**MUPD Safety Officer Injured by Drunk Driver**

**Paul Williams**

A Long Branch resident has been charged with drunk driving after colliding head-on with a University security vehicle, injuring a member of the University police force near the intersection of Palmer Avenue around 11:40 p.m. on Saturday, April 19, according to William McElrath, Chief of the University Police Department.

The suspect, 32-year-old Francis Bebout, was driving a 2012 Dodge Charger southbound along Larchwood Avenue when he crossed over into the oncoming lane and slammed into the parked security vehicle, a 2008 Ford Escalpe. Safety Officer Michael Cittadino was sitting in the front seat of the security vehicle and sustained injuries from the impact.

Lawrence Mihlon, West Long Branch Police Chief, said Bebout traveled approximately 62 feet in the wrong lane and pushed the Escalpe about 16 feet along the road before it smashed into a piece of the fence between Kessler Field and the baseball field. Mihlon said it’s not known how fast the Charger was traveling at the time of impact.

After the collision, Cittadino called in to the University police by radio to indicate he was involved in an accident. Bebout also used the officer’s radio to make sure the University police would respond to the scene, McElrath said.

University Sgt. Milton Morris, Patrol Officer Jim Gaul and Safety Officer Mike Tallarico responded.

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**Heartbleed Bug Breaches Security**

**Angela Cirialo**

One of the largest security vulnerabilities the internet has ever experienced allowed thousands of websites to be susceptible to hackers as a result of a flaw created in the open SSL server over two years ago.

The Heartbleed bug had the potential to affect 66 percent of websites worldwide, Edward Christensen, Vice President of Information Management, said in an email to University students on April 22.

“The Heartbleed bug has the ability to send an invalid heartbeat message to a server and retrieve 64k of information stored in the memory. Jan Rohn, a specialist professor in the computer science and software engineering department, said the information returned from the 64k that was stored may include the encryption keys for that network which, if retrieved, allows the hackers to read the encrypted information being shared,” Rohn explained. The information that is shared through a network often includes user passwords and other personal information which would be accessible.

“ Wass this flaw did was allow the potential for somebody to get the encryption key which is really another way of saying they get the magic decoder ring and they can read all the messages coming in.” Christensen said.

Therefore, all of the information that is being communicated between the user and the server through the website has the possibility of being accessed as a result of the Heartbleed bug.

Christensen explained that if a hacker had access to the server’s private key and determined a way to intercept the messages being sent between the user and the website, the hacker would be able to obtain the information being communicated.

Also through this server, the hacker would have the ability to access the information from all people who log into the website using that server, therefore they now have the keys to that website and the ability to retrieve the passwords of all the people that log in to it, Christensen explained.

So far, the Washington Post has confirmed one hacker that used the Heartbleed flaw to obtain information. A 19-year-old Canadian man, Stephen Arthuro Solis-Reyes, was arrested on April 15 and the computer he used to hack into the server was seized. The Washington Post reported that the Canada Revenue Agency found that Solis-Reyes stole 500 social security numbers using Heartbleed.

On a scale from one to 10, the Heartbleed bug has the potential to be a nine or a ten in terms of severity, Robert Casey, Director of Server Operations for MUPD.

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**Can Beats by Dre be Beaten?**

**Charlie Battis**

Beats by Dr. Dre have become the preeminent headphone in the entertainment industry. According to the retail analysts group NPD, Beats accounted for 64 percent of the headphones selling for over $100 in the U.S. in 2012. Beats electronics owned 51 percent of the entire headphone market in 2012, according to beatsbydre.com.

The latest headphone developed by Beats Electronics is the Beats Studio, which is currently priced at $299.95.

With the value of Beats Electronics Company surpassing a billion dollars, there is some quality to their headphone but considering the steep price of nearly $300, does the Beats Studio have the best value on the headphone market?

“The problem with the Beats headphone is more about the durability and the pricing,” said Michael Clarke, a sales associate at Radio Shack. “If you compare Beats with other headphones like Skull Candy or Sol Republics, you can get pretty good headphones for at least $100 to $150 cheaper, whereas with the Beats, they are really good headphones, but they are really not worth 300 dollars,” said Clarke.

Stephen Nowack, a sales leader at Best Buy, offered a similar sentiment about Beats headphones. “In my opinion, Beats are a good quality headphone but I also think there are other headphones that are made with just as good of a build for less price,” said Nowack. “The problem with the Beats headphones

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Matthew Lawrence Receives Home Grown Feature Award

JESSICA ROBERTS
CO-POLITICS EDITOR

Specially communication professor Matthew Lawrence was awarded the Home Grown Feature Award at the University State Film Festival for his film “Two Pints Lighter” on March 23. Lawrence, who teaches video production courses at the University, said he wanted to try directing and producing a feature for quite some time.

“It was not that point, I had produced several shorts, so this seemed like the next logical step,” said Lawrence. “By sheer coincidence, around this time, I read a short screenplay that a friend of mine had written and really enjoyed the premise. I then developed that idea into what is now ‘Two Pints Lighter’ with the help of my best friend, Ryan Conrath, who also plays the lead in the film.”

The film’s mission was to “promote the art of filmmaking on all levels by showcasing a wide variety of film, video, and animated works as well as provide educational programs in the creative arts to the public by industry leaders,” according to their website.

