## Music Downloading Service Shuts Down for College Students

**GINA COLUMBUS**
**NEWS EDITOR**

As a surprise to college campuses across the nation, Ruckus, an online music service which enabled college students to legally download music, ended its operations on February 7th for license renewal reasons.

According to the article “College Music Service Ruckus.com Shuts Down” from TechCrunch, the music service did not pass its renewal date, and “the DRM licensing server has apparently shut down.”

Ruckus launched its ad-supported service to over 80 colleges throughout the United States and five state-wide network systems, starting at Northern Illinois University in 2004. The online music service is owned by TotalMusic LLC and based in Herndon, Virginia.

David Bopp, Associate V.P., Telecommunications and Network Operations, said that the university signed on with Ruckus about three years ago.

“At a time when the entertainment industry was increasing their efforts to eliminate illegal downloading of music, videos and movies, it afforded all students the ability to legally download music, ended its operations on February 7th for license renewal reasons.”

However, Ruckus was unable to play in accordance with MP3 and was not compatible with MACs, causing a mass amount of students to look past it and use alternative music downloading services.

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## Bringing American Education into the 21st Century

**FRANK GOGOL**
**EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

President Barack Obama announced his plans for education reform, which he predicts will also help revive the economy and the job market, before the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Congress on March 10 in Washington D.C.

"In a 21st century world where jobs can be shipped wherever there’s an internet connection; where a child born in Dallas can compete with children in Delhi; where your best job qualification is not what you do, but what you know – education is no longer just a pathway to opportunity and success, it is a prerequisite," Obama said.

"For decades, Washington has been trapped in the same stale debates that have paralyzed progress and perpetuated our educational decline. Too many supporters of my party have resisted the idea of rewarding excellence in teaching with extra pay, even though we know it can make a difference in the classroom. Too many in the Republican Party have opposed new investments in early education, despite compelling evidence of its importance. It’s more money versus more reform, vouchers versus the status quo. There has been partisanship and petty bickering, but little recognition that we need to move beyond the worn fights of the 20th century if we are going to succeed in the 21st Century,” he continued.

President Obama's plans are comprised of five reforms, each of which consists of broad and specific goals, initiatives, and challenges issues to the government, parents, and schools alike.

The first reform President Obama spoke about was the cutting of wasteful and sub-par educations programs. This task will be continued on pg. 7.

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## Public Policy Forum Held to Promote NJ Tourism

**TARA FANTINI**
**STAFF WRITER**

A public policy roundtable was recently held to discuss coastal tourism in New Jersey. The forum was attended by local and statewide tourism representatives as well as elected officials including Secretary of State Nina Wells and Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini.

Tourism is a $38 billion dollar industry that serves as a major contributor to our state’s revenue, which can greatly impact the economy. In New Jersey, one in nine jobs is tourism related, which accounts for 11% of people employed in the state. In addition, tourism funds $6 billion dollars in state, local and federal taxes.

The New Jersey Division of Travel and Tourism has launched forum continued on pg. 2.

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## Phi Eta Sigma Inducts 170 in First Annual Spring Induction

**MARY GRACE BAKER**
**CONTRIBUTING WRITER**

On Sunday, March 1, the Phi Eta Sigma (PES) national honor society welcomed 170 new members into its chapter at its first annual spring induction ceremony. This year’s inductees made history, as they were the largest group to be inducted and still in their freshman year.

The timing of the induction was changed from the fall of sophomore year to the spring of freshman year to allow the stu...
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“If a student chose to purchase a track (typically less than $1 per track) they could then load onto any mp3 player, burn to a CD or load into iTunes for playing on an iPod,” said Bopp.

Bopp also said that on-campus or commuter students had several options when it came to downloading music from Ruckus.

“A student could download exactly what they wanted to listen to, by selecting by genre, artist, or track title, or could also play any downloaded content for 30 days without being connected to the Internet. That meant you could download to a laptop and take your music with you. Because of Digital Rights Management (DRM) you had to use Ruckus, and could not think about downloading music to your cell phone or portable device,” said Bopp.

