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PHOTO BY Jeff Humbert Three Outlook editors attended the convention were they learned new skills that can be aplied to MU's paper.

MU learns "History of Racism in America"

JOE CORCIONE OPINION EDITOR

The Black History Month Committee and African-American Student Union (AASU) sponsored an open forum on "The History of Racism in America" last Thursday

in Wilson Auditorium. The forum was presented and led by Chris L. Gadsden, a teacher

of opinion where people can discuss racism honestly and freely without any barriers."

Gadsden elaborated on the differences between discrimination, prejudice, and racism. He described the three subunits of racism: pre-racism, race-making, and institutional-

"I hope that people walk away from this

port of diversity to foster diversity larly attending such events are those who are already aware of the issues," said Genine Yarborough, junior year student and secretary of AASU. "Everybody stands to benefit from these events."

The forum also empowered students to challenge the misconceptions that can be painted by the media and parables taught by

parents and families. "We need to step out-

Editors attend annual newspaper convention in New **York City**

ALISON MCSHERRY EDITOR IN CHIEF

Three members of The Outlook staff attended the Spring College Media Convention at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City over the weekend of March 18.

tor; Jacqueline Koloski, Assistant Features Editor; Jeffrey and Dean Humbert, Assistant Sports Editor all attended the three day convention which aimed to help students better their publications.

"Some schools brought their newspapers, magazines, and yearbooks for display, and this gave me more motivation for better design and sparked new story

ideas," said Nevalga. There were over 200 seminars

offered as well as keynote speakers and critique sessions.

"The media professionals not only told us about their career beginnings, but provided ideas for our school publications," said Nevalga. "They addressed students on a one-on-one basis if we had questions, and spent time after sessions to speak with us further."

Gail Collins of the New York Times Editorial Page gave a keynote and addressed the impor-

tance of the section as well as the difficult decisions that are made each day. Other features of the convention included breakout sessions and tours of media facilities in the city.

"I learned about what it is like to work in the entertainment in-Beverly Nevalga, Features Edi- dustry through American Idol

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> > **BEVERLY NEVALGA**

Features Editor

the journalism field." The conference, attended bv over 1000 college aged journalists, also hosted the 22nd Annual Gold Circle Awards.

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ner Eva and

Jay Manuel

who was a

guest judge

and stylist,"

said Kolos-

received a

lot of helpful

tips on get-

ting a job in

ki.

"I also

"This was the second CMA Convention I've attended and I wish I was going to be around next year for the one in spring 2006," said Humbert. "It's just a great opportunity to learn from professionals and see what other college newspapers are producing.'

The students were also given some free time at night to explore the city.

"I spent time in the village,I usually visit more of the tourist spots." said Koloski. "I went to a couple of cafes and coffee houses. I had fun."

of social studies at Julia A. Barnes High School in Jersey City, and was open to all students and employees. The forum began with a historical overview on the origins of race identity in the world and how this evolved into racism. Gadsden concluded the outline of racism with details of the Civil Rights Movement before opening the floor for questions, discussion, and propositions for improvements in race relations.

Gadsden hopes this event will lead to more serious discussions of societal issues as well as resolution suggestions and action plans from students

"Race is difficult to discuss because people have sensitivities from their life experiences," said Gadsden. "It would be very beneficial to an institution that proclaims sup-

forum with more solid ideas about racism, and that this leads to more frequent and open discussions of its history and effects"

CHRIS L. GADSDEN

Julia A. Barnes High School Social Studies Teacher

ized racism. The themes of power, money, control, theology, privilege in world history and their links to the evolution of racism were also discussed within the presentation.

Students who attended the event were grateful for the event but wished that a broader range of people could've benefited from the knowledge offered.

"The only people you see regu-

side our comfort zones and learn something new...this is the only way to reduce the stigma of racism in America," said Yarborough. "You don't have to lead a march to make a difference, even speaking up to co-workers or people in your community can change minds and have positive influence."

"I hope that people walk away from this forum with more solid ideas about racism, and that this leads to more frequent and open discussions of its history and effects," said Gadsden. "I don't mean just Black History Month, but all year round.'

Gadsden received his Bachelors Degree from New Jersey City University with his major in History and Sociology and minor in African-American Studies. In 2003, he received the Elijah Hendon Teacher of the Year Award from Jersey City Public Schools for his work in the area of civil and human rights.

S.A.B. hosts stand up at Java City

SUZANNE GUARINO STAFF WRITER

The Student Activities Board hosted a performance by comedian Dan Gabriel in the Java City Café on Wednesday, March 2.

Dan Gabriel is a Filipino-American comedian who has appeared on Comedy Central. Hailing from San Francisco originally, he now lives in Los Angeles. There was free pizza and cookies for the crowd.

The majority of Comedian Dan Gabriel's jokes centered around marijuana, Valentine's Day, and Filipinos.

"Dan Gabriel was a cool guy who loved pot", said S.A.B. comedy cochair Jenny Sloan. "I thought it was really great that he interacted so well with the audience and that he made 'Labyrinth' references", commented student Sara Morrison.

Perhaps he interacted too much with the audience when he relentlessly picked on fraternity boys and pledges that were in the audience.

Gabriel seemed to be bothered through out the show by the blender used to make smoothies in the café.

"The blender is louder than me!" Dan Gabriel exclaimed. This interrupted him in the middle of his routine numerous times. He did manage to use the sound to provide humor.

"What a pervert! We loved him!" commented sophomores Kvle Paolucci and Eddie Hart.

SAB's next comedy event will be held on April 11, in the Java City Café featuring Becky Donahue.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

President Gaffney Honored by the Commission on Higher Education

COLLEEN JOHNSON EOF DIRECTOR

Vice Admiral Paul G. Gaffney was honored by The New Jersey Commission on Higher Education on March 14 in East Rutherford, NJ at the Educational Opportunity Fund Program (EOF) state wide conference. EOF is a state funded program which awards scholarships to NJ students who fit financial and academic criteria.

The EOF staff and students submitted the following to nominate Vice Admiral Paul G. Gaffney.

"It is with great pride and pleasure that the staff and students of Monmouth University's Educational Opportunity Fund Program nominate Vice Admiral Paul G. Gaffney II as our 2005 'EOF Champion.' Since becoming Monmouth University's 7th President, Vice Admiral Gaffney has demonstrated his dedication, advocacy, outspoken support and commitment to the spirit and intent of EOF from the second he arrived on campus.

initiatives was to embark on a as our thanks."

providing a new vision for future growth and enhancement. President Gaffney's hands-on approach and keen interest are evident in his many one-on-one interactions with our students and his enthusiastic attendance at EOF events.

It has been very heartening to have President Gaffney bring the EOF Program to the forefront at many University functions such as opening convocations and Board of Trustee meetings. A highlight for several of our EOF students was the personal invitation to accompany President Gaffney to the local NAACP Annual Awards luncheon to recognize Monmouth University's many contributions.

President Gaffney's intuitive understanding of the Educational Opportunity Fund Program is clearly evident from his creation of a work-study job in the President's Office for an EOF student to the engagement of Monmouth University Administrators to lobby for additional State funding.

President Gaffney is truly a committed "Champion" of EOF One of President Gaffney's first and deserving of this honor as well

survivors about emergency contraceptives and provide them upon request. The new law was co-sponsored by Senators Shirley Turner and Joe Vitale and Assemblymen Neil Cohen, Reed Gusciora, John McKeon and John Wis-

"Women who are victims of sexual assault can feel helpless and alone," said Codey. "We need to do whatever we can to help these women physically as well as emotionally and this law provides us with an important tool."

niewski.

Under the new law, emergency departments and general hospitals are required to give female sexual assault victims a pregnancy test. If the test indicates that no pregnancy has occurred, the facility is required to provide the victim with information on emergency contraception, prescription drugs to prevent pregnancy, and inform her of the option of being provided that emergency contraception. Upon her request, the facility will now have to provide the contraception.

According to Planned Parenthood Federation of America, emergency contraceptives are most effective in preventing a pregnancy from occurring if taken within 120 hours (five days) of unprotected intercourse. Emergency contraceptive pills are not effective if the woman is already pregnant. The time-sensitive nature of emergency contraceptives makes it important for women to have access to the pills soon after a sexual assault has occurred.

Turner spearheaded the effort the get the legislation passed. "All women have the fundamental right to choose when and how and with whom they have a child," said Turner. "Victims of sexual assault shouldn't have this choice taken away from them by the heinous acts of a criminal. When hospitals give these women the option to prevent an unwanted pregnancy, it is the first step in helping them feel empowered again."

"Access to immediate emergency contraception and counseling is critical in helping sexual assault victims cope



PHOTO COURTESY of www.nj.gov Codey addresses the public regarding emergency contraceptives.

with their horrible ordeal," said Vitale, Chairman of the Senate Health. Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee. "Emergency contraception should and will now be available at all health facilian unplanned pregnancy through an alto contraception for all sexual assault victims."

The law also requires written information be developed by the Commissioner of Health and Senior Services in collaboration with the Director of the Division bly. on Women, the New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault and a sexual assault Nurse examiner that would explain the nature of the emergency contraception, the effectiveness of emergency contraception in preventing pregnancy, where emergency contraception can be cern." obtained, and treatment options. The information will now be distributed to all hospital emergency rooms and ambulatory care facilities in quantities sufficient to comply with the purposes of this act.

"I applaud the sponsors of this legislation for earning the support of such diverse groups which are often on opposing sides when it comes to reproductive issues," said Codey. "The New Jersey Care of New Jersey,

Planned Parenthood and the New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault have come together in an effort to help

victims of sexual assault and they, along with the sponsors of this law, should be recognized for their work."

The law also provides that all covered health care facilities must develop written ties throughout New Jersey. The risk of policies and procedures to ensure that all personnel who provide care or informaready traumatic experience is why this tion to sexual assault victims are trained legislation is necessary, and the State has to provide medically and factually aca moral obligation to ensure equal access curate and objective information about emergency contraception to a sexual assault victim and provide that information to a sexual assault victim.

> Assemblyman Reed Gusciora was the main sponsor of this bill in the Assem-

> "Hospitals should be required to provide victims with immediate information, "said Gusciora. "They should also be providing access to emergency contraceptives to prevent the victim from suffering any unnecessary worry or con-

> "Childbirth should be a momentous occasion, not a reminder of a violent crime," said

> Cohen. "Regardless of personal or religious beliefs, no woman should be forced to endure the emotional distress of a rape-induced pregnancy."

"Health care facilities must be equipped and prepared to tend to both a rape victim's physical and emotional Catholic Conference and Catholic Health wounds," said McKeon. "Emergency contraceptives will provide victims with peace of mind, allowing them to move on and live life without a daily reminder of that horrible crime."

Meet MU: William McElrath Monmouth University Chief of Police

Kara Ferraro

He then continued his educa- factors which lead to the successful William McElrath was hired tion at King's College in Wilkes running of a University. It's very imis the Chief of Police at Mon- Barre, PA. In 1974, he received pressive when you see everyone's ef-

School and graduated in 1970. arrival, I was unaware of the many



University Educational **Opportunity** Fund, Seniors Honored LUPITA G. YONKER

FOF COUNSELOR

Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program seniors were honored by The New Jersey Commission on Higher Education Outstanding Academic Achieveon March 14 in East Rutherford, NJ at the EOF state wide conference. EOF is a state funded program which awards scholarships to NJ students who fit financial and academic criteria. The Commission honors graduating seniors annually in three categories: Outstanding Academic Achieve- the Outstanding Achievement 3.5-3.99 cumulative award. ment

grade point average, Academic Achievement Award 3.2-3.4 cu-Seven Monmouth University mulative grade point average and Outstanding Achievement based on leadership and community service. Those students receiving the ment award were Helena Branco, Roselle Park; Albert Maresca, Bayville; Bethany Menut, Ocean; Kimberly Springer, Perth Amboy and Jennifer M. Villa, Ocean. Brook Moran, Jackson received the Academic Achievement award while Sean Kerr, Summit received

ago. Before coming to Monmouth, McElrath spent almost 29 years with the Paterson Police Department as Detective Captain in the Homicide Division. He commented that the University is nearly totally opposite of what he was accustomed to dealing with and it is an enjoyable task.

Prior to his retirement, he served as Detective Captain. While in this position, he was in charge of the Criminal Investigations Division. McElrath headed to Monmouth immediately after he retired.

McElrath was born in New his years growing up in North Jersey's Pompton Lakes. He attended Don Bosco Prep High

mouth University two years his B.A. in Criminal Justice. After some time off, he at- ment day."