“Professor Lawrence is a very talented filmmaker, and this award is recognition of his considerable skill and creativity.”

CHAD DELL
Chair of the Department of Communication

Lawrence said even with all of his production experience, he did not anticipate how much of an undertaking the film would be. “The film took me about three years (of working on it consistently, mind you) from the initial idea to the first screening we had in Asbury Park last March,” said Lawrence.

According to the festival’s philosophy, the film festival was created to “pay tribute to New Jersey’s legacy as the birthplace of the American filmmaking industry in Thomas Edison’s Menlo Park.”

The Home Grown Award category is given to recognize films that are shot at the University. Lawrence

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“The film’s production and distribution efforts are an important part of the festival’s mission to promote and celebrate the independent film genre.”

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Information Operations, said, “I know that most people in the IT community saw this potential and had the proper patches on the security hole before many hackers had the chance to exploit it.”

The Heartbleed bug was announced to the public on April 7 and is claimed to have created secure software that was at risk. The Heartbleed bug was the result of accidental oversight by the OpenSSL program, said, after viewing the actual code responsible for the security hole.

“The [programmer] had submited his work on December 31, 2011. His work was subsequently reviewed and approved by another OpenSSL team member,” Carsey explained, which lead him to believe that the server flaw was an accidental omission.

The OpenSSL v1.0.1, which contained the Heartbleed bug, was released to the public on March 14, 2012 as an update to the previous OpenSSL server. The OpenSSL v1.0.1 was later updated to fix the Heartbleed software to ensure information through websites that were affected by Heartbleed.

Heartbleed is a bug in the OpenSSL software that is used to send information through HTTPS websites. The bug was discovered by Edward via the creation of the vulnerability and the OpenSSL team was notified.

“The Heartbleed bug is a severe bug is because a hundred of thousands of websites use this software, and some of these websites are Google, Yahoo, Pinterest, Dropbox, and American Funds are just a few of the many websites affected by the Heartbleed bug, according to mashable.com. Some bank websites that were affected by the Heartbleed bug include TD Bank, American Express, Bank of America, and Wells Fargo, and many more. Some of these websites are used by millions of people. The Heartbleed bug allows attackers to access secure information on the website, said Carsey.

According to Mashable.com, a list of websites that were not affected by the vulnerability. Websites are included as Google, YouTube, Pinterest, Dropbox, and

Three University communication students will be the first in the New Jersey region to take the PRSA Certificate Test in Principles of Public Relations (APR), according to Carsey. “If you are seeking an APR, can use the certificate to demonstrate your knowledge in public relations as a stepping stone towards it.”

The certificate is for students’ five week preparation for the test, which they must take within six months, as soon as possible. Even a couple of the students meet on a Saturday morning with Simon and Dono.

Chris Carsey, a specialist professor of communication and the President of the Public Relations Students Association of New Jersey (PRSA NJ), said, “I expect that our students who took the Open Public relations tests for this certificate and the three girls wanted to take advantage of the opportunity.

This certificate enables these emerging professionals a more competitive edge in the job market,” said Carsey.

Simoes and Mary Harris, a specialist professor of communication who is a member of the Seton Hall University, said, “The Open Public relations test is a reliable source to fix the problem.

Carsey, who also believes that it is safe to change users’ passwords, recommends users download the Chrome website bug and type in a website to learn if it is at risk.

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EDWARD CHRISTENSEN

Three senior communication majors, (left to right) Killian Fernde, Jessica Rinaldi and Brittany Bogdan pose alongside University professors Mary Hans (top left) and Kristine Simoes (top right).
The University’s HERO Campaign Committee hosted its 5th annual event at Jack’s Goal Line Stand on Thursday, April 17 to raise awareness about the need for sober drivers.

Grey Mejia, a designated driver and recipient of the HERO Campaign award in 2011, said it is important to make people conscious of the effects of drinking and driving, and what they can do to prevent it.

“The group is important because it raises awareness for a serious issue, which is drinking and driving, especially on college campuses where drinking is a part of the culture,” Mejia said. “The more people who can get involved, the better the message can be transmitted.”

During the event, members of the HERO Campaign asked guests to sign a pledge stating that they would not drink and drive. If participants signed, they were given a free slice of pizza from Jack’s. The group also handed out wristbands, stickers, t-shirts and cab vouchers as prizes for games like skee ball.

Steve Dowens, a University graduate assistant working for the Office of Student Affairs, said the group has a close relationship with Jack’s Goal Line Stand, which helps the office to support their cause.

“When someone makes the pledge, the HERO Campaign honors that support with items or prizes that further promotes designated driving,” Dowens said. “Jack’s also offers free soft drinks for anyone who mentions they are the designated driver for the night and the drinks come in a HERO Campaign cup.”

Dowens believes the event at Jack’s Goal Line Stand is one that has a positive influence on college students. “Promoting designated drivers at a bar has a different and hopefully stronger effect on people than if it were on campus,” added Dowens.

Kately McElroy, a senior psychology major, agrees that having the event at a bar is beneficial. “Most of the time people are going to need a ride home because they’ve been drinking, and having the event at the place where it actually happens just reiterates the fact that we need to be smart about our decisions,” she said. “It’s right in our faces – if you drink, you need a sober driver.”

The HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers is a non-profit organization that reaches further than just the University’s campus. In the past few years, the University’s Office of Substance Awareness has worked to promote this campaign on campus through efforts such as the HERO awards, collaborating with local high schools and sharing the stories of designated drivers in the area.

“The organization was created in honor of John Elliot, a graduate of the Naval Academy, who was killed in 2011 by a drunk driver that was previously arrested on DUl charges, heroescampaign.org states.

The website explains, “The HERO Campaign for Designated Drivers seeks to end drunk driving tragedies nationwide by promoting the use of safe and sober designated drivers. Our goal is simple: to register one million designated drivers and make having a designated driver be as automatic as wearing a seatbelt.”

The University’s HERO Campaign group began in 2007. The students who join must comply with a lifestyle that includes driving sober, being a designated driver, and not letting friends drive drunk. The HERO Campaign committee on campus meets Wednesday’s at 3:30 in the Student Center.

Suanne Schaad, Substance Awareness Coordinator, said she believes the group has made an impact on students drinking and driving since the group’s start in Fall 2007.

Schaad said, “It is hard to capture the exact number of students who have changed their behavior, but we are hopeful the messages we promote do make a difference.” She added “…we’re seeing students being more mindful and aware of drunk driving and wanting designated drivers.”

“On one really thinks [a drunk driving accident] will happen to them, but you never know, which is why it’s so important to be safe,” McElroy said.
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THE OUTLOOK STAFF OPINION

Oh MU, let us count the ways that we absolutely love you. Each week The Outlook staff picks a top-ic we like to discuss for the editorial. The topic is usually something we would like to see changed or something we do not necessarily agree with.

For this issue, we decided to talk about what we love at the University. We like to give credit where credit is due. With this being said, the editors were asked to pick one thing we adored about the University. This is what we came up with.

1. Getting involved in departments outside of your major

Not every major allows students to encour-age students with specific majors to leave their department and branch out. The University wants us to dis-cover what we like outside of our studies. There are several editors at The Outlook that are not commu-nication majors and if they weren’t able to branch out, the newspaper staff would be a lot less diverse.

2. The professors

The professors at the University are just as passionate about their field of study as it makes each class enjoyable. They even find time to attend events outside of class time which proves this even more. It also shows that students really do not have an excuse for not getting involved outside of the classroom. The professors’ overall experience in their specific field is also admirable. Students know that they are learning skills from actual professionals, not just a person with a degree.

3. Workout facilities

Students and faculty are not just limited to using the machines at the Fitness Center to workout. They are able to travel through other pro-grams and clubs. One editor that is a part of the debate team was able to travel to California with the club for an academic trip. There are options available to their students, “Whether it is a professor, a student, an administrator, or someone on staff, everyone is so willing to offer a helping hand or to throw you a smile or a ‘Hello,’” said one editor.

4. The beach and the campus scenery

These are both usually obvious reasons as to why anyone loves the University. Really though, who could resist a school so close to the ocean? Or a school covered in not only gorgeous flowers that spell out MU but also beautiful historical build-ings that we actually have class in?

5. Small community feel

We appreciate that we are not just another number or another face in a giant lecture hall. Professors know-ing us by first name and the small class sizes are nice and comforting. It makes us feel like we are part of a community only other students and faculty can appreciate.

6. Willingness to expand

“As much as the execution is questionable, I love the fact that they want to grow and make more options available to their students,” said one editor. The construction is all worth it in the end.

7. The endless possibilities

Not only do we have that the beach is so close, but we love that there is so much to do on campus. From the Pier Village, the Monmouth Mall and West End are just a few places for people to go when they have free time. Some schools are located next to nothing, so we can appreci-ate the city. The University is a home away from home for us to put in here but the University would just not be the same without its crazy squirrels. “One time I was reading a book under a tree and a squirrel came by my feet and bit my shoelace,” said one editor. “It was one of my favorite mom-enents here: goosh, I love my four legged friends.” The squirrels here cannot be found anywhere else and because of that, we love them.

8. Opportunities to travel

The University’s study abroad program has a lot to offer with countries like Italy, England, Spain and Australia. However, students are able to travel through other pro-grams and clubs. One editor that is a part of the debate team was able to travel to California with the club for an academic trip. They were compensated for their time. In many more ways there are options through the University that students can take advantage of.

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Speak Up Against Violence

NATALI GRECO

When we relate statistics to our everyday lives, it hits harder and the crime no longer seems like such a strange statistic. The National Coalition against Domestic Violence also reports that 85 percent of domestic violence victims are women. That means women are the target of more than three-fourths of all domestic violence cases ever reported (we can guess that the numbers that most that number is if unreported cases were taken into consideration).

You might be thinking to yourself, "Is it possible for statistics to be so shockingly high when you have never even experienced any type of abuse?" Reason for that is because most women will be embarrassed to speak up to such experiences and it most cases it will take years before they speak out.

For you lucky for you, I know a marvelous young woman who openly offered her input without my request. The abuse this young woman experience caused a permanent damage on her perspective on life and those who surround her. She openly shared that the abuse "affected the way [she] thought about [herself] and it is hard to trust other people to [her]. It’s like an everyday battle." I was wrong.

I was wrong. I counterpointed anyone who has experienced domestic violence in their lifetime. Can you imagine that?