Bopp stated that there were many advantages for students to use Ruckus, and could not think of any disadvantages, because “the service was free and legal for all students.”

“Ruckus was trade free to all students who carried a valid college e-mail account, while alumini and university faculty were required to pay $9 per month. A brief notice was posted on the company’s website about the required to pay $9 per month.

The university is currently looking into other options for its students to be able to legally download music through the internet and to sell them up,” said Bopp.

“The message on Facebook stated: “Ruckus had to shut down the party due to over crowdedness. Please rock out to some music and we’ll get the party going again shortly.”

Jason Herskowitz, Vice President of TotalMusic LLC, stated a farewell to the now extinct music service.

“I only hope that someone else figures out how to crack this music-on-the-web nut in a way that is a win for everyone in the value chain. The problem is that to make a music service a win for everyone, then they all of the artists participants have to sit at the table - and be content to even though they are still hungry themselves.”

According to Bopp, other vendors were also looking into the university prior to choosing Ruckus.

“These vendors, many of which have either ceased operations or totally changed their cost model, did not offer any financial incentives, that is, the cost of a track was the same regardless of whether it was a single purchase by a student on his/her own or under a university wide purchasing agreement. Other vendors were willing to provide minimal discounts after charging large subscription fees.”

Although students’ usage declined with the service once Apple created the iTunes store with double the variety of songs, Ruckus was designed to help artists leverage legal and copyright issues on college campuses.

With the cease of Ruckus, freshman Geoff Navarro said, “I think without viable alternatives it leaves the idea of illegally downloading music a bigger option to students.”

An e-mail was sent out to all Monmouth students on February 9th to announce the shut down, and also reminded students of the banning of illegally downloading copyrighted material.

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Monmouth University Police Department

Crimes By Location

The Monmouth University Police Department is an armed, fully commissioned police force operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The department consists of 20 full-time officers and detectives, as well as the Student Life Officers, dispatchers, and traffic attendants. University police officers patrol the campus and off-campus residential facilities in marked patrol units, on bicycles, and on foot.

If you have any questions regarding the MU Police Department, or if you need any assistance, please feel free to direct any inquiries to 732-571-3472.

Tourism Panel

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an international marketing campaign, carrying the slogan "great destinations in every direction," in order to attract people to visit the Garden State. As part of their campaign, they revamped their website to include videos and photos from across the state. The site describes the Jersey Shore as, “more than 90 miles of pristine beaches, boardwalks, boardwalks, boardwalks, and a vast array of activities and attractions.”

It would be a wonder why the Shore Region is one of New Jersey’s most popular destinations, drawing hundreds of thousands of visitors each year.”

Wells explained that their mission is to, “change and further enhance the image of New Jersey to let people know about all of the amazing venues in our state. Our goal is to get people to think about New Jersey and have positive images come to mind, we need to let visitors know that we are much more than just the turnpike.”

The Division of Travel and Tourism is also focusing on building relationships with the Department of Transportation to promote the train stations along the shore that make it easy for people to travel here from New York City and Philadelphia. They are also distributing New Jersey travel guides at airports across the country.

“Public Transportation is a wonderful asset here in New Jersey,” said Wells. “We want to attract people to our beaches to get away to a close affordable destination instead of going to the Caribbean.”

Representatives from the Division of Travel and Tourism emphasized that our state has few venues that are one dimensional. We offer snowboarding, skiing, canoeing, kayaking, state parks, and a 127 mile coastline full of beaches.

In addition, Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini stressed the importance of promoting family friendly venues that cater to children and people of all ages to get them involved in all that New Jersey has to offer.

“It is very important for children to be active and get involved in learning about nature and the rich history of our state,” said Assemblywoman Mary Pat Angelini. “The unique quality about New Jersey is that our state offers many unique indoor and outdoor venues that cater to everyone.”

The panel also discussed New Jersey’s rich state that has museums, art galleries, theaters, golf courses, and wineries as we rank in as the fifth largest producer of wine. There is great potential for the the revitalization of tourism industry to continue to grow as 75 million people visited the state last year alone.

