Black Maria Hosts 22nd Annual Film Festival on Campus

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Once again, attendees at the Polaski Theater were treated to an array of short films that left viewers pleased and/or perplexed when the Black Maria Film + Video Festival was presented on March 21. While not a festival in the traditional sense, Black Maria is a traveling film competition that is shown around the world, from Italy to Brazil, and has been held at Monmouth for 22 of its 30 year history. However, films shown at one location are not the same as ones presented elsewhere.

The 14 short films ranged from documentaries to experimental and lasted between two and 20 minutes. There was also a 10 minute intermission during the middle of the program.

The Festival began with an introduction from Donna Dolphin, associate professor of communications, coordinator and on-site curator for the Black Maria Film + Video Festival, and Louis Libitz, associate director of the Black Maria Film + Video Festival.

Dolphin, who in the past has been a pre-screening juror, explained her role in this program and what to expect from these films. She said, “This is work created by media makers... It’s done because there’s a message they want to disseminated.”

Libitz said that the festival began in 1981 and was named after the first film studio ever constructed, Thomas Edison’s Black Maria. He continued to say that between 750 and 1,000 entries were submitted and screened three times before the final films were chosen for this year.

The final film selections were made based on the scoring of the Festival jury. While no categories are labeled on the films, one of the short movies this year, “The Burning Wigs of Sedition,” was one of the short movies this year.

The Festival concluded on Monday, Bingo Night was hosted in Mullaney Hall, followed by a carnival themed dinner from Aramark on Tuesday to go along with the theme this year.

Members of Relay teams will be able to make spirit shirts to represent their teams on Wednesday. Loud Designs Company in Long Branch will be there to make shirts to represent their teams.

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In Anticipation of Relay for Life: Painting the Campus Purple

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Poet Andrei Codrescu Visits Campus

In an interview with Codrescu, he also unveiled his motivation: “I hated my stepfather and I also, at the time, had a good poetry teacher,” said Codrescu, “I would aimlessly walk around reciting poems from memory that she would often read aloud to the class.”

After having many achievements within the area of poetry, he branched out into the world of novels, screenwriting, and eventually received a job commen- tating at NPR, which he has been doing for over 20 years to date.

This particular poem he wrote, as he did for all his poems, by telling about the poems’ background or how they came about.

After the first panel regarding what could be done with a degree in Communication, there were separate panels on each cluster focus in communication such as journalism, public relations, television/radio, and communication studies. These panels provided students with information about the field they wish to pursue from alumni already in the field. Here, the professionals discussed how they got to where they are now and what students should do to get to where they want to be.

At 3:30 pm, the Club Dining Room began to overflow with professionals and Communication students from every cluster as they joined together for the networking event and for lunch. At the same time, students were given the opportunity to have their résumés reviewed by some networking professionals including Assistant Dean of Career Services William Hill.

The Career Event came to a close with the Internship Fair at 4:30 pm. Tables were set up around the corners of the club lounge and students were given the opportunity speak with representatives from organizations such as the Asbury Park Press, "Millennium Radio," "Millennium Entertainment," "Utopia Communications," and "WABC 7 Eyewitness News."- 

The Communication Event this year had an awesome turnout. I am so proud of our school for put- ting together such a wholesome, organized event and I felt it was extrem- ely beneficial for Communication majors," Kimberly Kravit, a sophomore communication major, said. "Since communication is such a broad area of study, it is important to lay a foundation of all the oppor- tunities. I feel so fortunate for being able to attend this event. It was ex- tremely helpful and I will absolutely be there again next year.

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Thomas personally admires Codrescu and said his appear- ance in the series can be noted as “the star appearance... There are few writers in the last hun- dred years that can do what An- drei does,” said Codrescu.

Codrescu’s first assembly was held on March 22 at 7:00 pm in Pellikah Theatre, “From Transyl- vania to New Orleans—A Poet’s Journey.” During his session he spoke of what it was like living under the rule of communism and leaving his homeland of Romania at the age of 20, as well as ex- plaining his opinions on the value of time now compared to how valuable it was back then.

Codrescu also expressed in his assembly how he got to where he is now. He said, “my greatest inspiration was writing and get- ting paid for it.”

Codrescu is currently working on the book, “Whatever Gets You Through the Night: Scheherazade and the Arabian Entertainment,” which is set to be released to the public this fall and is composed of three smaller books.

One book contains 1,001 nights of stories, another is cen- tered on how the 1,001 stories in the previous book came about, and the final book explains how the translation of these stories is produced into English through the mind of Codrescu.

Codrescu recently has been studying the new technology in which books have made the change from physical books to electronic.

In the future, Codrescu hopes to experiment with E-readers and getting his material sold electronically. Within this goal, he also hopes to get into the busi- ness aspect of his work, not just writing. He feels that by becoming a part of the business aspect he can, “cut the middle man out” by being directly responsible for his own work.

Codrescu said, “I want to ex- perience possible success for myself, even though that comes at the price of possible failure.”
A common misconception among students is the notion that professors can cancel class when they choose. According to most syllabi for courses at the University, students are permitted two unexcused absences without penalty, and will lose points for any absences after that. A student will receive a failing grade for the semester if they miss six or more course sessions.

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“We are pushing for 70 registered teams and over 700 participants because without participants and fundraisers this event would not be as successful as it has been in the past years,” Rohr said. The Colleges Against Cancer E-board works during winter break to brainstorm ideas for these events. “We tweak them slightly during the semester so that they will work for the campus. The whole committee Does this brainstorming so that we can work all together and have successful weeks,” Passalacqua said.

Junior Cody Watters is also involved in Relay for Life. “I really like to see all the various clubs and organizations participating, holding events to raise money for such a great event.”

The absence policy is set by the professor within the guidelines of their department policy and the University catalog,” said Stanton Green, the Dean of Humanities.

