of the college's educational programs and fulfill such financial obligations as anticipated contractual salary increases, statutory increases in Social Security taxes and expected higher premiums for health insurance and Worker's Compensation, and adjustments for anticipated rate increases in heating oil, electricity and telephone charges.

Administrative expenses have also increased as a result of complying with State and Federal regulations, as well as providing instructional-related support services to programs such as basic skills and remediation, career counseling, and services designed to meet the needs of handicapped, minority and disadvantaged students.

According to Dr. Channing, the amount of county support needed would rise from the 1979-80 figure of \$5,205,814 to \$6,028,000. The actual county share of the budget, however, remains at 31.7 percent of the total. A meeting of the Board of School Estimate will be held on February 10 to determine the amount to be allotted to the college. Anticipated state aid remains in questions.

Other items on the Board's agenda included a resolution to implement changes in part-time student tuition for the 1981-82 school year. As of the 1981 summer session, part-time in-county tuition fees will be increased from \$20 to \$21 per credit hour, out-of-county from \$40 to \$42, and out-of-state from \$80-\$84. This increase brings the college's part-time tuition fee to the maximum allowed by the State Board of Higher Education, while full-time tuition has already reached the allowable limit.

The Board also approved an increase in the student application fee from \$10 to \$20, as well as the imposition of a non-refundable general fee of \$15 per semester for full-time students, \$1.25 per credit hour for part-time students, effective as of the summer session.

TAG program grows; individual grants cut

by Martin Farricker Jr.

Chancellor Edward T. Hollander announced on December 9, 1980, that a record 52,300 students are expected to qualify for awards this year under the State's Tuition Aid Grant Program (TAG).

This means a 10 percent growth, or an increase of 4,700 grants over the number awarded during the previous academic year. To compensate for the growth, Hollander must ask the student assistance board to reduce the amount of each award for the spring semester.

Hollander attributed the TAG program's growth to the inflationary economy, rampant unemployment, and the student's awareness of the funds that are available. In September of 1980, TAG appropriated \$27.7 million and a bill was recently passed that would supplement the program with additional funding. However, the enormous increase in student eligibility has surpassed the potential increase in funding.

Hollander stated that although award levels must be adjusted equitably to avoid overexpenditure, grants

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CORRECTION

An error was made in reporting on the allocation of funds generated by the College Foundation's Annual Scholarship Ball in the December 18 issue of Quo Vadis.

Proceeds from the Ball will not be donated to victims of the recent earthquake in Italy, as was previously stated. The sole recipient of all proceeds will be the Foundation's scholarship fund.

An on-campus benefit was conducted on December 17 for the Italian earthquake victims, unrelated to the Scholarship Ball which was held on January 31.

At the nuthouse

This is a three part series dealing with prejudice. The reader shouldn't draw any conclusions until reading the other two parts

It was 1960 when their dream started. It was 1960 when Anthony and Carla De Angelo became one.

A year later their first son little Anthony appeared and it started a chain reaction that delivered five more children, 2 boys and 3 girls, before Carla decided she was too old and much too tired to produce any more life.

It was in 1969 when the first problem arose. The De Angelos were living in a modest one family house in Jersey City, where both of them had been born and raised. The husband

and supporter of the family had an average job of working as a crane operator. The job didn't pay much, but with the help of food stamps and some generous grandparents it was enough to feed six tiny mouths that each day demanded more Coca Cola and Hershey's chocolate bars.

But like I said, a problem arose in 1969. It happened one cold winter December night when the Christmas music from the boulevard echoed through the whole city and gave the residents a feeling of gentle joyfulness.

The De Angelos had just sent their children to bed when someone rang the bell at the front door.

"I'll get it, hon," Anthony shouted to his wife who was in the kitchen carefully wrapping a few gifts that in a week would be so uncarefully unwrapped.

"Ho, Ho, Ho. Merry Christmas. I'm your new neigh..."

"Bruno. No, Bruno, Get back here!"

Bruno was a 5 year old, dark black, cocker spaniel with an extreme disliking for motorcycles, loud cars and dark skinned people. And seeing a black man at the front door she reacted all too predictable and promptly attacked.

The unfortunate black man who cleverly dressed himself up as Santa Claus and was going around the all white neighborhood introducing himself to his new neighbors, never had a damn chance at the De Angelo's door.

Within a millisecond Bruno was all over Santa Claus and the sweet sound of Christmas music was overwhelmed by the shouts of some rather nasty obscenities about wild dogs and mean "honky" neighbors.

Hearing all the commotion outside Carla abruptly stopped what she was doing and scrambled into the living room.

"What's going on?"

"It was just the paper boy," Anthony lied to his wife.

"What did he want this late in the evening?"

"Oh..Oh yea, he wanted to tell us that he was sorry the paper was late today."

"But it wasn't late."

"Well, I guess he had the wrong house or something. Hey, how about a cup of coffee?" he asked, trying to avoid the truth.

The wife shook her head in confusion, walked back into the kitchen, plugged in the coffee pot, and finished wrapping the gifts.

Ten minutes later the familiar sound of Bruno's barking made Anthony put down his cup of coffee and let the wild eyed cocker spaniel, who was clutching the remains of the neighbor's Santa Claus beard between his sharp teeth, into the house.

Anthony sat back down in his chair and stared at the yellow water stains on the ceiling which resulted from little Anthony knocking over the fish tank in his bedroom upstairs. He could still remember the sad look on his oldest son's face when Bruno munched down the fat old goldfish, who was desperately swirling and jumping over the wet bedroom floor.

Yes, they had some good times and some bad times in this house. But their time was limited now. The appearance of the black Santa Claus at the door meant one thing and one thing only: the neighborhood was about to change.

Eight months later Bruno was naving a field day taking chunks out of neighbor's legs and chasing loud Continentals and Cadillacs around the block. While a year ago the street was completely made up of Caucasians it was now totally made up of blacks, except of course for the De Angelos.

Although the De Angelos weren't in any danger from their new neighbors, they felt increasingly uneasy. It wasn't long before they made the decision to abandon the old neighborhood and start a new life in a quiet suburb some fifteen miles south of the city.

It was a move that the whole family accepted, all except for Bruno who had been living in a constant state of euphoria.

