The University celebrated the completion of the $40 million Thomas A. Edison Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, Feb. 13.

The event consisted of student-led tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.

The University celebrates the completion of multimillion dollar Science Hall construction with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Tuesday, February 13.

The event consisted of student tours of the building followed by speeches given by prominent figures from the campus and the surrounding area involved in the renovation process, including: Dean of the School of Science Professor Stephen Bachrach, Ph.D.; University President Grey Dimenna, Esq.; and Vice President Vin Gupta; Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling; Assemblywoman Joann Downey; and Mayor of West Long Branch Janet Tucci.

Featured speakers for the event included a freshman biology student Jesse Bragger, who spoke about what the new renovations mean for students in her cohort.

Bragger spoke about how the new lab facilities and study accommodations make learning easier for her and fellow students and were crucial to her decision to attend the University.

All of the renovation and additions to the building took about one year and a half to complete according to Bachrach. The building now boasts new teaching facilities.
Duplicated Key Provided
Unauthorized Access to Student Apartment

APARTMENT cont. from pg. 1

the individual students as-
signed to those units," said
Jones. "When students vacate
the apartments, they are re-
quired to return their keys to
the University. If any of the oc-
cupants' keys are not returned,
the locks are changed.

According to both Chavez
and Jones, this protocol was cir-
cumvented because the student
found her lost key and returned
it at the end of the year. How-
ever, the former student still had
access to her old apartment via
the duplicate key.

Maintenance regulations state
that every time a non-University
Pier Village resident moves out,
the locks for the apartment are
changed and new keys are issued
to the new residents. However,
according to Jones, the Univer-
sity only changes locks if a key
is not returned when a student
moves out.

According to Chavez, she had
been aware of the situation since
the 2016 – 2017 school year be-
fore reporting it to the Univer-
sity in January 2018.

"She was so excited to get a
duplicate key for free," said
Chavez. "She found her old one
and after that it is literal history.
She called me twice and asked [about using
the apartment] once in the sum-
mer twice and asked [about using
it at the end of the year]. How-
ever, she was so cool, but I just felt
like my money was being used," she added.

Chavez added. "She was so excited to get
[the duplicate key] for free," said
Nicole Sivetz, a
maintenance employee. "She was so
cool, but I just felt like my money was being
used," she added.

"She was so excited to get [a
duplicate key] for free," said
Sivetz. "She found her old one
come down in the summer." She called
me twice and asked [about using
the apartment] once in the sum-
mer, and then for this past New
Year's Eve.

As a result, Chavez be-
came uncomfortable with the
her former roommate's request for access and reported the situa-
tion. "She was so cool, but I just felt
like my money was being used," Chavez added.

"As soon as we were made aware of the situation, we took
action, contacting Pier Vil-
lage management to have the
locks changed and refining the
replacement key protocol with
Pier Village," said Jones.

Following Chavez’s complaint
to the University, the locks
were changed in the apartment
approximately two days later.
Chavez said that her roommate
at the time moved out after be-
ing made aware of the situation.

The University did not make a
public announcement about the
incident.

Christine Taylor, a represen-
tative for Kushner Companies,
which own the Pier Village
apartment complex, stated that:

"She would comment on behalf
of the Perez Village general of-
fice. However, after multiple
attempts from The Outlook to talk up with her, she did not
comment.

Nicholas Manto, Area Co-
ditioner for off-campus Pier
Village and Bluffs apartments
and on-campus Maplewood
Hall, Great Lawn, and Garden
apartments, declined to com-
ment, directing queries to Jones.
William McElrath, Chief of
the Monmouth University Police
Department (MUPD), also di-
drected questioning to the office
of residential life.

In the University Pier Vil-
lage apartments, four students
are housed in a two-bedroom
apartment, with two students
sharing each room. During both
2016 – 2017 and 2017 – 2018
academic school years, only two
students lived in apartment 4D.

According to the Residential
Life Handbook, a student’s resi-
dential status cannot be terminated
if they engage in unsafe behav-
ior, including permitting unau-
thorized persons to live in the
unit, cause damage to the build-
ing or unit, interfere with the
rights of other residents, make
alterations to the unit, or break
one of several other rules.

"Safety and security is of ut-
most importance to our depart-
ment and to the University as a whole," said Jones. "A review
of the recently reported
"The event was really [held]
to help complete the project.

According to Chavez, she be-
"This event was a wonderful
celebration with a ribbon-cutting

The completion of the Thomas A. Edison Science Hall was celebrated with a ribbon-cutting
event.
the federal government be responsible for funding health care for all people within the United States, as opposed to private insurance companies? After many intense rounds of debating for and against a single payer health care policy, my partner Yendelli Bello and I won two rounds and lost four.

At the end of the tournament, there were six preliminary rounds, each lasting approximately two hours, with each team engaging in two debates arguing in both the negative and the affirmative. Those who compiled a winning record in the preliminary rounds qualified to the 16-team Feb. 11 playoff rounds, according to Joseph Patton, Ph.D., associate professor of political science.

“We lost to a very good team so we were both just grateful to get that far,” said Cohen. “We were up against a Liberty team, who are the champs of the whole league. I always love when my classmates are better than me because it shows that we are working hard.”

“Each round was an exciting exchange of ideas and arguments,” said Goranites. “Every time I got up on the podium, I could feel my heart pounding with excitement.”

Goranites won one of ten speaker awards given at the tournament, an award that is earned by a general ability to defend arguments and use those arguments to attack the ideas of one’s opponents.

“This is the best team, I think, ever,” said Patten. “We have four or five teams that at any given weekend can do really well. I think we have a team that has been staying with it.”

Debate Team Competes in Fifth Tournament This Year

The University Debate Team competed in a tournament at the New School in New York City the weekend of Feb. 10, reaching the semi-finals of the event.

During the last few hours of the event, oral testimony was recorded by a reporter who will submit the three-minute oral testimonies of over 70 citizens to BOEM as part of the rally.

As a representative of Oceanic and passionate environmentalist, Karvelas provided educational literature, simple opportunities to voice opposition, and support in pushing legislation against dangerous practices at the rally.

“It’s all about defense, we react to threats against ocean resources,” said Karvelas. “We allow small amounts of oil to be released into the ocean, which is bad for marine life. There is always a chance that a storm or an accident (hurricane, explosion) will release hundreds of thousands of gallons of oil into the ocean.”

Herrington explained that the complexity of offshore oil and gas production is dangerous. The drilling platforms go through the ocean waters and then hundreds of feet into the sea beds. Despite the safety systems in place, these platforms allow small amounts of oil to be released into the ocean, which is bad for marine life.

“The only opportunity for the public to show their opposition to the plan, and maybe the only change there is to prevent drilling in the area,” said Herrington.

There were also representatives from many well-known environmental organizations including Surfrider Foundation, NV/NIYBakpayers, Alliance for a Livable Ocean, Save Barnegat Bay, Delaware Riverkeeper, N.J. Paddlers, the Jersey Sierra Club, Environment New Jersey, and the NJ Historical Club. Karvelas argued on behalf of coastal residents, citizens, business owners, and fishermen. All spoke against the threats against the future of coastal plans.