For more information on the “Great Destinations in Any Direction” campaign, please visit http://www.state.nj.us/travel/.

Check in weekly for information on volunteer opportunities both on and off campus.

Pennies for Peace: To celebrate the 200th Birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the Institute for Global Understanding is joining the New Jersey State Library, the New Jersey Library Association, and libraries throughout the state to help continue his legacy of education, equality, and peace. Bring your change to the Institute for Global Understanding office in Bey Hall 101A to contribute to the national organization Pennies for Peace. Proceeds will help build school libraries in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

For more information, please contact Dr. Rekha Datta at rdatta@monmouth.edu.

Sign Language Interpreter Needed: Family and Children’s Service is looking for a sign language interpreter to assist seminars and understanding insurance issues. A volunteer is needed only once or twice in Eatontown and must have transportation. If interested, please email Dr. Rekha Datta at rdatta@monmouth.edu with your name and contact information.

Search “Volunteer Directory” on the MU home page for more opportunities.

Questions? E-mail volunteer@monmouth.edu or stop by the Office of Service Learning and Community Programs, Room 301c in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center.

“Were born to unite with our fellow men, and to join in community with the human race.” - Cicero
MU Signs Memorandum with Universities in China

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change.

The Chinese University partners that signed MOUs are Nanjing University of Science & Technology (NJUST), Jiangsu Teachers University of Technology (JTUT), Guangdong University of Technology (GDUT), Guangdong University of Business Study (GUBS), and Shandong University of Science and Technology (SDUST).

Monmouth University’s Dean of School of Science, Technology, and Engineering (STE), Dr. Michael Palladino and Software Engineering Professor Jiacun Wang were in China from January 6-17.

While there, they visited eight institutions in six cities to participate in meetings related to STE student recruitment, opportunities for faculty exchange and collaboration and to formalize the MOU-partnerships.

While visiting Nanjing, China, Dean Palladino received gifts from NJUST Vice President Song for his efforts. Palladino commented, “During our trip we experienced vibrant campuses, faculty and administrators who are very interested in promoting exchange opportunities between our Chinese partner institutions and Monmouth University, and we met many students with a strong desire for an educational experience at Monmouth University.”

Palladino added, “We look forward to developing and supporting relationships with our MOU partner schools to create mutually beneficial opportunities for students and faculty.”

“The signing of these MOUs represents a very positive step in building cross-cultural understanding between the students at Monmouth and our partner institutes and bringing more students from China to our STE programs. It also provides a solid foundation for faculty exchange and other forms of mutually beneficial academic cooperation. The partnership will further expand the footprint of Monmouth University on the international landscape,” said Wang.

Wang and Palladino received a tour of NJUST lab facilities and a tour of Slender West Lake Park in Yangzhou.

MU undergraduate student applicant Jenny Gong went along with Palladino and Wang when they were in Yangzhou. Wang also talked about the fact that China is a big market for American institutes.

Many American institutes have sent delegations to China to seek the partnership with Chinese institutes over the past five years.

With the MOUs now in place and the following-up effort, Palladino and Wang plan to see the benefits in the near future to further benefit Monmouth University.

Dr. Palladino teaches undergraduate courses in biotechnology, endocrinology, genetics, and laboratory in molecular cell biology.

Professor Wang actually attended Nanjing University of Science and Technology in 1991.

“Chinese have always highly valued education. Recent years China has seen great and constant growth in economy, which makes it affordable for more and more families to send their children abroad for higher education. Personally I felt the change each time I went to China to attend academic conferences or visit my family,” said Wang.

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The HERO Campaign and the Office of Substance Awareness would like to thank all students who participated in the “Best Designated Driver Story” contest. We are proud to announce the winners;

First place and winner of a $100 Monmouth Mall gift certificate was Jessica Davis,

Second place and winner of a $50 Monmouth Mall gift certificate was Anthony Carlo

Third place and winner of a $25 Monmouth Mall gift certificate was Jessica Freeman.

Honorable Mention goes to Dudley North who received a Monmouth University t-shirt for his story.