> "I enjoy my job because I enjoy many different aspects of campus life. I like interacting with the students, faculty, employees and fellow police officers."

WILLIAM MCELRATH MUPD Chief of Police

tended Seton Hall University and the Department's success to the earned his Master's Degree in individuals who make up the Education in 1998.

McElrath said, "I enjoy my job be-York City. However, he spent cause I enjoy many different aspects of campus life. I like interacting with the students, faculty, employees and fellow police officers. Prior to my

forts come together on Commence-

When McElrath is not on campus, he is indulging in some of his hobbies, which include exercising, reading, sports, and history. He also enjoys traveling as much as his job responsibilities allow.

As Chief of Police, McElrath is in charge of the overall running of the MUPD. McElrath stated, "I am very happy with the service we provide to

MUPD."

McElrath is very proud of all the officers that serve on the MUPD and feels the community should share this sentiment. The only regret McElrath has with

Photo Courtesy of Kara Ferraro Chief of Police William McElrath can be found at the Monmouth University Police Department Headquarters.

the campus. I attribute his job is that many students and employees do not have contact with the more than just enforce the laws. Department unless they are victims of a crime, receive a summons for parking, or are involved with some patrol the campus, stop by and type of offence. However, these are talk with them. I think you'd just a few of the aspects of campus be pleasantly surprised at how security in which the officers are in- friendly and accommodating they volved. They play an active role in can be," McElrath suggests.

the campus community and do much "For those of you who don't know many of the officers who

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MU Grad Runs for Council

PRESS RELEASE

O'Scanlon announces his candidacy for the Republican nomination for one of the 12th District Assembly seats. The seats are currently held by two Democrat incumbents.

O'Scanlon believes he can help the Republicans put the two Assembly seats back in the Republican column. As a successful local businessman, energetic candidate, and ten year officeholder O'Scanlon has the right mix of political and private sector experience.

"As a Little Silver Councilman, and active issues advocate, I have with politics; he donates a subbuilt a record of accomplishment that overshadows the inflated rhetoric and do-nothing-attitude coming from Trenton," said O'Scanlon. "I intend to be a different kind of candidate and a different kind of legislator. We can't keep spoon feeding the public the same issues members of society. Love, Inc. and the same tired rhetoric all the raised more than \$500,000 last while getting nothing done and in turn blame the public for their apathy. You're not due respect simply because you got elected to office. You earn the public's wrath or respect based on your accomplishments or lack thereof."

Little Silver, O'Scanlon is a life long resident of the 12th District. He has been involved in politics and community service for decades. He is currently a Republican County Committee member from Little Silver and is the immediate past Republican Chairman of Little Silver. O'Scanlon played a pivotal role in creating the Monmouth County Young Republican organization where he served two majority in the Assembly. No one terms as the organization's Chairman before going on to serve two terms as the Chairman of the NJ State Young Republican organization.

"But make no mistake about it," O'Scanlon said. "I'm involved in influence policy." O'Scanlon has disastrous fiscal mismanagement in-

on campaigns and championing causes in which he believes, such Little Silver Councilman Declan as runaway state spending, property tax reform, and highway traffic safety issues.

> O'Scanlon was tapped by then Governor Christie Whitman to serve on the Governor's Highway Traffic Safety Policy Advisory Council and has been retained by every governor since. He served as the Vice Chairman of the Senate Task Force on Alcohol Related Motor Vehicle Accident and Fatalities. O'Scanlon currently serves as Little Silver's Police Commissioner.

> O'Scanlon's efforts do not stop stantial amount of time and dollars to local charitable organizations. He currently serves as the Board Chairman for Love, Inc., a faith-based organization that helps people make the transition from welfare to being more productive year and gave back to the community well over one million dollars in goods and services, as well as mentoring to the community.

"Politics is wonderful," said O'Scanlon. "But truth be told some said of the most satisfying moments of my Born in Marlboro and raised in life have been working with people whose lives have been truly turned around by the organization I help lead."

O'Scanlon now wishes to bring his can-do, compassionate, yet fiscally conservative ideals to the NJ state legislature. "District 12 Republicans are facing a critical election in 2005," said O'Scanlon. "We must focus our efforts to ensure a GOP victory at the gubernatorial level and to re-take the can argue with the statement that over the past two years the Democrats, both in the governor's office and in the legislature have turned NJ into an international punch line," said O'Scanlon. "We must stem that tide and focus on the critical issues politics so as to more effectively now facing NJ. Those issues include:

spent thousands of hours working cluding runaway state spending, going into debt to pay our bills, and the hiring of unqualified cronies at outrageous salaries. Lastly, and egregiously, the Democrats have completely and utterly failed to address one of the most important issues to District 12 residents – property tax relief and reform."

"Monmouth County and the 12th District need strong Assembly candidates to face what will be a well-greased Democrat machine in November and I believe I am well qualified for the job," said O'Scanlon.

O'Scanlon has the broad support of prominent Republicans throughout Monmouth County and particularly in the 12th District. Every Mayor or Republican Municipal Chairperson who has endorsed a candidate has endorsed O'Scanlon. That list includes Tinton Falls Republican Chairman Michael Laffey, Colts Neck Republican Chairwoman and Mayor Lillian Burry, Little Silver Mayor Suzanne Castleman, Fair Haven Republican Chairman Andy Trocchia, Millstone Mayor Elias Abilheira, Little Silver Republican Chairman Rick DeNoia, 11th District Assemblyman Steve Corodemus, Red Bank Republican Chairman Jim Giannell and former Republican Chairman of Millstone Roger Staib. Additionally O'Scanlon's campaign has won a substantial amount of support from Republican county committee leaders, members, and a broad base of constituents throughout the district.

"I'm flattered and honored by the outpouring of support," said O'Scanlon. "You toil away in the trenches trying to make a difference and it is a great affirmation when people acknowledge it."

The campaign reported that it has raised \$30,000 to date and the fundraising efforts are just getting started. O'Scanlon, an independent business owner, holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with Finance concentration and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology.



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PRESS RELEASE

Miss Annarita Di Meo, a sophomore minoring in Italian, has won a "Programma Ponte" scholarship, entitling her to a four-week program of study in Rome. Italy this a program of study designed to summer. All tuition fees, room and board are included in the scholarship.

Italian professor, Dr M Simonelli, and European institutions and di-Miss Di Meo applied for the schol- rect contact with the Italian peoarship at the end of last year which ple. Participants are expected to necessitated proof of her Italian establish lasting connections and heritage, the completion of certain develop their respective roles as courses and maintaining a given bi-cultural ambassadors.

GPA. Miss Di Meo was also required to submit an essay and attend an interview.

The Programma Ponte, sponsored in part by the Association of Italian American Educators, is give students of Italian American heritage first hand experience with Italy today through course With the encouragement of her work, visits to important Italian



Gender Studies Club Continues to Raise Awarness

PRESS RELEASE

en's History Month and the Gender Studies Club hopes to celyour help.

This semester, the newly has co-sponsored events such as the Vagina Monologues and the Manna House Easter Egg Hunt.

Gender Studies Club is hoping to For more information, please continue to raise awareness into contact Dr. Johanna Foster at the month of April with Take jfoster@monmouth.edu or Lisa Back the Night. Take Back the Adams at s0575942@monmouth. Night is an internationally run edu

rally with the purpose of uniting The month of March is Wom- local communities in an effort to stop violence against women. The Take Back the Night tradiebrate this special month with tion began with the hopes of making the streets safe for everyone after fears of assault, rape, formed Gender Studies Club and murder in the streets at night arose in communities worldwide. Help the Gender Studies Club stop the spread of violence in our In addition to these events, the community by getting involved.

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Rising Gasoline Prices Taking More of a Financial Toll

By JAMES A. FUSSELL KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Talk about gas pains. If analysts are right, because of rising gasoline prices we'll pay an extra \$100 this year just to drive around. It's enough to get you down every time you fill 'er up. Buck up, drivers. You can do numerous things to recoup that

money - and much more. egies of carpooling, taking the bus or garaging that gas guzzler. But you want to save more money, right? So we've looked beyond transportation to find other ways to save that \$100 and more. These tips just may make the price at the pump a

little less painful. Take your lunch to school or work. If you usually spend \$7 on lunch, replacing just two of those lunches a week with a sack lunch from home that costs around a dollar will save you more than \$500 a year.

Buy a programmable "setback" thermostat. Most are less than \$50. Unless you're the most disciplined thermostat hawk on the planet, it will quickly pay for itself by eliminating wasteful heating and cooling cycles when you're out or asleep.

Every degree vou lower vour thermostat in winter, or raise it in summer, can save you 1 percent on your energy bill, said Al Walker, spokesman for Kansas Gas Service. On a monthly bill of \$120, that's a savings of \$12 a month, or \$144 a year. Save more with every degree you change.

Weatherize your home. "You can get the finest setback thermostat money can buy, but if you have an energy-inefficient home, it's a moot point," Walker said. Install storm doors and windows, caulk around drafty places and make sure your attic is properly insulated with R-30 insulation.

Check your water heater. It's the second largest energy sucker in the home. Set it on medium, a more-than-adequate 120 degrees, instead of the very high 140 degrees, and save another 1 percent on your bill, Walker said.

"People say, 'What about washing dishes?' Good point," he said. "But most dishwashers people own today have a temperature booster that heats the water to about 140 degrees for sanitation purposes."

If your water heater is in an unfinished or unheated space, wrap it in an insulation blanket and cover the first few feet of the pipe coming out of the tank

with a foam sleeve or fiberglass in- 12 ounces of Herbal Essence shamsulation.

Take shorter showers and install energy-efficient showerheads. Energyhawk.com gives this example: If you take a five-minute shower with an energy-efficient showerhead, compared to a 10-minute daily shower with an inefficient one, you extra money. Others differ in name can save as much as 48 gallons of water a day.

That could add up to as much as Sure, there are the old strat- 17,520 gallons of water a year. Multiply by, say, four people in your house, and that's 70,000 gallons saved a year. How much is that in dollars? Try \$146.30, said Lester Scott of the Kansas City Water Department. That's not to mention the savings in heating all that water.

Find sales and buy in bulk, provided there is no limit on quantity, you can use items before the expiration as 4.9 percent. Many store credit date and you have enough storage. For example, a Lenexa Hy-Vee recently offered 18-ounce jars of Peter Pan peanut butter, regularly priced at \$1.99, for \$1. Buy one jar and save about \$1. Buy 50 jars and save \$50.

Use the Internet to find the lowest price. Compare prices on sites such as Yahoo Shopping and My Simon; discount air, travel and rental car sites such as Hotwire and Priceline; and auction sites such as eBay and U-Bid. One example: A Priceline customer stayed at a luxury Omni a large, free selection. Hotel in the Dallas area, with rooms that retail between \$150 and \$250 night, for only \$50 a night.

cheaper. Wal-Mart charges \$2.94 for faster you'll need to fill up.

poo, 55 cents less than the regular Hen House price. However, a recent Hen House sale dropped the price to \$2.79.

Buy generic. It's cheaper. But beware. Not all are a good value. Some name brands are worth the only. For example, unless it's buffered or coated, aspirin is aspirin. A bottle of 100 Bayer aspirin at Price Chopper cost \$6.29. A bottle of Best Choice aspirin was \$1.99 on sale. A bottle of 300 generic aspirin _ chemically the same thing costs only a buck at various dollar stores. Check expiration dates before buying.

Pay off credit cards each month. If you have to run a balance, get a card with a low-fixed interest rate, as low cards charge double-digit rates. Do a little research. Beware of temporary introductory rates. Call around for the best rate on car insurance.

On car trips, camp some nights instead of staying at a hotel. Take sandwiches, snacks and drinks in a cooler. Save hundreds.

Tape TV movies. For each movie you tape, you save \$2 to \$4. Plus, you can keep them as long as you want without any late fees. And don't forget libraries, which have

And finally, there's this from car experts. If you just have to save money on gasoline, slow down. Don't assume discount stores are Remember, the faster you go, the



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Monmouth University Hosts "The Vagina Monologues"

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a 72 year

old woman

having

her first

orgasm.

HEATHER KELLY Contributing Writer

On March 1, 2005 Monmouth University's gave its first performance of the critically acclaimed production, play written and produced by Eve En-"The Vagina Monologues." Twentytwo Monmouth University students, faculty and administrators stared to stop violence against women and in this amazing, funny, and risqué girls. The play is produced and acted

production. The performance began with the line of women walking monologue in the room, dressed all in black with bright red feather boas. Different women read each monologue.