They referred to three main reasons why the meetings are controversial, the first being money invested in the environment and the economy posed by offshore drilling. A large oil spill has the potential to kill marine organisms and has a high probability of washing up on shore, which would damage the $20 billion annual tourism economy.

“People feel that it is irresponsible for the United States to drill for and be dependent on hydrocarbon-based fuels, which are warming the planet and causing significant global climate changes. He also believes that allowing large oil companies to lease the sea bed for drilling means the government is providing big business with access to natural resources at the expense of the American public.”

Physical Education.

During the last few hours of the event, oral testimony was recorded by a reporter who will submit the three-minute oral testimonies of over 70 citizens to BOEM as part of the rally.

As a representative of Oceanic and passionate environmentalist, Karvelas provided educational literature, simple opportunities to voice opposition, and support in pushing legislation against dangerous practices at the rally.

“It’s all about defense, we react to threats against ocean resources,” said Karvelas. “We allow small amounts of oil to be released into the ocean, which is bad for marine life. There is always a chance that a storm or an accident (hurricane, explosion) will release hundreds of thousands of gallons of oil into the ocean.”

Herrington explained that the complexity of offshore oil and gas production is dangerous. The drilling platforms go through the ocean waters and then hundreds of feet into the sea beds. Despite the safety systems in place, these platforms allow small amounts of oil to be released into the ocean, which is bad for marine life.

“There is always a chance that a storm or an accident (hurricane, explosion, a well blow out like the BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico) will release hundreds of thousands of gallons of oil into the ocean,” Herrington added. “On the flip side, energy companies want to reduce the U.S. dependence on foreign oil and want to utilize the national resources present within our own borders.”

However, according to Herrington, many experts view that the amount of oil available off of the East Coast is very limited. “Drilling in the ocean and the inevitable spills are environmentally disastrous. I would like to see more support for sustainable energy sources. This needs to be the future of energy as it means jobs, clean air, land, and water—a functionary leader to know we will get left behind by other countries who are leading the way,” said Chris Hirschler, Ph.D., chair of the Department of Health and
Understanding Mental Health

A healthy life and body is something everybody tries to maintain. When we get cold, we take medicine and might even see a doctor, but when people struggle with their mental health there is adverse stigma that can be detrimental to taking the first steps to get help or continue to receive help.

“Mental illness is disregarded and mistrusted by those who are uneducated, unaffected, and apthetic,” one editor said.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) notes that 75 percent of all mental health conditions begin by age 24. College students, on average, graduate from a four year college before the age of 24. Therefore, the time spent in an undergraduate program can be crucial in diagnosing and treating mental illnesses. However, the stigma around mental health can obstruct some from admitting to needing help.

One editor noted an overall lack of knowledge about mental health. The stigma is revealed when the illness is linked with common social expectations.

“Many mental illnesses affect people just as physical illnesses do: in the way that it affects their ability to accomplish everyday tasks, except those with mental illness are often treated poorly or without proper consideration in doing so, generally because it is a recurring issue due to unseen symptoms,” an editor said.

Based on the latest Association for University and College Counseling Centers Directors survey of counseling center directors from the American Psychological Association (APA), anxiety is the highest mental health issue for college students, next is depression, and relationship problems.

Many editors identified that being assumed “crazy” can be a factor when people struggle with mental health, especially as an “individual” stigma.

There is a lack of empathy and understanding toward accepting it, however, there is a lot to be done. Words get thrown around, calling people mentally ill “crazy,” “psycho,” and so on. There is a lack of empathy and understanding toward each other.

A few editors concluded that the negative stigma surrounding mental health has decreased in recent years, but that it still remains especially as an “individual” stigma.

For some, their parents may not be able to support their therapy of mental health issues,” one editor said.

Continuously, an editor said, “I feel that the media is becoming more aware of their role in representation, such as the show that deals with different mental health issues. "To think that mental health, one editor believed, could be addressed more appropriately if it were categorized as a healthcare issue. “To think that mental health and physical/boody health are separate and distinct is a big mistake. In particular, things like drug addiction/alcoholism are huge issues that are stigmatized, leading to not treated them properly.

Some editors revealed their own experiences with mental illnesses. The internet seemed to be a common tool in diagnosing and broadening their understanding of the topic.

An editor said, “As an athlete who struggles with mental health I have found the most help online, reading and talking to people who are going through the same thing.”

After being diagnosed with PTSD, major depression disorder, and anxiety, I was originally ashamed and felt weak; years later, I understood that accepting and understanding these pieces of me was one of my greatest strengths,” said another editor.

Many editors, who do not have mental illnesses themselves, learned the most about mental health through the topics online, listening to friends who have first-hand experience, or by reading about mental illnesses and making sure people are getting the help that they want and not allowing the stigma around mental illness will continue if the issues are not addressed.

Some courses explored topics of depression and suicide and “these subjects from a critical stance exploring psychology, philosophy, and even anatomy to better understand these particular mental ailments.” Other editors noticed their creative writing and psychology courses delve in open discussions about mental health.

An editor revealed that mental health was only discussed when a tragedy or death occurred within the Monmouth community. One editor said they “literally” never discussed mental health in class.

Monmouth University offers Counseling and Psychological Services (CPS). The CPS program is free to all enrolled college students. Services include individual psychotherapy, group counseling, crisis and prevention services, and 24-Hour emergency resources. CPS allows you to make an appointment by calling 732-571-7979, or visiting the office on the 3rd floor of the Stafford Student Center.

One editor said, “Your health is a crucial aspect of a college student, and many of them are not physical. It’s important to understand that how we think and feel affect our behavior and our emotions are a crucial aspect of our life—mental illness often adversely affects you physically and emotionally. It is crucial to seek help or be a resource if you have the chance.”
Summer: Vacation vs. Internship

The Outlook
February 21, 2018

KIRCHTEN BECHT
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With temperatures just creeping over 60 degrees this past week, it is now appropriate to summer weather. I am not one who spends the summer days inside, but I am not someone who enjoys the idea of going to the beach and sunbathing either. I prefer to spend my summers working, and I find that the heat and humidity only make me more productive. I am not the only one who feels this way, as I have found many others who feel the same way. I have read many articles about the benefits of summer internships, and I believe that they are definitely worth it.

While I am excited that my classmates are going on vacation for their futures, I cannot help but wonder, at what point are we trading off the time to spend in the sun for the chance to make a difference in the world? I am not saying that I am not interested in the future, but I do think that we should not be so focused on the future that we neglect the present. I definitely identify more so with those who are comfortable with the unknown and are not afraid to jump into their careers and future. I believe that college students: those who cannot wait to jump into their careers and are willing to take risks, are the ones who will succeed in the real world. I believe that we make it to the "real world" and are able to make a difference in the world.

Unfortunately, many people do not have the opportunity to work on internships. They might not be able to work because they have to take care of their families, or because they are not able to find a job that pays enough to support them. I believe that everyone should have the opportunity to work on internships, and I think that the government should provide funding for internships for those who are unable to find jobs on their own. I think that this would be a great way to help people who are struggling to make ends meet. I believe that everyone should have the opportunity to work on internships, and I think that the government should provide funding for internships for those who are unable to find jobs on their own. I think that this would be a great way to help people who are struggling to make ends meet.
Menendez Acquitted, Facing His Next Jury:
The Voters

NICHOLAS COSCARELLI  POLITE EDITOR

The U.S. Department of Justice announced that it would not pursue a re-trial of New Jersey Sen. Robert Menendez's corruption charges on Wednesday, Jan. 31.