The HERO Campaign promotes the use of sober designated drivers to keep drunken drivers off the roads. Please continue to be the sober designated driver for your friends and loved ones; you may never know what kind of story you will have to tell!

Congratulations to the winners and thanks again to all who participated!
The Outlook accepts articles and graphic material from students, with information concerning issues in and around the University (email outlook@monmouth.edu) by 12:00 p.m. Mondays to...
Britney Spears: Queen of Pop Makes a Comeback

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We can all recall the young teen who stole America’s heart while singing “Hit Me Baby One More Time” through the halls of a high school. Britney Spears, who became the center of pop culture, the center of media cruelty, and is now experiencing a comeback in her career; has earned my respect, along with all of her other fans.

Imagine leaving the house every morning to make a trip to the grocery store with a child on each hip and hundreds of people flashing cameras, shouting, screaming and even throwing objects, to simply get yourself to school in your direction. This is less than a typical morning for the pop sensation Britney Spears, who was clearly shown in her new documentary “Britney: For the Record,” that evoked the most emotional time in her life.

She was ridiculed for her performance, artistry, and her every move. She was forced to face them in front of the world’s expectations, by blowing cameras.

As Spears discussed her past in “Britney: For the Record,” she shouldered that same plateau before her. Her highly anticipated new album is said to be the comeback album of the year, which will showcase all of Spears’ effervescence, now in a different fortune lifestyle. Being able to transfer the media into empty homes, to the other side of the National Union of the Homeless, is a step we all need to achieve: to create a space where all will live for the best possible.

Willie Baptist, Scholar-in-Residence at the Poverty and Homelessness Initiative, noted that strong beliefs about ending poverty are now experiencing a comeback. Spears is a typical job, a student has much more freedom than they will achieve. Every day their highest school student sure seems to mirror the same lifestyle of someone in the job market. It has been said by many high school teachers for many years that high school teachers prepare young students for the world of what it ‘like at college,’ said Daniel Rowan, an English teacher at Audubon High School. “What I try to do is really prepare my students for what it’s going to be like.”

However, high school seems to not be the same. Perhaps teachers are preparing to transfer their students for the big world. Perhaps high school seems to be what prepares you for the real world.

In high school a student may be considered to be on their own, but they also are being concealed in their own little bubble. In college, the class schedules are structured towards an education at high schools, which seem to run almost parallel to the five-to-nine workday.

Around seven or eight, both wake up to prepare for the day, and pray that they are not late and will not be punished. There is paperwork to be done, gossip to share, and if some sort of occurrence happens during the day, both are pulled in to see some sort of supervisor.

While in college, a person is given much more freedom. They would have if they were living outside of their college bubble. While in high school or if they go to a typical job, a student has much more freedom than what is like in the world after college, a student must learn how to work within the confines of many different, possibly uncomfortable situations.

In high school, a student goes to the same place every day, has to deal with the same people, and if a problem arises, the supervisor must be contacted. “It’s really not much different than working in an office,” said Diane Johansen, a high school principal. “The only difference is that you have a million people working for you, and they’re all crazy.”

In college, a person has much more freedom than they will after they graduate. Every day their class is different, and there is a problem with a peer, students are urged to work it out for themselves.

As many have learned, college is a harsh world. If one class is missed, playing catch-up is never a fun game. However, high school seems to not be the same. Perhaps teachers are preparing to transfer their students for the big world. Perhaps high school seems to be what prepares you for the real world. There is one thing that all three cultures share, and that is the aspect of friends. A friend can give you the work you wish, will help you study, or get back at that evil co-worker or student.

When teachers try to prepare high school students for college and “the real world,” they personally wish they did not. If anything, college should be more like the structured environment at high schools, as that seems to be the basis for a working environment.

High School Better Than College

Why High School May Be Better Than Your Professor’s Lecture

SARAH JOHANSEN
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Bullies, report cards, peer pressure, oh my! The life of a high school student sure seems to mirror the same lifestyle of someone in the job market. It has been said by many high school teachers for many years that high school teachers prepare young students for the world of what it ‘like at college,’ said Daniel Rowan, an English teacher at Audubon High School. “What I try to do is really prepare my students for what it’s going to be like.”