The monologues discussed a variety of topics from what it felt like to get your first period, to experiences in

types of orgasms, to sexual assault. V-Day movement has raised over \$25 One monologue discussed a 72 year million. old woman having her first orgasm. Another dealt with the pain of being seemed to talk of women discovertypes of moans and applauded when 180- Turning Lives Around.

one woman announced that her "vagina was pissed off." Overall it was a fantasic, funny, and moving performance.

"The Vagina Monologues," is a sler, whose interviews with hundreds of women started a global movement

in by college campuses all over the country and venues across the world. Through benefit performances of "The Vagina Monologues," broader attention is generated for the fight to stop worldwide violence against women and girls including rape, battery, incest, female genital mutilation (FGM), and sexual

discovering sexuality, to different slavery. In its first seven years, the

Around four hundred people attended the performance at Monmouth sexually abused as a victim of war. University which was sponsored by Another talked about the miracle of the Office of Student Activities and watching a woman give birth. Each the Gender Studies Department. They raised over \$1400 dollars. The ing themselves and their bodies. The money was donated to two chariaudience rocked with laughter when ties, V-Day's 2005 Spotlight Charity: the women demonstrated different Women of Iraq, Under Siege and our

DAVE FERMAN Knight Ridder Newspapers

In the film 'Napoleon Dynamite," the goofy title character is obsessed with sweet skills like knowing your way around a pair of nunchucks because, he says, that's what girls want in a boyfriend.

Bryan Demke's sweet skill is being Napoleon Dynamite _ or pretty darned close.

In less than two months, the 15year-old has gone from an anonymous high school freshman in Haltom City, Texas, to posing for photos and signing autographs at nearby malls thanks to his uncanny resemblance to actor Jon Heder, who plays Napoleon in the wildly popular comedy.

"It makes me happy to do this, and I think it makes other people happy," Demke said. "Some people said it makes their day."

Demke did Napoleon's goofy dance at Haltom High's annual lip-sync contest recently, and "the kids were screaming," Associate Principal Adele Kennedy said. "I thought it was real good _ he was right on."

In the film, Napoleon is a lovelorn, majestically nerdy tetherball player living in a small Idaho town. He befriends Pedro (played by Efren Ramirez), who runs for student body president and wins, in part because of Napoleon's beyond-dorky dancing.

Demke first saw the film shortly after it hit theaters last spring. A second viewing convinced him that it was "the funniest thing in the world. There's something for everyone to relate to.'

But it wasn't until after students came back from the 2004-05 Christmas break that his resemblance to Heder began attracting attention.

"People wouldn't stop bothering me about it," he said. "I was having fun with it, and I liked getting attention from other people instead of being ignored."

With the school's annual lip-sync



Bryan Demke, 15, of Haltom City, Texas, resembles the main character in the movie Napoleon Dynamite.

contest approaching, he bought a says her son is "having the time of his life.'

'His confidence has gone from zero to hero, as the saying goes. It's really neat. It just tickles a mother's heart.'

Demke and his brothers have gone to local malls three weekends in a row.

"I think my brothers take me to the mall so they can get girls' phone numbers," he says of Grant, 18, and Jake, 19. "That's one of the reasons. His mother, Marilyn Demke, We go to have a good time."

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copy of the DVD and began practicing Napoleon's moves for hours at a time. Meanwhile, the Demke family had to move into a local hotel in mid-February as water damage

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national honor societies

"Priceless Experience" Internship at your fingertips

JENNIFER KNOEPPEL NEWS EDITOR

"You only get one chance to get your foot in the door," said Theo Epstein the General Manager of the World Series Champion Boston Red Sox in a recent conference call.

MasterCard is doing just that. MasterCard is offering college students across the United States an opportunity to win an internship of a lifetime.

This spring the "Priceless Experience" Internship Program will give 36 college students a five week internship in film, music, or sports for the summer.

Epstein was able to talk about internships from his personal experiences. In 1992, following his freshman year of college, Epstein interned for the Baltimore Orioles. Through his internship with the Orioles, Epstein made connections with people who would help him in the future.

After working hard and graduating from college he landed his first job with the San Diego Padres. Many of the people who he had worked with at the Orioles organization were now with the Padres. While working for the Padres, Epstein was a full-time law student at the University of San Diego.

In 2002, at age 28 after being the assistant General Manager for the Boston Red Sox for one year, Epstein became the youngest General Manager in professional sports. In 2004, he led the Red Sox to a World Series Championship defeating the New York Yankees for their first championship in 86 years.

"I am thrilled that MasterCard is giving internships in sports, film, and music...you only get one opportunity with jobs in sports, film, and music." said Epstein.

Through MasterCard 36 students will have their one shot. Twelve students will be able to work hand in hand with top movie producers in Los Angeles, CA. There they will be making a motion picture with Universal Studios.

Another 12 interns will be working in Manhattan, NY for the summer working at the Major League Baseball Headquarters. These 12 interns will be putting together the 2005 All-Star Game which will be held in Detroit this year. After all of the planning and hard work, the interns will be able to be on site at the All-Star Game.

The final 12 interns will be given the opportunity to work in the music field. This year's interns will be working on The Vans Warped Tour, a popular summer concert tour. Last year's interns helped in the production with a music video for the band Hoobastank.

On hand for another conference call in Los Angeles was Dave Meyers, world-renowned music director who answered questions about internships. Meyers has worked with superstars including Jennifer Lopez, Janet Jackson, Missy Elliot, Outcast, and has directed the "Dancing Silhouettes" ipod commercials.

HONORS SOCIETY

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Recognizing academic achievement

and fostering scholarship, leadership, and commitment to profession.

Monmouth University is home to a growing number of academic honor socities which foster scholarship, community involvement, and a commitment to a chosen academic or professional track. Involvement with a society is a presitigious honor that equips students with the necessary tools to advance in their field. This article is meant to promote campuswide awareness about these under-recognized yet important organizations.

Sigma Tau Delta is an international honor society devoted to English. The chapter, Delta Sigma, is Monmouth University's chapter and was founded in 1983 which makes it more than 20 years old.

"There are currently about 30 members, with 11 students eligible for initiation this term," said Dr. Estes.

To even become eligible for membership in Sigma Tau Delta, Dr. Estes said that one must have completed two courses within the English major. Dr. Estes added that students must have outstanding grades in their English major as well as in their entire course load.

Members of the honor society are involved with a variety of public service projects and Dr. Estes describes them.

"Members do public service projects including book drives, writing contests in local schools, and reading to children," described Dr. Estes.

Dr. Estes said that a goal of the honor society Sigma Tau Delta is for the members to get to know people with in their major or minor and give their time and talent to others.

"I'd like the group to be a place where English majors and minors get to know one another outside of classes and contribute their talents to others," concluded Dr. Estes.

Lambda Alpha is a national honor society for Anthropology. Professor Veit offered an interesting fact about the founding of this honor society.

"Our chapter of Lambda Alpha was the first in New Jersey. It was begun by Dr. William Mitchell," he said.

In order to be a member of Lambda Alpha, it is required to have a grade point of average (GPA) of 3.2 and to be majoring or minoring in anthropology.

Professor Veit said that a goal of the honor society is to recognize the accomplishments of the members.

"Oursociety's goal is to recognize the accomplishments of our students through an award's ceremony and certificates," he said.



Meyers who was involved in the "Priceless Experience" Internship Program last year, is onboard again to help students break into the field of their dreams.

Meyers talked about his experiences with good and bad internships. In total he had about ten internships. "I know the value of an internship that works and doesn't work... MasterCard has one that works," he stated emphatically.

Meyers and Epstein both agree that getting your foot in the door with an internship is the best way to break into the field of your choice.

They both agree that the job market is tough and others are always out for the same job that you want. "Having an internship is a great way to get your leg up on the competition," said Epstein.

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Psi Chi is the national honor society in psychology. According to the website psichi.org, its purpose statement is that "Psi Chi is a national honor society whose purpose shall be to encourage, stimulate, and maintain excellence in scholarship of the individual members in all fields, particularly in psychology, and to advance the science of psychology".

Its mission statement, according to psichi.org, states that, "the mission of Psi Chi is to produce a well-educated, ethical, and socially responsible member committed to contributing to the science and profession of psychology and to society in general".

Psichi.org, in addition to the mission, includes other points they strive to accomplish.

"Advance science and the profession of psychology, promote an educational experience consistent with the mission,

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define and establish an organizational structure that promotes our mission, and recognize and foster the contributions that diversity makes to the science and practice of psychology"

As specified by Gary Lewandowski, advisor of Psi Chi at Monmouth University, the requirements to become a member of the honor society a minimum of three semesters are to be completed, the completion of nine credits of psychology courses, that you are registered for a major or minor in psychology, and to be in the top 35% of psychology majors.

The Psi Chi chapter at Monmouth University does various activities that include a recent Easter Egg Hunt for the Manna House.

To find more information on Psi Chi, contact Advisor Dr. Gary Lewandowski or visit the psychology office in Edison Science Hall.

Compilation by Jacqueline Koloski and Beverly Nevalga

<u>Gamma Kappa Alpha (National Italian Honor Society)</u> The National Italian Honor Society, Gamma Kappa Alpha, is dedicated to upholding and furthering the Italian language and culture. The initials signify "Knowledge and Virtue", two attributes that members of this society strive to maintain throughout their lives. The aim of members of the Society is to carry forth the traditions that have made Italians great.

Monmouth University established its chapter of the GKA in 2003 and in Spring 2004 three members were inducted into the Society. Dottoressa Maria Simonelli is the advisor to the Society. Students are required to have declared a minor in Italian, taken 15 credits worth of courses in Italian and have a GPA of no less than a B.

On April 27, 2005 in a ceremony to be held on campus, five students of Italian will be inducted into Gamma Kappa Alpha. These are: Marisa Marucci, Renae Shaw, Kristin Vazzana, Annarita DeMeo and Lisa Fortunato.

Italian Scholarship Winner

Miss Annarita Di Meo, a sophomore minoring in Italian, has won a "Programma Ponte" scholarship, entitling her to a four-week program of study in Rome, Italy this summer. All tuition fees, room and board are included in the scholarship.

With the encouragement of her Italian professor, Dr. Simonelli, Miss Di Meo applied for the scholarship at the end of last year which necessitated proof of her Italian heritage, the completion of certain courses and maintaining a given GPA. Miss Di Meo was also required to submit an essay and attend an interview.

The "Programma Ponte", sponsored in part by the Association of Italian American Educators, is a program of study designed to give students of Italian American heritage first hand experience with Italy today through course work, visits to important Italian and European institutions and direct contact with the Italian people. Participants are expected to establish lasting connections and develop their respective roles as bi-cultural ambassadors.

Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish National Honors Society)

The students to be inducted into the Sigma Delta Pi Spanish National Honors Society this year will be: Nadine Foik, Jeanice Martinez, Katherine Melanson, Veronica Salmon-Fiori, Gabriella Gerbino, Dusty Archer, Wanessa Azevedo, Ashley Toth, Julie Vidreiro, Jennifer Villa, Stephen Woelfer, Jr., Alexander Mercado

International Honor Society (Education)

Kappa Delta Pi, according to advisor Dr. Nancy Nicolescu of Monmouth University's chapter Nu Tau says, "KDP invites into its membership undergraduates who exhibit the ideals of scholarship, high personal standards, and primes in the profession of teaching".

The requirements as specified by Dr. Nicolescu are that students interested "must have 70 completed credits, with at least 9 semester hours of professional Education courses completed, an overall GPA of 3.2 or better, and attend a mandatory organizational meeting and the induction ceremony". She also added that those interested must become active in the chapter's events.

Past events that Kappa Delta Pi- Nu Tau has been involved with, according to Dr. Nicolescu, include such events as seminars with first year teachers and dialogues with elementary and secondary students and their parents".

Dr. Nicolescu mentioned upcoming events for KDP-Nu Tau.

"In April, KDP is co-sponsoring two events at this year's Global Understanding Conference: "Telling Stories: Literacy Through Personal Story Telling and the Book Arts" on April 12th and "Achieving Global Understanding Through Media Literacy" on April 15th."

For more information about Kappa Delta Pi, contact advisor Dr.