After an 11-week trial last fall, which resulted in a hung jury, District Court Judge William Walls declared a mistrial on all 12 charges against Menendez.

However, federal prosecutors said that they intend to retry Menendez on political corruption charges on Friday, Jan. 20.

Menendez is one of 12 United States Senators to be indicted, faced charges with 12 counts, including bribery and conspiracy, for allegedly accepting bribes from Melgen.

Poll numbers show a lead of about 40 percent points.

The U.S. Department of Justice had been facing a deadline at the end of January to either retry the case or drop the charges.

Accordingly, the Justice Department filed to dismiss its remaining charges against Sen. Bob Menendez, bringing the legal case that has hovered over the New Jersey senator for years to a close.

Two men pleaded not guilty to all charges.

Even with the Justice Department's decision to not pursue a retrial, Menendez's public approval ratings have been badly damaged by his corruption allegations, said Stephen Chapman, Ph.D., an assistant professor of political science.

Menendez spent years fighting the charges, since he was first indicted in 2015.

Prosecutors said he took gifts from Melgen, including a luxury hotel stay, private jet flights and hotel stay, in exchange for helping his girlfriend.

Menendez spent years fighting the charges, since he was first indicted in 2015.

Among them is Michael Starr Hopkins, a former campaign operative of President Trump, who is now campaigning against his former boss.

Menendez faces three Declared senatorial opponents in the NJ Democratic primary.

Among them is Michael Starr Hopkins, an attorney who worked on the Obama and Clinton presidential campaigns.

Menendez's public approval ratings have been badly damaged by his corruption allegations, said Stephen Chapman, Ph.D., an assistant professor of political science.

Menendez has a large amount of political capital within the state in the form of internal party support and donor relationships, Chapman said.

According to Federal Election Commission filings, Menendez has roughly $4.1 million, whereas Hopkins has only $15,000 for all of 2017.

As a result, Chapman explains that the president of Hopkins making an impact in the primary is unlikely, unless his poll numbers start to rise and Democrats shift allegiances.

“This is really about the Democratic party trying to hold the line on incumbents and make gains to retake control of the Senate," Chapman said.

Additionally, Chapman explains that Menendez has an advantage as the presiding senator; a concept in political science that mandates incumbents regularly retain their seats.

Multiple explanations have been put forth for the huge fundraising advantage, Chapman said, "Franking Privilege, where members of Congress can inundate their constituents with mailings at no cost to their campaign, as well as name recognition, among others."

Among Menendez's Republican opponents, Bob Hugin has recently announced his candidacy.

Hugin is a former pharmaceutical executive and an ally of former New Jersey Governor Chris Christie and President Donald Trump.

“I am offended by Senator Menendez’s actions," Hugin told a crowd at the Springfield Elks Lodge last Tuesday, Feb. 13.

"He has weathered ups and downs in New Jersey, Hugin said. "New Jersey deserves better."

However, Chapman said, "I'm embarrassed about how people think about New Jersey based on Senator Menendez’s behavior. It's embarrassing."

"I expect that his Republican opponent will try to make some hay out of issues related to the trial," he said.

"I am not convinced at this point that he will be able to gain a lot of traction with that strategy given the senator's track record of fighting off attacks," Murray added.

Mitt Romney Running for United States Senate

NICHOLAS COSCARELLI  POLITE EDITOR

Mitt Romney, a former Massachusetts governor and the 2012 Republican presidential candidate, announced that he is running to represent Utah in the United States Senate on Monday, Feb. 19.

Romney is known both within the state of Utah for his work as the CEO of the organizing committee for the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake City, and nationally from his 2012 presidential run, in which he won the state by nearly 50 points.

"Mitt Romney is royally here in the state of Utah," Utah’s Lt. Governor Spencer Cox, said in an interview with Vox.

Currently, Romney's early polling numbers are in the lead of about 40 percent points.

"It’s difficult to envision a scenario where Romney does not win the seat in Utah," said Stephen Chapman, Ph.D., an assistant professor of political science.

Speaker of the House, Paul Ryan, Romney's running mate in 2012, has endorsed him in a statement on the same day and Romney announced his candidacy.

"Our [Republican] party and our country are always better off when Mitt is engaged," Ryan said on twitter.

"He has a lot to teach the politicians in Washington," Romney said in his announcement video which he released early morning last Friday.

"Likewise, in a pointed quip toward the immigration policies of President Trump, Romney said that the state supports legal immigrants from around the world," while "Washington sends immigrants to a mess of exclusion."

On Friday, the Senate Majority Leader, Mitch McConnell (R-KY), publicly urged the president to support Romney.

"We don’t want to lose the seat," McConnell said in an interview with The New York Times, and this looks like a pretty formidable candidate." President Donald Trump has recently endorsed Romney.

On Monday, Feb. 19, Trump wrote in a tweet that Romney "will make a great Senator and worthy successor [of current Utah Senator Orrin Hatch]."

Utah is a reliably Republican state; the voters have not elected a Democrat to the U.S. Senate since the late 1930s.

"He is running for an already solid red seat following Senator Orrin Hatch’s retirement an- nouncement," said Chapman.

Moreover, he explained that Romney’s Mormon faith will also be beneficial to him in his campaign.

"With roughly 60 percent of Utahans being of the same faith, it’s a big factor in the race," he said.

Because of their shared faith, Romney becomes more reliable to the voters. "Unless he runs a cata- strophic campaign, I see Romney easily winning [in the gen- eral election] in November," Chapman said.

Mitt Romney is running for the U.S. Senate, representing Utah.
### 2018 MUPD CRIME BLOTTER

**732-571-444**  
**mupd@monmouth.edu**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Incident Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2/4/2018</td>
<td>10:44 PM</td>
<td>Hesse Hall</td>
<td>PULA / Student Misconduct</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10/2017</td>
<td></td>
<td>Unknown</td>
<td>Invasion of Privacy / Crim. Sex. Contact / Sexual Assault</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2/6/2018</td>
<td>10:57 PM</td>
<td>Elmwood Hall</td>
<td>PULA / Student Misconduct</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2/6/2018</td>
<td>7:46 PM</td>
<td>Mullane Hall</td>
<td>Poss. Of CDS/Para./Student Misconduct</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2/7/2018</td>
<td>1:27 PM</td>
<td>Elmwood Hall</td>
<td>Poss. Of CDS/Para./Student Misconduct</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1/16/17-2/8/18</td>
<td>6:00 PM-10:45 AM</td>
<td>Wilson Hall/Theft</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2/10/2018</td>
<td>11:10 PM</td>
<td>Laurel Hall</td>
<td>PULA / Student Misconduct</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2/11/2018</td>
<td>2:07 AM</td>
<td>Cedar Hall</td>
<td>PULA / Student Misconduct</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

### Join The Verge!

Get involved with Monmouth University’s online, student-run multimedia publication!