Computer eases woes for carpooling students

Special to Quo Vadis

Recently the press predicted a gasoline shortage by as early as this spring. A severe shortage would alter the lifestyle or plans of most MCC students, and college enrollment could diminish.

If this occurs, carpooling might be the most realistic way of preserving the more important aspects of our lifestyle. For this and other reasons, a student-faculty committee was formed last November to develop an efficient carpooling system at MCC.

So far this is our plan! Each semester we will collect from those interested in carpooling one line of pertinent information and enter it into computer storage. Here is an example of such a line:

08901; MW9-5, TR8-3, F12-2, E. Thomas; (201) 745-5400

We will also enter a computer program. So, any participant can go to a terminal in the CLC and get a display of information reflecting poolers in his or her zip code area. The participant will select those poolers with appropriate arrival-departure schedules and copy their names and phone numbers.

With few participants, carpooling at MCC is now adequately facilitated by index cards on a bulletin board in the CC. However, the main purpose of creating a computer based system is to stimulate the development of a system that will coordinate many participants when necessary.

Carpooling in general, and our committee plan in particular, was criticized in a letter anonymously signed, "Your Constant Complainer" in the last issue of Quo Vadis. The letter opens with the assertion: "Carpooling is not a feasible solution to the problem of conserving gasoline." This is not self-evident, and the remainder of the letter fails to address this assertion in its generality.

However, the letter's tone is so authoritative and sneering that it leaves an impression that whatever was said is somehow justified. I don't know if carpooling is the only solution, but I do think that is feasible, both for individuals and for the nation.

In *Energy, The New Era*, by S. David Freeman, it is stated that "About 14 percent of the nation's total energy consumption...goes to fuel privately owned automobiles."

Later Freeman indicates that imports account for about the same percent of our fuel consumption.

Therefore, it seems to me that carpooling would do much to free the U.S. from dependence on foreign fuel. As Freeman points out, "The implication for U.S. foreign policy of relying on energy supplies in unfriendly hands are enormous." If there is a severe fuel shortage, there will be either more or less drastic changes. I hope that at that point, the less drastic changes will be chosen.

I have spent several hours discussing our committee's project with the administration and two computer experts at MCC. The committee and I have really appreciated the much needed advice and encouragement they have given us. I also appreciate the consideration that "Your Constant Complainer" has given the project.

It is therefore unfortunate that his criticism was not explained clearly. For example, he states that use of the computer is expensive. MCC doesn't rent the computer time; we own the computer, and it is on all day anyway.

Is the electric bill very much higher when programs are run? The anonymous author warns that it will take us "about a year" to write and perfect a computer program. But I have already watched the zip search program run on the computer. (It was about four lines long).

In the final paragraph, the author proposes her or his alternative to carpooling in this way: "If that many people are so conservation-minded, maybe public transportation should be increased and/or made more efficient." I've been told by the administration that MCC students are well scattered throughout the County and beyond. I have examined a street map of this region, and it seems to me that someone would have to establish an awful lot of bus routes to get everyone to MCC. Quite possibly public transportation will eventually replace the private automobile, but I think that for now carpooling is more feasible.

Editor's Note: For more information contact Ed Thomas of the Carpooling Committee, Engineering Technology & Science Division Council, or call (201) 828-8994.

In our opinion

Here we are again

Here we are again, another semester that brings new challenges for reporters at Quo Vadis.

In the next 12 issues or more, we will try to accomplish a multitude of things.

First and most importantly, we will try to inform you about all that is taking place around campus. And, when we feel the story is suitable, we will go off campus to cover it.

We would like to entertain you and add a smile to your Thursdays.

We would also like to point out we are your paper. We need your support, help, and ideas.

Our office is in the College Center, Room 316. Please, we'd love to know your problems, and maybe with some ink and paper we can get solutions.

And if you agree or disagree with something we print, please feel free to pick up a pen and tell us about it. Our requirements for printing a letter to the Editor are always published in the paper.

Now, if you are ready, we'll enter this world called Quo Vadis. By the way, Quo Vadis means: "Where are we going?"

Hopefully after this semester we'll all know.

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Lamela concerned over calendar revision

by Mary Lou Strahlendorff

Faculty union President Josephine Lamela has voiced concern over some features of the proposed academic calendar.

Her major concern is the proposed addition of three non-teaching days to faculty workload.

The days, to be used for curriculum and professional development, would be established by the Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs.

"It appears that the Administration, by the calendar change, is trying to increase faculty workload without negotiations," stated Lamela.

The Administration has the right, by statute, to enact a new calendar without negotiations. If the change is adopted, financial compensation for the impact (the change in working conditions or terms) would then have to be negotiated.

The present academic calendar carries the fall semester across the Christmas holidays with final exams ending in mid-January. Spring semester begins after a ten-day break.

The new calendar, if approved, would complete the fall semester on December 23 with a winter recess until January 25. Class length would increase from 50 to 55 minutes to compensate for reduction in actual class sessions.

Ms. Lamela points out that the same body of knowledge would have to be delivered over a shorter time span (from 16 to approximately 14 weeks.) She feels students would have less time to digest the material.

Ms. Lamela also feels that it would be beneficial if the spring semester ended earlier, allowing MCC students to be available for the job market as soon as students from other area colleges.

For example, Somerset County College has commencement exercises on May 17, three weeks sooner than MCC. Other students' earlier availability may create a disadvantage for our students.

The College Assembly has voted in favor of the concept of the calendar and approval by the Board of Trustees is pending.

Although the ultimate decision is in the hands of the Administration, Lamela hopes that the union's concerns will be negotiated.



Fro's Forum:

by Martin Farricker Jr.

The deadly, dreaded draft

In 1980, former President Jimmy Carter and Congress reinstated a law that forces all male citizens of the ages 18 and 19 to register with the notorious Selective Service, alias, "The Draft."

Consequently, a great deal of dissatisfaction and uneasiness was spawned among the population of the war-wary American people. Parents of the potential draftees fear losing their sons to the ranks of Uncle Sam's mighty killing machine, and the boys themselves cringe with the thoughts of possibly fighting bloody battles in the Middle East for the sake of national defense and American honor.

The negative aspects of the draft are entirely obvious. What young man wants to surrender the security of living at home as a civilian with every comfort and pleasure at his disposal for a serial number and a M-16?