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We have considered excused. “Lately, students have been using court as an excuse to miss class,” said Dell. “That is not an excuse at all, even with documentation, is not considered excused.”

Illness is a common and understandable reason to miss class, but without documentation, is not considered excused. “It’s because we go to such a small school,” claimed Abolt. “Professors at Rutgers could care less if students went to class or not, but at Monmouth, because it’s so small, professors are on top of you with everything.”

Many students may be under the same impression that larger universities do not have strict attendance policies, or any policy concerning attendance whatsoever, but according to Dr. Dell, that is not necessarily the case.

According to Dell, who was at one time a professor at the University of Wisconsin, lecture halls were the only class sessions without an attendance policy because “It is tough to monitor 180 students.” In his six discussion classes, attendance was taken at every session.

“Attendance is expected no matter the class size,” said Dell. He added that many large universities have begun to take attendance in large lecture halls by scanning identification cards upon entrance to the class.

“We are an education institution here to learn. We expect you to be in class. If you’re not in class you must expect to pay the cost of that decision,” said Dell. He added that he is starting to see one to two students fail his course per year due to their attendance, or actually, lack of.

Kayla Gambino, a Monmouth University alumnus, graduated in May of 2010. According to Gambino, the right way. “I knew that some professors were more lenient then others but I never took advantage of anyone. I went to class unless I had a real excuse or could not bring myself to get out of bed. If the maximum number of classes I could miss was two, I used those two unexcused absences by the end of the semester. It was the only way I could keep my sanity.”

When University students were asked for their opinion on class attendance, many students felt that missing class should not affect their final grade. This is a common misconception.

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by banding together for “Take Back the Night” on Thursday, March 31. Sponsored by Counseling and Psychological Services and Residential Life, “Take Back the Night” is an international rally and march against sexual violence. The march will begin at 6 p.m. as women encounter while walking the streets at night.

The event is a way in which students can come together to take a stance against violence toward women.

This is the second year that men are also encouraged to participate. University Psychological Counselor Tom McCarthy says the event aims to bring awareness to rape, sexual assault, and assault against women. “We want to make it clear that there are not alone, it is okay to come forward, and there are people on and off campus to help,” said McCarthy.

The rally, which will begin on the steps of Wilson Hall, will be gin by celebrating survivors. The event’s opening remarks will be given to a victim and survivor of sexual assault. Following this, students will be given the opportunity to speak openly about their own personal experiences during an open microphone session. The platform will then go to students who have chosen to read poems, short stories, or statements of sexual violence written anonymously by others. After the conclusion of this part of the rally, the candle-lit walk will begin. The march will be a way in which women, with the help and support of men, can reclaim their safety while walking across campus. The march this year is also taking a social direction. The route has changed slightly, but this year’s march includes police officers who will give strategies and statistics at each stop along the way. The march will continue back to Wilson Hall for closing remarks. By banding together for “Take Back the Night,” students can show strength in numbers and feel more powerful by helping each other cope with assaults and threats. “I was an undergrad at Monmouth, but haven’t participated before. I have heard incredible stories from other kids about the speakers. I’m a social work major, and abused women, men, and children is something you see a lot of,” said Lorraine Leschhorn, a graduate student.

The event this year will also have some new faces, including New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NJCSA) and 180 Turning Lives Around, a private, non-profit company dedicated to ending domestic and sexual violence in local communities. Members from each of these organizations will be available to talk to, before, during, or after the rally at different times.

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“Denim Day” consists of a national campaign to bring awareness to rape, sexual assault, and sexual violence. On this day in 1991, a Rip for Peace campaign was launched by the National Organization for Women. The campaign was to honor “Denim Day,” but students and faculty members, including many who were raped, wore jeans to schools and colleges to support and show strength in numbers. They wanted to raise awareness about the issue of rape and to help prevent future occurrences. The campaign was so successful that in 1993, the National Campaign Against Sexually Violent Offenders (NCSV) developed “Denim Day” as a way to help victims and survivors of sexual assault.

Colleges and universities across the nation have continued to support the campaign by encouraging students, staff, and faculty members to wear denim to show their support. The National Campaign Against Sexually Violent Offenders (NCSV) and the National Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NCASA) have also supported the campaign.

The University of Monmouth College in New Jersey will be participating in this year’s “Denim Day” campaign. The University will be hosting a series of events to raise awareness about sexual violence and to honor those affected by it. The University plans to host a rally, a candle light vigil, and various workshops and discussions to promote awareness and support for survivors of sexual violence.

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Helping Hawks Hunt For Jobs

Everyone has heard the saying “It’s not always what you know, but who you know.” Attending a University that provides students with a top-notch education is important, but upon graduating, it can become just as important to have had the opportunity to intern at the perfect place, or to have the right alumni connections to get an interview at a dream job.

With an economy in which people are getting fired and laid off more frequently than hired, students are struggling to stay afloat in the career world – getting interviews, grabbing internships, and finding jobs. At this time, the University’s ability to provide students with resources is needed and challenged the most.

Career Services, located in the lower level of the Student Center in the Center for Student Success is the University’s source of career development. Many students are unaware of all of the skills that Career Services can provide them with even just by visiting their website.

Online, there are tutorials on constructing important documents such as resumes and cover letters, tips for interviews, and current listings of jobs and internships, both professional and part-time. These listings are sent out to students via e-mail as a newsletter.

Beyond the website, Career Services also holds workshops and annual career days in which students can take part in to better their chances of finding an internship or job. Just in the month of April, there will be 11 workshops that improve students’ skills as they hunt for available jobs and expand their knowledge about the workplace including “Utilizing Employment Agencies in Your Career Search,” “Dressing for Success: Appropriate Interview and Workplace Attire,” “Interviewing/Mock Interviews,” and “How to Search and Obtain an Internship” among many others.

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All of these are available for students to take part of, as long as they make the effort to attend. Career Services should also be publicized more so, students know it exists to help them succeed, and suggestions can be made to better the relationship between the two.