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Obama Proposes Five New Reform Initiatives

President Obama's second reform initiative is to require states to use one simple criterion to determine which programs are cut and which are not working. The system has a dual focus: better standards and assessments that "don't simply measure whether students can fill in a bubble on a test, but whether they possess 21st century skills like problem-solving and critical thinking, entrepreneurship and creativity."

"That is what we will help them do later this year when we finally evaluate work."

Under the Obama proposal, teachers and principals get the funding they need to hire more teachers and principals, and the lengthening of both the school day and the school year to reverse what he called a "renewed focus on teaching excellence reform is irreversible. With resolve and the founding promise of our nation."

"If we can make of our lives," he said. "And I truly believe that if I do my part and you, the American people, do yours – then we will emerge from this crisis a stronger nation and pass the dream of our founding on to posterity, ever safer than before..." he concluded.
**Review: Triumph of Love**

**SARAH ALYSE JAMESON**

**OPINION EDITOR**

The Department of Music and Theatre Arts has opened its spring musical, Triumph of Love. This musical has a cast of 7 performers, a band who accompanied the entire play, and many workers behind the stage. “I cannot fathom the work that these performers and workers had to put in to create this play; it was wonderful.” Heather Postel, an MU junior, stated.

This performance kept the audience on the edge of their seats. “This was a fantastic play! I know that I have worked on, in college.” Vincen Crapello, Dimas (the Gardner) as well as an MU junior, stated. “The entire cast of Triumph of Love put on a fantastic performance.”

Elizabeth Spellman, Hesione (his aunt, a philosopher) as well as an MU junior, stated. “My brother Vinnie was a main role, and I know that he worked extremely well, after countless hours of work. Cody Ross Pitts, Agis (a student of reason) as well as an MU junior, stated, “What Vinnie said.” He completely agreed with what Vincent stated about the play being wonderful; everyone agreed that this was a superb performance. “The play was wonderful,” Nancy Clementy stated. Nancy was overwhelmed by her daughter’s excellent performance. “My Sarah was the best part!”

At the closing of the performance, all of the actors and musicians received such an uncontrollable cheer from the audience; they were all pleased. However, there were obviously many who contributed to this masterpiece. Everyone deserves a round of applause. Great job!

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For more information contact Patti DeAngelis, pdeangel@monmouth.edu (732) 571-7518
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FRANKIE MORALES  
STAFF WRITER

With a much deserved break behind us for all the necessary renovations necessary for your future enjoyment, “The Ground Floor” is announcing its grand reopening.

Just for stopping by, not only will you get fulfilled with the latest Shanigans in the world of music, but great deals on new artists and new shipments of music news. That’s right, your one stop shop for all things music related is back once again and we’re having a sale because today, we’re just giving the stories away. However, you have to act fast while supplies last, because this one is in hot commodity.

This week, we take a look at the commercial side of the music business and how bands and artists are cashing in and companies are cashing out.

With the economy acting the way it is, who can blame them. The first deal in our Ground Floor circular this week deals with one of the most iconic structures of New York City and across the world.

This past week, the Virgin Megastore chain announced that by June, they will be closing their doors…ALL their doors. The chain has been around for 35 years of making sure their stores were broken up into all the right floors and music genres, overpaying for the area their stores occupied as well as the growing trend of digital music buying and privacy has caught up with record giant.

After having 23 stores at its peak, the chain has been regulated to six over the years. Although, prior to the holidays, some hope that moving the Times Square store to a smaller, next-door location would help make the store as profitable as it once was, the dream was soon dashed. With things like this happening, keep your ears for news that the RIAA is taking a look at how…original.

One chain that seems to be making a move to utilize music to advantage (and considering how many I saw along the I-95 stretch, it’d be a big advantage) is the restaurant chain, Denny’s. First, the chain has launched a contest for bands on its site, known as the “Adopted Band” contest, where each month, fans get to vote on a band that the chain will adopt as its own. This means that while the band is touring the country, they will stop at Denny’s chains across the country and hosts after parties while eating a bunch of free food.