Today, more than ever before, there is a strong need for individual freedom and unhindered personal indulgence. We, as Americans, are accustomed to working towards a goal and reaping the rewards of our labor. Recently, we have been able to do this without having to anticipate a disturbing two-year term in military service. We have enjoyed peace since the Vietnam War and Selective Service hasn't plagued youngsters for years. However, the reality of Russian advance in Afghanistan and the threat of further Soviet intervention induces a realization that perhaps our good fortune will end someday.

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for students in the lowest income categories would not be reduced more than \$50 below the fall levels. Reductions of grants for other students would range from about \$20 to \$100 depending on what type of school they attend and their income category. Hollander also said that he would ask the Board of Higher Education to cut tuition costs to the amount of TAG reductions in hardship cases.

Continued growth in the number of eligible applicants can be expected over the next few years, but enrollment in colleges will probably drop eventually according to statistical reports. Hollander will also recommend that the Board of Higher Education raise the budget request for the 1981-82 TAG program so that fully-funded grants can be awarded to approximately 57,000 students.

Ronald Reagan referred to the Russians as "liars" in his most recent press conference, and he stressed the need for a stronger, more defensive America. With our president displaying this type of attitude, we grow increasingly fearful of the possibility of war with Russia. Hopefully, Reagan's intentions are to curb Soviet aggressiveness by making them believe that we are willing to fight. But if a serious confrontation does come about, it will be vital for the draft to develop American military strength.

Throughout history, man has fought

wars, and like our ancestors, we may be called forth to make the enormous sacrifice of serving in the armed forces. Contending with Russia is a question of righteousness. We mustn't allow an outside force to eradicate the ideals of the United States. Perhaps this ultimatum can be avoided through reasonable negotiations and political moderation, but the current trend seems to be one of patriotism and tenacity.

Unfortunately, the worst days may be yet to come, especially for the young men of America.



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Institutional policy explains in detail the procedures to be used by the College for compliance with the provisions of the Act. Copies of the policy are available in the following offices: Office of the Registrar, Counseling Services, and Division of Continuing Education. The policy is also printed annually in Quo Vadis, the student newspaper. The offices mentioned also maintain a Directory of Records which lists all education records maintained on students by the College.

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Surviving winter's driving hazards

With the holidays over, many drivers are inclined to let down and ride out the rest of the winter complacently.

That's dangerous thinking, Chief of Police Joseph Roccasanto pointed out, because the worst of winter is probably still ahead, and you may need all the help you can get. For example, the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards recommends a check of your car's trunk for broken or missing emergency equipment.

BOOSTER CABLES should be checked for broken wires, loose connections at the clips. Replace or securely tape torn plastic insulating handles.

TIRE CHAINS should be checked for broken links and bent fasteners.

EMERGENCY FLARES OR REFLECTORS damaged in a previous emergency should be replaced.

FLASHLIGHTS OR LANTERNS should have fresh, new batteries.

Additional **TRACTION AIDS** to get you started from impossible spots should include a shovel along with sand or cinders, rock salt or traction mats, and a tow chain or strap.

Inside the car, carry scrapers and a snow brush along with a good spray de-icer and clean rags.

The International Association of Chiefs of Police also joins the National Safety Council's researchers with the following additional winter driving tips:

1. Away from traffic get the "feel" of the road by accelerating carefully to see if your wheels spin; or brake gently to see when they skid. Reduce your speed accordingly.

2. Increase your following distances. Remember, it takes three to nine times as far to stop on snow and ice as on dry pavement.

3. Plan your maneuvers far ahead. Avoid sudden changes in direction or speed.

4. "Pump" your brakes to slow or stop -- don't jam them on. An intermittent (completely on-off) pumping action keeps wheels rolling and helps maintain steering control.

5. Use good tires with good treads. Better yet, use snow tires which provide half again as much pulling power in snow as regular highway tires.

6. Keep your windshield and windows clear at all times. Replace streaking wiper blades. Be sure your windshield washer solution contains adequate anti-freeze.

7. Remember those tire chains in your trunk and use them for severe snow and ice conditions. Reinforced chains provide four to seven times as much traction on snow or ice as regular tires.

Roccasanto concluded with this comment: "Following these tips will prove you still have good judgement about the winter driving problems and conditions still ahead.

"There's no better way to keep your name off a police accident report than to use that good judgement--no matter what winter throws at us now."



Has letter from Reagan

by Nicholas Gattuso Jr.

The switchboard lights and Mrs. Janette Brodsky a switchboard operator here at MCC answers the calls like she has done thousands of times before.

"Middlesex, thank you for wait-

ing," she answers to an unknown voice.

"Certainly love, I'll switch you over," Mrs. Brodsky cheerfully responds, completing another call.

But little do all those callers know that they are being helped by a sud-

den celebrity.

When Mrs. Brodsky was a child of around nine she wrote a letter to a young and promising actor named Ronald Reagan.

In response she received a handwritten letter from Reagan, answering the many questions the young Perth Amboy girl had asked about her matinee idol.

She read the letter many times, then stored it away thinking it had no further value.

But little did Mrs. Brodsky know that some 43 years later the letter would be a collector's item bearing the signature of the recently elected President Reagan.

"I never had an idea that I'd see that letter again. I really almost forgot I had it," Brodsky said.

"My two sons actually were the ones to find the letter and bring it back to my attention."

Brodsky says that when her sons found the letter they were thrilled and flipped out about it.

With the help of MCC Public Relations Director Ed Walsh, the local media found out about Mrs. Brodsky's famous letter and articles about her have appeared in such newspapers as The Daily News and The Home News, prompting her to a sudden celebrity-like status.

"I feel absolutely thrilled about everything that's going on," Mrs. Brodsky stated.

Brodsky's wish is to have a clan of Reagan's close and old fans to go and visit, and maybe even have lunch with the President at the White House.

"It would be a lifelong dream if I could see him in person. I feel sort of entitled," Brodsky said.

"I realize he's busy as the President but I'd just like to see him for a few moments. I'd be satisfied if they gave me a coke and a sandwich; I just want to see him."

Brodsky who was once an actress herself, but had to give it up because her dad said, "nice girls don't do it," says that being a switchboard operator is an important job at the college.

"This is the heartbeat of the college. It's very hectic and mind-boggling but I try to do my best and be nice," Brodsky stated.