Students’ ambition and persistence is challenged when looking for internships, but it would be helpful if the databases and listings provided to them would be updated more frequently, even just by visiting their website.

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Taking an interest in students’ success in terms of education is important, but it is just as important to think about their ability to use those skills that they learned once they graduate and are off into the work world.

By finding a better balance between career development and education throughout students’ experience at the University, there is a greater chance for their success and employment.
The human papillomavirus, more commonly known as HPV, is the number one sexually transmitted infection and something needs to be done to stop its rapid rise. According to cdc.gov, an approximate 50 million Americans are currently infected with the human papillomavirus. If that weren't enough, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said another six million people will become infected each year. HPV is becoming so widespread due to statistical evidence, it is estimated that 75 to 80 percent of sexually active men and women are expected to get at least one type of the HPV infection before the age of 50.

Another study conducted found that 29 percent of college women had one or more types of the HPV infection from their first partner. The virus is passed on most often during sex or genital-to-genital contact. It can be passed between straight or same-sex partners.

A statistic found by doctors said a person can have HPV even if they have passed since they were a child. If an individual has had sexual contact with an infected person. Most infections do not cause any damage. If they are infected and therefore they do not realize they are passing it on to their partner.

The American Cancer Society said there are currently more than 40 types of HPV and it is possible to have more than one type. Some types cause genital warts, but others can cause more serious problems.

One of the more serious types, according to the studies, will cause dysplasia for women. This is a change in cervical cells that make the cells have an abnormal appearance. Those cells can even turn into precancerous cells if not properly treated. One way to determine if a woman has abnormal cells is through a pap smear. It is important for women to get regular screenings for cervical cancer because those tests can detect early signs of disease. If anything abnormal is found, the problem can be treated early on, before it ever turns into cancer.

According to the National Cervical Cancer Public Education Campaign, 15 of the HPV types are categorized as high risk for progressing into cancer. The other types are low risk, which means they will not cause a cellular change and will usually clear without treatment.

Also according to the campaign, every year, about 12,000 women get cervical cancer in the United States. The types of HPV that can cause genital warts are not the same types that can cause cancer. Unfortunately, there is no way for people who get HPV to know if they will go on to develop cancer or other health problems.

Cervical cancer.org says most people who become infected with HPV do not even know they have it and do not develop any noticeable symptoms or health problems. The website states in nearly 90 percent of HPV cases, the individual’s immune system on the virus naturally two years. Although this is proven true, the person can still pass on HPV while it is in their system, a reason many doctors believe this virus is rapidly becoming a problem.

The HPV tests are only used to help screen for cervical cancer. There is no universal test for men to check if they have one or multiple HPV types. Currently the only test for men is an anal pap smear.

There are many things people can do to prevent HPV or to lower their chances of contracting the virus. Vaccines can protect females, as well as males, against some of the most common types of HPV. The vaccine is given over a course of three shots. If a person is already sexually active, the shot can still work but the vaccines are most effective when given before a person becomes sexual. Active sexual.

The National Cancer Institute says there are two vaccines available for women: Cervarix and Gardasil. These vaccines protect against two types of HPV that can cause genital warts and cervical cancer and two additional types that cause 90 percent of genital warts. The shot can be administered to girls as young as nine and upwards to women of age.

For men the only vaccine available is Gardasil. It says the vaccine helps to protect against 90 percent of genital warts for men. Gardasil is available for boys as young as nine and to men as old as 26. In addition, the risk of transferring the virus can be prevented by the use of condoms; this will also prevent HPV.

The reason why it may lower the risk of HPV is because there are no infect areas that are not covered by a condom, therefore condoms may entirely prevent against HPV. Overall, condoms could also lower the risk of developing the virus because it is in the same type as genital warts and cervical cancer.

Of course, it doesn't hurt to remember those recommendations on your next date. The only sure way to prevent against HPV, but since there is a very small portion of people who will do this, careful precautions should be taken.

I believe that helping to protect women is very important. Human papillomavirus diseases are not just a threat to the future but also many other things in the future as well. The reason women need to start preventing the spread of HPV. Please, protect yourself and those around you by taking the proper measures for preventing getting or the vaccine.

In all, small steps are taken to protect against HPV, the astounding numbers mentioned throughout have to increase considerably.

Checking Up on “Checks and Balances”

Anthony Mauro

According to its preamble, the U.S. Constitution was made by the Founding Fathers to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, in- sure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense and promote the general Welfare. It is also to “establish a strong government” and “secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity.” It also greatly limits the power of our government through the system of checks and balances. Unfortunately, govern- ment leaders have made constitu- tional limits enshrined countless laws that have created a mangled system of government.

Amid the three federal crimi- nes: treason, counterfeiting and bribery, there were more than 4,000 separate criminal offenses on record and more than 50 years had been enacted within the last 40 years. Repeated efforts to uphold constitutional limits have been ig- nored by our leaders. For example, the Enumerated Powers Act has never been passed. Congress had not considered introductions to Congress since 1995. The Enumerated Powers Act, organized, system of government that continually strays further and further away from the U.S. Constitution reduces the effectiveness of appropriate checks and balances, creating a growing margin for politicians to become corrupt or already corrupt politicians hold important positions that need non- est and productive leaders. Veteran congressman Charles Rangel was known to be one of Congress’ most powerful mem- bers, according to the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct voted 333-79 that he should be censured for committing 11 ethics violations. Last month, the chamber’s Ethics Committee released its final and fundraising violations of reports that, let’s not hand-distribute misleading financial statements and failing to pay all his taxes.

An article from Yahoo.com said, “The House ethics committee painted Rangel as a congressman who ignored rules of conduct and became a tax scofflaw despite his long record of tax law from his long service on the chief tax-writing com- mittee, Committee of Ways and Means. Rangel chaired that panel until March last year, when he stepped down after the panel in a separate case— found that he improperly allowed himself to use an account two times for a Caribbean conference.”