Certainly, Denny’s is working hard to provide a unique selection of food to fulfill a music lover’s appetite, for more information on the menu and Denny’s efforts, visit their site.

Speaking of Denny’s, no, they then proceed by launching a late night menu to capture the peck of college students and we all love our late night meals. Denny’s has looked towards music artists to spice up their menu.

The Denny’s All Night menu includes new dishes such as Hoobastank and artists such as Katy Perry creating their own concoctions that fans and food lovers alike can enjoy. Hoobastank’s “reason” to eat at Denny’s is their “Hooburrito” which is what happens when chicken, barbeque sauce, and cheese meet up with a burrito and a side of tortilla chips.

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Taylor Corvino
Entertainment Editor

Every Monday night millions of viewers watch them as Jay, Whitney Port's long haired Aussie boy friend on MTV's The City. When he is not running around the Big Apple attending parties and night clubs with young socialites, he is Jay, 1/2 of the rock band known as Tamarama. Occasionally featured on the show, Tamarama plays local gigs around New York City, but long before hitting the states Tamarama was stuck Down Under.

One of the few movies produced in Australia, Watchmen, the live-action adaptation of the graphic novel, opened this past Friday in theaters around the world and it lived up to, and exceeded expectations. Everyone does, or at least they should. Watchmen consists of longtime friends Jay Lyon and Nicolas "Potty" Potts who grew up on a small beach just outside of Sydney, coincidently called Tamarama.

The duo started out as models to help pay the bills, but being the starving artists that they were, they began writing music while living in Paris.

Their music has an extremely laid back beachy feel to it, which has been dubbed as "surf rock." Their sound is a reflection of their days living in the Australian surf. It is no surprise that some of their biggest musical influences come from Jack Johnson and Bob Marley. All of their songs make reference to the beach and falling in love. Their sweet melodies and smooth rhythm instantly puts you at ease. In their song called "Sunsets," the lyrics enhance your senses and make you envision hanging out at the beach on a hot summer day without a care in the world, "Come on sunset fill our eyes, we love to watch the clouds roll by." Now based on the complete opposite side of the globe in NYC, Tamarama is beginning to see what the trendy and diverse city has in store for them.

So far the guys have shot two music videos for the singles "Everything to Me" and "Middle of a Magazine." Both videos made sure to feature their favorite Aussie beaches, sticking to their roots. The actors in the movie are, for the most part, relatively unknown at this point, but they still hit ever beat. With a movie like this having been done somewhere in near future, the guys have strived to make the film their own.

The writer's note, or as the book is translated, should also be read and admired. The altered ending should also be praised for making the story more accessible to viewers. The original ending featured in the book is very dated and extremely rooted in the trends of late 80s comic books and would not have translated nearly as well to modern audiences. The ending is not, however, better than the original. It is on par with the original and more appropriate for 2009.

In the end, the movie ranks up there with the best of them. It would not be surprising to see this movie become one of, if not the, greatest movie of all time. It earns a 5 out of 5.

Nicolas "Potty" Potts (left) and Whitney Port (right) are two Aussie natives that create the band known as Tamarama.

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**COMPiled by: Sarah Alyse Jamieson**

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**Carl freshman**  
“I love the winter; I like the snow, but my favorite season is spring.”

**Meghan freshman**  
“I’m not a fan; I love the warmth.”

**Aly sophomore**  
“I live in Florida, and I hate the cold.”

**Sarah O. sophomore**  
“It’s crazy; warm one day then cold the next.”

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“Good thing it was warm for spring break.”

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SIGMA TAU GAMMA  
Sigma Tau Gamma would like to thank the entire Monmouth community for their support with our recent Induction Night on March 22nd. "Don't forget the Lyrics" which took place back on February 25th. The show was a huge success and all those who donated helped to raise over $1300 to support our charity, the Golden Gloves. big thanks to Chili's and Jr's for kindly donating the prizes which the winners of the show received. Without their support our winners wouldn't be able to enjoy the delicious food these restaurants have to offer! Thanks to everyone who participated and be sure to come back next year!  