As I began to write this article, I was thinking to myself, "maybe the reason female abuse is not spoken or heard of as of much anymore is because it does not happen as often," but as I did my research, I quickly confirmed I was wrong.

According to the National Coalition against Domestic Violence (NACDV), one in four women will experience domestic violence in their lifetime. Can you imagine that?

I was wrong. I dealt with three younger sisters, so we are a total of four sisters. Statistically, one of us is a victim of domestic violence. When I think of it that way, I cannot help but freak out a bit.

The statistics on female abuse are in fact scary, but they are nowhere near as scary as reality.

The Shock Value of Cursing

ALISON GOERKE

The Struggles of Internships

ALYSSA GRAY

I wanted to take the time to acknowledge the assistance of a group of “Good Samaritan” students who came to the assistance of a motorcyclist who was struck by an automobile on May 11th. On May 17, 2014 at 8:07 PM, a motorcyclist had stopped at the red light just outside the entrance to the North campus. The vehicle behind the cyclist was unable to stop and struck the back of the motorcyclist injuring the cyclist.

Upon hearing the crash, a group of MU students, some of them volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT’S), immediately came to the aid of the injured party. They began to render first aid and secure the scene until the University Police, West Long Branch Police and First Aid responded and took over. The individuals involved were Bradley Rubin, Christopher Tappan and Andrew Ruckriegel.

As Chief of the University Police Department I naturally hear complaints whenever one of our students acts inappropriately. Sadly, we don’t always hear of the many good things our students are doing to positively impact the community, even though these positive actions occur far more often.

On behalf of the Monmouth University Police Department I would like to acknowledge and thank those students who selflessly came to the assistance of an injured motorcyclist. The individuals are a credit to their families and demonstrate exactly the spirit and service of our student population. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

William McElrath
Chief of Police

The Struggles of Internships

ALYSSA GRAY

COMICS EDITOR

I hate internships. There it said. That is it. No more holding back. That is it. There will be no reason for me to add more to this sentence of the reason I hate internships. It is because there is no point in having an internship. The reason that I have had for the past three years is because I have had to if I want to graduate. For me, it is a mandatory requirement for graduation, but for others it can be a major detour on the road to achieving your goals.

"You won’t even stand a chance of getting a job without any internship. You would just be standing there for no reason. You would be stuck at McDonalds with a bunch of other people who didn’t get a chance to get internships. But you do get a chance to get internships. You have to make some change, you just have to get out of the house," Rebecca Stafford Student Center Patio. Don’t be another uncounted statistic, have your voice be heard.

The Struggles of Internships

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It seems like a lot to ask full time students who have jobs, extracurricular activities, family responsibilies, papers, tests, allergies, romances, one night stands, a part time job, but somehow manage to get through the major of a student who are able to make sure that 129 hours of that time into completing an, often, unpaid internship.

That is unless you’re a psychology major, then it’s all just a mere 60 hours. So let’s go back to that whole choice of criminal justice then it’s a nice relaxing 80 hours.

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Here we go again, yet another "Obamacare" case. Just a couple of months ago, another case of the federal government treating the Constitution like its toilet paper. In March 25, the Supreme Court heard its oral arguments from the owners of Hobby Lobby and the federal government. The issue is that the owners of Hobby Lobby are being forced under the Obamacare mandate, to pay for contraceptives in their employees' health insurance. The mandate includes 20 forms of government approved contraceptives. The Green family, owners of the company, are refusing to provide any of those forms of contraceptives because they believe that they are similar to abortion, which is against their religious beliefs. Hobby Lobby's opposition argues that the company is itself violating the rights of its employees but that is not the case. In fact, the owners of Hobby Lobby's rights are the ones being infringed upon and here's why.

The first two clauses of the First Amendment state "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." Clearly this law violates the Free Exercise Clause. Hobby Lobby, a privately owned business which gives the owners the right to run it as they please, as a religious non-profit organization. The Obamacare mandate, however, is in direct violation of federal regulations. The Obamacare mandate is a federal regulation. However, the difference between this regulation and any other federal regulation that could be drawn. When will enough be enough?

Lastly, the law gives the company a choice of not providing health insurance which would result in paying a $2,000 penalty for every employee. However, they won't have to pay health insurance for their employees. It could hurt Hobby Lobby if they suddenly decide to stop providing health insurance. They would have to make up for the loss they could hurt their business. This doesn't seem like much of a choice to me.

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A California congresswoman has announced plans to introduce federal legislation to toughen laws against what she called an "epidemic" of sexual assault on college campuses.

In an appearance at the University of California at Berkeley this month, Rep. Jackie Speier, D-Hillsborough, said she would press for additional outreach.

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Director of Outreach for Vegan Outreach

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**TAYLOR KELLY**

**LIFESTYLES EDITOR**

We’ve all heard the stereotypes about college meals. We’ve seen them in movies, TV shows, and commercials, so sick of canned soup and granola bars that you never want to see them again. But, there are recipes which will make you reconsider how you view the foods you once survived on.

A jar of peanut butter goes a long way. You can throw it under your desk and whip it out whenever you need a tasty topping on crackers, pretzels, celery, and pretty much anything crunchy you can think of. However, the delicious spread can be used in many other ways than its conventional use.