Rangel, the man in charge of writing tax policy for the en- tire country, evaded the IRS for 17 years, failing to pay taxes on $75,000 in rental income he earned from his rental property in a Do- minican Republic resort. For a de- cade, he filed misleading financial reports that, let’s not hand-distribute thousands of dollars in assets he owned. He used congressional let- terheads and staff to raise dona- tions for a monument to himself: a center named after him at City Col- lege of New York. An abcnews.com article said, “The censure, the highest punish- ment short of expulsion, is reserved for serious offenses and requires the member in question to stand before his or her colleagues while a censure resolution is read…” The House ethics committee is on 23 times in the history of the U.S. House of Representatives. Only 23 times? The word “only” would be appropriate if this had happened five times. In this case, “only” implies that this doesn’t happen very often and is not a big problem. Those 23 times don’t include the Senate, those who re- ceived different punishments for similar offenses, and those who have been censured multiple times. Additionally, the word “only” times is entirely too often and cre- ates an extremely large problem.

Also, Rangel was read the for- mal resolution of his censure by House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi. In May 2008, Judi- cial Watch filed a campaign finance complaint with the Federal Elec- tions Commission (FEC) against Rangel for her appearance in an advertisement that was part of “We Campaign” paid for by Al Gore’s Alliance for Climate Pro- tection. In June 2009, the FEC an- nounced that it had dismissed Ju- dicial Watch’s complaint, and then the advertisement was neither elec- tioneering nor was it an “in-kind” donation.

In March 2009, Judicial Watch received documents from the De- partment of Defense detailing the transportation of the Speaker of the House. The documents, which were acquired through the Freedom of Information Act, detail the attempts by Department of Defense staff to accommodate Pe- losi’s numerous requests for mil- itary escorts and military aircraft. Pelosi has ap- peared on Judi- cial Watch’s List of Washington’s “Ten Most Wanted Corp- orate Politicians” every year since 2007. If having Pelosi read Rangel the reso- lution of his censure isn’t ironic, I don’t know what is. That’s like a person convicted of murder and sent to prison 23 times in the history of the U.S. House of Representatives. I don’t know what is. That’s like a person convicted of murder and sent to prison 23 times in the history of the U.S. House of Representatives.

So, when this happens, they’re out campaigning and making promises that everyone wants to hear, but very few ever keep. The people are-fed with a continuous stream of facts and values and their own political agendas when they get elected. Next time you vote, make sure you’re genu- inely informed and not just voting for the party you typically associ- ate with.

While we may not be able to stop the political corruption, we can al- low political corruption to get as far as it can, and we must start doing that. We can start by electing politicians who begin to hold people in authorita- tive positions, especially those in- volved with the government, to the same standards as the “average” American and make them accountable. After all, these people are the same as you or I and should be subject to equal scrutiny.

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Newt Gingrich: Presidential Hopeful

Newt Gingrich, former Speaker of the House, is one of the Presidential hopefuls for the fast approaching 2012 election against President Barack Obama.

Verdon that changed his life. "It was this experience that took place in 1943 in Benghazi, the second most populous city in the country. Around 600 people died in a gun battle between the Libyan police station, chanting for democra-
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was at age 15 in Benghazi, where he said was his "epiphany" when he visited the site of the Battle of

After negotiations with a reluct-
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mulated a second plan. They called it the Contract with America. This legislation cut inefficient government bureaucracy, set up a private financial firm to watch for fraudulent spending, and made the vote count higher in order to pass tax increases (raised the vote from simple majority to three-fifths of the vote).

Gingrich also co-sponsored the bill regarding the treatment of handicapped Americans. The bill extended the disability to the handi-
capped and required government buildings to become handicap ac-
cessible. His biggest achievement as Speaker was that he did what he promised the American people.

With his great back-story, de-
codes of political experience and financial expertise, Newt Gingrich might just be the man America needs. After two failed attempts to get a spot on the GOP ticket in 2000 and 2008, Gingrich and supporters hope that maybe this time will be the charm. If you would like to learn more about Newt Gingrich's possible run for President visit his personal website www.Newt.org.
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Gina Columbus, Editor-in-Chief

With summer not too far off, there are obviously a number of things students trying to save their money for. Whether it's concert tickets, vacations, a new car or electronic device, or just trying to put some money away to pay back loans, the opportunities and challenges are endless. However, your empty checking or savings account says otherwise.

Unfortunately, by now the gift cards you received during the holidays are most likely used up. You’re back to relying on your bi-weekly paychecks that may or may not be lastingly those two weeks. However, you’re still compulsively buying things that you think you HAVE to have. Or, you’re compulsively buying things that you especially college students. “I used my student discount, but think of how much money students would save if they had such a tool which depending on flavor and size, add up to at least $3–4 each day. Pick up a box in the (cafe) of course which can contain up to 50 bags as cheap as $1.50. A month’s worth of tea can be the same price as a daily cup of coffee. Having your own tea feels like winning the lottery.”

Now, I rely on coffee just as much as anyone else. I understand the desire to have a cup of coffee at a time. I understand the desire to have that extra money spent. I don’t think in enough. So why do college students tend to overspend, especially when they’re not working?

Junior finance major Ajda Dot said students compulsively buy things because they ultimately want “to fit in and be a part of the crowd. If a student sees another student wearing something trendy in class, or sees someone buying out order from a new fast-food place, odds are they do the same.”

One of the worst things is taking a look in your wallet and wondering, “where did that extra $20 go?” Then comes the scramble of consciousness of what was bought, when and where did you buy it, and wondering how you forgot about the purchase that would so affect your budget. This can easily be fixed by saving your money and reevaluating your budget.

