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the community of American schools." Healey v. James, 1972

Free Student Paper

Woodbridge geyser leaves campus dry

By Erin Ansley Editor-in-Chief

The bursting of a Woodbridge water main Thursday, September 24, quickly turned MCC's parking lots into what looked like a miniature evacuation drill for Hurricane Georges.

At approximately 10 am, school officials notified students that they had to leave campus immediately. The resulting rush quickly clogged each of MCC's exits with long lines of cars.

"We closed the school for health reasons," MCC Chief of Police Joseph Oberc said. "We didn't have any running water, so we took what we felt was the best course of action."

Melissa Buckley, a second-year sophmore, said most of the students in her philosphy class welcomed the news of the closing.

"As soon as we were told that school was closed, I heard cheers in the back of the room," Buckley said. "I felt like a kid in grammar school waiting for a snow day."

Oberc said he had not seen anything like the campus shutdown in years.

The most interesting aspect of the entire day was how chaotic the parking lot was by 10:30 am, he said.



Photo by Charles Garcia Old Faithful?

MCC students were sent home Thursday morning after a water main ruptured in Woodbridge, causing the school to be without running water. The pipeline pictured above is just a sample of what occurred because of the watermain break. According to the MCC police department, the water was turned back on later that same day.

Traffic on campus was backed said. up for at least an hour, he said.

Even though police posted "school closed" signs at all entrances to the school, many cars still attempted to enter school grounds, Oberc said.

"What made the situation slightly crazy was that you had students leaving because of the evacuation and, at the same time, you had students trying to get into the college to attend classes," he

Some students were pleased with the early release, but many were not so pleased with the traffic on campus.

"Move your damn car!" one driver yelled as he blew his horn repeatedly.

Repairmen had fixed the water problem by noon, but school officials waited until the following day to reopen the school for safety reasons, MCC police said.

Bakum and freeholders dedicate LRC

MCC President John Bakum and other administrators held an opening ceremony for the Learning Resources Complex (LRC) Wednesday, September 23.

At 4 pm, approximately 150 students, staff and members of the community toured the new complex, witnessed an official ribbon cutting for the Instructional Resources Center, and listened to commemorative speeches by Bakum and various other members of the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

"The star of today's ceremony is the building behind me," Bakum said during his speech.

"With this resource in place, we have enhanced the ability of our faculty to offer courses and programs that will truly prepare our students for the demands of the 21st century," Bakum contin-

David B. Crabiel, director of the freeholders, spoke after Bakum and assisted him in the cutting of the ribbon.

After the speeches, guests were treated to refreshments and another tour of the new complex.

Incoming dean shares academic vision

By Erin Ansley Editor-in-Chief

After sorting through more than 100 applicants, MCC has chosen Bernedette Mendonez Russell for their new dean of the division of social sciences and the humanities.

Now she is attempting to battle both MCC students' academic problems and assist in decision making for the division of Social Sciences and Humanities.

Russell, who was recently chosen over roughly 100 applicants, now holds the position as MCC's Dean of the Division of Social Sciences and Humanities.

According to Russell, having the opportunity to work one-onone with students is the main reason why she accepted the posi-



Dean Bernedette Mendonez Russell

tion as Dean.

"Here at Middlesex, I am responsible for maintaining academic status and changing student's academic status," Russell said. "When students come to me for an appeal, I really get to work with them, and I get to know their problems."

"My ability to inspire the students is significant in this job; it makes me feel like I am contributing to something positive," Russell stated.

"This is one important element of who I am know," Russell continued.

According to Russell, MCC's Vice President Dr. Harriet Schwartz is yet another reason why she is taking on the MCC

"I felt good meeting with her," Russell said. "I felt that I could really work well with her, and that was really important to me, and my mission at MCC."

> Part of her overall mission is (continued on page 3)

Bakum announces contest to name Welcome Center

By Monika Hadaszy Staff Reporter

This spring, onstruction will begin on a new welcome center that will include a new college police department and the department of contracts and risk management.

Administrators have stated that they expect the welcome center to be completed in one year. However, this date is subject to change.