Brodsky who is the original switchboard operator at MCC has been following Reagan's political career very closely over the years.

"I really feel Reagan is going to be a very strong and secure President. Remember there's a lot of acting in politics; so I think he'll be remembered well," Brodsky said.

After Brodsky finishes compiling all the recent newspaper articles that have resulted from her famous letter, she and Ed Walsh plan on sending a copy of the letter to President Reagan in hopes of getting Mrs. Brodsky invited to the White House.

If that doesn't work Brodsky plans on trying to get in touch with the First Lady's Public Relations Director and work on getting an invitation that way.

"It would be such an honor to meet him. Like I said, it would be my lifelong dream," Brodsky concluded.

Hopefully history will repeat itself and Mrs. Brodsky will receive another personal handwritten letter from President Ronald Reagan inviting her to visit him at his world famous home.

You never know, maybe one of Mrs. Brodsky's future calls will be from the White House.



HISTORICAL "FIND" - Mrs. Janette Brodsky, a switchboard operator, proudly displays the letter she received from then rising film star, Ronald Reagan 43 years ago this month. The personally hand-written communication was sent in 1938 to the teenage Mrs. Brodsky. It had been stored and forgotten in an attic along with other Hollywood memorabilia for more than four decades until recently rediscovered.

'Simon Sez'

Looking to liven up your day? Well, Bob Schaffer's "Simon Sez" will provide you with the means to release all your tension on Tuesday, February 10 at 12 noon in Caf. C.

Bob believes in student participation and will challenge those brave souls who feel they are superior game players.

Succeeding in college: organization is the key

by Professor A. Kistulentz

Success in college can be attributed to many factors, including being intelligent, doing assignments conscientiously, attending classes regularly, and so forth. But one aspect of being a successful college student that should not be minimized and that can save you time is organizing yourself by realistically planning your time at the start of a new semester.

Organizing Your Time

Individual differences prevail in the amount of time each student will spend in classes, in travel, at work, in socializing, and so forth. Nevertheless, it is a fact that being a student necessitates setting aside some definite times for studying. There will be homework—tests!

How much time you need for study depends on many factors, including how good a student you are, how many courses you have, how much work is required in each course, and so forth. But generally you will need to set aside a *minimum* of about five hours a week for each course you take or about twenty-five a week for studying. Much less will likely result in academic disaster.

Analyze your own situation. Be honest with yourself. Begin by real-

istically determining how many hours you have available each week for studying by completing the Weekly Time Schedule form below. Fill in all the time already committed for class, labs, travel, eating, working, and so forth. Then add up the hours for each day and the total hours for the week that are uncommitted and can be used for studying.

Do you have at least 20-25 hours available for studying? If not, you will almost certainly find yourself quickly falling behind in your assignments and will need to adjust your schedule by dropping a course, or working fewer hours, or cutting back on recreation or social activities, or by whatever means necessary to free up some more time.

In some cases a rather dramatic change in lifestyle may be needed to find the time for school work. For example, recent high school graduates long accustomed to socializing with former classmates, may have to beg off this activity during the week. Married students may need the cooperation of spouses and children to share the housework duties to free up some time for studying. Students who must work may find it necessary to burn the midnight oil and give up some sleep. At the very least, consider giving up gab sessions or watching television.

After you set aside hours for study, you should also want to improve how you organize your work. Here are some suggestions:

1. Buy a large-size notebook to be used exclusively for class lecture notes and assignments. Especially recommended is the loose-leaf notebook since you can easily add paper, including class handouts, and remove the notes for study and/or storage.

2. Buy a monthly appointment calendar for noting dates of upcoming tests and other assignments. Keep it in a conspicuous place where you study.

3. Study your most difficult subjects when you are most alert. Some of us are at our best in the morning; others do things better at other times of the day. Do your studying when you are at your peak.

Managing your time is crucial to success in college. Don't wait to fall behind. Find the hours to study and stick to your schedule.

Need help in reading or study skills? Please come into our Reading Center (Room 241 in the Community Learning Center) and let's talk about it.

Inquiring Photographer

by Marguerite Bock

"What would you say is the overall fashion trend at Middlesex County College?"



Johnny Thompson-Electrical Engineering-'83
"Levi's and designer jeans."



Donna Smellie-Accounting-'82
"Disco."



Father Gregory O'Keefe
"Jeans"



Rita Horskey-Cashier-book store
"Jeans and shirts."



Ashley Manettia Psychology Transfer Student
"Designer Jeans"



Rey Mote-Liberal Arts-'82
"Jeans-Jordace-cowboy style. Everybody wants to be a cowboy."



Penny Spencer-Nursing-'83
"To each his own."



Sandra Getter-Liberal Arts-'82
"Preppy look."

Courses get good review before they are ready

by John Verrico

Have you ever wondered how those courses you've been taking came to be?

According to Dr. Frank Spano, chairperson of the Curriculum Task Force at MCC, courses start out by being suggested or proposed by anyone, including students.

"Actually, we've never had a course initiated by a student," Spano noted and then added that students do make some input as to the subject matter of a proposed course on the College Assembly, but no direct proposals are made.

Kathy Earley, a member of the Curriculum Committee, speculated that "students just don't realize they have the power or to whom to direct their proposals."

Students may direct any serious course proposals to any teacher or department head and if the idea does not repeat a course that is already offered, it is discussed with the department chairperson and the Division Council. This can be done at any departmental meeting.

The prospective teacher then works in conjunction with the chairperson and decides on the content of the course, the textbooks, supplementary materials, faculty and student requirements, course objectives and an outline of the course, including suggested credits and contact hours.

Now, the proposed course visits the Division Dean's office and then takes a trip to the College Assembly and the Curriculum Committee where it gets a real working over.

First of all, the outline itself has to be well-prepared with no room for any doubts and should "explain itself" in a way that anyone would understand it, especially people outside of the respective curriculum.

After a thorough inspection, including making sure that the title and the content are consistent, the course is double-checked to determine whether or not it is repeating an already offered course, if the course (or a sim-

ilar one) is offered at other colleges, if credits will be considered transferable and, according to state and college requirements and certain applicable license requirements, whether the course will be a required one in order to fulfill the needs of a specified curriculum.

Finally, they vote on it and it's off to the vice-president and the president for a final approval.