Associate Professor of Economics Robert Scott believes the key to good money management is creating a sensible budget and not deviating from such a plan. “To make this easier, I recommend downloading a personal finance program on your phone (iPhone, BlackBerry etc.) to track your income and expenses. There are many good programs to choose from, and some are free, though a simple piece of paper works just fine to track your expenses. The key is knowing what your income is (how much money you have to spend) and what you are spending it on (expenses), and making sure that your expenses never exceed your income. This sounds simple, but many rich people go broke because they spend more than they earn.”

Scott also discussed the significance of savings. “Not enough college students have enough savings. Everyone should set aside some money, ideally 10 percent of monthly income is great, that is minimums?” said Erica Murray, a 21-year-old student at Monmouth. “Unfortunately for customers who don’t add up easily. Is staring at the back of your credit card thinking, “where that extra money went, they quickly become one of the day, by accompanying my flask steak (also frozen from Trader Joe’s) in about a $25. Not to mention it was more than enough to serve the following questions.

Though the location is not lacking a great food selection, it is without a liquor license, which is unfortunate for customers who know about Trader Joe’s famous wine and liquor stores that offer student discounts. “I went to the local liquor store have been spotted handing out discount flyertos students with a credit card,” said the parking lot. “I was disappointed that Trader Joe’s didn’t have any of these layouts, and I have a great coupon booklet for Spirits Unlimited on my way out,” said Dan Room, a 21-year-old student from Long Island. “It was a win all around.”

On my way out, the friendly customer service representative, packing up my groceries said that the volume of customers in just the first two weeks a “day after day” with an “unexpectedly unprecedented” as well as the point of view of the customers for the company and its surrounding stores. The company’s website, Business changed in 1967 when the company’s name changed to Trader Joe’s and altered its approach to selling by purchasing directly from suppliers whenever possible, bargaining for the best prices and entering into special pricing agreements with the savings on, according to the Trader Joe’s historical development timeline.

If you have never been to a Trader Joe’s, it is worth it, at least, a visit. The vibe of the store is friendly, clean, organized, and full of interesting items. Shelves are packed with shelves of delicious gourmet food. Having been to Trader Joe’s the store itself met food. Having been to Trader Joe’s grocery store, you have seen the volume of sales are there, but the price of food is significantly less.

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The Strokes are one of the many independent bands that have reached success in their musical career. Their last album, "Angles," was released in 2006, so fans have been eagerly awaiting news of new material. "Angles" has been waiting for a couple of years to be released early to give fans a taste of what's to come.

The songs would be of similar style to their 2001 album, "Is This It." So far, fans are thrilled with the album, saying it's enjoyed a similar success to previous releases. The band's limited edition of their fifth album has been made in an atmosphere of terrible acrimony, which award the album two stars. "Angles" could use some improvement, but I do like the sound of the album. "Angles" is it.

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Finally, the new Pokémon games are out! "Black and White" has hit store shelves. The numbers still prove that Pokémon games are a great success. Camperchioli, having sold over one million copies on the first day. However, no one would have thought just five years ago that the games themselves will have to prove themselves. Luckily there are some new innovations in this game, many of which felt like they should have been brought in 10 years ago.

You would be surprised to find out the story behind a game for a living. Playing Game (RPG). The "villain" team, Team Plasma, has a plan, not to take over the world using Pokémon, but to liberate them from the human's command. This actually brings in morality to the mix, asking the players if they think they are doing the right thing or not. 

Corey Camperchioli, a student at New York University, is pursuing his dreams of becoming a professional actor. He wore a green army-chic blazer and jeans. Under the jacket, the words on the t-shirt popped out saying "Tisch, School of the Arts" where he is just about to complete his third year. His smile is socontagious that you can't help but do just light up a room, but an entire theater.

Camperchioli has the same dream as everyone else—"playing for a living." He thought I don't want to be an actor, which I think is lucky, I am thankful for that, he said. His focus acting wise is to find out if I am good at and what likes me. 

For now, his way of discovering is by scoping around. He has considered a variety of different jobs like theater, musical, television. Some courses he has already completed thus far include singing, and dialects, voice and speech, and even stage combat. Each semester at NYU, Corey has broadens his thespian horizon a bit wider, making him an even better actor.

I had first met him in junior high while in the school play. Even then he displayed total confidence in his act- ing abilities. He was already starring in "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" as Charlie at the age of 11 and continued to participate in every school play that followed.

He continued to take over Bridgewater-Raritan High School's acting program by becoming the best and good more difficult pieces such as "Fiddler on the Roof" and "A Midsummer Night's Dream." He also participated in community theater productions to gain as much experience as possible. 

At the end of 2008, his senior year, he landed him an acceptance letter to a prestigious drama program at New York City, to be a successful working ac- tor. He said that his next focus acting wise is to find out if I am good at and what likes me. 

Corey is on a mission to be rec-ognized for his craft, acting. While home for spring break from classes at NYU, he was out side of a Starbucks in our hometown and sipped a tall (or rather small) ice coffee while he read Shakespeare's Henry IV, Part One. 

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"It's my way of finding a friend or two. Now who says video games are boring? There's something new from anything new from Pokemon games. It's col- orful, but the graphics aren't groundbreaking. The music in this game is fantastic. There are many memorable tunes, ranging from remixes of old tunes to entirely new ones, all of which are fantastic. This soundtrack was so good that they actually released it on a disc.

For now the main course, game play. This is classic Pokémon, but with a twist. In this game, you do not begin a game with a new 156 Pokémon to play with, giving the total number of Pokémon in this game a types like ground, bug, psychic, and psychic. And did I hit the ground type this game type, nothing new with requiring own at least one copy of Heart Gold or Soul Silver, as well as Diamond, Pearl, or Platinum? This is an expensive hobby, isn't it?