When the building is complete, the Woodbridge Avenue entrance to the college will have a whole new look John Bakum MCC's president said.

There is one slight problem, however. According to Bakum, the building may have a home, but it does not have a name.

Bakum is urging everyone, students and faculty members alike, to suggest an appropriate and permanent name for the building.

"We are looking for a name that conveys the message 'welcome to Middlesex County College', just not as long as that," Bakum said.

Since Bakum and other administrators working on the building project could not think of name, Bakum is running a "name that building" contest.

The winner of the contest will have his/her name published in FYI, MCC's campus newsletter.

Once the building is complete, the name will be placed in large letters at the front entrance. Even though the building is a John Doe, administrators have not postponed the date of construction. For the time being, Bakum said, the nameless building, is being officially referred to as the New Welcome Center.

cost approximately \$1 million.

According to Bakum, the 5500 square foot facility will be equally funded by New Jersey's Chapter 12 legislative program and Middlesex County. Within the space provided in the new center will be what Bakum refers to as "an appealing interior reception area," which is estimated to measure roughly 400 square feet.

However, the interior is not the main feature of the new welcome center. In this case, it is the exterior of the building that is the administration's main focus.

"The welcome center will not only be a welcoming building, but an information center, containing a driveup window as well," Bakum said.

Bakum added that the plan is to

When complete, the building will have a drive-up window with an efficient speaker system installed.

> "The drive-up window will have a better system than most fast food restaurants have," Bakum explained.

> Bakum said if all goes well, someone will be on duty at the welcome center 24 hours a day.

> Visitors will also be able to obtain campus necessities at the facility, such as coins for parking lots with coin-operated gates and campus maps. The public safety area of the facility will contain both the police department offices and locker rooms.

For more information concerning the new building or the name contest, call Jean Heller in the Academic Services Building at 548-6000, extension 7724.

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Students are encouraged to join clubs at activity fair

By Amanda Jones
News Editor

For the past 25 years, since clubs emerged on campus, the Student Activity Fair has been an annual tradition.

Club representatives use the fair to get students interested in joining their clubs by setting-up tables, so the club representatives distributing general information, both verbal and written, to students.

The purpose of attending college is not only to get an appropriate education, but it is also aimed at broadening friendships, meeting new people and becoming active in extracurriculart activities, Audrey Davis, assistant director of student activities said.

"College should be a place where you build your leadership skills, and stretch out and try new things," Davis said.

"The purpose of the Student Activity Fair, which is also referred to as the Students Service Fair, is to let the students know that there are services available to serve them," Davis continued.

In addition to clubs, Davis added, MCC library representatives, Counseling and Placement Officers and support groups attended the fair to assist students with any problems or questions they had about the school.

During the fair, clubs handed out general information to students and many of them had give-aways to gain the students' interests. According to Robert Vincent, vice president of the College Center Programming Board (CCPB), the CCPB gave away free key chains.

MCC's library contributed to

said the fair was an outlet to meet new people and to become more familiar with what activities are available for students.

"I thought the [fair] was wonderful. It was a great way to get to



Join the club!

Photo by Charles Garcia

Bronwnwyn Cerasoli (far right) signs up for the Art and Photography club while Colleen Chisom (Center) and Damion Providenti (left) look on.

the students' education by handing out free books. The Blue Colt Book Store joined in the spirit of giving by distributing goodie bags.

Free food and beverages were also part of the give-aways at the fair. According to Christopher A. Baile, MCC food services director, enough food was prepared to feed 2,000 people.

"We had hot-dogs, soft pretzels, nachos, watermelon, ice tea and lemonade," Baile said. Baile explained that based on the amount of people he served in one hour -approximately 1,500-- the fair must have been a success.

Freshman Susan Gustenhoven

know the different types of clubs that the college has to offer," Gustenhoven said.

One club that participated in the fair, Advocates for Students with

Learning Disabilities, was there to inform students about the resources available for students who need extra help in certain academic areas.

"Some students have [difficulty] reading in class or need extra testing time. This club is for all of us to get together and talk about different ways [students] need to study," club member Danielle Lizzio explained. "We also discuss ways to help them in tutoring as well as how to cope in a big class, as well as how to talk about their learning disability with [their] professors," Lizzio continued.