Spread the smooth stuff in between your French toast and drizzle it with chocolate for the ultimate sweet breakfast treat. Slather it between bread, top it on bananas or strawberries with peanut butter and chocolate.

For a sweet tooth, think about cream, meal,融入 into a sauce like pasta. You can even use this concept in a dessert, chocolate banana or strawberry lasagna. Rum or chocolate sauce can be used as a crust for a delicious dessert pizza.

Ramen noodles doesn’t only belong in the microwave. They may have been your go-to for all night study sessions, but you can turn them into a whole new light as hamburger buns. Cook the noodles without the seasoning, drain them, and mold them up into four sections. Place them on a plate, and top them with ground beef and cheese. Place on a baking sheet, and refrigerate until ready to serve.

Breaded pickle chips and Russet potatoes, to an unbelievable experience in a quesadilla form using banana or strawberry preserves. The People’s Grilled Cheese tops it with fig jam and brie cheese with fig jam.

One customer favorite is the Steak Herder. Onion strings, cheddar jack cheese, and barbecued chicken cordon bleu dish with the help of Campbell’s Cream of Chicken soup. Just mix the soup with white wine, shredded Swiss cheese, and baked ham to create a cheese sauce.

We have all eaten steak straight from the box, but there are better options. Layer your favorite cheese with yogurt and fruit for an instant breakfast parfait. You can also use pudding for a quick dessert. Speaking of pudding, many of us have probably eaten the pre-packaged containers when we were in the mood for something sweet. However, a healthier option of the classic treat is easy to make. SC 100 Coordinator Merrily Ervin teaches a cooking class at the University. She said, “I like to use tofu, instead of milk thickened with starch, to make chocolate pudding. This is quick and easy, no cooking involved. Just combine a pound of tofu, 1/2 cup sugar and 8 ounces of melted semi-sweet or bittersweet chocolate in a blender. Blend until smooth, pour into serving cups and chill for a couple of hours. You can add other flavorings such as cinnamon, cayenne, vanilla, even a banana!”

Who knew pizza could be made from cereal? Use, cereal, cheese, and chicken breasts.

For those who eat meat, but right on their branch menu you can find a section filled with salads. The avocado salad has a blend of mixed greens, tortilla chips, tomatoes, onions, avocado, and lime vinaigrette.

Grilled cheese with tomato soup is another option when you are not in the mood for a burger. But, these are not your typical grilled cheese sandwiches. The Fig-N-Brie tops bread with brie cheese and fig preserves. The People’s Grilled Cheese is filled with fontina, white cheddar, chives, and avocado.

All of the burgers at The Committed Pig are offered during both brunch and dinner. When you don’t make it to the restaurant on time for brunch, dinner has just as many options for you. With over 300 burgers options, you won’t even be able to choose where to start. The General is basic as you can get with American cheese on a potato bun. The Lilly-Dolly takes the same concept and adds fried pickle chips and Russian dressing.

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**EMILY SHAPIRO**

**STAFF WRITER**

Who needs to be in a common room at a residence hall or a lounge on a floor when you can be committed to the next best thing? The Committed Pig, located in Manasquan, NJ, will make you wonder how you survived the past four years. From late night Big Mac runs to Ramen noodle bars, The Committed Pig may promise a delicious plate of food.

Whether you head over to The Committed Pig for breakfast, brunch, or dinner, you are always promised a delicious plate of food to be placed in front of you. No wonder the pig is committed here.

**TAYLOR KELLY**

**LIFESTYLES EDITOR**

Manasquan Restaurant Offers Unique Burgers and Breakfast Options

The Committed Pig is a restaurant on her favorites list. There is plenty of time for you to make your way over to the burger and pancake house between the hours of 10 am and 3 pm, and reopens from 5 pm to 9 pm, or 3 pm on Saturday and Sunday. With options ranging from pork roll and cheese, to an unbelievably delicious plate of food, you can turn them into a whole new light as hamburger buns.

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STUDENT ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP RECEPTION
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On March 4, 2010, Boston's own Sammy Adams released his first album, dealing with "Boston's Boy." Nobody really knew who he was or where he came from, but after recently performing here at the University on Sunday, May 4 at Springfest, Adams had been accustoming the numbers when the debut of "Boston's Boy" topped the iTunes hip-hop charts in 2010. No one believed this underground college singer could be that successful so quickly. He did produce the figures to show he wasn’t lying and did not buy the records himself to get his album on the top of the charts.

I think that’s how he got his album on the charts.

“Boston’s Boy” shows Adams’ skill as a pop-rapper. Any song on his album is good for driving time. His music and lyrics relate to…they want the truth,” Adams says. “Chilling, hooking up with girls, getting hormonal and waking up with a headache, these are things every college kid does every weekend.” He connects with his fans and I definitely felt that was a listening to his music.

Just because some of his songs have that dance feel to it, I think both girls and guys can and are fans of his. Guy can look at him as someone who can be friends with and relate to exactly what he’s singing about. Girls of course can relate as well but he is also pleasing to the eye.

Latter in 2010, he created a de-luxed version of his album with four extra tracks. These tracks include "Still I Rise," "See Me Now," "Flys Jets Over Boston," and "Just Sayin." These songs fit right in with the others on his album.