Even if you don't want to get the Oregon in the game, you still run with the new 156 Pokémon. Or rather, you have no choice but to use them, because the other 493 aren't available until you beat the game. Despite that, I still enjoyed playing with the base game. It really made me feel like I was playing the older Pokemon games all over again. 

The types of Pokémon in this game are also as follows: there are 17 base types, like fire, water, and grass, to things like flying, fighting, psychic, rock, and poison. The most common of these types were either one type, or they were the ones you want to get these categories for; combinations, for example, water and rock, flying and normal, and so on. In this game, however, there are lots of new combinations. Fire, water, and electric are paired up with new types, like flying, fighting, psychic, rock, and poison. 

There are two new types of battles introduced. Both use three Pokémon, and are called triple battles and rotational battles. Triple battles are the same as the double battle, only you send out three Pokémon to battle three others. My only complain is that your Pokémon on the left and right can't attack the opposite Pokémon. Very often in these battles, an opponent's last Pokémon will be a one type and rather than center it, the battle will be in the corner. This means that one of your Pokémon can't hurt it, and that is usually the one that can take it the fastest.

Rotational battles work like this: one Pokémon attacks, while the other two behind. These two can't attack or be hurt, but while you choose to attack, you can switch them in and have them attack. They won't switch in until the actual attack, so the opponents' defensive stats are always higher. The third Pokémon will hit the start this adds some unpredictability to the battle, and it is much more exciting. 

There are a few interesting things, like how the cheap factor games are known for. The opponent gets critical hits left and right, while your attacks miss 75 percent of the time even though they have 95 percent accuracy. You always get paralyzed, poisoned, and confused while these things never even make the opponent flinch. These frustrations still hit, and if you don't know what you're doing, quite likely. Thankfully the game is fairly easy, with many healing spots; plenty of places to train, and the game will give advice on how to deal with Pokémon in upcoming challenges.

The final verdict of Black and White is very respectful 9.5/10. These are great games, and are a breath of fresh air for Pokémon games. There are occasional grievances, but they are quickly to be left behind. These two can't attack or be hurt, but while you choose to attack, you can switch them in and have them attack. They won't switch in until the actual attack, so the opponents' defensive stats are always higher. The third Pokémon will hit the start this adds some unpredictability to the battle, and it is much more exciting. 

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Japan’s Crippled Nuclear Power Plant Contaminates Tap Water

Shaharyar Ahmad  Science Editor

Japan’s efforts to stifle the crisis at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear plant encountered one of many new setbacks, leading many to ask if there is anything left that the No. 3 reactor vessel unit may have been damaged.

Hitokoshi Nishiyama, the deputy director-general of the Japan Nuclear Energy and Industrial Safety Agency, cited the possibility at a recent news conference that “radioactive substances such as iodine 131, which is considered a suspected cause of thyroid cancer, could escape.”

Nishiyama’s conclusion was based on an event that took place last Thursday, March 24 when three engineers trying to connect a cable to a vessel near the No. 3 reactor sustained radiation burns as contaminated water poured over the tops of their boots, searing their feet and ankles.

In response, the Japanese government has ordered everyone living within 12 miles of the nuclear power plant to evacuate, but its advice for those situated in the “stay indoors.” The U.S., in contrast, has recommended for its citizens to stay at least 50 miles away.

With the omnipresence of unsuccessful high levels of radioactive materials about the damaged reactor, it did not come as a surprise when H. Yoshida, head of water purification for Tokyo’s water firm, stated in a recent interview that the “radioactive isotope iodine 131 had been detected in water samples and 30 becquerels per liter” (about a quart). The recommended limits for water bottles.

“People came in and cleared us out in the first hour after the announcement,” a Japanese convenience store clerk anonymously said. “They were taking 20 or 30 bottles at a time.”

Japanese’s chief cabinet secretary, Yukio Edano said that to combat the crisis at the No. 13 reactor, he would put a bullet in your head.”

Just Call Me Madame Cleo

My friends all joke that I’m psychic and some have seriously suggested I quit my day job at Wells Fargo and become some Madame Cleo, revealing peoples fortunes for fast cash.

In fact, I was using this ability without really knowing how. A lot of times, I would make decisions about what to eat.

store without paying a dime, but it just didn’t seem ethical. Before leaving, I handed the cashier the money saying, “Put this in the register and forget I ever happened.”

I wasn’t going to abuse this power for my own personal gain, but this instance made me realize that I had some sort of power; the ability to alter the perceptions of others, and to control the actions of my mind.

This was something, however, that I was going to keep to myself—at least until I figured out how exactly it was possible to control it.

Wednesday morning, another day at work, I could not stop thinking about what I had done a few nights ago in the grocery store. I literally made something happen with my mind—controlling someone else’s thoughts and actions.

“You're ordering lunch from the deli across the street,” I heard Rebecca say to me as I turned and saw a pencil and paper ready to take my order like some sort of waitress. “Want anything?” “No thanks,” I replied. I had too much on my mind.

Directly after Rebecca left the bank with the list of everyone’s lunch order, two men wearing ski masks, dressed entirely in black and carrying guns entered the building. One of the robbers was a stick-up; “don’t anyone move!”

The other, who had a can of spray paint, sprayed all four cameras while remaining calm and remember the pow-

store was out of the way, and pointed the gun directly at my co-worker, Joe’s head, demanding bags of money.

Joe hesitated, for he was shaking violently while he clenched his eyes tightly shut, as head of sweat tricked down the side of his face. “Right now,” ordered the robber, while his colleague guarded the exit, making certain no one could escape.

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You could tell he was in charge and the boss of the two because this partner, undoubtedly confused, gave us some commands then said, “Let’s get out of here!” As they ran off, one of my co-workers called out, “Thank you, partner. We don’t want to do this, and we’re not going to hurt anyone.”

They should have been arrested for attempted robbery but once again, the police were too late. It was too late.

My mind began to wander. Who was this child? Was this his death? Did this somehow know what I had done for this little girl.