MCC alumnus Will Brown, the DJ for the event, stated, "I think it's one of the best opportunities for me to see how some of the students are progressing. A lot of students really don't know what the college has to offer, so this is a fine opportunity for the college to get in touch with newcomers."

According to administrators, the student's attendance made the fair a successful event.

Students invited to MCC's first welcome dance

By TJ Duddy Staff Reporter

The College Center Programming Board (CCPB) and the Social Committee will kick off the 1998 fall semester with a "Welcome Dance" October 2 in the College Center.

For \$5 students will have access to cafaterias B and C beginning at 8:30.

Overseeing the event is Robert Vincent, CCPB President.

He stated that he is looking forward to launching the first major event of the fall semester.

"This dance will be a great time for new and old students to meet new friends and get to know a little more about the clubs on campus," Vincent said. "We are really looking foward to having more social interaction with the students at MCC."

Vincent added that this is the

first time the college is having a welcome dance.

The goal is to get more students to participate in school activities.

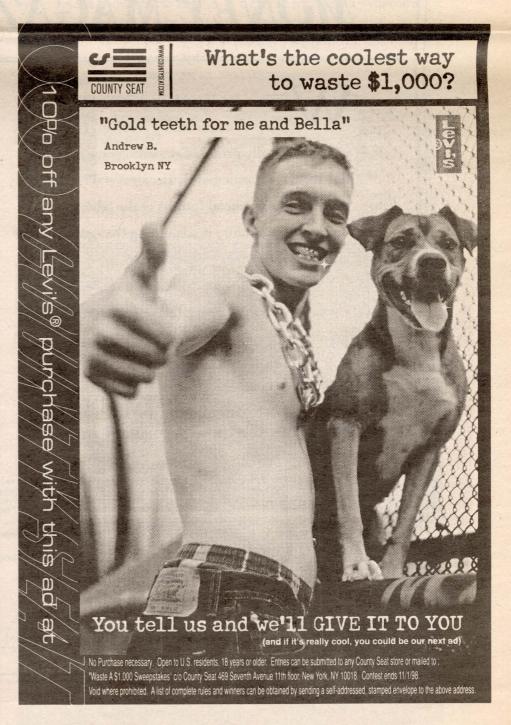
Equally excited about the event is first year CCPB treasurer Erin McManus.

McManus said she has high expectations and hopes the dance is the first of many successes this semester.

"This is my first semester on the CCPB and I already feel that we are going to accomplish great things, and this dance is one of them," McManus said. "This is just the beginning."

Those who attend the dance will not only have the chance to party with classmates, they will also be making history.

Vincent explained that all students in attendance will have the opportunity to sign a paper that will be included in the Class of '99 time capsule.









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Information Superhighway or information road block?

During the third week of school, the new computer lab in the Instructional Resouce Center (IRC) was closed due to technical difficulties.

Students who were attempting to conduct research, do homework or simply check their E-mail were surprised when they were greeted with a sign reading "Out of Order."

Many students began questioning how this was happening at a time when MCC was advertising the school's technological advances? Isn't MCC supposedly driving down the information superhighway?

Luckily, repairmen were on the job within a short period of time and fixed the problem before the official opening of the building on September 23.

It certainly would have been embarrassing for the school if one of the building's main features wasn't working when hundreds of visitors were touring the complex.

Although the administration ran over a few information speed bumps so early in the semester, it appears as though the situation is currently under control. Now students are flocking to the lab every minute of the day. It is wonderful to see the money invested into the new facilities was worth while.

There are many people who cannot afford the luxury of owning their own computer, let alone having Internet access. These are the students who should really take advantage of the facilities in the IRC.

These are the students the administration thought of when they built the IRC. The money was definitely invested for the betterment of the students.

It can easily be said that the administration is taking steps towards improving the overall learning atmosphere on campus. If this takes a little bit of money, than so be it. At least the money is being invested wisely

So long as the administration tries its best to make this campus a better learning environment, they are bound to face a few road blocks along the way. As long as the administration sticks to the main roads, MCC and its students will greatly benefit.