Throughout 2011 and 2012, Adams released four promo-tional singles that were not on his album. These singles included "Blow Up," "Summer-time," “Only One,” and "All Night Long." "Only One" was his first single to receive attention on mainstream radio.

This EP was the start of his next step in his career. This year he will be releasing another full-length. One of the collaborations including Pharrell. He will also go on tour and of course stopping here at the Uni-versity along the way. His laid back, pop-rap style is definitely a good listen. I think college students especially, should give Adams a try.

See Adams perform on Shad-ow Lawn on May 4.
**Annual Bandau Exhibit Impresses Again**

**AMANDA KONTOR**

**CONTRIBUTING WRITER**

After enduring a long commute back and forth from school, Tommy Thron has become an avid gamer for both his senior and lifelong video game enthusiasm, likes to unwind with a new game on his PlayStation (his favorite video game is *World of Warcraft*). "What's strange about this is that, even so, that Diez won't be playing the game himself, but watching someone else play it.

He's not alone, as millions of gamers around the world are putting time and effort into stream their favorite games. "In a sense, Twitch has basically become a family," said Dietz.

Twitch was created by Justin Kan and Emmett Shear and launched in June 2011 as a gaming-centric subsidiary of live-streaming website Justin.tv, which Kan and Shear also co-founded. According to Twitch's "About Us" page, the website currently generates over $5 million in revenue per month.

Dietz learned of Twitch in June of last year through another popular video-based website he may or may not use YouTube. "There was a whole page about online gaming personalites, such as Crik and Tomatoshock (both of which regularly garner hundreds of thousands of views per video), began posting links to their Twitch streams, introducing Diez to his newest obsession.

"I remember the first thing I was a part of was a WOW ("World of Warcraft") stream done by Crik and where a couple hundred random people ran around the game trying to invade enemy cities," said Diez, chuckling to himself. "It was really funny, but internet stardom is hardly his motive for streaming, he prefers to just talk and play and have a good time."

"That's why I really enjoy doing it. The people to laugh was incredible," said Dietz. "I don't know, you kind of get to know your viewers, just talk and play and have a good time.

But while millions of gamers are connecting with one another through Twitch today, how long will it be until tomorrow's next-big thing comes along to make Twitch obsolete? According to Taillefer, a GameStop employee for six years, Twitch will keep growing not only with gamers, but with the gaming industry as well.

"I have no doubt in my mind with the way things are going now that Twitch will get bigger, especially considering the strides it made in such a short amount of time," said Taillefer. "Even the PlayStation 4 and the Xbox One allow you to stream games to Twitch with just the press of a button. It's undeniable to me that gamers will be streaming for a long time."

**PETER QUINTON**

**STAFF WRITER**

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**NEW SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE ALLOWS GAMERS TO STREAM EACH OTHER'S GAMES**

**STAFF WRITER**

With this focus on the player's experience and the variety of pieces at the exhibit, it is easy to see that there is a common thread of themes but different ways of materializing them. This is a testament to Landau's talent.

For this reason, if you have the opportunity to visit the exhibit while you're in the library, you should not pass it up. Sustaining your attention—"just a minor point to the artistry and imagination of Jacob Landau cannot be the harvest of this exhibit coming from writing papers and pouring over textbooks as finals loom on the horizon, but also a thought-provoking journey that might permanently change your perspective on war, peace, existence, and morality."

With that said, being head over "...the Judgement of War" this week to make your own judgment of Landau's various works of art, before it's too late.

"A Judgment of War" is part of the Global Understanding Convention (GUC). Landau's work has been annually exhibited at the University as part of the GUC for the last five years. It is on display in the Library exhibition gallery until April 25. To immerse yourself even further in the experience, you might consider making an appointment to talk with Professor Susan Douglass for times. If you need any more convincing, it's completely free.
The University’s Study Abroad program allows students to travel to England, Spain, Australia and Italy (above).
Imagine the anxiety and unease felt when you are undergoing any number of stressful situations. The discomfort experienced during those moments is not generally thought of as beneficial and if anything, is considered the complete opposite. It is therefore incredibly surprising that progressing stem cell research has shown that some normal cells subjected to stress can develop back into their embryonic or stem cell state.

While normal body cells have specific functions in specific areas (such as liver cells, cardiac cells, or muscle cells), stem cells are unique in that they are able to become any other type of cell. This research has thus far been done on mouse spleen cells and has delivered positive results.

Such a transformation from somatic or body cells to stem cells could allow for successful life-saving regeneration treatments. These treatments would involve patients fixing damaged areas of their bodies using their very own transformed cells.

Furthermore, a successful method of transforming body cells would allow for access to a form of personalized medicine. This would involve individuals being able to have treatment specific to each one of their health requirements, and it would also eliminate complications often faced by transplant patients whose bodies sometimes reject or have difficulty accepting cells from outside sources.

Dr. Dorothy Lobo, a biology professor, said, “Blood cells are so prevalent, sequences it will entail.” Discoveries like these are what make the idea of medical research so exciting for me. It’s amazing to think that even things like stress, which we believe mostly negative effects, could lead to such life changing research. It will be interesting to see this research progress because of all the beneficial consequences it will entail.