I helped these guys out for a second chance. If I’m wrong, some believe that the invention of that little girl could not leave my mind. I could not help but wonder what would have happened had I been the result of the robber to provide for this kid. I would have been dead.

In any case, robbery is never the solution. Yet, everyone deserves a second chance. If mistakes are made, even serious ones, there is always another one for redemption. As for my co-workers, I am thankful that the cameras were unable to capture what had happened.

March 30, 2011

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Just Call Me Madame Cleo

My friends all joke that I’m psychic and some have seriously suggested I quit my day job at Wells Fargo and become some Madame Cleo, revealing peoples fortunes for fast cash.

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The 6:18 pm train to New York Penn Station arrives punctually. Eight hopeless souls wait impatiently to board the train that will help them escape their meaningless lives, to something far more glamorous. We board and float down to the bottom floor of the last car on the train. Each of us buys a one-way ticket to New York; we are unsure where the night will take us. And by God, we are ready for anything.

The crew consists of six guys and two girls (including myself). The other girl just met an hour ago; her name is Cocoa. She is uniquely attractive with long, shiny brown hair, a silver hoop in her nose, wearing a lace dress with large brown snow boots on, and isn’t lining the bottom line of her eyelids.

Speaking Out Against Sexual Abuse

Stacey Lannert, Convicted for Murder of Her Father, Visits University

JENNA INTERSOMNE CLUB AND GREEK EDITOR

Stacey Lannert is smiling behind the podium in Pollak Theatre on Wednesday, March 23, her face and blonde hair making her hard to see the audience curiously awaiting her lecture.

She is laughing with her co-author, Kristen Kemp, who wrote Lannert’s memoir, “Redemption.” It is hard to believe that exactly five years ago she murdered her own father, celebrating his 50th birthday.

In America, according to childhelp.org, there have been over 39 million reported cases of sexual abuse, which adds up to one in four women and one in six men. This does not include the countless cases of abuse that go unreported.

Lannert has been out of prison since January 16, 2009, and has been sharing her message about the awareness of sexual abuse ever since. However, she said she was far from willing.

“ efter time, escalated to him forcing me to sneak their puppy out because he was afraid that Tom would hurt it. Stacey Lannert's younger sister, Christy, 11, was still living with her father, Tom, in Missouri. One day on the phone, Christy told Stacey that she had too been raped by their father.

"I knew that I would lose, but at least then I could live with myself," said Lannert. "I knew what the truth was and that I had to stand on it."

Because she was not telling the truth, she was taken to the night of July 4, 2009. Stacey Lannert's older sister, Christy, 18, was living in Guam, Missouri. She was told to garner some public support to work for this dilemma.

"At my trial, the fact that I was not exonerated by the computer screens was a stay, "come," and "paw.""

As a result, the jury was forced to disregard all evidence of Stacey's sexual abuse, and she was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment.

Lannert and her attorney, Ellen Flottman, worked for 16 years to be granted clemency and to work for her own school, visit www.rainn.org, and urges young people to create a safety plan if they suspect that someone is being abused, host a "Take Back the Night" event at their school.

"We need to be a friend. Ask someone, "has this happened to you? We need to talk about it," Lannert urged all young people to do. Even if the person is afraid that someone will tell, we need to stop that."
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SGA Elections will be take place April 11-13.

Stay tuned next week for SGA Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates.
What is your favorite song and why?

COMPILED BY: MELISSA ROSKOWSKI

Ekta sophomore
“Lay it Down” by Lloyd. I like his voice and I listen to this song all the time.”

Surbhi freshman
“Just the Way You Are” by Bruno Mars. I just really like his songs.”

RJ freshman
“Campfire Kansas’ by Get Up Kids because it’s relaxing.”

Vinny senior
“The Best of What’s Around’ by Dave Matthews Band. It reminds me of good times from when I was younger.”

Jessica sophomore
“Sure Thing” by Miguel. I really like him as an artist.”

Ashlyn sophomore
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April 1
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April 2
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Wednesday, 4/6
My Child is Transgendered
2:30pm-4pm Afflitto Conference Room, Student Center
Guest Speaker: Karina Mari - A parent’s perspective raising a transgendered child.

Monday 4/18, Thursday 4/28
Denim Day Campaign
Campus Wide Event
Donate gently used or new jeans at drop boxes around campus for local organizations assisting victims of interpersonal violence.

Thursday 4/28
Denim Day
11am-2pm, Student Center Patio
Various activities around campus to support this cause, join in by making a donation and wearing a ribbon in support of victims of sexual violence.

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“Green Lantern Corp Fights Amongst Itself”

MATTHEW FISHER
COMICS EDITOR

“Green Lantern” has continued to be a cornerstone in the DC Universe since it restarted in 2005. Since then, Hal Jordan has returned as a member of the Green Lantern Corps (Sector 2814 (Earth’s sector) and reconnected with heroes and villains alike. Yet, Hal/Green Lantern has also been involved in one unholy event after another, including the current “War of the Green Lanterns” storyline.

Previous conflicts have included the Sinestro Corps War, where the Yellow Lanterns battled against the Green Lanterns, but between the emerald heroes themselves.

“War of the Green Lanterns” is a self-contained event that will run through all the GL books: “Green Lantern,” “Green Lantern Corps,” “Green Lantern: Emerald Warriors,” “Green Lantern: Emerald Guardians,” “Green Lantern: Emerald Warriors.”

The creative teams for each book are as follows: Geoff Johns/Doug Mahnie (“Green Lantern”), Tony Bedard/ohn Stewart (“Green Lantern: Emerald Warriors”), and Peter J. Tomasi/Fernando Pasarin/Cam Smith (“Green Lantern: Emerald Guardians”).