Publishable content includes written articles, podcasts, photographs, videos, and any other form of multimedia content.

Visit [wordpress.monmouth.edu](http://wordpress.monmouth.edu) for more information and a look at our website!

Contact:  
Marina Vujnovic, Professor Advisor, mvujnovi@monmouth.edu  
Kerry Breen, Editor-in-Chief, 50967410@monmouth.edu
Join Professor Mike O’Keeffe for a semester’s worth of laughs with IMPROVEDY! Come see his FREE improv show Friday nights in Wilson Hall at 9 PM and then on Saturday mornings he will lead a workshop teaching improv skills that will benefit you in all kinds of future social situations. No experience needed!
If you were one of those people dreading Feb. 14 this year, maybe it’s time to keep your wallet bleeding love after the designated day of romance, there are ways to keep wooing your sweetheart in third grade. Rather than dreading your Valentine on a budget through-out the year, and not on just one day of the year. That being said, here’s a list of cheap date ideas besides Netflix and chill that’ll make the romance last beyond Valentine’s Day. One idea is to explore your own city. Seek out some new restaurants, parks, and shops or even take a walk down memory lane with your significant other. There are few things better than grabbing a cup of tea or coffee with your favorite person, and for many of us, that’s usually our boyfriend or girlfriend. If it’s a first date, don’t fret. Grabbing coffee is the best way to go. Specialist professor of Communication Kristine Simoes speaking from her own daughter’s personal experience offers advice for a cheap first date, “She only does coffee day dates, that’s her Tinder-Bumble go to. She always makes sure to avoid doing a full meal, especially on a first date,” she said. Also, try out different coffee shops and board games to awaken that competitive spirit with you and your sweetheart. For Central New Jerseys, Ink Well in Long Branch has the great coffee, Arcades, and board-games, which equates to the best date! Volunteering together is another good way to spend time and show our loved ones how much we care about them even beyond Valentine’s Day. One option is to volunteer together and have picnics because it’s nice to be outside in the fresh air away from all the chaos. Even if you don’t always have to mean eating at a five-star restaurant. Grab a picnic blanket, sandwiches/pizza, and some drinks to romance your date with the most ambiance, the outdoors. Singing along to music, minimise the cheesy matching aprons are only some of the reasons why cooking with your Valentine is the absolute best. Regardless, there is much more to art than most people realize. “Art teaches you to look at things not only at the surface; it teaches you to think about it as well,” she shared. “With art, you can’t just look at it and assume it’s one thing, because if you could mean something different to everybody, so you really have to look at it and try to interpret and analyze it.” Aesthetics isn’t just what is pleasing to the eye; every piece of artwork, musical composition, or dance routine holds its own unique value, which is one of the reasons why aesthetics and creativity is so vital to our everyday lives. Assistant professor and departmental advising coordinator of art and design Corey Dzenko Ph.D. shared insight on the importance of aesthetics, “She said, “Art is a visual language. [Art] is going to communicate, and by taking aesthetics classes, you learn how to think more deeply into what the creative projects are communicating… A lot of times students just think of art as just a pretty picture on the wall, but it is much, much more than that.” Art is not so different from other courses such as history and English. In fact, aesthetics classes intersect with a variety of other courses required for different majors. Dzenko added, “Speaking from my position as a professor of an art history, we talk a lot about history, but we always return to the object and focus and relate it to its specific context. If you see something that has multiple parts; you’ll be reading works of literature that is so you also have a deeper meaning to them. That’s the same as looking at art, music, and theatre. Although freshman Nicholas Gorani’s studies business administration, that doesn’t mean he can’t enjoy aesthetics courses such as theatre. “It’s important to take a class like theatre appreciation because not only are you learning about theatre, you’re learning about life,” he stated. “Theatre is about the expression of our emotions, theatre was made to represent our own feelings, which is why it has gained such popularity over thousands of years, starting back in ancient Greece. Modern Broadway.” The arts have been around for a long time and continue to inspire for years and years to come. If you haven’t taken your aesthetics requirement yet, don’t be so fast to criticize; rather, think of it as an opportunity to learn new things. You don’t have to be an artist to earn an “A” in an aesthetics class; you just need an open mind and a positive attitude.
Over the past decade, music festivals have evolved and gained a large following. The list has expanded greatly and there is no way our wallets or our calendars can conquer them all.

It seems as though Californian music festival, Coachella, is on everyone’s musical bucket list. It’s no surprise, considering it has been named one of the best Music Festival’s by USA Today.

By no means am I hating on Coachella — trust me, I would jump through hoops to be able to hit the Californian dessert, be among celebrities in the crowds, and ride the notorious ferris wheel.

However, the cost of tickets could cost you an arm and a leg; that doesn’t even include the plane ticket, accommodations, and transportation.

For us East-coast kids to spend the weekend at Coachella, it would be the same amount as a Bahamas all-inclusive 5-day getaway.

The breakdown potentially goes like this:

A round trip from Newark airport to LAX for that weekend goes for $404—without luggage. Then, according to Coachella website, passes started at $249. According to TIME Magazine you can be prepared to spend an average of $70 on a shuttle from LAX to the festival and $590 on a mid-range hotel which covers a 2 night stay.

Ladies and gents, your grand total is $1,493.

After exploring TicketMaster’s “Festivals” tab, there are, surprisingly, several music festivals in the tri-state area that are more affordable and equally entertaining.

**ELECTRIC ZOO NYC**

Location: New York, NY

3-Day General Admission Pass without tax or fees: $219

Dates: August 31-September 2

2

Campsite: No

Lineup: TBD

Anthony Amato, who graduated Monmouth this past December, describes his experience at last year’s event as “Incredible.”

“We took the ferry over from Wall Street. When we got there we had the VIP package which allowed us to cut all the lines so that was pretty awesome,” Anthony said “I would definitely recommend spending the extra money because the lines get absolutely insane.”

“If there is one thing I wish I knew it would be to eat beforehand because the food is so expensive.”

**FIRELY MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Location: Dover, Delaware

3-Day General Admission Pass without tax or fees: $329

Dates: June 14-17

Campsite: Yes

Lineup includes: Eminem, Kendrick Lamar, Arctic Monkeys, Julia Farnan, a senior biology and chemistry student attended Philadelphia-based festival last year, “Made in America,” and said it was a great way to experience festivals without camping out.

She would recommend anyone looking for a fun and adventure get away with pop up tents to protect your tent cause we did and during the downpour we didn’t any water in our tent where as other people woke up in a puddle.”

**GOVERNORS BALL**

Location: Randall’s Island, NYC

3-Day general admission pass: $305.00

Campsite: No

Location: Randall’s Island, NYC

Dates: June 1-3

Lineup: Eminem, Jack White, Travis Scott, Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Halsey

**RADiO 104.5’s 11th BIRTHDAY SHOW**

1-Day general admission pass: $76

Campsite: No

Location: Camden, NJ

Dates: June 30

Full Lineup: Imagine Dragons, Judah & The Lion, AJR, The Wrecks, The Shelters, DREAMERS, Glorious Sons

Billy Nally, of alternative band, The Wrecks, who will be playing at the festival, is stoked to be in this lineup. “It’s honestly crazy to be playing some of these festivals, I grew up going to some of these iconic venues and festivals and now I get to play them a few years after seeing some of my favorite bands on the same stage.”