There is an entire world of regenerative medicine that is waiting for research such as this. Kerianne Fuoco, a sophomore, is more clinical in her thoughts and said, “Blood cells are so prevalent within our bodies that to be able to manipulate them into becoming stem cells is a revolutionary concept. It could quite possibly rid the need for organ transplants because individuals would be able to grow their own tissues. Also, regenerated embryonic cells that allow us to create our own tissues would marginally cut costs for expensive surgeries and that saved money could go towards important research such as this.” Indeed, the probable consequences of this research, if it prevails, are astounding. As we apprehensively watch for where this research is heading, we must stop to appreciate the wonders that our bodies are capable of.

**Research has shown** that normal body cells subjected to stress can revert back into their stem cell state.

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**Sociology Club**

We were just accepted into the NCSA (National Club Softball Association) Mid-Atlantic North conference for their 2014 - 2015 season. This means we will play schools such as Rutgers, Rowan, SJU, TCNJ, Lafayette and others.

**Dance Teams**

Tryouts for the 2014-15 Dance Teams will be held on Tuesday, April 22 from 6:00 - 7:15 pm in Bey Hall. All are welcome to come and learn more about the Special Education Field.

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“It was wonderful to see fraternity and sorority members and their friends having a good time without liquor.”

DOUGLAS STIVES
Faculty Advisor for Alpha Sigma Tau

The Panhellenic Council celebrates 10 years of “Mean Girls”

HEATHER MUH
STAFF WRITER

The University’s Panhellenic Council hosted a “Mean Girls” movie night last Wednesday, April 16 for sorority members in honor of the movie’s upcoming 10-year anniversary.

At approximately 8 pm Wednesday night, sorority girls flocked to Wilson Hall carrying pillows, blankets, and snacks. On the bottom floor of the building, outside of the auditorium, there was a table and snacks set up for the girls to enjoy. Inside the auditorium there were rows of seats set up; however, many girls opted to set up their blankets and pillows on the floor and watch the movie from there.

The room resembled a giant sleepover party, with girls spread out all over the place and talking and laughing with their friends. Once the film began, the only talking to be heard was of girls quoting their favorite parts, such as, “Gretch-en, stop trying to make ‘fetch’ hap-pen!” and, “She doesn’t even go here!”

Panhel never had a movie night before, and it was a very successful event. “It was a lot of fun,” said one of the girls. Another girl said, “I really enjoyed the movie and the snacks.”

During the movie, there were a few contests for the girls to participate in. One of the contests was a “Mean Girls” trivia game, and the girls had to guess the answers to questions such as, “If you were stranded on a desert island and could only have one thing, what would it be?” One of the girls guessed a kitchen appliance, and everyone was laughing at her answer.

At the end of the movie, there was a raffle drawing for door prizes, which included $15 gift certificates to Scalia’s and Jr.’s. The winners were announced, and everyone was excited to see who had won.

Overall, the movie night was a great success. The girls had a great time laughing and enjoying the movie together.

The Panhellenic Council plans to host more movie nights in the future and to continue to bring fun events to the sorority community.

“I’m looking forward to hosting more events like this,” said one of the girls. “It was a lot of fun.”

The University’s Panhellenic Council is continuing to celebrate the 10-year anniversary of “Mean Girls” with more movie nights and events throughout the semester.

“The Panhellenic Council is looking forward to hosting more events in the future,” said one of the girls. “We’re excited to bring more fun to the sorority community.”

*Mean Girls* is approaching its 10-year anniversary, so the Panhellenic Council decided to showcase this classic film in Wilson Hall last Wednesday, April 16.
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SENIOR NICOLE MASSABROOK GETS READY FOR THE JOB MARKET AS SHE SHOWS OFF HER SNAPPY NEW BUSINESS CARDS. (PHOTO COURTESY OF ALYSSA GRAY)

JUNIOR MAGGIE ZELINKA CATCHES SOME ZZZ’S BEFORE GETTING BACK TO HER BUSY END-OF-THE-SEMESTER WORKLOAD. (PHOTO COURTESY OF ALYSSA GRAY)

STUDENTS JESSICA ROBERTS, MICHELLE GRUSHKO AND DAN ROMAN TAKE A QUICK SELFIE WITH PRESIDENT PAUL BROWN AND FORMER NEW JERSEY STATE GOVERNOR CHRISTINE TODD WHITMAN. (PHOTO COURTESY OF JESSICA ROBERTS)

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CASSE Y WOLFE  SENIOR EDITOR

Like many athletes, Craig Sweeney, an outfielder for the University’s baseball team, has been playing the game since he could only hit the ball off of a tee. However, as a senior in his fourth season with the Hawks, Sweeney has far surpassed his little league skill levels.

“I’ve played baseball ever since I was five years old when my dad put me into it and I just loved the game right away,” said Sweeney. “Once I got to about middle school, that’s when I knew I wanted to continue playing in college.”

Dean Ehehalt, head coach of the University’s baseball team, said that Sweeney’s greatest strength is in his offensive skills. He added that he has experienced a ballplayer has contributed to not only his success, but the team’s success. “He’s a hungry player, a very good offensive player, an explosive player; He has the potential to be a game changer,” Ehehalt said.

Unlike many students, Sweeney did not have a difficult decision with choosing a college. Deciding to be a Hawk seemed like an obvious choice to him. From Middletown, NJ, he said that the location and close proximity of the University were ideal, Sweeney added that he was familiar with some of the players on the team before his freshman year. However, Sweeney said the ultimate reason he decided to play at MU was “because they definitely gave the best opportunity to play and they have a winning tradition.”