This mini-event kicked off with “Green Lantern” #64, and a solicitation on dcomics.com described the issue: “A malevolent force has usurped control over all the power batteries, leaving the Corps powerless—except for a select few members. Now it’s up to Hal Jordan, Guy Gardner, Kyle Rayner, John Stewart and Sinestro to regain control—but can these warriors overcome their differences in time to save the universe.”

“Green Lantern” issues 65-67 will continue to follow the human Green Lanterns (Hal, John, Guy, and Kyle) confronting a difficult decision as well as the New Guardians, which was formed between individual lanterns from their respected lantern corps after Blackest Night.

In an interview with newsarama.com from December 2010, Johns discussed what this entire war will mean for Earth’s emerald fighters. He said, “We’ve introduced all this mythology, all of these other corps, but now ‘War of the Green Lanterns’ is going to zero back in on our main four Earth Lanterns: Hal, John, Kyle and Guy. They’ve fought together since ‘Green Lantern: Rebirth’—what could possibly tear them apart?”

Meanwhile in “Green Lantern Corps” (#58-60) the Green Lanterns will fight against one another while dealing with veterans Lanterns like Salaak and Kili-Wog. Two heroes caught trading punches will be Kyle and John as they witnessed the on the the cover of issues 67.

While talking to newsarama.com in a separate article, Bedard described what “War of the Green Lanterns” essentially is. “Well, ‘War of the Green Lanterns’ is more of an internal thing within the Green Lantern Corps. It’s sort of like a brother-sibling sort of thing, so in that way, we’ll definitely test alliances and friendships. Coming out of the War, the friendships between our four main Green Lanterns will definitely be strained or even broken in some cases,” Bedard said.

In “Green Lantern: Emerald Warriors,” Guy will fight with Hal and contend with his actions in this galactic battle for issues 68-69. He will also deal with a prediction of the future and figure out how to stop it. This internal conflict didn’t come out of the green (read: blue) as DC has teased fans with cryptic pictures.

One of the first previews arrived in November on DC’s blog, “The Source,” which displayed five Green Lantern rings smashed up over a space background. DC had posted other mysterious pictures online for the event. One had a guardian of the universe with Hal at their right, Mogo, the planet Green Lantern, on the left, and an array of Green Lanterns below them ready for battle. (This would later be revealed as the cover of “Green Lantern” #67.)

The other image featured Hal in a fight of green blasts and power constructions and accompanied by the phrase “Beware Their Power.” (This was revealed as the cover to “Green Lantern” #66.)

While each book has told its own stories featuring Hal, John, Guy, or Kyle, they have also been acting as preludes to this huge battle as a banner ran across each title that read “Prelude to War of the Green Lantern.” So, even if fans missed the viral clues, it was hard to avoid seeing it on the front cover.

The first chapter to “War of the Green Lanterns” was released well by IGN.com, with a score of 8 out of 10. Reviewer Erick Norvis wrote, “Green Lantern #64 is a fantastic first issue to War of the Green Lanterns. Not only does it effectively set the stage for all levels of readers, new or old, but it’s also a well-paced, action-packed opening that puts into perspective the threat level of this event’s main antagonist. You can’t really ask for more from an opening chapter.”

“Green Lantern” #64 and “Green Lantern Corps” #58 (Parts One and Two) are in stores now.

Look out for “Green Lantern: Emerald Warriors” #8 (Part Three), in stores today, to delve further into this internal battle of the Green Lantern Corps.

THE TV CROSSWORD
by Jacqueline E. Mathews

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WE NOW WANT TO TALK MORE ABOUT DEMOCRACY.

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This puzzle could be seen in the January 2011 issue of the Northwest Press. The puzzle was created by Jacqueline E. Mathews.

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March 30, 2011

Comics
Softball Team Sweeps Robert Morris in First Home Series of Season

The Monmouth University Softball team swept Robert Morris in the teams' first home series of the season.

In the first game, Monmouth scored eight runs in the bottom of the second inning, led by a solo home run from Jeff Kizziar. The Hawks then added two more runs in the top of the fifth inning, led by a two-run double from John Byrne. Monmouth held on for a 10-4 victory.

In the second game, Monmouth scored four runs in the top of the third inning, led by a solo home run from Matt Kizziar. The Hawks then added three more runs in the top of the fifth inning, led by a two-run double from Ryan Terry. Monmouth held on for a 7-5 victory.

Monmouth improved to 12-10 on the season and 2-1 in conference play. Robert Morris dropped to 7-11 and 0-3 in conference play.
The Monmouth women's and men's track and field teams recorded a clean sweep at the 16th Annual Monmouth Season Opener, Saturday afternoon. The Monmouth Season Opener, which concluded Saturday with the completion of men's and women's tracks and field events, was scored as multiple meets during the Division I track and field season. Since 1996, the men's team has been undefeated at home, while the women's team has not lost on the road since West Long Branch.


Freshman Williams (North Brunswick, N.J./North Brunswick Township) took the top prize in the 400 meter hurdles, clearing a time of 1:02.90. Sophomore Rachel Watkins (Oakland, N.J./Indian Hills) claimed fourth position in the run with a time of 1:07.30.

Senior Heleen Riggs (Mullica Haven, N.J./Parsippany Hills) finished first in the 1500 meter run, posting a time of 4:08.59 followed by classmate Jennifer Nelson (Barnegat, N.J./Barnegat) who crossed the finish line in 4:12.09.

The relay team consisting of Senior Jason Butler (Raritan, N.J./Raritan Valley), Senior Jalen Walker (Burlington, N.J./Burlington Township), Freshman Thomas Butler (Union Bridge, Md./Francis Scott Key), and Freshman Jalen Walker (Burlington, N.J./Burlington Township) took the top prize in the 4x100 meter relay, finishing in 42.76. Navarro ran 11.01 to finish first in the 100 meter run followed by Robinson in fifth with a time of 11.54. The junior also took second in the 200 meter dash posting a time of 22.14, while Fay ran 22.67 for sixth.

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