Kappa Delta Pi - Nu Chapter: Meghan Wiley, KDP Vice-President; Jessica Gregory, KDP Secretary; Maria Lambrinos, KDP Treasurer; Tiffany Winters, KDP President; aren Ford, Honorary Inductee and Guest Speaker; George Matthew Ford, Honorary Inductee and Guest Speaker; Dr. Nancy Nicolescu, Asst Prof. of Education and KDP Advisor

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Athletics over academics? Where are Monmouth's priorities as a university?

more than academics?

There's no question about it, sports are important to a university. Not only do they provide entertainment for students, faculty, and the local partment can also put a

school on the map. For instance, the average person probably knows next to nothing about the University of Maryland, but he/ she has heard of the school because of their basketball team.

One could argue that Monmouth is similar to UMD in that respect. Our university is small and often unheard of (save its

shining role in Annie), but the level of majority of the student body does not ey and perhaps improve the campus recognition MU receives is slowly increasing as our basketball team finds more and more success. This recognition helps get the word about this regional gem, and thereby helps the university acquire more applicants and hopefully more respect. That being said, does the university place too much emphasis on student athletes?

Those who play for out athletic teams are permitted to miss many classes each semester without punish-

Does our university value athletics ment. Because of their obligation to are arguably sub-par and Howard the team, these absences are excused back. Is this fair to the rest of us?

large scholarships and priority regcommunity, but a good athletics de- istration. These are perks that the

> "Athletes are given large scholarships and priority registration...absences are excused and due dates are pushed back...is this fair to the rest of us?"

> > receive. It seems that the university spends a much greater effort scouting out athletic talent than academic has great sports teams, but poor acatalent.

Moreover, there is currently a prohave the university creating the MAC building, a state of the art athletic facility. This project would cost mildemic facilities? The labs in Edison and respect.

Hall could use a few updates. Or perand due dates are sometimes pushed haps the school could use the money to house more students on campus so Many student athletes are given that MU could be less of a commuter school.

The truth is, when our basketball

games are broadcast on any of the sports networks, the facility in which they play resembles a high school gym. This does nothing to attract students. So while it may seem like athletics are a waste of time, maybe in the long run they will improve the school tremendously. If we have teams that can draw a crowd, the university can make mon-

with that revenue. But then again, who is going to want to a college that demic ranking?

The answer here is balance. Athposal on the table that if passed would letics are important and academics are too. The school has improved academically in the last ten years, it has also improved athletically. Perlions of dollars, couldn't this money haps the partnership of the two will be used to upgrade some of our aca- help our school get more recognition

Does love know limits of color?

BEVERLY NEVALGA FEATURES EDITOR

Walking down the street, you see faces greet you with a smile or a stare. Most faces are single while others are coupled with another, holding hands to signify a relationship. This may be an ordinary sight to see, but many couples are given a second glance because they have an interracial relationship. What do you think of when people say they are "interracially" dating? A black and white dichotomy might have entered your mind, which is typical in our society. But this concept is far beyond the color of our skin. Interracial couples must learn to deal with expectations, in turn questioning themselves constantly about their relationship.

I grew up in a diverse area where I've met people of various races, ethnic, and religious backgrounds. The school environment itself structures opportunities for adolescents to become friends with peers of different races. I never had second thoughts when my friends would date outside free spirits not because it seemed rebellious, but because there was family factors to be faced. Bringing was one thing, but to bring someone who didn't come from a Filipino familv was more challenging. It would anger me that my father's conservatism and authority over me allowed him lip-service to speak about major differences among our racial group. It took time for him to realize that culture and compatibility reigned over race when it comes to matters of the heart. I still have ties with my Filipino and Spanish background yet my existence, along with other immigrant offspring, is hybrid and we're all straddling the hyphen. These societal and domestic pressures did not force me into anything I didn't want to do. My current relationship was founded upon mutual

ships in general are hard to find and maintain. Being with someone of and who balances his life between your own "race" does not guarantee disparate cultures, which I can rethat the relationship will be easier to late to. I never put an emphasis on deal with or that you can relate more race, because cultural awareness and to the person. This was the mentality open-mindedness is more important with which my father and grandpar-

"Society has been preoccupied with differentiating racial backgrounds, which has brought out the worst acts to man."

ents tried to instill in me. To them, a good catch means this boy must be family-oriented, Roman Catholic, and can understand our culture.

The term "race" is a social construction, a mere invention, which Americans have tried to understand for the last 300 years. People say there is no scientific evidence that race, as a category, exists. But there your race due to proximity or family their races. I was envious of their is no denying that society has been pressures. Even with the number of preoccupied with differentiating ra- interracial and interfaith marriages cial backgrounds, which has brought on the rise, the majority of us still out the worst acts to man, especially slavery and genocide. Chinese men were banned from entering the country back in the 1800s. The Chinese Exclusion Act eventually prevented Asians from establishing any kind of life in America in 1882. Many saw Asian intermarriage with whites as a threat to American society, giving way to anti-miscegenation laws that prohibited Asians from marrying whites. race should not matter, I'd be kidding myself to say so because it does matter. This is evident with the questions we are asked constantly by uninformed people and through the categories we must choose on application forms.

fondness. Anyway, good relation- one who embodies a pluralized experience (not necessarily immigrant) to me than other factors. I don't re-

late better to an Asian-American just because I'm one and they're Asian too. I don't define myself solely in terms of race, so I don't see the point in only dating people of one socalled race.

I still acknowledge the fact that some people date interracially for superficial reasons. For example, some guys have Asian girl fetishes, while some

people buy into stereotypes (white girls are easy, Latino men are dominating, etc.) and these people will seek out an interracial relationship rather than be open to meeting anyone and race be an inconsequential factor. I also acknowledge that others feel that they want to keep their race together and in today's society, it's more realistic to date within tend to marry people like ourselve With every stare comes the constant reminder that every gesture in an interracial relationship is politicized. The public is ever-watchful of the couple's next move, which can translate into a public statement. But these instances don't compare to the feelings felt by people in the past who've been racially discriminated upon because of their interracial relationships. Martin Luther King Though we would like to say that preached that it was not the color of your skin but the content of your character that's more important. I'm grateful to live in a nation that allows me to choose the person I wish to share my life with. This cross-cultural connection is what makes life more colorful and this land a freer

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Senioritis hits Monmouth U Tragic yearly epidemic sweeps the campus yet again.

JASON MORLEY CONTRIBUTING WRITER

"Senioritis" is a well-documented disease that affects college students across the country. Monmouth University is no different. The recent epidemic in our area, dogs or bats. If anyone comes however, has resulted in more annual incidents than ever before.

It has attracted local media attention and the Federal Center for Disease Control has already sent representatives to local clinics and hospitals, as well as our own health center. Detailed logs of affected students are being kept to try to learn more about the disease.

"It is possible that the campus and parts of the surrounding municipalities may have to be put under quaranson.

Despite the pessimism being felt school-wide, there are things students can do to chase the blues away and help improve their senior days. Like scurvy, "seniori- strategy is to keep your living area tis" thrives in people who lack the clean and dry. The disease thrives proper amounts of vitamin C, so in warm, damp environments like best for these students

it's important to eat oranges, lem- men's locker rooms or girl's restons, and limes. A daily multi-vitamin can supplement low vitamin C levels as well.

"Senioritis" can also be carried by wild animals and, just like rabies, it is very prevalent in stray across wild animals who are foam-

"While some vaccinations are still working their way through the FDA, there are several ways people can cope with this pesky problem."

tine," says a university spokesper- ing at the mouth, please call animal ing very comfortable clothing to control immediately. If bitten, try to trap the animal without risking more bites by using a fishing pole with a noose on the end.

Another good preventative

rooms.

Finally, undercooked beef products are one of the major carriers of the disease. Therefore, be sure to cook beef until it is slightly pink in the middle and wash cutting boards and knives between uses. Despite these many tips to pre-

vent contracting the disease, people still become infected with "senioritis." While some vaccinations are still working their way through the FDA, there are several ways people can cope with this pesky problem. Some people believe that bathing in tomato juice, gargling with salt water while hanging upside down, or acupuncture will help, but to these people, experts say "You are wrong!" These same experts suggest wear-

classes and claim taking power naps during class time will be effective coping strategies.

Other experts scoff at such remedies and say that an extremely high dose of Adderall combined with strict attendance policies is



-Lyrics To Live By-

This week's choice is a tear-jerking inspirational ballad that reminds us the importance of being strong within ourselves, listening to the voice within, and being true to who we are as people, regardless of what others may say, do, or think.

Mariah Carey "Can't Take That Away"

They can say anything they want to say Try to bring me down But I will not allow Anyone to succeed hanging clouds over me And they can try hard to make me feel that I Don't matter at all, but I refuse to falter In what I believe or loose faith in my dreams

'Cause there's

There's a light in me that shines brightly They can try, but they can't take that away from me No no no, no no no no no no no no

Oh they, they can do

Anything they want to you If you let them in But they won't ever win If you cling to you pride, and just push them aside See I, I have learned There's an inner peace I own Something in my soul that they can not possess So I won't be afraid and the darkness will fade

'Cause there's There's a light in me that shines brightly They can try, but they can't take that away from me

> No, they can't take this Precious love I'll always have inside me









The BIG EVENT has become a tradition at Monmouth University where students, staff, faculty, clubs, team members, Greeks spend a day volunteering in the local communities. The Big Event, quite simply, is a day of caring.

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For more information call SGA at 732-571-3484.

Certainly the Lord will guide me Where I need to go

They can say anything they want to say Try to bring me down But I won't face the ground I will rise steadily, sailing out of their reach Oh Lord, they do try hard to make me feel that I Don't matter at all, but I refuse to falter In what I believe or lose faith in my dreams 'Cause there's a light in me that shines brightly

They can try, but they can't take that away from me

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Beginning his 21st year as Greek Orthodox Chaplain at Monmouth University, Archimandrite Father Ephraem extends his personal blessing to all Eastern Orthodox students, faculty, and staff for a prolific scholastic year and hopes all will be active in the Orthodox Christian Fellowship. Father is available at any time to minister to the spiritual needs of all Orthodox Christians on a 24-hour basis, for



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How to stay motivated during the last weeks of school

Keep up the hard work till the end of the semester!

LAUREN NAPOLITANO ASSIST NEWS EDITOR

I found returning to school after a short (a complete understatement) spring break extremely difficult. I couldn't focus on my school work, couldn't study for my one midterm we should have had before break, and I felt antsy sitting through all of my classes, counting down the minutes until each class was over and daydreaming about the weekend.

In the beginning of this spring semester I felt refreshed from our nice, long winter break and ready to tackle my new classes. I was motivated and determined to keep my GPA up and hopefully raise it a few more points. Where did this motivation disappear to???

Do you feel like you are sailing (or should I say sinking?) in the same boat as I am? Well after some extensive research, I found the answers to help you stay motivated in completing this spring semester successfully.

Establish your reason for being here: Why do you attend Monmouth University? What were the goals you initially had when you first made the decision to come to this great institution?

An article from the DeGroote School of Business at McMaster University states that you should remind

yourself of the reasons you chose to get an education. This is the most important step in self-motivation.

There are no right or wrong reasons, however, there are strong and weak reasons. The weak reasons may not keep you motivated all the way through till the end. A

few examples of weak reasons are "My parents made me go to college," "I couldn't think of anything else to do after high school and I didn't want to get a job," or "I'm here to party".

You need to pick a reason that is strong enough to get you to your classes, get you through those boring classes, deal with professors you dislike, unnecessary courses, papers, exams, and being broke.

Pick your "why" statement: The reason for you attending college is your "why" statement. It is imperative you chose one that will get you through the rest of the weeks successfully.

The DeGroote School of Business at McMaster University suggests to write out your "why" statement to make it real. Test your statement by asking yourself these three questions:

Am I willing to do whatever it

answered

these questions honestly and blamelessly. If no, find another "why". When you are able to answer these questions with a "yes", put your "why" statement in a notebook that vou can read at least once a week. preferably at the beginning of the week to start off in a good direction.

Identify your values, beliefs, and **desires:** To know what motivates you, you need to understand what is important to you. People's goals and desires grow from their values. The Academic Advising Center at the University of Iowa suggests considering issues such as family, relationships, learning/school, grades, work, aspirations, achievement, status, money, travel, social causes, social life, following a dream, etc.

Once you have made your personal list, begin to think about how the items relate to one another. Are some issues more important to you than others? Are some more important in the short-term while others are more important in the long term? Are they linked in some critical way? These issues and relationships are always alive inside us. By becoming consciously aware of them, you can begin to modify, control and understand them.