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Health Watch

Beware of the "Chinese Restaurant Syndrome"

By Brenda Cooney

Staff Writer

Students may find getting an A on their next exam easy if they eat enough of the proper foods.

According to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), a food additive known as Monosodium Glutamate (MSG) can stimulate brain cell activity.

This additive can be found in certain Chinese food recipes, a variety of fast foods and in other foods.

Unfortunately, the FDA has declared the substance, which is made from chemicals, dangerous because it can cause a powerful drug reaction in those who consume it.

MSG is also known to enhance the flavor of foods, but at the same time alter the physiology of the body's natural state.

In essence, a student may be able to increase his brain cell activity, but not know how to handle the reaction that his body has to the change.

By the time he realizes what he has experienced, the brain cell activity has returned to its normal state, leaving the student with nothing to benefit from.

Because of this, many medical professions have cause to be concerned.

In 1990, the Department of Health & Human Services, Clini-

cal Nutrition Assessment Section, released a table of reported reactions to MSG.

Some of the most common adverse effects from MSG are said to be Fatigue, vomiting, abdominal pain, chest pain, impaired vision, difficulty breathing and swallowing as well as over 10 other reported symptoms.

Everyone of MSG's victims will have a different reaction to MSG

And all pregnant women are cautioned to avoid eating foods containing MSG.

In July 1995, the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology reported that the population of "pregnant women, infants, children and women of childbearing age should avoid the use of MSG."

Most Chinese restaurants have restricted the use of MSG after the allergic reaction was coined the "Chinese Restaurant Syndrome."

But there are still many restaurants who ignore the information and continue to use the substance in their food.

For more information about MSG or if you would like to receive additional information about MSG, contact The National Organization Mobilized to Stop Glutamate at www.nomsg.com or call 1-800-BEAT-MSG (1-800-232-8674).

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Incoming dean shares her academic vision

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to work with administration and faculty members, such as Schwartz, for the betterment of the entire division.

Russell, the once Dean of Arts and Sciences at Onendaga Community College has many ideas on how to improve the division, and said she believes she has a lot to contribute to the school in its new stage of development.

However, Russell said she is determined to incorporate the ideas of the entire staff in the division to meet their short and long term goals.

Russell explained that before she would initiate any changes, she would like to make sure whatever she implements is in line with the divisions major concerns and coincides with the major direction its members would like to take.

"My leadership will be to enable them to get to where they want and also to share with them my thoughts on how to improve the division," Russell said. "I will work with them as a team."

"I have my own ideas but will not impose my ideas if they are quite far from theirs," Russell continued. "I want to make sure we meet somewhere in the middle."

According to Russell, the key to reaching her goals is to fully dedicate herself to the school.

"I want the college to become part of my life. I feel that I have to give as much of myself to the college as possible so that I will be able to respond to everyone's needs," Russell said.

Russell also stresses the needs of students the most.

According to Russell, it is time for MCC's students to be brought to a higher level of learning.

Russell said the humanities, which is a major part of a liberal arts education, is an important component in the education of all students, including engineering and technical students.

Russell pointed out that through humanities classes, such as history and political science, students learn more about their lives and which direction they are headed.

This is what she considers to be the "beauty of the humanities discipline."

"Learning is an opportunity for students to look at the meaning of their whole life and their whole existence, and try to obtain an understanding of what their contribution to society will be, whether it is professionally or privately," Russell said.

Russell said she views the importance of an education in two ways: the ability to love learning and the ability to take that love of knowledge and apply it to real life.

"The liberal arts is not just knowing the nuts and bolts of a very specific skill," Russell said. "I would like the students to have a love of learning in all areas."

However, Russell wants students to realize that applying their education to real life does not only mean using their education to get a job.

"Hopefully the education that

the students get from Middlesex is one that can be translated into bigger than just a job," Russell said. "I hope that by the time students leave Middlesex, they will be able to see things differently, with a wider perspective and a better understanding."

Russell also said she wishes she could meet each and every student at MCC to find out what they would like to get from their education.