**PANORAMA**

3-Day general admission pass $250:

Campsite: No

Dates: July 27-29

Location: Randall’s Island, NYC

Lineup includes: Cardi B, Gucci Mane, Janet Jackson, Migos, St. Vincent, The Killers, The Weekend, and more.

**THE ROOTS JAM SESSION** (Hosted by Dave Chapelle)

1-Day general admission pass: $75

Campsite: No

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Lineup includes: The Roots, Lil Uzi Vert, 2 Chainz, Fabolous, and more.

The band’s drummer, “Questlove,” said on his Instagram that there will be, “Mad, mad, mad, surprise guests.” Of course, he didn’t mention any times, because that would ruin the fun.

All in all, the tri-tate area has a festival-filled summer ahead that hits all the same notes as Coachella without hitting your wallet.
More Tears Than Laughs in This Year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

More Tears Than Laughs in This Year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.

Mark’s Remarks:
This year’s Oscar Nominated Live Action Shorts from around the globe features more dramas than comedies, but each touches upon important subjects with messages that will last in one’s heart forever.
MOMENTS AT MONMOUTH

What is your favorite sport to watch in the Winter Olympics?

COMPILED BY: NICOLE RIDDLE

Shannon Christie
Senior
"My favorite sport to watch is snowboarding. Being able to watch Shaun White take the gold this year was really amazing given his rough patch in Sochi."

James Ruffino
Senior
"Snowboarding."

Dr. Sherry Wien
Associate Professor of Communication
"Two-man bobsled."

Don't see your picture this week?  
Check back in next week’s issue for more Monmouth students’ photos!
Interested in writing for Monmouth’s newspaper?

Come join us February 21st at 2:30 pm in the Outlook Office, Plangere Room 260!

Write for:
- News
- Politics
- Sports
- Opinions
- Features
- Entertainment
- Lifestyle
- Club & Greek

Come for FREE FOOD and to meet our awesome staff!

For any questions or inquiries, contact: Courtney Buell
s0972966@monmouth.edu
The Commuter Student Mentor Program

CASSANDRA CAPPOZZI-SMITH CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Do you walk around campus seeing Greek symbols printed on students’ shirts or hats? Have you ever considered Greek life? Going to a small school like Monmouth University, it is highly encouraged to get involved in something on campus. The social community of a fraternity or sorority is one that can offer different benefits to diverse groups of students.

The first advantage a Greek member may discuss is the friends and connections they have made by joining their organization; not only do you meet people in your organization but you meet people in others and even form networking connections that can help you with your future.

Going to Greek can also encourage you to try new things outside of your comfort zone. If you're concerned that you're too shy to play for the members. Not only does joining a club or organization help members to give back to the community as well as gain more knowledge on the impact of the philanthropy.

Sophomore anthropology and education student Vanessa Coleman, said joining Greek life has benefitted her by allowing her to become extremely involved in community service. She is apart of Delta Phi Epsilon whose philanthropy is cystic fibrosis. She said, “Our members love getting to raise money and give back to the community and the foundations we support!” Hosting fundraisers or awareness events is not only fun, but a great benefit to the charter as well as your chapter.

Greek life also opens so many doors to the present and the future. Senior psychology student and former president of Alpha Xi Delta at Monmouth University, Emily Curran, not only mentioned the many opportunities she has been given but also joining her organization. “Being a part of my organization has improved my leadership skills and helped me come out of my shell. Once I found a group of people that I felt completely comfortable around I was able to become more confident and grow as a person. Being president was a challenge, but in the end it was a great learning experience and gave me skills that I am grateful to have for the rest of my life,” said Curran.

This is so important because as students grow older, we are expected to take more responsibilities and carry more roles with our lives. Getting the chance to lead your peers is characteristic and experience that you never will forget. This can definitely be a resume builder too. In the fear of the Greek stereotype you type holding you back? You can try to join and defy that stereotype or even meet people that make that stereotype not evident. If you are still not persuaded to join the Greek community but still want to be involved, no fear. Monmouth University is a college that has so many involvement opportunities. Not only can you make a bigger social group while getting an on-campus job, you get paid too.

The second advantage of Greek life is the community of clubs and sports and there can definitely be something for everyone. To join, you can check in with intramural sports or wish to be reporters, anchors, and much more. If you are interested e-mail us at s0933548@monmouth.edu or meet us on Wednesdays in JP 138 at 3:15 p.m.

The last advantage that Greek life has is that of chief importance to a college student. When talking to Assistant Professor of Spanish Professor Riodan-Gallari, she highly encouraged school involvement. She said, “Students that get more involved not only interact more with their fellow peers in the community but also feel more connected to the campus environment. This is something that is of chief importance to a college education. So go out, take the chance and get involved. Maybe even be more open to Greek life and Greek life and step outside of your comfort zone.”

Alumni and current members of Greek life in the past have not only helped students get acclimated to campus but helped them become a greater part of the Monmouth community. If you're interested in joining, please contact the Club President, Katie Lussier, at s1034053@monmouth.edu or President, Summer Shaheed, for the program guided help us to pick a number of students to become the CSMS and it was a pleasure working with a group of students that were so passionate to help other commuter students find their passion through a number of interactions and even join our organization.

“As we move forward this semester, I have the pleasure of working with the new Co-CSM’s Ambar Galanti and Shannon Lawrence as we set out to select our new group of CSMS to guide next year’s group of new commuter students. I know Ambar and Shannon will do great things as CSMS based off the mentorship and guidance that Ambar had provided to the both of them,” she continued.

Summa Shaheed, a junior biology student and CSMS said, “I loved being a CSM, the program allowed me to meet so many great friends and help a bunch of commuter students get acclimated into the school.”

This year, the program has been declining roughly 120 incoming commuter freshman and 25 returning commuter students. Galanti and Lawrence are hopeful to involve more students as mentors and gain more in hopes that the last effect will continue to impact the community in a positive way.

SAGE is dedicated to equal access to education and the betterment of the campus community through social justice, gender equality, and feminism. SAGE hosts a number of events annually to raise awareness and encourage the campus and communities which improve access to quality education for women and girls, both locally and globally. They also increase the number of awards and opportunities for women relating events pertaining to women's rights. If you are interested in joining, please contact the Club President, Katie Lussier, at s1034053@monmouth.edu or meet us on Wednesdays in JP 138 at 3:15 p.m.

If you are interested e-mail us at s0933548@monmouth.edu or meet us on Wednesdays in JP 138 at 3:15 p.m.

The Outlook is looking for students interested in writing for the student-run newspaper. Sections include News, Opinion, Politics, Lifestyles, Features, Entertainment, Club & Greek, and Sports. No prior experience is necessary. The Outlook fulfills practicum. If you are interested, please e-mail outlook@monmouth.edu and come to our meeting during club meeting time. We hope to see you there!
Sophia Parola, a senior commu-
nications major who specializes in radio and TV, secured a position with MTVU. Parola is from Manalapan, NJ and is a full-time student at Brookdale Community College, planning to graduate in May 2018. At MTVU, Parola's position is a Video Jockey (VJ). “Basically, you just basically, the host for segments that the channel puts up. I introduce music videos, episodes, and bring brain storm ideas for content, and I also have the opportunity to create and produce some!” Parola expanded, “It’s a very relaxed position. There’s no set format. My boss will contact me about new projects, and I say, ‘yes’ and then we never really do the same thing. We go to the studio in New York, or stay on campuses. It’s really fun and stress-free position.”