This whole process may take as little as two months or as long as a year, which may seem long, but, according to Kathy Earley, it is a good protection against "shoddy classes."

Some courses, especially those in the Engineering Sciences are introduced by an outside-the-college Industrial Advisory Committee who proposes a course as to new specific needs and requirements and even equipment, as the need arises in the field.

Most of the time, rather than introducing new courses into what may already be a heavy work-load, the old courses are revised to cover the new subjects and delete the obsolete material. New texts can be suggested or new materials.

"We don't like to kill a course completely," Dr. Spano explained, "something usually replaces it or they are updated."

Sometimes credits or contact hour requirements are cut down. For example in 1976, the graduation requirements of the ET program were changed. The physical education requirement was cut to one credit instead of two and Calculus II was no longer a must-take-to-graduate course.

Many times, a new and experimental course is first offered through the Department of Continuing Education and, if it works out, is brought into the full-time day schedule.

MCC is continuously looking for new subjects to cover and basically, any course that is proposed properly and seriously will be considered.

Jeans top fashion poll

by Linda Bornstein

Is there a particular fashion trend at Middlesex County College?

This and other questions pertaining to fashion were asked around campus in an attempt to discover whether or not there is a correlation between a student's curriculum and way he/she dresses.

The poll yielded a "mixed bag" of results. When asked, "Do you follow the fashion trend of the other students?" six of the 11 subjects said they "did their own thing," while the remaining four were split evenly between "follow the trends" and, "do both."

As to whether they preferred de-

signer jeans over other brands, Rey Mote, a Liberal Arts student was emphatic: "No, I don't like them."

Donna Smellie, an accounting major, observed "No, it's just a name."

The consensus indicated 7 of the 11 people in the survey wore jeans in one form or another, indicating that the typical fashion fare, regardless of curriculum, is jeans.

The surprise came from Rita Horskey, an employee at the college for a number of years who commented, "As an observer, I feel that during the past four years, the students are dressing a lot better than they used to—cleaner—and they just sparkle."

Unbeaten in region

Colts up record to 12-4

by Jim Gallagher

The men's basketball team extended its winning streak to nine games with wins over Lackawanna and Burlington.

However, the Colts' GSAC opponents, which have given them hard times in the past, came back to haunt them.

The Colts, 12-4, lost consecutive games to Atlantic, Gloucester, and Bergen. The Colts also lost a heart-breaker to the County College of Morris, sandwiched between romping wins over Wesley, Bucks, and Keystone Junior College.

In the Atlantic game, the Colts enjoyed a six-point lead with two minutes remaining, but a last-ditch Atlantic spurt, highlighted by Tony Smith's closing second jumpshot, brought Atlantic a well earned 56-55 victory.

Mike Burwell led the Colts with 23 points and eight rebounds while Atlantic was led by Smith's 17.

"We played lousy because we hadn't played in three weeks," stated Colts' coach, Jim Kahora. "The guys played tough but Atlantic just hung in there. We played hard but the layoff hurt. We made some mistakes and missed three shots at the end, but I can't fault the guys, it just wasn't in the cards."

Against Gloucester the Colts couldn't repeat last year's win over the Region XIX champs, falling 79-60.

"We played a good first-half, but a terrible second-half," said Colts' coach, Jim Kahora. "They were a better team than we were; it's that

simple. They scored the first 16 points of the second-half before we could get anything going."

Gloucester is currently ranked 13th in the country among junior colleges.

Middlesex came up short again in the Bergen game, losing 72-71.

They led 42-40 at the half, and, despite exceptional plays by Carl Towns and James Bailey, they couldn't hold onto their slim lead.

"We played a good defensive game, but we got a little too fancy," said Kahora. "We'll have to change our style a little."

This change proved to be a success as the Colts, paced by four players in double-figures, ended their three-game losing streak with a 80-63 win over Wesley.

Luck led the team with 23 and Ice Burwell added 22.

"We played a good defensive game and everybody contributed," said Kahora. "We were shooting good from the outside and the guys responded well to a little change in philosophy. We have a little more respect for the ball now."

"Ice" Burwell paced the Colts to a 90-54 rout of Bucks County College, scoring a game high 28 points and pulling in 19 rebounds.

The Colts enjoyed an early first-half spurt that clinched the game. Leading 8-4 with only six minutes gone, the Colts ran off 10 consecutive points for a lead they never relinquished.

Towns supplemented Burwell, scoring 18 and grabbing eight caroms.

"I'd like to play them 10 times a year," stated an exuberant Kahora.

Robert Meyers paced the Bucks scorers with 15.

However, the script changed again as the mistake-plagued Colts dropped a 52-49 decision to the County College of Morris.

"It came down to basics," explained Kahora. "We didn't box-out at the end and the lane violations hurt. We had many chances near the end of the game, but we didn't capitalize on them."

Burwell lead the Colt attack against Burlington and Lackawanna, scoring 19 points in the second-half of each contest as the team ran off with 93-76 and 72-60 victories.

Burwell ended the Burlington game with 23 points and 16 rebounds while Provoid chipped in 20.

And against Lackawanna Burwell finished with a game-high 25 points.

Middlesex put together an explosive package against Keystone Junior College as five players reached double-figures.

The Colts ran up a 21-4 lead in less than 10 minutes, eventually swamping Keystone, 93-74.