Russell admitted that this was impossible, but encouraged students to see her if they have any issues they would like to discuss concerning their education or their careers.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

from the files of Brenda Cooney

"The word impossible is not in my dictionary."

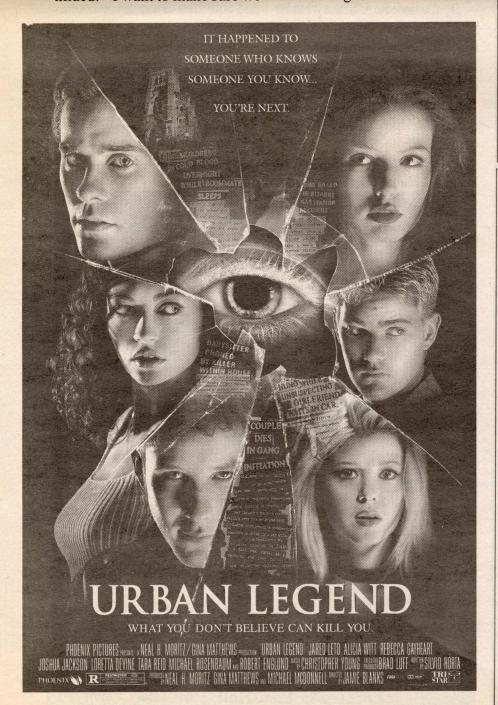
-- Napolean Bonaparte

WORD FOR THE WEEK

from the files of Brenda Cooney

acupuncture: healing art developed in China based on inserting needles in various parts of the body to relieve pain and release blocked life energy.

-- from the New Age Dictionary



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Entertainment

MAN Who turned the volume down on Pearl Jam? ADAD

By Erin Ansley Editor-in-Chief

What's worse than No Doubt played so loud you can hardly hear yourself think?

Pearl Jam played at a volume so low the music is almost completely muffled by the cheers from the crowd.

Unfortunately, this was the case at Pearl Jam's performance September 8 at the Continental Arena.

After years of anticipation, dedicated fans had the opportunity to see the band at Downing Stadium in 1996.

For many fans that was not an enjoyable experience.

In fact, many said they could hardly breath because the pit was so packed with pushing and screaming teenagers.

So, when Pearl Jam announced that it would be playing at an arena, people were ecstatic.

Many were happy to hear that they would be able to see the band live and not get crushed to death.

But, when Pearl Jam opened with

the first few notes of "Oceans," I couldn't believe my ears.

The music sounded as though it was coming out of one speaker.

Granted, Pearl Jam is not known for spectacular special effects, but they are certainly known for their great live performances.

At first, I thought the sound technician had made a mistake, and at any minute the music would be turned up so loud that I would feel it flow through my veins.

That is what the sound quality at an arena is usually like. Well, it never happened.

The music was loud enough to be heard, but it was not loud enough to create what I consider the "ultimate concert experience."

When I hear "Evenflow" live, for example, I expect the song to be so intense that it sends a chill down my spine and leaves goosebumps on my arms.

At Pearl Jam's show, the only thing sending chills down my spine was the horrible singing from the fans seated beside me.

On a more positive note, the band played a full set of at least 20 songs, a wide variety from each of their five albums.

This was notable because after a band has five or six albums, it tends to ignore the songs offits first couple of albums. Pearl Jam did not make this mistake.

It knew that fans would be just as interested to hear songs from <u>Ten</u> and <u>Five Against One</u>, as they were to hear songs from <u>Vitology</u> and <u>Yield</u>.

And it was just as exciting to hear "Rearview mirror," "Alive" and "Nothing Man" as it was to hear the newer songs.

The icing on the cake was when they decided to play "State of Love and Trust." I was shocked that they gave the fans a treat such as that.

Some still weren't satisfied, though. Many audience members were waving signs around that read "Breath."

Some people just don't realize that you can't always have the cake and eat it, too.

Eddie and the rest of the band confessed that they did not remember how to play the song, but that they would play a tune with the word "breath" in it.

Most people knew that the only possible song they could play was "Elderly Woman Behind the Counter in a Small Town," and everyone was right.

At that point, I was satisfied with their performance, but I still couldn't stop thinking about how low the music was played.