Through the Viacom Media Networks, MTVU is broadcasted through 750 college campuses across the United States. The music featured on the channel spans from indie, rock, pop, punk, to hip-hop. In regard to landing the position, Parola explained, “From an acting perspective, what was most enhanced her talents. “In my audition tape I was loud, silly, very nice to the camera and director, always trying to smile, and just having fun. They liked my energy. I think the qualities you need as a host is being natural, airline number one, and also bringing your personality to the screen--your real personality--so someone you think they want to see, just you.”

Parola had a background in television through her training at Brookdale Community College. “I’ve been working for BrookdaleTV as a host since 2013, so I’m very used to talking on camera. Also I take acting classes so I am good with improvisation, memorizing lines, and taking a script and performing it—which is basically what you do as a host. I never have any professionals and lecture sets up to provide me random to ask questions, making a fool out of myself, or thinking on my feet.”

Junior communication radio and TV student, Emily Blaser, worked on a project with Parola. Blaser had written a short film and asked Parola to be her talent for the on-screen performance. “Sophia was the star of my final film for a class I took last semester. She’s one of the kindest, most patient people I know, and I’m so fortunate that I had the opportunity to work with her. Sophia’s creativity is endless, and I know she’ll succeed in whatever she chooses to do.”

The finished mini-movie can be seen played across the televisions on the first floor of the Jules L. Plange Jr. Center for Communication and Digital Technology. Blaser spoke more about Parola’s abilities in film, “Sophia is a hard worker and she always wants to do the job is done. We spent an entire day filming my project, and she never complained about a thing. She even provided me with suggestions for scenes that I hadn’t thought about, which ended up being the best parts of my film.”

Blaser continued, “I’m lucky enough to know Sophia both in and out of the classroom; I’ve seen how passionate she is about acting, and I’ve gotten to watch her exercise her talent in the classroom and in the performances she has done with CommitWorks, the performance club on campus.”

Parola recognizes that Monmouth challenged her, which is extremely important working in the media, through a critical discourse course with Director of Advising in the communication department, Lorna Schmidt.

Parola said that being President of CommitWorks really allowed her to gain friendships and become a leader. “It’s really been an amazing experience watching this group grow as a whole and seeing myself grow as a Club President, something I never ever saw myself doing.”

DeAnna Shoemaker, Ph.D., an associate communication professor and faculty advisor to CommitWorks said, “Sophia is truly a one-of-a-kind student. She is always ready to step into a position, and she’s one of the most resilient students I have seen played across the televisions on the first floor of the Jules L. Plange Jr. Center for Communication and Digital Technology.” Shoemaker continued, “Beyond her phenomenal talent as a performer, she also stands out as a hard worker who doesn’t stop putting in the effort. When you do something really well, people will notice and they will want to work with you. Sophia is always a leader. “It’s really been an amazing experience watching this group grow as a whole and seeing myself grow as a Club President, something I never ever saw myself doing.”

DeAnna Shoemaker, Ph.D., an associate communication professor and faculty advisor to CommitWorks said, “Sophia is truly a one-of-a-kind student. She is always ready to step into a position, and she’s one of the most resilient students I have seen played across the televisions on the first floor of the Jules L. Plange Jr. Center for Communication and Digital Technology.” Shoemaker continued, “Beyond her phenomenal talent as a performer, she also stands out as a hard worker who doesn’t stop putting in the effort. When you do something really well, people will notice and they will want to work with you. Sophia is always a leader.”

Building a Brand 101

We have arrived at a point in time where everyone’s building something for themselves--which is rad, don’t get me wrong. But, let me give you a reality check. Let’s talk to make what you’re building any different?

Everyone’s passionate, everyone’s creative, everyone’s unique, so that kind of leaves everyone at a plateau, right? Wrong. That won’t be me; that won’t be you.

I’ve been around the block in terms of social media, whatever you want to call it, so I know that kind of leaves everyone at a plateau, right? Wrong. That won’t be me; that won’t be you.

I mean, just look how I started out the way from a Word Docu-

Building a Brand 101

Getting a little taste of what I’m getting at here? Let’s begin.

Step one is to envision.

Make a vision board for your brand. This is for this class; we made a one to five year plan board vision board that I currently sit like such a fire under my butt. It may sound silly, but it gives you a tangible item that motivates you. You can insert pictures and take them off until you find just the right vibe that says you.

Step two is important, you have to remember that everyone has a begin-

Building a Brand 101

The Outlook

February 21, 2018

Building a brand from the ground up can be a tedious task, but the outcome is well worth it.
What is Love?

How to Not Let Your Baby Hurt You No More

EMILY CONDRON STAFF WRITER

Love is an emotion that so many people have attempted to understand, but have failed. With the feeling of love so much more impactful than anything, love has taken over the minds of a vast majority of college students.

The modern concept of love is somewhat different than how one gets past the communication hurdle or how does one know when there is true love? These difficulties hinder the minds of people wanting to accept love, causing them to overlook the signs that are right in front of them.

In the end, the question remains, what is love? Love is the intense and deep feelings of affection. Usually, this feeling is shared between people. In addition, true love brings loyalty and trust between the partners involved; love is not something one can go to the store and buy, but it is something that people must let come to them by itself. When in love, there should not be a reward or a punishment, but more so an everyday feeling and admiration for someone else. With all of these concepts of love misunderstood and mistakes can be seen as inevitable.

To begin, communicating between partners is a tricky portion of love. In the 21st century, technology has made the concept of communication that times before did not have. Apps such as Tinder and Snapchat have contributed to this. Though Tinder was made for people who wanted to find love, often times it is used as a hook up outlet for its users.

Since Tinder's showcasing in 2012, it has found a new meaning, but there are still a few who would rather keep the traditional views of the dating app and use it to find a real partner and love interaction.

Due to the miscommunication between the users looking for a late-night hook up and the users interested in finding a relationship, there have been many times where two people have different ideas of what they want to come out of using the app, leading one or both to be disappointed.

Emma Blair, a sophomore business student said, “It's difficult to find someone who is looking for the same kind of love as you. Most aren't looking for anything at all, others want to walk you down the aisle by next week. Each person has their own balance that suits them most. Most people are in fear of making mistakes or being rejected. It takes effort and compromise which some people are not willing to put in.”

Another example as to how technology can cause missteps is the implementation of Snapchat. With the ability of pictures and videos disappearing after a short amount of time, many have found themselves receiving inappropriate photos/videos. This allows people to easily cheat and/or use apps of this type very uncomportable and unsafe.

Shannon McGorry, a freshman health studies student, said, “Communication is definitely messed up with what comes to people today. Not only does technology make this happen, but also, do boys and girls who give mixed signals. I had a guy last semester give me so many signs that he liked me; over and over again I was receiving signs, but when I acted on it, he told me that he never liked me.”