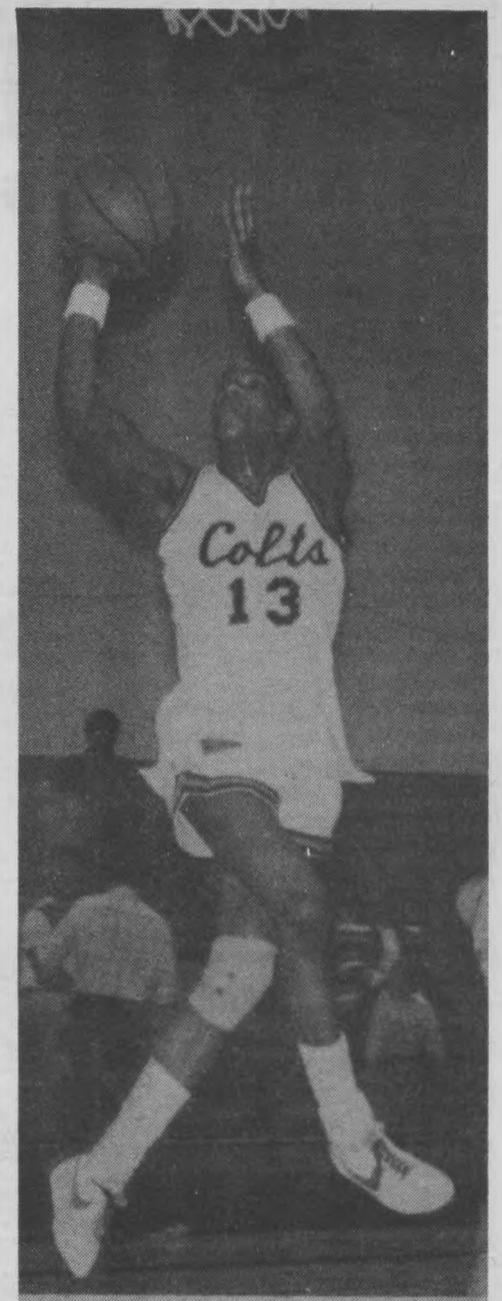
Luck led the team in scoring and rebounding, tallying 27 and grabbing 11 rebounds with Provoid adding 18.

Other players in double-figures for the Colts included Towns, 15, Ice Burwell, 13, and Kovac, 10.

Mike Mikulka dished out 10 assists. "We put it all together," said Kahora. "It was an outstanding team game; everybody played super."

Colt Notes:

The Colts started out 3-0 in the GSAC but are now 3-4.



Al Luck goes up for a breakaway lay-up during last Saturday's game against Keystone Junior College. The Giants' Bob Crafton looks on. (Photo by John Canavera).

Women achieve goal; stay over .500

by Jim Gallagher

The women's basketball team, decimated by the loss of leading scorer Iris Hawkins, still managed to stay over the .500 level.

The Lady Colts, in splitting ten games, ran their record to 9-7.

Against Lackawanna, Mary Dalu paced the team with 18 points in the 70-63 win and Hawkins, before she was placed on academic probation, added 17.

The Christmas Invitational, held in Baltimore, Md., was not a joyous occasion for the team. They lost to Harford and Catonsville.

Hawkins led the team with 25 in the Harford game while Mona Hickson scored 17.

In the 62-51 loss to Catonsville, Mascola took high-scoring honors with 16 tallies. Hawkins chipped in with 13 points and 12 rebounds.

Then, despite four players in double-figures the Colts dropped a 88-59 decision to Atlantic.

The women were within striking distance at the intermission, trailing 43-33.

However, the Colts were outscored 45-16 in the second-half. Again, Hawkins paced the team tossing in 13 points.

Later that week the women ended their three-game losing streak with a 82-73 victory over Suffolk.

Deadlocked at the half, 31-31, the women were outscored 14-2 with 16 minutes left in the game.

However, the Colts quickly turned it around, outscoring Suffolk by 21 the rest of the way to pull out the victory. Hawkins continued her dominant play with 26 points and Hickson added 20.

Against Beren CC, the Colts were blownout, losing 77-46. It was Bergen's 12th victory this season without a defeat.

point on were without Hawkins' services, with 17 points.

Coach Maureen Reiss was down to only five players and amazingly, against Wesley, pulled out a well-earned 69-43 victory.

Hickson, paced the team with 22 points and Mascola added 18.

"Yeah", said Reiss after the win. "We're staying above .500 and that's our goal. The girls work hard as a team and they deserved to win this one."

However, in the very next game, the women played terribly, losing to Bucks CCC, 51-47. The lone Colt player in double-figures was Mauro, with 11 points.

"This was probably the worst game we played all season," stated Reiss.

"We didn't do one thing right."

The team bounced back over the .500 mark with a 59-54 victory over Orange, improving their record to 8-7.

The Colts held off a second-half Orange rally to preserve the victory.

Dallu scored nine of her 17 points in the second-half with less than six minutes to play, and Mascola led the team with 22.

"It's nice being over .500 again," said Reiss. "It was our hustle on defense that won it for us."



Lynn Mascola fights for a rebound during last Saturday's Women's Basketball game against Keystone J.C. (Photo by John Canavera).

Last Saturday the Colts took on Keystone Junior College at home and came away with a 66-45 victory.

It was a close contest throughout most of the game and the Colts enjoyed a slim 30-29 lead at the half.

However, with the team leading 40-35 and 15 minutes left to play, Mona Hickson and Mary Dalu scored six points each to spark a 17-4 surge which gave Middlesex a 57-39 lead.

Dalu paced the Colt attack with 21 points.

Joanne Zelasko grabbed 24 rebounds and Mona Hickson, pulled in 21 caroms and handed out 10 assists.

Colt Notes: The women travel to the County College of Morris on Thursday, Feb. 5, for a 7 pm game. The team returns home to face Rockland County College on Saturday, Feb. 7 at 2 pm. ...Saturday's Feb. 14 game which featured Orange, is now an open date.

Classified

Writing Workshop: MCC Writing Center, CLC 244. Thursday, Feb. 5 4-6 p.m. Call 548-6000 ext. 282 for more information.

Wanted: Aide to assist Phys. Ed. teacher in a private school in Edison. Call 572-5056 - ask for Lynn

Do you believe happiness is a healthy mouth? How long has it been since you had your last check-up? Well, now you can get a complete and thorough check-up with x-rays, all for the low price of \$5.00. Call today for your appointment: 548-6000 ext 333 and ask for Stacy Dougherty.

Spring Recess "81" - Daytona Beach, Orlando, Fla. Fun, bus trip - April 17-25, Information and reservations: Ms. B. Blanks, 574-9577 after 6 p.m.

Grappler's streak at 8

Colts take Gloucester; tie for title

by Keith Drumbore

For the first time in its 11-year history the GSAC conference race for team wrestling ended in a three way tie with MCC sharing the bragging rights with Bergen CC and Gloucester CC.

For the Colts this was the seventh time in the 11 years that they have brought home this first-place honor.

The team ended its conference dual meet season with a 3-1 mark.

"This whole year was something," stated John Sacchi. "Bergen beat us, we beat Gloucester, and Gloucester beat Bergen. You can't get more even than that."

Overall the squad has run its record to 8-1-1.