I couldn't tell if other fans realized what I observed about the sound quality or not.

It seemed that, even if they did notice that the music was about 10 decibels lower than it should have been, they were rocking out to the music just the same.

Overall, I enjoyed the fact that I had the chance to see Pearl Jam again. I hadn't seen the band since Lollapalooza II.

What made the concert a bit more pleasurable and took my mind off of the volume of the music was the lead singer of the band, Eddie Veddder.

He is still quite the character.

He has that same "I don't really give a s**t" attitude. Too bad he didn't give a s**t about the volume of the music, either.

Horoscopes for Sept. 28-Oct. 4

Libra

(September 23-October 22) You're the center of the universe in your birthday month. Go stellar with some sort of make-over. You don't have to change drastically. We all know celebrity skin detracts too much from your talents.

Scorpio

(October 23-November 21)

Make a greater effort at school midweek for a larger reward. Get lucky with Jupiter in your house of romance and take a risk. Play it smart and avoid letting the house swindle you.

Sagittarius

(November 22-December 21) Planetary opposition presents you with an opportunity. The path isn't as well lit as usual. Watch out for trip wires and cracks along the way. Extra effort, generosity and compassion always lead to a blinding reward.

Capricorn

(December 22-January 19) Strap into your car and mark your destiny to the farthest star. With little holding you back, take some time out of your schedule and do some sightseeing.

Aquarius

(January 20-February 18)
Try keeping most of your money at home or in the bank. This way, you're not so tempted to spend it all on novelty items from the 25-cent machine. You're friends are up to something, so expect a nice surprise.

Pisces

(February 19-March 20)
A memory is in the making for you and for the people who matter the most. Don't suspect the worst because of how happy you are. Bask in how great everyone feels and looks.

Aries

(March 21-April 19)
A voice over reasoning tempts you

to bite the forbidden fruit. Don't be silly when it comes to whoopie. Plus, relax in the arms of the stars this week when money and success come crawling your way.

Taurus

(April 20-May 20)

Use your charm, artistic talent and gift for promoting your assets this week. You may infuriate your partner in the process, but this will sidestep a situation that reeks of B.S. Deal with it and get more in the healing process.

Gemini

(May 21-June 21)

Good fortune and educational opportunity are your ticket to ride. You are power hungry and will soon have the chance to excrete all you have taken in. Take note of how you look and feel on higher ground.

Cancer

(June 22-July 22)

Make plans now, even if they are a bit extreme, before Jupiter's protective vibe fades and you find that you've blown an easy opportunity to prosper. You may have to fight for every step and move you make.

Leo

(July 23-August 22)
Luck is a two-way street for you right now. Go with your gut reaction. If you have a vision, act on it.
The results will blow your mind.

Virgo

(August 23-September 22)
Friends and peers offer more than the usual disco and trite conversation. You're staring at the dance floor of your desires. Spend a little time and raise some money for behind the scenes prospects.

WMCC's Top Ten song list for the week

- 1. Brandy and Monica— "The Boy is Mine"
- 2. Noriaga— "What, What"
- 3. Janet Jackson— "Go Deep"
- 4. Kelly Price— "She Was a Friend of Mine" (remix)
- 5. All Saints— "Never, Ever"
- 6. Alliyah— "Are You That Somebody?"
- 7. Madonna— "Power of Goodbye"
- 8. Jennifer Paige— "Crush"
- 9. Hannah Jones— "You Only Have to Say You Love Me"
- 10. Dru Hill— "All About Me"

Colts prepare for another season of MCC soccer

By Bill Ruetsch Contributing Writer

MCC's 1998 Colts soccer team is returning to the field after their finest season in the college's history.

Topping last year's 18-1 record, which was good for a final National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) ranking of sixth will not be easy.

But head coach and MCC alumnus Reza Saba is optimistic.

"We're young this year, but we've got excellent leadership from our returners, and we're using a more aggressive strategy," Saba said. "We will attack the ball a lot more this season."

"We're really gonna go after people," Saba continued.

Saba spoke about team veterans Matt Gallante, Jay Smith,

and Woody LaPointe, all of whom he feels will be the backbone of the Colts.