The Academic Advising Center

"The key to motivation is finding, accepting, and pursuing a strong purpose for doing what you're doing."

explains judging the quality and depth of your motivation is important, because it is directly related to your commitment.

"Often students find that they 'want' a good academic outcome, but they can't seem to make it happen. Sometimes, this gap occurs when there is a clash between what they are striving for (a good academic outcome/degree) and what they would rather be doing (following a dream of singing in a country-western band). It's OK for values, beliefs, and desires to be in conflict, but it is important to recognize when they are and act appropriately on this information," explains the Center.

In the example above, the student would need to both rethink and internalize the relationship of school and dreams or she needs to change her circumstances. Without this clarification, her motivation will continue to drag and her performance will be strong purpose for doing what you're less than it could be. sire can also help you establish per- that task will also be uncertain. You sonal goals. For example the Center get motivated for determining your explains, "Students often are aiming reason of achieving a degree; you towards a particular test, project, stay motivated by committing to that class, grade point, degree, graduate reason.

then suggests you ask yourself if you program, professional school, or career. These are often complemented by other goals such as living a healthy lifestyle, maintaining personal integrity, volunteering, working, nurturing relationships, or growing as a person.

These short term goals of fulfilling your school work are greatly complemented by long term goals of personal lifestyle.

Recognize your strengths and weaknesses and use this information to establish realistic goals: One key to college success is knowing your strengths and weaknesses. The Academic Advising Center suggests doing an informal assessment of your abilities.

The Center suggests, "Reflect on what you have learned about yourself in the past from classroom experiences, conversations with teachers and advisors, standardized tests, projects and activities, and outside activities. Consider specifically your reading, writing, oral communication, math, computer, musical, artistic, physical, interpersonal, and analytic skills." An accurate and honest assessment of your abilities is essential. It prevents you from under-estimating or overestimating your skills and directs you toward attainable and appropriate goals. Having an accurate direction is important in maintaining motivation. **Understand the role of personal**

circumstance: Your motivation can be undermined if you fail to consider your circumstances or if your circumstances change, but your goals don't.

The Academic Advising Center explains, "A goal may match your values ("I want to earn a degree in nursing") and may be realistically set ("I

want to do it in 4 years") when you begin your academic journey, but may need modification and readjustment as time passes."

For example, if you earned grades lower than you expected to, you may need to lighten your course load or adjust your work and/or leisure hours. A loss of interest might mean you need to investigate other majors. Changes in relationships or family make-up can also introduce new constraints on your plan.

If your personal circumstances do change and you are unwilling to make related adjustments in your goals, you most likely won't be able to perform to your highest expectations, become frustrated, and lose your motivation. However if you do make the necessarv changes, motivation and performance can be maintained.

Overall, the key to motivation is

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takes to make this a reality?

2. Am I willing to pay the price with blood, sweat, and tears to graduate?

3. Am I willing to take the garbage that comes along with the university experience?

The DeGroote School of Business

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Soldiers uniting in love and understanding

Does it really matter if your fel- that the United States still cannot low soldier eats apples over oranges at a time of strife?

This weekend I attended a special dinner and awards ceremony mah-to" (Jersey boy, can't resist in Asbury Park. This evening recognized several residents of the people identify as heterosexual city for their generous contributions and charitable efforts, particularly those contributions made within the LGBT community.

Several of those present were also recognized for being veterans of the United States Armed Forces. These individuals were either discharged for being gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgendered or were or read into some history books forced to carry out their service in the closet for fear of being ostracized, bashed, or even physically attacked by homophobic or intolerant associates.

Listening to the powerful stories shared from the podium and stage, one could not help but feel empowered to tap into our charitable modes and feel charged to jump from the bed the next day and rock the activist beat. Sadly, this motivation was counteracted with

It is mind-boggling that any part of the world is still struggling with human rights issues, but it is particularly embarrassing life of your gay fellow students, at your Hawk! ;-)

Some people like apples and some people like oranges. Some people say "to-may-to" and some say "tothe tomato puns). Like so, some and some identify as homosexual, or even bisexual. Some people identify as the gender that tends to coordinate with their biologicallyassigned genitalia, and others feel they were given the wrong body.

get past the homosexuality thing.

exist does not make them go away. Look at ancient Greek artwork and it will be very clear that homosexuality has been in existence for thousands of years. If this was some flash in the pan, it would have faded with the poodle skirts long ago. If people could help being this way, they would do whatever necessary to be rid of these feelings instead of being burnt alive, disfigured, gassed, stripped of rights, imprisoned, or otherwise tortured or punished for no other reason than simply being perceived as different than some "norm" established by a few and imposed on many.

You don't have to take a minute each day and celebrate the private in doubt, heed the adage: Holler

but just be conscious of words and actions because both pack a potent punch. When you hear someone saying something ignorant, speak up and let them know their mouth is spewing raw sewage and kindly ask them to stop bumping their foul gums in such a manner as it disturbs and shames you- gay or straight. If you observe a bias incident (someone victimized in some way where hate was a motivating factor), grab your cell phone and call the police, then stick around in a safe place so you can share what you witnessed.

Let's be more than tolerant, folks. Take a moment and educate yourself about the different people who comprise the world. Forget trends- take a lifelong devotion to curing hatred, one bigot at a time. We can make it happen.

If you are interested in finding out more about this LGBT Armed Forces effort, please contact New Jersey American Veterans for Equal Rights via email at glbtnjaver@yahoo.com or visit www.aver.us for the official site.

I would love to give some more Pretending these people don't hard-learnt, common sense advice to one of you blessed folks, but the inbox had no such pleas. This excites me in its own little way because it means, if not incidentally, that you are all living in quasi-harmony with no major catastrophes plaguing your head. This makes Joey C smile with glee and take a bite of sugar-free dark chocolate in your honours. I won't grub too much though, for it's only a matter of time until the circle comes back around and throws someone into a tailspin. When it happens, I'll be here playing some choice old skool La Toya Jackson gems as I anticipate your call to arms.

> Till next time kids, don't forget to keep an open eye, and open mind, and an open heart. And if

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- Most MU students use an umbrella when it rains
- Most guys at MU don't bring laundry home to mom 2.
- 3. Everybody at MU drinks too much alcohol

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The majority of MU students are well informed

- Tanning salons are not used prior to Spring Break 4.
- 5. **Everybody goes to Friday class hung-over**
- 6. Ugg boots with mini skirts are still in style
- Most MU students come to health center for advice 7.
- 8. Everybody wakes up with regret after drinking
- Late night snacks from Nellie's are fat free & low carb 9.
- 10. It's easy to find a parking space close to all your classes

and know their limits...



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Purple City paints New York City in pastels Dipset underlings put mixtape favorites to very colorful use.

CHRISTOPHER YUSCAVAGE STAFF WRITER

least if you are part of the New York City Dipset movement City purple. made regionally famous by rapper Cam'ron's late-2004 album ter-colored outfit blankets the Purple Haze. Following in the Harlem-bred groups better, big boss' footsteps comes the Purple City and their first ofnext wave of the Dipset youth ficial mixtape, Road to Riches: movement, fellow Harlemites the Best of the Purple City Mix-Purple City (a.k.a. Purple City tapes (Babygrande), are now Byrd Gang).

Before judging any Dipset project, the most important assumption to make is that if you think Purple City, Dipset, or anyone affiliated with their camps gives two Byrd Gang whoop whoops about what you think of them, then you are dead wrong – literally, as the clique has been killing mixtape appearances for long enough to know a thing or two about verbal homicide. Though

low

pretty-in-pink craze that had least, they should be. grown men parading around in pastels, Purple City's Shiest Purple is the pink of 2005 – at Bub "The Emperor" takes full

> And regardless of which Easofficially Dipset's latest pro-

member Cam'ron launched the verbial guilty pleasure - or, at

Guided primarily by the chameleonic Un Kasa, whose vocal range varies from Onyxcredit for painting New York like misguided anger on the lead single "Purple City Byrd Gang" to playeristic and bassless on "Late Night," Purple City follows down the road ofttraveled by fellow Dipsters.

> "Blow your b----s all over a thousand island... that's a salad dressin', from a silent weapon," Un quips on the de-

> > termined "Will Not Lose," which about describes his lyrical boundaries and content in one fowl Byrd swoop.

Though no genius with the words, his laughable lyrics at times team with an undeniable swagger to create a fashion statement almost as strong as the purple and pink team colors.

"It Easy," electric guitaraided creation

of Purple City

Regardless of which Eastercolored outfit blankets the Harlem-bred groups better, **Purple City and their first official** mixtape, Road to Riches: the Best of the Purple City Mixtapes (Babygrande), are now officially **Dipset's latest proverbial guilty** pleasure – or, at least, they should be.

ways-smooth Shiest Bub, as upcoming talent. the two Byrds kill one addiccrew themselves.

that the more lyrical J.R. Writer ing but potholes in the Purple squanders whatever potential City roads - but with rib-tickhe has left to fit into the Dip lers like, "Show you how my movement on "Me & U," the marksmen do it, plus my chick Outkast-jacking chorus (check straight gangsta like Martha "Elevators) by Juelz Santana Stewart" ("Real N----s"), they keeps it moving straight to the are at least good for a smile top.

Baltimore newcomer DK prematurely ranks himself on "A Part of History," but when he Agallah may not strike gold at Ain't spits, "Got an insurance policy the end of their *Road to Riches*, the for you dumb cats, when I resurrect like Com Sense, got cash few signs purple on the way when I come back," and follows it up with a catchy must- whoop, whoop?

producer Agallah "The Don have feminine hook, it's hard Bishop," joins Ag with the al- to question the Dipset eye for

Blander efforts like the overtive tone with a sped-up sample anxious "Roll It Up, Light It nearly as charismatic as the Up," the typical "Real N----s," and the blasé Agallah effort And despite further evidence "America Show" provide nothor two even when they go offcourse.

Un Kasa, Shiest Bub, and but they are bound to paint a there. Now - can they just get a

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fel- Purple City's first official mixtape, Road to Riches: the Best of the Dipset Purple City Mixtapes.

No films draw fan filmmakers like Star Wars

KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Star Wars has lured fan filmmakers since 1977.

It started even before the fanfilm genre had its name with *Hardware Wars*, a parody that opened with steam irons flying through space and facing off against intergalactic toasters.

mark for how funny and how Mac or a PC," Sansweet said. clever people could be makfor Lucasfilm.

napolis next month.

One reason for their popularity is the clarity and familiarity of Star Wars characters and the dedication of fans. Another reason is simpler filmmaking technology, especially when it comes to animation. "What's really happened is how easy it has become The 1978 film "sort of set the to edit and do special effects on a estimates that maybe one in 12

and Star Wars. In it, Star Wars showed up." He expects a record num- Stormtroopers intervene in a

Awards competition in India- film inspired a host of other experimental fan films, some of which can be found on the Internet at AtomFilms.com and TheForce.net.

> Many fan films are begun but few are completed, according to Frank Hernandez, a part-time actor from New Jersey who's acted in fan films. He films is finished.

The modern Star Wars fan- He recalled one failed Star ing a parody out of Star Wars," film era began with the 1997 film Wars fan film for which the said Steve Sansweet, the direc- Troops. It's a live-action movie director explained, "I held the tor of content and fan relations that melds the TV show Cops shoot and none of my actors Many filmmakers and comber of entrants at the fourth domestic dispute between Luke puter-graphics artists hope their Official Star Wars Fan Film Skywalker's aunt and uncle. The fan films will show off their abilities.

Hernandez

"What

they will do

is a project

... to build

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to build a

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only do one

or two (fan)

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The movies that will have everyone buzzing in 2005

KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

While sequels to Star Wars, Batman and Harry Potter figure to dominate the box office this year, there are at least 10 movies that will generate more discussion around the water cooler, and a couple may even make more money. Of course, last year at this time, Clint Eastwood hadn't even started shooting Million Dollar Baby.

For now, at least, get ahead of the crowd with this first look at the 2005 movies that should have ev-

ervone talking: Mr. and Mrs. Smith, June 10 Director: Doug Liman Cast: Brad Pitt, Angelina Jolie Story: A happily married suburban couple is tested when each learns that the other is a professional assassin and that they have competing bosses. Buzz: At what moment did Angelina come between Brad and Jennifer? Will close-ups tell? Curious heads will be spinning. War of the Worlds, June 29 Director: Steven Spielberg Cast: Tom Cruise, Dakota Fanning, Tim Robbins Story: Adapted from H.G. Wells' 1889 novella about the invasion of Earth by smart, well-equipped and very evil Martians. Buzz: With life on Mars now more likely than ever, and the story updated to the present, it's sure to cause a spike in the number of reported UFO abductions. Syriana, Sept. 16 Director: Stephen Gaghan

mon, Amanda Peet

Story: With terrorism on the increase, a veteran CIA field agent finds that politics at home is draining his resources and serving the enemy in the Middle East.

