Julia Schmitt, a student in Morrisville State College’s travel and tourism—hospitality management program, enters data on a touch-screen system at the new Copper Turret Restaurant, which opens Tuesday. Hours of operation and specials will be posted daily on a sign outside of the new eatery.
RA of the Semester

The Office of Residence Life recently awarded the distinction of “RA of the Semester” to Curtis Thorpe for outstanding service as a Resident Assistant (RA) for the fall 2005 semester. As a returning RA for the department, Curtis has shown an unwavering commitment to the goals and philosophy of the Office of Residence Life. He has served as a strong mentor for newly hired RA staff and is a role model and leader among the returning staff members. Curtis has made a significant impact in the lives of his residents by creating an atmosphere of support and community within his building. Through his personality, poise and actions, Curtis remains a positive figure for the entire campus community.

Coming soon,
Morrisville State College athletic teams will be sporting a new look

To commemorate the Athletic Department’s impending move to NCAA Division III competition in the fall, Morrisville State College has redesigned its athletic logo. The new Mustangs logo, designed by the college’s graphic designer, Bill Goloski, features the profile of a streamlined, fierce-looking mustang. The diamond shape of the logo coordinates with Morrisville’s State College’s logo, the letter “M” superimposed onto a green diamond.

Morrisville State College will enter the NCAA as a provisional member during the 2006-07 academic year, fielding 17 varsity teams. Upon successful completion of this four-year period, the college will be a candidate for full accreditation. Morrisville State College previously competed in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA).

In accordance with NCAA regulations, provisional members are not allowed to be affiliated with any conference or participate in championship tournaments during the first two years of the provisional period. The Athletic Department is in the process of scheduling competition for next year. Future opponents include members of the SUNYAC (State University of New York Athletic Conference) as well as Vassar College, Skidmore College, Green Mountain College and Elmira College.

Institutional Review Board (IRB) Procedures for Faculty/Staff/Students

As the new semester commences, two sayings keep running through my head: “Don’t let your lack of planning become my emergency” and “in IRB-land, if it isn’t documented, it didn’t happen.”

An IRB is a federal/state requirement whenever human subjects are used in a project destined for a final report, publication, presentation, or shared information. The goals are to provide the Principal Investigator (PI) with IRB support through the reviewing process and to protect the rights of the human subjects involved. These goals require the following:

1. Participants must have reached the age of consent – in NYS that is 18 years or older or a signed informed consent form must be submitted by the parent/guardian.
2. Participation must be voluntary.
3. Written informed consent must be obtained from the participants and maintained by the campus Human Subjects Administrator (Ms. Marian Whitney) for three years. Risks to participants must be made clear to them. (Note: Anonymity or coding instead of names greatly reduces risk.)
4. Participants need to represent random selection. That is, a target population cannot assume risks by being in a project that is designed to benefit a larger population.
5. Part-time faculty members and student investigators require a member of the full-time faculty to be their sponsor.
6. Since so many IRB members are faculty, we do not meet in the summer or during breaks. The IRB requires two weeks lead time to process an application for review.

Please contact me so I can help expedite your project’s consideration by our IRB.

Dr. Shirley A. Crawford, Chairperson

WCVM Media Job Openings
WCVM Media has openings for volunteer DJs, music staff members and television producers! Two recruitment meetings are scheduled for:
Thursday, January 26, at 1 p.m., Room 125, Charlton Hall
Tuesday, January 31, at 1 p.m., Room 125 Charlton Hall
All participants who are registered for WCVM production lab will earn one academic credit toward graduation. For more information contact WCVM Media General Manager Jenn Skeldon at skeldo50@morrisville.edu.

WCVM Media is “The Vortex” ... and we have arrived for 2006!

Attention EOP Students
Announcements:
New Procedure for EOP BOOK MONEY
You MUST meet with an EOP counselor before your book money will be released!
EOP counselors will be available on Monday, January 23, in the STUAC gym at registration and their offices in Crawford Hall.
Once you have met with an EOP counselor, you will be given a book release form to bring to the campus store to purchase your books.
Mandatory meeting for ALL EOP students:
Tuesday, January 31, 2006 – 1:00-1:50 p.m. – Crawford 107
or Thursday, February 2, 2006 -1:00-1:50 p.m. – Crawford 107
(You MUST sign up for this meeting with an EOP counselor. You are only required to attend one of the two meeting dates.)
At this meeting, we will discuss important information related to your academic success here at Morrisville State College.
Any questions, problems, or concerns, contact the EOP office (315) 684-6075.

Aaron Lehman, of Alfred Station, N.Y., takes a break after setting up his shelter on campus. He is majoring in landscape architectural studies.

Morrisville State College Institutional Review Board
E-mail address: crawfosa@morrisville.edu
Telephone: (315) 684-6142
Looking to earn extra spending money?
Join the Spring Phonathon Staff!

Fill out an Application/Availability Worksheet, and pick up an Information Sheet at the Alumni/Development Office in Bailey Hall, Room 101, by Wednesday, February 8.

The Spring Phonathon will begin on Monday, February 13, and end on Thursday, March 16.

All students interested in being a Phonathon Caller must attend a MANDATORY training and interview session from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 9, in Bailey Hall, Room 106.

Phonathon callers earn $7 per hour, and may earn additional prizes throughout the campaign.

Work Study Positions Available
There are still several work-study positions available. If you are interested, please stop by the Placement/Transfer Office, located on the third floor of the Whipple Administration Building, to see if you are eligible. You can do this weekdays from 8:30 a.m. – 12 noon and 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Morrisville State College Alumni/Development - Fostering Relationships and Finding Resources
Please consider volunteering with the Spring 2006 Alumni Phonathon. Research has shown that Phonathon calls made by faculty and staff volunteers result in the highest success rates. Donors respond most positively when called by people they have something in common with, so to maximize the success of our Phonathon, volunteers would be asked to make calls relevant to their department and/or interests.

Funds generated by the Phonathon, an important part of the Morrisville College Foundation’s fundraising campaign, provide scholarships for students in need.
and enhance programs on our campus.

The Phonathon, which begins on February 13 and ends on March 16, runs from 6 until 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday evenings. In addition to faculty and staff volunteers, paid student callers staff the Phonathon.

Please call the Alumni/Development Office (extension 6218) to schedule volunteer time for the Phonathon. Any and all volunteer callers are welcome throughout the five weeks of the campaign.

**Promotion Considerations**
The following has been transmitted to the President by the Promotion Committee for his consideration in the 2005-06 promotion process.

The following faculty are highly recommended by the Promotion Committee for promotion:

**For Assistant Professor**
Ms. Patricia Payette

**For Associate Professor**
Ms. Joan Dannenhoffer
Dr. J. Thomas Hogle
Dr. Lenno Mbaga

**For Professor**
Dr. Victoria Fry
Mr. William Snyder

_Art Thompson, Chair_  
_Promotion Committee_