"All three of those guys were pivotal players last year," Saba stated. "And this year they've stepped up to the role of upperclassman. Our freshmen couldn't ask for better leaders on the field."

Smith, whom Saba feels is one of the team's best motivators, won second-team All-America honors last season.

He is also a mainstay on the Colt wrestling team, and missed All-America status in that sport by one victory at the nationals.

"Jay is a very intense individual," Saba said. "If somebody's taking it easy or doing it wrong, he'll get in their face."

"Matt and Wood are also hard competitors. They remember

what it's like to go undefeated most of the year," Saba added. "They felt that pressure and know how to deal with it."

The 1997 Colts were 18-0 going into their Garden State Athletic Conference (GSAC) final against New Jersey rival Raritan Valley Community College. They lost a tough contest, 3-2.

"Our veterans remember that heartbreak at the end of last year, and it's part of what drives them this year," Saba said. "And it helps them to push the new guys a little harder."

The Colt opened their season with a two-day tournament at Raritan Valley C.C.

Assistant Coach Nino Losito said the new team is looking good and is demonstrating a positive approach to soccer.

"We're very young, but we have a promising bunch of newcomers, so I think we'll be right in there," Losito said.

Saba shares his assistant's view of the team.

"These are two very strong teams, so our youngsters will have to be mentally tough," Saba said. "Our chemistry is better this year. Last year, we had to have 'head sessions' at every practice. Guys would get on each other for any reason, an untied shoelace, anything. This year's group isn't like that," Saba added.

The Region XIX Tournament will begin Monday, November 2 at the higher seed's site.

MCC will also host the Region XIX finals this season on Saturday, November 7. The time has not yet been set.

Lady Colts start season with double win in Maryland

By Bill Ruetsch Contributing Writer

The 1998 Lady Colts soccer team began their season on a promising note September 5-6 with a pair of shutout victories at the Montgomery C.C. tournament in Rockville, MD.

Middlesex, which finished 16-3-1 last year, blanked nationallyranked Essex C.C. of Maryland 2-0 in the opening round on Saturday, September 5, and drubbed Prince George's C.C., also of Maryland, 7-0 on September 6.

Leading the way for MCC was keeper Melissa Cascio, who notched 16 saves against a tough Essex offense, and was similarly stingy against Prince George's.

Striker Heather Adams netted both goals in the Essex win, while Kim Kottoff had a hat trick to lead the scoring against Prince George's.

Melissa Remoli and Adams each scored twice in that game.

"We're ahead of where I thought we'd be at this stage of the season," Head Coach Jeff Huguenin said. "I was very encouraged by what I saw at the tournament, but we still have a lot of hard work ahead of us."

According to Assistant Coach Kim Lockman missing from the scoring totals is the "phenomenal job on defense" performed by returning sophomore sweeper Megan Hann and freshman striker Kim Ancito.

"They were really great at denying our opponents the ball all game," Lockman said. "And Melissa Remoli was great at controlling the ball up the middle."

Remoli, Hann and Kotoff were joined by Jennifer Mahoney and Heidi Boleyn in setting MCC's offence-each recorded at least one assist.

Huguenin, whose 1997 team pects big contributions from certeams.

midfielder Laura Cariello and striker, Kelly Fitzgerald.

Last year's team finished third in the Garden State Athletic Conference (GSAC) behind state rivals Mercer C.C. and Ocean C.C.

"Our main goal this year is to raise our level of play to the same as Mercer and Ocean," Huguenin said. "We only have four returners from last season (Hann, Kotoff, Cariello and Fitzgerald), but they have been excellent leaders so far."

"And we have a great bunch of newcomers, so the chemistry is outstanding," Huguenin added.

Lockman was cautiously optimistic about the wins in Maryland.

"It's a shame neither of those teams is in our conference, but I was very happy with what I saw," Lockman said.

"But Drew will be a real challenge," Lockman continued. "Four year schools are tough because they can drop their upperclassmen down against us."

Lockman and Huguenin encourranked as high as seventh in the na- age all students and faculty to come tion among junior colleges, also ex- out and support their school's soc-



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