Buzz: Besides its critical look at the beleaguered CIA, Clooney fans will be trying to guess how many dishes of pasta and Krispy Kreme doughnuts he ate while gaining 30 pounds for the part.

King Kong, Dec. 14

Director: Peter Jackson Cast: Naomi Watts, Adrien Bro-

dy, Jack Black

Story: A filmmaker and two fellow adventurers follow a map to a South Pacific island whose natives and an assortment of dinosaurs are ruled by a 25-foot-tall gorilla with an eve for blonds. Buzz: Watts' Ann Darrow is said to be tougher ape-bait than Fay Wray or Jessica Lange, but with Jackson's tech credits on "The Lord of the Rings," the film's special effects will be all the rage. The Producers, Dec. 21 Director: Susan Stroman Cast: Nathan Lane, Matthew Broderick, Uma Thurman, Will Ferrell Story: A shady Broadway producer and a timid accountant conspire to raise money for a play they expect to close after opening night. Buzz: Creator Mel Brooks swears that Uma Thurman has a great singing voice and will give Ula, the boys' Swedish secretary, extra sizzle. Plus, he'll be filming Cast: George Clooney, Matt Da- all over New York this spring.



The Star Wars movies have had a cult following since their release in the late 1970s. Since then, fans have created fan films. The last installment hits theaters this May.

Ice Princess: cute, but not one of Disney's greatest

SAMANTHA YOUNG ASSISTANT ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Rising star Michelle Trachtenberg has officially reached the pinnacle of her career with her latest venture, Ice Princess. In the few years she has graced the big and small screens, she has come full circle in her range as an actress. From playing a smart, curious outcast in Harriet the Spy to Sarah Michelle Gellar's geeky younger sister in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer* to a smart outcast in a figure skating costume in this movie, she has truly spread her artistic wings.

Casey Carlyle (Trachtenberg) is a self-proclaimed "physics nerd," trying desperately to live out her mother's dream of going to Harvard. Coming from a single-parent home, she realizes early on it will take more than grades to get into an Ivy League school; she will need money. At her science teacher's urging, Casey decides to apply for a very prestigious science scholarship. In order to enter, every student is asked to come up with an original project in an area of personal interest.

One hobby, besides schoolwork, Casey had always enjoyed was figure skating. Having skated on a pond in her backyard since she was little, Casey would spend her free time dreaming what it would be like to have the life of Sasha Cohen or Michelle Kwan.

While watching a figure skating competition on television, Casey stumbles onto her research topic. She decides to figure out if there are any consistent aerodynamic properties involved in figure skating. She hypothesizes that, using simple math equations, any skater would be able to complete difficult, intricate movements.

She finds the objects of her observation in three of her female classmates, competitive figure skaters who practice at a nearby arena. Watching and recording their every move, Casey discovers her deep desire to skate like they do.

Secretly, Casey goes to Tina (Kim Cattrall), the owner of the skating rink to sign up for private lessons. Upon finding out skating classes will cost \$800, Casey gets a job as a worker at the concession stand everyday after school.

After eight long weeks of practice and hard work, the big recital arrives and the judges see Casey's talent. Unbeknownst to anyone around her, she has clandestinely been using her science project to improve her own skating abilities.

Receiving high marks at the recital gives Casey a hunger to explore her talent even further. Her dreams are quickly crushed when Tina informs her of the enormous costs associated with skating competitively.

Typical of any Disney movie, Casey finds a way to pay her way to the sectional skating championships without her mother knowing, while still managing to keep her grades high. In spite of her overbearing mother, incidences of sabotage, and the uncovering of some dark secrets from the past, Casey must decide in the end what she wants to do with her life. She can do the right thing and go to college or the impractical thing and follow her heart.

The only word to possibly describe this movie was "cute." It didn't deal with any hard hitting issues but it also wasn't pure fluff either. The ending was fairly pre-

dictable but there were also some surprises that kept the audience interested.

The most fascinating part of this movie was the relationship between Tina (Kim Cattrall) and her daughter (Hayden Panettiere). Tina was a figure skater whose career was cut short by an unfortunate event. As a result, she is living vicariously through her daughter who is also a figure skater. She pushes her to be the best while taking away her childhood in the process.

Another part of the movie I liked was Casey's realization about the skating world. She has come to greatly admire the girls she has been observing for her research. They are so



her friends, watch television, and

even have time to study while the

of school, placed on strict diets,

movie were, for the most part,

weak. Trachtenberg is upstaged in

most of her scenes by her co-stars

and does not have the screen pres-

ence to carry an hour and forty

minute movie by herself. Joan Cu-

sack, who plays Casey's mother,

Kim Cattrall, in a surprising

career move, kept her clothes on

throughout this movie. But she did

play an excellent coach, combin-

ing an uncharacteristic sympathy

to her usually crass demeanor.

and work for hours on end.

looks too old for her role.

driven and talented. Casey wishes There were also some supshe had the money and support porting roles, like Zoey, another from her mother to be able to do competitive skater, and Teddy, what they do everyday. To her surthe Zamboni operator as well as prise, Casey finds out the skaters Casey's love interest, that were are in fact envious of her. They completely unnecessary and made see Casey's life as normal even if the plot seem weak. Instead of concentrating on the she herself does not. Casey can eat what she wants, hang out with

obstacles Casey must face in order to achieve her dream, the director decided to use the screen time girls are always being pulled out to act out an awkward, flirtatious scene between Casey and Teddy that doesn't further their relation-The casting decisions for this ship and does nothing to advance Casey's character.

Although this is supposed to be an inspirational movie, it doesn't come off as one. It is a good family film because it has something for everyone, especially the girls in your family. The children will is well cast as an over-protective, like the detailed skating sequencsuper-feminine woman, but she es, and the parents will like the wholesome messages.

> Disney has come out with some excellent movies. Unfortunately, this is not one of them, not even close. All things considered, wait until this movie is available to rent and even then, leave it alone.



Casey shares a moment with her love interest, Teddy.

Robots offers high-tech fun for everybody Weld Corporation. He travels to NICOLE DENARDO

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STAFF WRITER

Toys. Bugs. Monsters. Fish. Superheroes. What's next for 3-D animation? Robots, of course. 3-D animation seems to have tackled every inanimate object, cute and cuddly animal, or mythical character story line. But does it ever get old? Of course not. Robots, which comes from the same company as Ice Age, is just as fun as the rest to find the original owner of Big and if not, better. In fact, the movie Weld, Big Weld himself, to keep

Robot City to achieve his dreams, only to find out that Big Weld Co. has been taken over by the powerhungry Ratchet. Ratchet destroys the spare parts that the robots rely on to create upgrades, super snazzy parts that only rich robots can afford. However, many robots are happy the way they are and don't want to have to upgrade. Rodney and a bunch of misfit robots fight

The voices in this movie were right on target. As always Robin Williams nailed the zany sidekick role of Fender. William's manic antics made this character very enjoyable to watch. Ewan Mc-Gregor is always perfect in every role he does. Though this movie was animated, McGregor made Rodney very realistic and likable. Mel Brook's scruffy Jewish accent was a perfect touch to this very vivacious character. Other actors whose voices were featured in this



that a health charity funds

exceeded my expectations.

Robots blended comedy with a good laugh. The humor was a mix of goofy, adult, smart and bathroom, which makes it enjoyable for everyone. For example, a very goes to Robot City to become an today's times.

Without inventor. giving too much away, the scene is a parody of the sometimes crazy experience going to Manhattan. This may seem like an easy way to get a laugh, but it was done in such a stylish way that it worked very well in an animated movie.

Robots tells the story of Rodney Copperbottom, a robot from a small town, who dreams of becoming an inventor for Big

robots alive.

The story line seems to reflect good story line that did not rely on the current trend of how plastic pop culture or copycat gags to get a surgery is becoming more popular. Many are not happy being themselves anymore or even if that wasn't the case, being yourself just isn't good enough. This is memorable tongue- in- cheek scene a good message for both children bringing the audience into an was when Rodney Copperbottom and adults alike and it is perfect for

movie were Paul Giamatti, Halle Berry, Greg Kinnear, Jim Broadbent, Drew Carey, Damien Fahey, Jennifer Coolidge and Amanda Bynes. All added their own distinct voice to their character and brought it to life.

The animation was surreal, imaginative, unique world. Each scene seemed to be crafted with

time, devotion and utmost perfection. The animation never ceases to astonish. If you aren't entertained by the voices, characters, or story line, you surely will be entertained by the spectacular animation.

There are many animated movies that we can't help but love because they never cease to bring a smile to our faces. Add Ro*bots* to that list.

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The characters celebrate in the new animated film Robots.

Your Dream Internship at Mastercard

[INTERN from page 6]

"When you are trying to get a job the next guy is always trying to kick you out," said Meyers.

Epstein and Meyers both agreed that you should get all of the experience that you can while students are still in college. "Volunteer in your athletic department, get a job in sports, do anything you can in the field you want to be in to make the "Priceless Experience" icon. your self look more attractive... experience is the most important part." said Epstein.

Meyers talked about how people always talk about doing things and never end up doing it. He says to students who are thinking about applying for the internship with March 20, 2005. MasterCard will MasterCard, "Just do it, don't talk cover all expenses except personal about doing it, just do it."

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Don't miss your chance to win ships

MU National Honor Societies

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Sigma Theta Tau is an international honor society for nursing. According to the website, www. nursingsociety.org/youbelonghere, its mission statement is, "The Honor Society of Nursing provides leadership and scholarship in practice, education and research to enhance the health of all people. We support the learning and professional development of our members, who strive to improve nursing care worldwide".

The requirements to become a member of Sigma Theta Tau in the Monmouth University chapter as specified by www.nursingsociety.org/youbelonghere include being "enrolled in a baccalaureate program, one half of nursing curriculum complete, a GPA of at class".

Some member benefits of being *ship* (award).

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least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, and rank Journal of Nursing Scholarship, in the upper 35% of graduating continuing education credits, and Reflections on Nursing Leader-

> For requirements for graduate students, visit www.nursingsociety.org for further information.

Upcoming events include Annual Research Day on May 6, 2005 held at Monmouth University.

For more information on Sigma Theta Tau, contact advisor Janet Mahoney by telephone at (732) 571-3443 or by e-mail at jmahoney@monmouth.edu.

These are just some of the many honor societies at Monmouth University.

If you want your honor society featured in The Outlook, please forward your information to include outlook@monmouth.edu.



SCREAM Theater is a peer educational, interactive theater program that is created and acted by undergraduate students from Rutgers University. This presentation addresses themes of sexual assault, dating violence, and interpersonal violence.

* Refreshments will be provided.

DATE: Wednesday, March 23 TIME: 7pm-9pm LOCATION: Wilson Hall Auditorium

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Call today to make an appointment or to learn more about OCCS. 732-263-5651.

The Big Event...A Day of Giving Back **Stomp Out Relationship Abuse**

HEATHER KELLY Contributing Writer

Today will mark the conclusion around the lobby. of Monmouth University's "Stomp out Relationship Abuse" Week. Different events were scattered from March 16- March 23 to help raise awareness and stop relationship abuse.

The week began on March 16th with a presentation from El-Around. She discussed in detail drugs used to incapacitate victims of sexual assault. Her lecture was amazing in breath and detail. From how these drugs are obtained and created to the consequences. It was scary to hear how easy it can be to obtain these chemicals and how they are used on unsuspecting victims. It is even more scary to realize how these drugs are being used right here in West Long Branch! About sixty students attended the function. On Thursday, March 17th there was another lecture by Dr. Lisa Waldner on Intimate Violence should be an amazing and movin Gay and Lesbian Relationships which was also well attended.

Throughout the week, students manned tables in the lobby of the Department. Student Center. They helped to collect statements from Monmouth University students, faculty, and staff hoping to end physical, emotional, verbal, sexual, and ecoform of threats, intimidation, intense criticism, forced isolation, with respect.

and/or physical violence. These were written on footprints, meant to stomp out abuse, and posted all

On Tuesday, March 22 they also gave out free buttons and stickers to students with slogans meant to abolish relationship abuse. That same day students, faculty, and staff were asked to wear a red shirt if someone that they knew had been affected by relationship abuse. It len Bloom of 180 Turning Lives was astonishing to see the large amount of red shirts worn across the campus and to know how much Monmouth University is affected by relationship abuse.