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**Women’s Basketball Wraps Up Season With Gutsy Playoff Run**

ANNA SCHEFTER  ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Monmouth entered the Northeast Conference tournament as the fifth seed, which put them in a tough matchup with fourth-seeded Quinnipiac. The Blue and White won a thriller 69-67, as Marbley Montas stole the ball from Quinnipiac’s Erin Kerner on their last possession to seal the win for the Hawks.

The game did not look like it would come down to the wire early on as the Hawks led by 20, in the first half but the Bobcats would not quit in the posttina. The Hawks led 32-32 with just over 5 minutes to play in the first half. Quinnipiac then proceeded to go on a 10-0 run, that was capped off by a three pointer from Brianna Roney. The score was now 32-22 with 2:13 left in the frame. The momentum was completely shifted in the Bobcats favor as they closed the half on a 16-1 run, as the Hawk 20 point lead evaporated to 5 at half.

To open the second half, the Hawks showed their trademark resilience as they quickly brought the lead back to double digits. However, a 12-2 run again rallied the Bobcats, and chopped the lead down to two, with just under eight minutes to play. Freshman Alexs Scott, and senior Jennifer Brender proved to be too much on the other side of the pillow, as they connected on back to back threes, to push the lead to its largest of 11.

Speaking of Brender, she led all scorers with 24 points, and snapped her streak of 10 or fewer points as well. Lavia Barber showed senior leadership along with Brender, tallying 17 points and five boards. The win gave the Blue and White, their third straight round one win in the NEC tournament, and they also improved to 18-12 on the year. The victory moved the Hawks to face the top seeded, Sacred Heart. Entering, the game 2009 season on Friday, February 20, as they host future NEC opponent.

Monmouth had lost in the Semi- finals the past two years. Their opponent was not only the number one seed, and host of the tournament, but they had not lost a conference game the entire season. Despite the lofty odds, the Blue and White did not lay down for their opponent; instead they gave them all they could handle before running out of gas at the end.

Monmouth lost the game 64-54, closing out their season with an 18-13 record, tying them for the most wins in a season since 1967-88. 18 wins is quite an impressive record for a team who’s under its coach for a season.

The conference leaders, things well behind 8-0 out of the gate. Monmouth coming out a media timeout turned up the defensive pressure, as they held the Pioneers scoreless for nine minutes during the half, cutting the home team lead down to 10-4. After a Sacred Heart freshman, guard Alexs Canaday showed a veteran mindset as they capped off a 3-2 run with a three point buzzer sounder at the end of the half. Heading into the locker room the Hawks were down 21-19.

Lavia Barber was named to the NEC-Tournament Team after averaging 16 points and seven rebounds a game.

Baseball Named Preseason NEC Favorite; Starts Season 5-6

ERIC WALSH  SPORTS EDITOR

Being selected as the favorite in the NEC this season is an honor that baseball team is no stranger to. The Hawks have been billed as the preseason favorite in three of the past four seasons. And just as they did in 2008, Monmouth will be the future NEC regular season standings. Monmouth will look to live up to the coach’s predictions of the 2009 NEC season.

Although being the Northeast Conference preseason favorite to win the regular season league crown is certainly an honor, it has not trans- lated into an NCAA Tournament birth the past four seasons. Each of the four teams that have been named the preseason favorite has not won the postseason NEC Tournament. Monmouth was the last team to fall victim to this trend as they were eliminated by Mount Saint Mary’s a year ago in the championship series. The last team to turn their preseason favorite billing into a conference title was Central Connecticut State in 2006.

The defending regular season NEC champions have started from last year’s record-setting 37-2 season. Junior Ryan Buch and Brett Bruch, each that combined for 10 wins last year, will headline the 2009 Hawk rotation. Fellow junior Kyle Breese, who went 6-2 in 2008, will be the definite third starter in the rotation.