The Colts hit a bit of a snag after their early season success in the Road Runner and Niagra Tournaments as they were tied by the Trenton State J.V. team (20-20) and beaten by Bergen CC (29-16).

Bergen is the only GSAC rival to down the Colts in each of the last two years.

"We got off to a shaky start," said Sacchi. We were slowed by injuries and the flu. We'd like to have them (Bergen) now to see what would happen."

Following their downfall to Bergen the squad ran off eight straight wins, outtallying their opponents by a combined score of 324-66.

Included in the win streak was a 21-20 edge-of-the-seat, nail-biting meet against Gloucester CC.

Gloucester jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead as Jim Cooper downed Lou Schuckman 7-5 in the 118lb. weight class.

However, the Colts came stampeding back as Ken Karl and Bob Bussey downed their opponents 11-4 and 5-4, respectively, to push the team to a 6-3 advantage.

Chris Curtis (142) then met Al Aires for the second time this season.

Aires had topped Curtis earlier this season in the Road Runner, 9-8.

And this meeting went to Aires as well, 22-14.

The composite score stood at 7-6, Gloucester, as the meet entered the heart of both squads.

The Colts immediately took control as Joe Mignane defeated Jim Williamson 5-0.

Jim Messoroll, who has stepped in for the injured Randy Aldrich (stretched neck nerve), then pinned Buddy Petroski in 3:51, and Brad Anderson took Greg Cole to the mats in 4:16.

"It was 21-7 after Anderson," noted Sacchi.

And the Colts seemed to have the meet in hand.

but, Gloucester refused to go down, struggling back valiantly, as Jim Brennan topped Walt Beyer (also for the second time this season) 7-2.

Howard Graber then downed Bob Teeple 12-2 and Bernie Miller pinned Frank Borbas in 3:15.

However, Gloucester fell one point short as the final score read 21-20, Middlesex.

"These teams were evenly matched," said Sacchi. "We each took five weights. The difference lie in the two falls we got from Messoroll and Anderson. But then falls are the name of the game."

In addition to the GSAC conference title the Colts have also earned a seventeenth place national ranking in the Junior College Division.

And what lies ahead? "We now face the masochistic part of our schedule," stated Sacchi.

The squad travels to Delhi, N.Y. on Saturday, Feb. 7 where they will wrestle dual meets against Nassua CC, Niagra CC, and the State University of New York at Delhi.

Delhi is currently ranked twelfth nationally and, according to Sacchi, Nassua and Niagra just get better every year.



Chris Curtis on his way to his 1st of two pins against Union & Brookdale in last Wednesday's triangular wrestling match. The Colts took both ends of the meet to raise their record to 8-1-1. (Photo by John Canavera)

Skiers find hills rough

by Jon Kardashian

The MCC ski team came back from a tough opening meet and gave a strong performance this past weekend at Hidden Valley.

In their opening meet, the MCC Invitational, the Colts had only two finishers and finished 12th out of 15 teams. The two finishers were Ernie Katko and Joe Bihler.

But the Colts bounced back this weekend and were very impressive in finishing 7th among 15 teams. The top finishers were Ernie Katko, who finished 24th, Joe Zerman, 29th, Joe Bihler, 48th, and Diane Clark, 58th.

Coach Bob Urbanski stated, "In our first meet we showed inexperience and were not concentrating on our finishing. This last meet, everybody gave a good showing."

MCC 21 Gloucester 20

118	J. Cooper d. L. Schuckman	7-5
126	K. Karl d. J. Wysninski	11-4
134	B. Bussey d. J. Williamson	5-4
142	A. Aires d. C. Curtis	22-14
150	J. Mignano d. J. Williamson	5-0
158	J. Messoroll p. B. Petroski	3:51
167	B. Anderson p. G. Cole	4:16
177	J. Brennan d. W. Beyer	7-2
190	H. Graber d. B. Teeple	12-2
Hwy.	B. Miller p. F. Borbas	3:15

Seasons resume minus many stars

Winter Break ends.

First semester grades are received.

Spring semester begins.

Collegiate athletes look to the second half of their schedules with eagerness, and apprehension.

Collegiate coaches look down their rosters and too often find themselves gazing on newly formed gaping holes.

For, what has been referred to as the "Junior College Syndrome" has also begun.

Participants in college athletics are required to maintain at least a 1.5 scholastic average in order to remain eligible.

His teachers also know, and if he is under the instruction of an able coach, then that person knows too.

But knowledge, even the combined knowledge of several people, means nothing unless it is applied.

And the athlete and the team are not the only ones to suffer.

The program itself is shaken.

The big game of the year can suddenly be reduced to just another contest. And the match everyone has been waiting for now can no longer be.

And what about us, the fans?

We are suddenly deprived of the enjoyment of watching our teams at their best. And perhaps, even of watching our favorite player in action.

However, I do not mean to condemn or damn any athlete for his shortcomings.

I only want the populace to understand that this situation does exist and that hopefully the people involved (and not only those at MCC, but at other colleges as well) can learn something from their plight.

And I want the athletes, who have now joined us in the stands, to know that they will be missed.

Viewpoint

by Keith Drumbore

So, when the first semester grades arrive, some players and their coaches find themselves parting on a rather wordless note.

How can the coach help but be caught between his personal feelings for the athlete and his worry for the team's success.

And what about the athlete?

He borders the realms of embarrassment, shame, hurt, tear-ridden, and guilt.

But never the world of surprise.

The player knows what is required of him in each of his classes; he knows how he stands against those requirements, and he is aware of the consequences if he doesn't see his classroom responsibilities through.

SPRING 1981 INTRAMURAL ACTIVITIES

Mr. S. Ginsberg
Intramural Coordinator

FLOOR HOCKEY

Men, Women, Coed

Entries Close Tuesday, February 10

Play Begins Thursday, February 12, 4 PM

* Captain's Meeting, Tuesday, February 10, 4 PM, PE 120.

5 ON 5 BASKETBALL

Men, Women, Coed

Entries Close Tuesday, March 24

Play Begins Thursday, March 26

* Captain's Meeting Tuesday, March 24, 4 PM, PE 120.

* Team Must Be Represented Or Team Will Not Be Permitted To Play.

Applications for All Events in the Intramural Program can be obtained in the Physical Education Building. All announcements, schedules, rules and standings will be found on TE Bulletin Board outside Room PE 120 in the gymnasium.