Sweeney’s career thus far at the University can best be described as a standout one.

In 2012, he hit .288 with four RBIs in 28 games, 17 of which he started. In 2013, his average was .284 with 29 RBIs in 48 games, 47 of which he started. This season has produced Sweeney’s highest batting average in his collegiate career thus far, .343 in 28 games, all of which he started.

Not only does he lead the team in batting as a senior, he also holds the number one spot in slugging percentage (.509), on base percentage (.469), RBIs (21), home runs (3), and total bases (50).

“We coach him in practice; he does what he’s supposed to. He takes ownership in developing his skills and I just let him play in the game. We trust him in the game to do his thing,” Ehehalt said of the outfielder’s success and leadership.

With great talent and success comes great obstacles, and Sweeney has faced quite a few of them. Throughout his baseball career he has sustained about 10 injuries. Three or four of them required surgery. His senior year of high school was book shelved with injuries. In the beginning of the year, the outfielder hurt his shoulder and at the end of the year, he injured his foot. The latter injury required three surgeries, which still continue to cause the outfielder problems.

“He’s not 100 percent but he’s still working at it,” said Ehehalt. “I think that’s important as we move forward; he needs to not only work, but he’s been able to overcome some really bad injuries and contribute the way he does.”

Like most college athletes, Sweeney’s career thus far has been full of obstacles. While a player can work hard and play well, the ability to move forward with an active career after graduation from college is out of the hands, according to Ehehalt. “That’s something that college kids don’t control,” he said. “That’s under the control of someone else, whether they want to or not.”

According to a report released by the NCAA, only 57 percent of collegiate baseball players become professional. This does not mean they make it to the 30 Major League Baseball teams, but instead, it means that they ended up somewhere in the 300 teams’ farm systems.

“As far as this year goes I would like to see him hit .300 for the season, he can be, and in a couple years, be the person that he’s supposed to be back on that level to this point,” Ehehalt said of his outfielder. “My motivation is to finish the season strong is the game itself. It is driven by the desire to bring his team the most success possible.”

Whatever the situation is, if there is nobody on base and somebody out, my goal is to get on base. If there are runners on base, my goal is to move them over or drive them in and play defense, keep the ball in front of me, get a runner on every ball I can,” explained Sweeney.

Ultimately, he strives to bring home a championship for the Hawks. “That would definitely be a proud moment,” said Sweeney. “Individually I’ve had a couple of games obviously that were membrane that I’d like to have a championship.”

While Sweeney plays his fourth season with a full workload, he said that he has seen much improvement, mentally and physically. He shows how far he’s come in the last few years, never making excuses for himself. Though Sweeney has had some big injuries, he has also worked through it, never complaining or making excuses. “Hopefully his most defining moment is yet to come. Hopefully we won’t see his greatest moment yet,” Ehehalt concluded.

MU was able to win the series in a close game, a win over junior right hander Chris McKenna. McKenna threw seven frames in the shutout allowing five hits while striking out five. Senior southpaw Stephen Frey picked up his first save of the season at 3.00. McKenna ranks as the University’s top starter with a 3.66 ERA and a 2.62 ERA. Due to his performance, he was named College Sports Madison Men’s Baseball Player of the Week. M.U.'s two runs came in the first when Avella’s double drove in Sweeney and in the seventh when senior Steve Wilgus grounded out to end the inning.

Unfortunately for the Hawks, Fairfield did not stay staid by, instead tallied three more runs in the bottom of the fourth. The Stags then went on to win the game 5-3, handing the Hawks their first loss of the season.

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With the win, Hunt’s record fell to 2-0 on the season. Fairfield then furthered their lead in the third inning by getting LoPinto to strike out swinging. The Hawks had the bases loaded in the eighth inning but were unable to produce a run. The Stags scored their run on a wild pitch. Sophomore Connor White singled to plate Avella while senior Steve Wilgus grounded out to end the inning.

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Men's Tennis No. 2

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ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The men's tennis team finished their regular season by defeating the Quinnipiac Bobcats 6-1 on Friday, April 18. With the win, the Hawks improved from a 4-1 overall record while going 6-1 in MAAC play.

MU began the day by winning two of the three doubles matches to turn the doubles competition point. Fordyce and Radin then went on to split the matches, and the freshman duo of Przemyslaw Filipk and Bee Kuntshollet secured the doubles victory with an 8-2 win.

With the win, MU earned the second seed in the upcoming MAAC Championships. The Hawks will first match up with the Marist Red Foxes, a team that had seed two, with an unassisted goal by Ryan Schwartz to start the match, and the freshmen midfielder and co-captain Zach Johnson scored an unassessed goal in the sixth frame to end MU's defeat with a score of 9-6.

Senior first baseman Kaitie Underhill was both given the MAAC Track and Field Men's Outdoor Track Athlete of the Week for his accomplishments at the Grey-hound Invitational. He out-threw the field by 24 feet with a toss of 238'.
WE’VE GOT THEIR BACK

The men’s lacrosse team fell short in their comeback bid against Marist this past Saturday, April 19. Despite their 0-12 record, the team continues to show improvement and promise for the future as they finish their first year on the Division I level.

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