Even though the fielding and run 7 hitters from a year ago have been lost to graduation, reigning NEC Rookie of the Year Ryan Terry and NEC First Team selection Nick Pulisotetti both return for their sophomore seasons looking to fill the spots in the lineup. Both players ranked in the top-10 in the Northeast Conference in hitting, outsized and White offense that led the conference in runs scored with 337. The Blue and White started their 2009 season on February 20, at 27th ranked East Carolina. In the three games series the Hawks were 27-3, dropping all three contests. After a 12-day hiatus, the squad traveled south to Orlando to take on Central Florida for a three-game series. Once again the Hawks were outsized by the home team, falling in two of three games, dropping their record to 1-5. In their lone win, in the second game of the series, the Blue and White produced a season-high 11 runs and gave up only four. Buch earned the win for the visitors, giving up four runs in five innings of work. Before leaving the Sunshine State, the Hawks looked poised for bigger and better things in 2010, with the opening of their new home the MAC also on the horizon. Early on in their contest with Monmouth, Barber showed their trademark resilience as they quickly brought the lead back to double digits. However, Quinnipiac again rallied the Bobcats, and chopped the lead down to two, with just under eight minutes to play. Freshman Alexs Scott, and senior Jennifer Brender proved to be too much on the other side of the pillow, as they connected on back to back threes, to push the lead to its largest of 11.

Speaking of Brender, she led all scorers with 24 points, and snapped her streak of 10 or fewer points as well. Lavia Barber showed senior leadership along with Brender, tallying 17 points and five boards. The win gave the Blue and White, their third straight round one win in the NEC tournament, and they also improved to 18-12 on the year. The victory moved the Hawks to face the top seeded, Sacred Heart. Entering, the game 2009 season on Friday, February 20, as they host future NEC opponent.

Monmouth had lost in the Semi- finals the past two years. Their opponent was not only the number one seed, and host of the tournament, but they had not lost a conference game the entire season. Despite the lofty odds, the Blue and White did not lay down for their opponent; instead they gave them all they could handle before running out of gas at the end.

Monmouth lost the game 64-54, closing out their season with an 18-13 record, tying them for the most wins in a season since 1967-88. 18 wins is quite an impressive record for a team who’s under its coach for a season.

The conference leaders, things well behind 8-0 out of the gate. Monmouth coming out a media timeout turned up the defensive pressure, as they held the Pioneers scoreless for nine minutes during the half, cutting the home team lead down to 10-4. After a Sacred Heart freshman, guard Alexs Canaday showed a veteran mindset as they capped off a 3-2 run with a three point buzzer sounder at the end of the half. Heading into the locker room the Hawks were down 21-19.

Lavia Barber was named to the NEC-Tournament Team after averaging 16 points and seven rebounds a game.
March Madness characterizes the sports world as the NCAA Tournament continues to be the main event. The tournament is filled with excitement, suspense, and heartache.

March Madness is not only characterized by the love of the NCAA Tournament, but also by the analysts and coaches who predict the outcomes of the games. These analysts and coaches often have their own unique ideas on how the tournament will unfold.

The sports world has developed the term “on the bubble” for these hopefuls. Some teams are in, some are out, and others are still under consideration for a spot in the tournament.

The NCAA Selection Committee is responsible for determining which teams will make it to the tournament. They take into account a variety of factors, such as the team’s conference record and overall performance.

The Selection Committee rewards teams that have performed well throughout the season and have a strong record. However, some teams are passed over, leaving them on the outside looking in.

The NCAA Tournament is a four-round, single-elimination tournament that culminates with the championship game at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

The tournament bracket includes 68 teams, divided into four regions with 16 teams each. The top-seeded teams are placed in the best possible spots to make it to the Final Four.

The tournament begins on March 13 and concludes on April 6 with the championship game. The tournament is broadcast on ESPN, ESPN2, and ESPNU, with the championship game on CBS.

The NCAA Tournament is a significant event in American sports, and it is eagerly anticipated by fans across the country.
Led by the strong left arm of starting pitcher Nick Vallillo, Monmouth went 4-0 in Annapolis, defeating Navy and U. Mass twice apiece.

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