The way people act toward others is another communication error. If a person does not like another person, but leads them on as if they do, so many problems can arise from that one decision of leading them on.

It is understandable that one may not seem random or rude for being open about their likes and dislikes toward someone else. But with that being said, the questions that come about are: would someone rather be upfront about their feelings and have the other understand that they have no chance, or would someone rather lead the other person on, keeping them in the dark and have them be angry and upset later on?

Alongside the communication gaps, there is a community of people who do not like putting themselves out into the dating world due to lack of trust and understanding the truth of a relationship. How does someone get over the thought of being honest? They answer to this question is having faith in the other person. Though this may not always work, as is showcased in American Sign Mat-thew Jones, a freshman computer science student, evaluated his trust in his long-distance relationship with his girlfriend Rachel, who is still in high school. “I don’t know if she cheats on me, but I have to just put my trust out there. It goes both ways, though. She has no idea if I do anything with other girls. I don’t, but she has to just trust that I don’t.”

Being in the midst of the unknown is uncomfortable and scary, but talking to your partner is the key to everything. If someone is unhappy, explaining the emotions and feelings behind those feelings to the other is necessary if the relationship wants to be healthy. The same goes for happiness. Expressing joy is having faith in the other person.

Love can be problematic, but if gone about in the right ways, it can be amazing. Keeping trust and honesty in mind while leaving bad communication and uncertainty away from the relationship is the route to take.

For those students who are single, do not give up because of a bad experience; keep trying and have a positive mindset. Although the ride may have many bumps in the road, the end will be amazing.
Track and Field Wins Conference Championship

SOPHIA GALVEZ  STAFF WRITER

The men and women’s track and field team dominated in their fifth Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Indoor Champions-
ship, which took place on Saturday, February 18th at the Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex in New York City. The men and women’s teams both broke their school records, with the women’s team breaking multiple records and the men’s team bringing home their fifth straight championship and the men bringing back their fourth championship in the last five years.

“Both teams executed well and competed with a lot of heart,” Head Coach Joe Compagni said. “Whether we were competing in multiple events, or staying ready for a relay, they all really put a championship effort out there.”

Compagni won his 50th and 51st MAAC Coach of the Year.

The men finished with three sweeps in the 60 and 200 meter dashes as well as the shot put. The Hawks took over the top four spots in the 60 meter dash with senior Bryan Sosoo winning the race in 6.87 seconds, sophomore Ibrahim Masssey in second with 6.87 seconds, freshman Joseph Miguerson coming in third with 6.93 seconds, and sophomore Peter Guerrero placing fourth in 6.99 seconds. The top four spots in the 200-meter dash were also Hawk heavy with Guerrico placing first in 22.00 seconds, while Massey finishing in 22.06 seconds, Miguerson coming in third with 22.33 seconds and Sosoo placing fourth in 22.41 seconds. Fifth year Malcolm Chavvis earned fourth place with times of 22.58 seconds.

Senior Andrew Tummi broke the sweep in the men’s shot put event by winning the event with a mark of 40’4.75. The jump earned her first place in the meet.

Sophomore Mariah Hubbard finished second in the triple jump with a mark of 38’6.25”, and junior Bryan Cabral taking third with a jump of 38’4.25”. Fifth year Casey Taub won the shot put with a mark of 45’7.5” with teammate鲜am Kohout finishing behind her in second with a mark of 44‘10.25”.

Senior Alec Fried and freshman Chibuzo Amuom both scored for the Hawks in the mile running event with Fried taking sixth with a time of 4:07.56, and six with throwing measures in at 42’ and 41”. Fifth year Casey Taub won the discus with a mark of 138’ and sixth with a throw of 137’.

After bringing home another MAAC Championship the Hawks will be traveling to the 168th New York City Armory Championships this weekend at the Fastrack Last Chance Meet at the Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex next Saturday, Feb. 24.

Women’s Lacrosse Loses to Temple and Rutgers

CHRIS FITZSIMMONS  STAFF WRITER

Women’s lacrosse failed to come away with a win this past week dropping two home games, both by double-digits to their respective opponents. The Hawks struggled through Saturday as they fell to Rutgers 19-8. The Hawks were first to score against Temple as sophomore attacker Nicole Ceraso tallied her first of three goals at the 29:07 mark. Temple took less than a minute to respond with a goal of their own to even the game at one to one. Junior attacker Jenny Staines broke that tie to put the Hawks up one with her first of three also. Temple won over a six-goal run right after to give themselves a 2-2 lead. The Hawks cut that lead to three thanks to back to back goals from Staines and Ceraso. Temple snapped right back with four straight goals over the remaining 12 minutes to extend their advantage to seven going into halftime.

The Owls picked off where they left off, quickly adding two more before Ceraso added her third for the Hawks making the score 5-3. Temple answered right away with a goal of their own but Staines kept them at bay with a goal of her own. At this point the 24 minutes left on the clock with the Hawks found themselves down 14-6. No team would register a goal for the next 10 minutes as the defensive play tightened up on both ends. Temple ended the offensive drought rippling of three straight goals to effects the game away. Monmouth’s senior midfielder Alexia Smith added one more for the Hawks as they fell to 1-2-0 record.

“Not X’s and O’s were a little bit better than we were against Army. We are finding our own personalities offensively and defensively and now we need to lock some things up and more importantly we need to compete for 50-50 opportunities,” Monmouth Head Coach Jillian Englund said.

Rutgers quickly jumped on to a three-goal advantage on Saturday as their offensive power proved too much all day. Monmouth’s senior mid-fielder Claudia LaMarca gave the team their first goal on an assist from Staines to make it 1-1. Rutgers offense onslaught picked right back up as they registered seven goals over the remainder of the half.

LaMarca gave the Hawks some life coming out of the half, adding her second of the game to make it a 4-4 match. The Scarlet Knights rattled off five straight goals over the next 10 minutes effectively put the game out reach with 20 minutes left on the clock. Monmouth’s senior midfielder Alexia Smith added one more for the Hawks as they fell to 1-2-0 record.

“We are having a lot of trouble translating our practices into games,” Englund said. “We need to compete all the time, regardless of who we are competing against.” Once we translate the competitiveness we see in practice into games we will see success.

Despite the implications of the lopsided scores, Monmouth’s effort against the Hawks was praised. “It’s a lot of fighting all day long,” Englund said. “Riley Brager continues to impress. Her first goal against Temple and eight against Rutgers to keep her team competitive.”

The Hawks will look to rebound with two more home games this week, their next game will take place Saturday against George Mason at 3:00 p.m. for their second game of the weekend taking place Sunday against George Washington also at 3:00 p.m.
Men’s Basketball Defeats Siena in Triple Overtime

ZACH COSENZA
SPORTS EDITOR

Men’s basketball defeated the Siena Saints 93-89 in three overtime periods on Sunday afternoon. The game featured 18 lead-changes and 18 ties. The Hawks closed the game with a 19-60 loss to the Canisius Golden Griffs on Friday night. “We continue to get just enough stops and (senior guard) Austin [Tilghman] made his free throws down the stretch to be able to get out of overtime,” Head Coach King Rice said.