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THE BACK PAGE

"Posters by Ben Shahn" will be on exhibit in the gallery Feb. 9 through Feb. 20. The gallery will be open Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Besides creating mass produced posters announcing cultural events or soliciting public support for favorite causes or candidates, Shahn has illustrated books and specialty journal articles.

Thursday

Phi Theta Kappa meeting at 4 p.m. in CC rm. 320.

Women's basketball team will face County Collge of Morris away at 7 p.m.

Christian Fellowship Club meeting in WH 104 at 12 p.m.

The Dorothy Mason Tiles and Glass work will be on display in the Gallery through Saturday.

Friday

Accounting Club will meet at 10 p.m. in CC rm. 310.

Social Committee will be holding an Arts and Crafts sale from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. in the lobby of CC.

Saturday

Women's basketball team will be hosting Rockland Community College at 2 p.m.

Men's basketball team will face Rockland Community College. Game time is 4 p.m.

Wrestling team will face Nassau Community College, Niagara Community College, SUNY, and Delhi at Delhi beginning 12 noon.

Ski team will participate in a N.J. Ski Racing League meet at Hidden Valley Ski Area beginning at 6 p.m.

Monday

Posters by Ben Shahn will be on display in the Gallery through Feb. 21.

Accounting Club will meet at 10 a.m. in CC rm. 310.

Tuesday

Forum series: Simon Sez, at 12 noon Caf. C.

Accounting Club (tutoring) will meet at 10 a.m. in CC rm. 310.

A meeting of the Accounting Club will be held 11 a.m. MH. 122.

Men's basketball team will face Brookdale Community College at home beginning at 8 p.m..

Wednesday

Accounting Club will meet at 10 a.m. in CC rm. 310.

Christian Fellowship Club will meet at 12 noon, CC 314.

Counseling College Transfer Day in the lobby of College Center.

Thursday

Christian Fellowship meeting at 12 p.m. WH 104.

Men's basketball team will travel to Camden County College. Game time is 8 p.m.

Women's basketball team will face Camden County College away at 6 p.m..

Gerontology course

A new course entitled "Gerontology: A Study of the Elderly in the U.S." is being taught this semester by Sandra Fielo, who holds a Ph.D. in Nursing.

Some of the topics to be discussed in the course are the universal and non-universal changes in again that everyone experiences, the psychosocial functioning of aging, and the course will also take a look at successful aging.

According to Fielo, there are two facts that are relevant to all aging, first, that everyone experiences the aging process. And second that aged people do have an impact on society.

One thing that should be taken into consideration is that aging is not isolated. Sooner or later we all go through it.

Fielo urges students to take the course, emphasizing "This course is open to all students from every discipline."

The course began on January 29, but there is still time for late registration. It will meet for 15 weeks on Thursday evenings from 5 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

The last word: Time for a change?

by Denise Kovalchik

As I sat in my Spanish class in Main Hall one Tuesday morning, I couldn't help but notice something. Taking a quick glance out of the window I saw that there was a police car and three fire engines entering campus via the entrance near L'Hommedieu Hall.

Opinion

Oh no, I thought to myself, could Main Hall be burning? Just then it dawned on me, how would we be notified? After all they don't conduct fire drills they only have a little piece of paper posted in the front of the classroom directing the student where to go. Let's face it, in a fire who's going to take the time to look?

I then continued to ponder the situation thinking of the fire in the hotel

in New York State which claimed thirty and some odd lives, the MGM fire in Las Vegas, the New Year's fire which claimed the lives of small children right in our own backyard (New Brunswick), the fire in neighboring Highland Park which severely damaged the house which was luckily a daytime fire and the occupants were not at home, and then we all must not forget the Beechview Nursing Home blaze in Keansburg which claimed some thirty plus lives. Could something like that ever happen here at MCC? You bet! After all fire drills are not conducted.

I continued to internally debate the issue, concluding that Raritan Hall would be the most hazardous. The three thin staircases and thin hallways would hardly be enough to safely get the pushing, shoving, stomping, trampling herd of humans out of the building alive. Perhaps something should be done.

The other halls seem fairly adequate, but when a fire occurs and people are unfamiliar with the fire procedure, they panic. And what can the administration say to the dead student's parents, "I'm sorry, after all we don't conduct fire drills?"

I suggest that the administration take one good look at fire drills and fire hazards. Fire drills aren't only for grammar and high schools, they are for saving lives. And human lives are precious, so let's take the first step towards saving them.

Personals

Ron - It's lovely being your mother - "MOM"

Tony - you're right. Every boy needs a Mrs. Robinson.

To brite yellow bag - we're glad you're back. How was Asbury and C's W - your friends.

Amy - whereforth art thou? Cheryl.

To Donna - I love you.

Girls - I'm available for the weekends this semester - Huggy Bear.

Kenneth Johnson - Happy Valentines Day - OXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOXOX - Angel. Your secret admirer.

Karl Towns - Happy Valentine's Day! with plenty of love. - Tywana.

J.L. - A Happy 3. - Clark

Alas, poor Wully; I knew him well.

Sue C. - You're the best looking girl in CJ - your secret admirer.

Lady skiers - remember to keep your tips up.

Penny P. - You're the queen of the campus; can I be your king, maybe for one night? - the court jester.

Denise - your outfits drive me wild. So do you - your compulsive looker.

Denise - please talk to me.

To the twins who wear the JFK jackets - I know one of you is seeing someone, but what about the other one? - A person who wants to know.

How was your Thursday, Frick? No car?

Frack does it better!! Jay?

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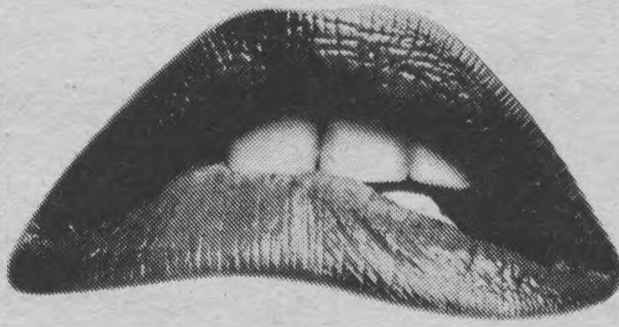
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