The week ends tonight with a special performance of SCREAM Theatre in Wilson Aud. at 7:00 pm. SCREAM Theater is a peer educational, interactive theater program that is created and acted by undergraduate students from Rutgers University. Their presentation will address themes of sexual assault, dating violence, and interpersonal violence. It ing event. The week was made possible by Student Services, the LCAC, and the Gender Studies

It is sad to know how much relationship abuse affects all of our lives, but hopefully Monmouth University can pull together to help reduce it on our campus. We nomic abuse which can take the all deserve to be treated well and we should all treat those we love

HEATHER KELLY Contributing Writer

Like Homecoming, Founder's

and local communities. For the past three years SGA has sponsored this community service program and in 2004 over 300 students, staff and faculty gathered on the

at 25 worksites in the towns that surround our campus.

Grove, we had people spending time play in the entrance to the Student 3484.

with the SPCA in Eatontown, there Center Cafeteria. were people cleaning up the beach in Long Branch and so on.

Now in its 4th year, the Big Event Day or Commencement, the Big will be held on Saturday, April 2, Monmouth University a great place Event has become a tradition that 2005. Students, staff and faculty is that we're committed to helping

> **Big Event has become a tradition** that focuses on helping our neighbors and local communities.

able through SGA, located on the sleeve shirt, lunch and transporta-2nd floor of the RSSC in the Divi- tion to and from the worksites. Big Event volunteers could be seen sion of Student Services. SGA will working with the elderly in Ocean also have volunteer forms on a dis- Big Event, call SGA at 732-571-

Why should you become a Big **Event volunteer?**

A cornerstone of what makes focuses on helping our neighbors are encouraged to join the Big people in need. The Big Event is

all about giving back and it's also a great way to spend an afternoon with friends, colleagues, brothers/sisters, or teammates. Big Event volunteers will also receive a

last Saturday in March to volunteer Event and applications are avail- light breakfast, a Big Event long

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Full details are listed in the information and instructions dated 3/1/05 and emailed to your MU email account.

WEBstudent Screens for Registration :

- **Course Schedule Information**
- Sections Offered by Term
- WEBregistration Approvals / Blocks
- **Course Prerequisite Worksheet**
- WEBregistration

WEBstudent screens also helpful during Registration:

- Academic Audit
- **Student Schedule**
- **Online Forms**
- Questions . . . contact
- registrar@monmouth.edu

Study abroad student Paula D'Ambrosa

stands along the beautiful cliffs of Ireland

STUDY ABROAD: ONDON, ENGLAND

London has been exciting, exhilarating and expensive! This combination guarantees an extremely memorable experience. [amjust sad] only have one semester over here! Hey everybody, semester over here! Studying in one of the most premiere cities in the world gives a person so Studying in one of the most premiere cities in the world gives a person so much more of an understanding of culture and themselves. One learne rather quicklu, how to navigate a busy city, how to budget nuch more of an understanding of culture and themselves. One learns, rather quickly, how to navigate a busy city, how to budget themselves and how to survive without all the comforts and familiarities of themselves and how to survive without all the comforts and comfort zone. It is home. Basically, you are thrown from your bubble and comfort zone. themselves and how to survive without all the comforts and familiarities of home. Basically, you are thrown from your bubble and comfort zone. It is a good thing, this experience has made me so much more independent and home. Basically, you are thrown from your bubble and comfort zone. It is a good thing, this experience has made me so much more independent and self-sufficient. If-sufficient. Traveling and seeing different parts of the world is easier overhere due to be close proximity of everything else. So far my friends and have traveled Traveling and seeing different parts of the world is easier over here due to the close proximity of everything else. So far my friends and I have traveled to Venice, Italy and Edinburgh, Scotland, among other day trips. The two cities are really beautiful and I would recommend them to everyone plan-ting to study abroad in the future. self-sufficient.

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Study Abroad students Paula D'Ambrosa, Katherine Selby and Karissa Maresma enjoy time in Scotland.



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Slowly Getting There

The last tip section focused on meeting with Robyn Asaro, obtaining proper documentation, and learning about money issues. This week I will provide more insight into getting yourself prepared for your departure date.

GET CURRENT PERSCRIPTIONS... STEP 4:

Whether you wear eye glasses, take medical pills, have a special face wash, or need to get new shots you need to be prepared. Plan a visit with your respective doctor and explain your plans; ask for a copy of anything you may need. Having a copy of everything minimizes unnecessary hassles that may arise, like losing medicine or glasses. If you need any type of pill be sure to keep it and the proper documentation on you while going through security at the airport. Once you get to your dorm/apartment simply store the information in a safe place until needed. It is also very important to make sure you have all the proper immunizations well in advance to your departure. If you take a special medication, ask your doctor questions about refilling it overseas. He or she can help you out with these and other questions, so make an appointment today!

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REVIEW THE COURSE SHEET STEP 5:

While you are overseas you must be enrolled in at least twelve credits; Robyn has the list of course offerings for both schools and would be happy to give them to you to review. In order to fully understand the suggested courses ask Robyn to connect you with past students. Students know what courses are best and which you should stay away from; most are willing to meet or e-mail you their thoughts about classes and professors-as well as how to set up your schedule. (Ex: It is fully possibly to have only Monday and Wednesday courses, leaving you with Thursday-Sunday to travel!) Don't be shy, ask away.

STEP 6:

MEET WITH AN ADVISOR

E-mail your advisor and set up an appointment to discuss your overseas course enrollment. Bring Robyn's ditto and your academic audit (accessible through Webadvisor) and be ready to pick out your overseas courses; he or she can guide you as to whether or not you must take required classes or if you can take all electives.

While these steps may not seem as exiting as mapping out where you plan to travel, they are necessary to do before you get to the fun stuff; besides, picking out classes and meeting others who have already taken this journey can be a fun experience, if you let it.



CAMPUS VIEWPOINT BY: SUZANNE GUARINO

"What is your favorite spring break memory of all time?"



Matt – freshman "Went on vacation to the Carribbean and partied for a week straight"



AJ – sophomore "Watching my cousin fall out of the lifeguard stand at 3 a.m. in South Beach"



Megan - freshman "Going to LBI with some friends and getting yelled at by the cops for playing on a playground at 1 a.m.'



Andrew – junior "Drinking whiskey and playing Tekken 2 for 14 hours straight"



Dwight - sophomore "Met a girl from Amsterdam in Puerto Rico, had some drinks and woke up together naked on a public beach!"



Angela – junior "When I drove out to Pennsylvannia and got my lip pierced"



Caitlin - freshman "Falling down a hill and ripping my favorite jeans walking to a party at Rowan"



Aidan - junior "Went to Virginia Beach and went to a comedy club with a bunch of friends"



Briaid - freshman "Not going to practice and going to Ireland instead"



Erin - senior

"This year was the first time I got to spend time at home because we lost the tournament"

QUESTIONS CALL 571-3586 TTY CALL 263-5795

Upcoming Events....

Wednesday, March 23rd Career Connections Anacon Hall, 2:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Scream Theater Wilson Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

The Best of the David Chappelle Comics (I'm Rich Beeyatch Tour) Pollak Theatre, 9:00 p.m.

Try Study Abroad RSSC 301D, 3:00 p.m.

Softball vs. Drexel 2:30 p.m.

Lacrosse vs. Albany 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 24th Intimate Violence in Gay and Lesbian Relationships Young Aud., 11:30 a.m.

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- 11 hkelly@monmouth.edu.

Friday, March 25th Movie - Ocean's Twelve Young Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Saturday, March 26th Movie - Ocean's Twelve Young Auditorium, 3 p.m. & 9 p.m.

10th Annual Track and Field Kessler Field, 9:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 27th

Lacrosse vs. UC - Davis Time TBA

Monday, March 28th

Meredith LeVande - Singer and Lecturer Women in Pop Culture Anacon Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 29th

Money Management - Part II RSSC 202A, 3:00 p.m.

Softball vs. Columbia 2:30 p.m.

Lacrosse vs. Lafayette College 3:30 p.m.



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By helping your local emergency food provider, you will be helping to fight hunger in your community and in New Jersey. So log onto www.sefan.org and click on "Pantry Link" today!

COMICS N MORE

HOROSCOPES By Linda C. Black, **Tribune Media Services** 10 Today's Birthday (March 23rd) True love could sneak up and catch you by surprise. Running away won't prevent this from happening. It might be part of the process. This is bigger than both of you. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is 22 the easiest day, 0 the most challenging. Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - Today is a 7 Conditions have changed enormously in your favor. It's not all by chance, it's also because you love to seize the day. This is a juicy one. 37 Ö Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - Today is a 6 Domestic chores rise to top priority. Don't despair, you have the resources to solve the problem. Finding them, now there's your challenge. Ш **Gemini** • (May 21 - June 21) - Today is a 8 By now you should feel much better, almost relieved to have made it through. A bit of a celebration with friends is quite appropriate. Scancer • (June 22 - July 22) - Today is a 7 The work you do for the next few days should pay pretty well. This is good, because it's not easy. Tough it out, and push past your old limits. 66 67 68 **Solution** Leo • (July 23- Aug. 22) - Today is a 8 The Sun's transit through Aries, beginning just about now, is your very best travel time all year. That's a clue, and permission to go. 3 Virgo • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - Today is a 5 The next several weeks are good for getting your finances in order. There may be a bit of stress in the air, but that's motivational. Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - Today is a 7 Another's sharp tone may be uncomfortable at first, but don't dismay. If you're in danger, get out of there. If you're not, well then, relax. 8 Scorpio • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - Today is a 8

ate the assistance. Give gold stars to a good friend, too.

🔭 Pisces • (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) Today is a 7

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By Aaron Warner



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Mother of Another Brain-Damaged Woman Says Husband Should Choose

KNIGHT RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Edwarda O'Bara celebrated her 52nd birthday Sunday, and wellwishers came from as close as nearby northern Miami and as far away as Japan. There were hundreds of helium-filled balloons, Native American drums and a five-foot Japanese harp. There were cards and flowers everywhere and everything from sushi to fried chicken on the dining room table.

In the middle of the big celebration, her mother, Kave O'Bara, 77, served Edwarda her birthday lunch: First, she took the plastic ried adult when she went into stopper out of Edwarda's feeding tube. Then, she poured in powdered milk, mixed with baby food, orange juice, brewer's yeast and vegetable oil - following the same general procedure she has for the past 36 years.

Edwarda kept her eyes closed through the meal, but opened them when 30 people crammed around her bed to sing happy birthday, while her mother beamed.

"What we've tried to do here is create a place of love," said Kaye O'Bara. "That means more than saying 'yes' to the feeding tube or 'no' to the feeding tube."

she threw up her diabetic medicine and was rushed to the hospital, only to fall into a diabetic coma. Her last words to her mother before she lost consciousness: "Promise me you'll never leave me.'

And so, her mother never has. But Kaye O'Bara is careful to draw a distinction between the facts of her case and those of Terri Schiavo, the brain-damaged woman who has been at the center of a national fight over whether to remove her feeding tube.

If Edwarda had been a marthe coma, "I would have honored her husband's right to make decisions, as next of kin - just as my parents would have done with my husband, had the same thing happened to me," she says.

O'Bara thinks a lot about Terri Schiavo, she says, and the atmosphere around her. What O'Bara wishes, she says, is that Terri's husband, Michael Schiavo, and her parents. Bob and Mary Schindler. 'go to Terri's room and hug each other before she dies."

"It shouldn't be about how long Terri lives - whether it's two weeks or 20 years - it should be about cre- Edwarda was reading it when she

Edwarda was 16 in 1970 when ating an atmosphere of love in the went into the coma. time she has left," O'Bara said.

> To do this, Kaye O'Bara welcomes everyone who comes to her house, inviting them in to visit. She doesn't care about their politics or their religion, or lack of it, she says. Sometimes, they want to be near Edwarda, believing that being in her presence will heal them of disease or protect them. Sometimes, they want to tell Edwarda their problems.

> Often, they come simply to meet Kaye - Kaye with the lucid blue eyes, easy smile and wisecracks, who has been turning Edwarda every two hours for 36 years, and pouring a muddy concoction into her feeding tube just as often. Kaye, who sleeps an hour at a time next to Edwarda's bed, and no longer, relying on a walker to get to her every two hours.