“I was just trying to tell the players to take it one step at a time and we’ll be fine offensively,” Tilghman said. “It was hard because we fought ourselves out of the first two overtime periods, but we cleaned things up and went to zone and that was good for us.”

In the first half, the Hawks opened up nine in the first two minutes with the score being 9-6. Thanks to two freshman guard Deion Hammond threes and a three from junior guard Micah Seaborn. Siena would close the gap and take the lead for the first time with a free throw. The game point was the lead highest for either team in the first half. The Hawks made for a score would be 36-34, advantage Monmouth.

The Blue and White and the Saints would trade baskets for the second half. Tilghman made two free throws to give Monmouth the 66-64 lead with one minute left in regulation. Siena would make a jumper with 26 seconds left to tie it up at 66 all. Seaborn would miss the potential game-winning layup with seven seconds left, making it the third overtime game of the season for the blue and white. Siena would be up 74-72 with 32 seconds left after a layup. Seaborn would attempt a go-ahead three-pointer with 14 seconds left which would be off the mark, but freshman guard Ray Salnave would get the offensive rebound and be fouled, making two free throws to send it to the second overtime.

In the second overtime, Monmouth would shoot 85-25 with 26 seconds left. After two made Seaborn free throws. Siena would make a layup and three free throws in the final 19 seconds to send it to a third overtime period. In the final two seconds of the third overtime, Tilghman made a free throw to put the Hawks up 92-88 before being fouled from the line. “We got some older guys that have been through some things before,” Rice said. “Austin was just telling me anytime you can get a win in three overtimes your kids had to fight.”

For the game, Tilghman finished tying his career-high with 24 points while adding eight rebounds and four steals. Hammond, Seaborn, and senior center Carl Craig also were in double-figures with 16, 15, and 15 points, respectively. This was the first game back for Seaborn after missing seven games due to injury.

On Friday night, the Hawks fell to Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) leader Canisius 78-60. Hammond and sophomore guard Louie Pillari led the Blue and White with 14 points each.

“Tough night for the Hawks. We got outplayed by a better team tonight,” Rice said. “When you watch (Canisius) play, they’re a team together… we’re a group right now that’s trying to become a team.”

The blue and white would be up 22-19 with eight minutes left in the first half. Canisius would retake the lead after a made three-pointer before the under-four media timeout and would lead the rest of the way. Monmouth would go into halftime down 39-30 and the Golden Griffs would win with the lead 111-110.

The Hawks (10-18, 6-10 MAAC) will play their final two regular season games this week. First in a Saturday night time down 39-30 and the Golden Griffs would win with the lead 111-110. Canisius on Sunday afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

Women’s Basketball Falls Twice in Buffalo Trip

PHOTO TAKEN by Karlee Sell

Followings a two-straight victories at home, the Monmouth women’s basketball team lost twice to the Stony Brook Blue Devils over the weekend.

Friday night the Hawks fell 62-50 to the Purple Eagles at the Keszler Athletic Center. No Hawk reached double figures in the contest, as sophomore forwards Adriana Zelaya and Alexa Middle in had 11 points each. Middleton also had seven rebounds in the game.

For the game, the Griffs started the game hot, shooting seven-of-nine in the opening quarter to jump out to a 19-13 lead after ten minutes. A jumper from sophomore guard Kayla Shaw brought the game within four with 5:54 remaining in the second quarter, but Canisius outscored Monmouth by five to end the half. The Hawks trailed 31-22 at the break.

Canisius opened the third quarter on a 9-0 scoring run to balloon their lead to 18. They were able to maintain their lead, as the score after 30 minutes was 51-36. The Hawks were able to cut the Golden Griffs’ lead down to 11 on a 4-0 run, but they could not mount the full comeback, falling by eight in the end.

“We were not happy with the result of today’s game,” Coach Craig said. “That’s the spark and hunger we need all 13 players to play together like that from the start to win on the road.”

For the game, the Hawks shot 36 percent from the field and just 13 percent from three. They out-rebounded Canisius 36-31. With a three-point shot in the game, Shaw moved into sole possession for sixth all-time in Monmouth program history with 144 made three-point shots in her career.

Mommont looked to rebound on Sunday afternoon, but came up short again, falling to the Niagara Purple Eagles 68-65 at the Pepsi’s Gallagher Center. Middleton led the team in scoring with 22 points, while also grabbing nine rebounds. Senior guard Dana Carbone scored 11 points on four-of-six shooting, and senior guard Rhasha Spooner-Knight had ten.

Middleton’s 22 points was a career-high new high, surpassing her previous high of 14. For the game, Mommont shot 41 percent from the field and 26 percent from three.

The two losses dropped the Hawks to 2-13 overall and 0-6 in MAAC play. The Hawks are 0-9 in conference games.

Sophomore forward Alexa Middleton had a career-high 22 points in the 68-65 loss to Niagara on Sunday afternoon. Middleton was also one rebound off from a double-double.

Women’s Basketball Falls Twice in Buffalo Trip

PHOTO TAKEN by Karlee Sell

Following a two-straight victories at home, the Monmouth women’s basketball team lost twice to the Stony Brook Blue Devils over the weekend.

Friday night the Hawks fell 62-50 to the Purple Eagles at the Keszler Athletic Center. No Hawk reached double figures in the contest, as sophomore forwards Adriana Zelaya and Alexa Middleton had 11 points each. Middleton also had seven rebounds in the game.

For the game, the Griffs started the game hot, shooting seven-of-nine in the opening quarter to jump out to a 19-13 lead after ten minutes. A jumper from sophomore guard Kayla Shaw brought the game within four with 5:54 remaining in the second quarter, but Canisius outscored Monmouth by five to end the half. The Hawks trailed 31-22 at the break.

Canisius opened the third quarter on a 9-0 scoring run to balloon their lead to 18. They were able to maintain their lead, as the score after 30 minutes was 51-36. The Hawks were able to cut the Golden Griffs’ lead down to 11 on a 4-0 run, but they could not mount the full comeback, falling by eight in the end.

“We were not happy with the result of today’s game,” Coach Craig said. “That’s the spark and hunger we need all 13 players to play together like that from the start to win on the road.”

For the game, the Hawks shot 36 percent from the field and just 13 percent from three. They out-rebounded Canisius 36-31. With a three-point shot in the game, Shaw moved into sole possession for sixth all-time in Monmouth program history with 144 made three-point shots in her career.

Mommont looked to rebound on Sunday afternoon, but came up short again, falling to the Niagara Purple Eagles 68-65 at the Pepsi’s Gallagher Center. Middleton led the team in scoring with 22 points, while also grabbing nine rebounds. Senior guard Dana Carbone scored 11 points on four-of-six shooting, and senior guard Rhasha Spooner-Knight had ten.

Middleton’s 22 points was a career-high new high, surpassing her previous high of 14. For the game, Mommont shot 41 percent from the field and 26 percent from three.

The two losses dropped the Hawks to 2-13 overall and 0-6 in MAAC play. The Hawks are 0-9 in conference games.
The Men’s and Women’s Track and Field teams won the Conference Championship this past weekend.