She reads the paper to Edwarda every morning and puts on "Meet the Press" on weekends because "Edwarda was interested in politics before this happened." Most days, she plays tapes by the Beatles, BeeGees and Neil Diamond celebration takes place outside - "Edwarda's favorites." And, she reads James Michener's novel, "Hawaii," to her daughter because

She and Edwarda's 50-year-old sister, Colleen O'Bara, who lives nearby, try to keep Edwarda's room as "unhospital-like as possible." That means colored sheets rails on the bed, lifts or tubes except for the feeding tube, which is hidden under the sheets.

Edwarda O'Bara was a serious, shy teenager - an avid reader, a whiz at math - when she went into a coma in 1970. No one told her parents - her father Joe O'Bara died in 1970 - or her sister that it was a coma. But they realized as time went on.

"The three of us made the decision as a family to try to maintain her, after much discussion with the doctors, but if we'd decided differently, I could have accepted that," says Kaye, who sees Edwarda as "caught behind a veil, like people in the recovery room after surgery - hearing, but too far away to register and respond."

Most of Sunday's birthday Edwarda's room. The harpist and drummers perform on the porch. Kids play on swings in the back yard. Kaye passes rosaries

around, while a guest passes a Native American peace pipe. Guests write resentments on paper and burn them in a big bowl then release balloons to the sky.

They recite Catholic prayers and and knickknacks everywhere, no Buddhist chants and mantras that are their very own. They hug and exchange e-mail addresses. Some say being around Kaye and Edwarda helped them shake illness. Others say being around them inspired them to do things they feared. And, still others say they are there simply because they are friends with Kaye and Edwarda and it's a yearly tradition.

> "Mostly, we're here," says friend Manny Koukoulas, who has come from Commack, N.Y., "because there's a lot of love in this house and you can relax."

Meanwhile, Edwarda lies in her bed in the back room, as she always does. Her eyes are open, not focusing - but not fixed, either. Her breath is raspy and she coughs occasionally. In the past few years, she has had pneumonia and lost a kidney.

"I don't know how long she'll be with us," said her mother. "But I do know I can accept her death as long as I've done my best to bring love to this house while she's alive.'



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Drexel University - March 23 2:30 p.m. Drexel University - March 23 4:30 p.m. @ St. Joseph's University - March 29 2:30 p.m. @ St. Joseph's University - March 29 4:30 p.m. Columbia University - March 31 2:30 p.m. Columbia University - March 31 4:30 p.m. St. Francis (Pa.) University - April 2 1:00 p.m. St. Francis (Pa.) University - April 2 3:00 p.m. Robert Morris University - April 3 12 :00 p.m. Robert Morris University - April 3 2:00 p.m. Manhattan College - April 6 3:00 p.m. Manhattan College - April 6 5:00 p.m.

@ La Salle University - April 7 3:00 p.m.

@ La Salle University - April 7 5:00 p.m.

@ Long Island University - April 9 1:00 p.m.

@ Long Island University - April 9 3:00 p.m.

St. Peter's College - April 14 3:00 p.m.

St. Peter's College - April 14 5:00 p.m.

St. Francis (N.Y.) College - April 16 12 :00 p.m.

St. Francis (N.Y.) College - April 16 2:00 p.m.

@ Mount St. Mary's College - April 17 12 :00 p.m.

@ Mount St. Mary's College - April 17 2:00 p.m.

@ Rutgers University - April 20 3:00 p.m.

@ Rutgers University - April 20 5:00 p.m.

Softball 5-0 at Beach Games

WILLIAM K. DEPOE STAFF WRITER

Monmouth University Softball Head Coach Carol Sullivan, Alumnus of Seton Hall University (class of 1995), is proud of the success the Pirates have had in recent years. She made one thing perfectly clear in facing her alma mater:

"My number one priority is to win a double-header with Monmouth," said Sullivan.

Unfortunately for the Hawks, winning a double-header against Seton Hall was a mission to tough to complete, falling 6-2 and 19-2 in games 1 and 2 respectively in South Orange, N.J on Thursday, March 17.

In the third inning of game 1, the Pirates picked up three runs, including an RBI single by Jessica Schulien. Seton Hall would add three more runs in the fifth, which was enough for winning pitcher Jessica Jones.



WWW.MONMOUTH.EDU/ATHLETICS Danielle Ellement struck out 10 betters in the Hawks' 3-1 win against Lafayette.

Senior Kristin Wilson picked up two hits and a walk for Monmouth, including a solo home run in the top of the seventh.

Heather Gordon was tagged Micchelli would finish 2-for-3. with the loss for the Hawks in relief, going 4 2/3 innings, allowing four earned runs on seven hits. It didn't get any better for the Hawks, who took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first in game 2 on a Kara O'Dell home run. This would allow seven runs in the bottom of the first, five runs in the second, and another seven in the third leading the contest to be called after five innings. O'Dell went 2-for-3 for the Hawks. Danielle Ellement dropped to 0-1 on the season, going 1 2/3 innings, giving up eight earned runs on nine hits. "They are easily the best team in our region," said Sullivan, who also felt that many people aren't aware of just how good the Pirates are. A day after two disappointing losses, Monmouth would travel to Dover, DE for the Bash at the Beach games. The Hawks would snap their four-game losing streak by picking up 7-6 and 3-1 victories against St. Joseph's and Lafayette respectively on Friday, March 18. In game 1 against the Hawks of

St. Joseph's, Monmouth would take against the University of Delaware. a 2-0 lead in the third inning, in- shutting out the Blue Hens 3-0. She cluding an RBI single to left from would allow only three hits while Lori Padgett, scoring Sue Micchelli.

however, scoring three in the bottom half of the inning to take a 3-2 lead, but just like that, the Hawks took back the lead in the fourth, scoring four runs.

"We are on a mission."

CAROL SULLIVAN Head Coach

The scoring started with an O'Dell sacrifice fly, scoring Alyson Slattery.

Micchelli, who was 4-for-5 with two RBI and two runs scored, would then knock in Wilson, who also had two hits, with a single.

Gordon, who was 1-for-4 with two RBI, would then triple to score Micchelli, and Jessica Christ singled to score Gordon.

The Hawks of St. Joseph would score three in the bottom of the fifth, including a two-run single from Megan Richardson, tying the contest at 6-6.

This contest was decided in the eighth inning, when Micchelli two hits for Monmouth. came up big again, using the suicide squeeze to score Slattery.

Angela Rand, who shut the door in the bottom of the eighth, picked earned runs on two hits in four innings.

The story in game 2 against the Leopards of Lafayette College was Ellement. She bounced back after her tough loss against Seton Hall, striking out a career-high 10 batters.

Christ would single in the Hawks' first run in the fourth inning. In he fifth, Padgett would score on a throwing error, which was followed by a Micchelli suicide squeeze. pitching," said Sullivan.

striking out two. A Dana Passini sacrifice fly in the second inning St. Joseph's would fight back would give Monmouth a 1-0 lead.



WWW MONMOUTH EDU/ATHLETICS Angela Rand allowed no earned runs on two hits in four innings against St. Joseph's in the Hawks' 7-6 win.

Dawn Gilchrist added an RBI single in the third and Christ would single in the Hawks third run in the fifth. Micchelli, O'Dell, and Ashley Dellens each tallied

The Hawks would end the Bash at the Beach games 5-0 on Sunday, March 20, picking up a convincing 8-1 victory over the University of up the win in relief, allowing no Pennsylvania, a team the Hawks beat the day before.

The Hawks were able to put up more runs against the Quakers than the previous meeting. It was Rand's pitching that kept the opposition down, pitching a complete game, allowing one run on six hits, while striking out six, improving her record to 7-1 and finishing 4-0 in Delaware.

"As the weekend went on she brought some stability to our

Monmouth did its' damage early, striking for five runs in the first inning, including a two-run double by Padgett, scoring Gordon and Gilchrist, who went 2-for-3 with two RBI's. O'Dell also singled in a firstinning run and would tag a solo homerun in the bottom of the third inning to make it 7-0. Wilson was also strong at the plate for Monmouth, going 3-for-4 with two runs scored. Despite the Hawks being 11-6 and having success in Delaware, Sullivan insists that the team wants to do more. "We are on a mission. We would like to be more competitive against teams like Seton Hall," said Sullivan, who says the team's goal is to win the Northeast Conference and get an NCAA tournament berth. Monmouth softball will take its five-game winning streak into Wednesday, March 23. The Rand picked up the win in relief, Hawks will host a double-header against Drexel, the game will start at 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Quinnipiac University - April 23 1:00 p.m.

Quinnipiac University - April 23 3:00 p.m.

CCSU - April 24 12 :00 p.m.

CCSU - April 24 2:00 p.m.

@ Sacred Heart University - April 26 3:00 p.m.

@ Sacred Heart University - April 26 5:00 p.m.

@ Rider University - April 28 3:00 p.m.

@ Rider University - April 28 5:00 p.m.

@ Wagner College - April 30 1:00 p.m.

@ Wagner College - April 30 3:00 p.m.

@ Fairleigh Dickinson University - May 1 1:00 p.m.

@ Fairleigh Dickinson University - May 1 3:00 p.m.

@ 2005 NEC tournament - May 13 TBA

@ 2005 NEC tournament - May 14 TBA



"As the weekend went on [Angela **Rand**] brought some stability to our pitching."

CAROL SULLIVAN Head Coach

The Hawks would play two more games on Saturday, March 19 against the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Delaware. The Hawks got solid pitching and a two-run home run from Gordon in the sixth inning to defeat the Quakers 2-1.

Wilson went 1-for-4 in the game, moving her into fourth place on the Hawks all-time hit list.

allowing two hits over 2 1/3 innings.

Rand's tough pitching continued respectively.

Lacrosse Picks up Big Win Behind Underclassmen Overcome Lehigh 15-11, Fall to Brown 11-4

DEVON GOTTSHALK SPORTS EDITOR ED OCCHIPINTI STAFF WRITER

As underclassmen, a university atmosphere might call for a few adjustments. But on the field, freshman Megan Nutter and sophomore Carolyn Raveia know what needs to be done.

"Megan is an attacker from Moorestown HS, a program that has owned the state title for the past 4 years, and she knows how to win," said Sue Cowperthwait, Head Coach, Women's Lacrosse.

Three games into the season, the freshman has tallied four goals along with Northeast Conference Rookie of the Week honors for the Hawks. All four of Nutter's goals have come from off the bench.

"She has been an impact player right from the start," said Cowperthwait.

Along with the underclassmen, Cowperthwait said, "I have 5 seniors and 10 juniors who have the potential to take this team far into the post season and I am waiting for them to step up and take control."

when they work together."

Monmouth opened their season last week with losses to nationallyranked Boston and regional power Duquesne, but just 1:21 into the Hawks' match-up against Lehigh University on Wednesday, March 16, Raveia found the back of the cage to open all scoring.

scored again for the Hawks. Raveia and Nutter would also

score a goal apiece in the final seconds on the first half, putting MU up by four at halftime. The Hawks pounced early again in

the second half, as junior Erica Evangelisti scored 53 seconds into the second half, but Lehigh responded with three goals of their own, cutting the Hawks' lead to two, 7-5, only 4:26 into the second stanza.

"Our goal this season is to play to our potential."

SUE COWPERTHWAIT Head Coach

Raveia scored on an assist from sophomore Katie Degen, and in the ensuing 1:44, Jeanette Stott tallied a goal at 38:50, assisted by Raveia, and then followed up with an assist of her own right back to Raveia at 39:55.

With just over 20 minutes to go in the contests, the Hawks led 10-5, but Lehigh responded once again with three goals in 37 seconds, cutting She added, "They're a strong until MU's lead to two, 10-8 with 17:45 remaining.

> In the 43rd minute, Degen found the back of the cage, and set up Evangelisti five minutes later, her third goal of the game.

> The Hawks would never relinquish their lead, beating Lehigh 15-11.

Goal Keeper Jessica Chapman Thirty four seconds later, Nutter with nine saves, Raveia ended the start at 3:30.

day with five goals and an assist while Nutter added four goals and four caused turnovers, Evangelisti scored three goals, and Stott added two goals and an assist.

The Hawks next game will be on the road in Rhode Island against Brown University on Saturday, March 19.

"Our goal this season is to play to our potential. The wins, the conference tournament, and a shot at the NCAAs will be realities if we play quality, consistent lacrosse from start to finish," said Cowperthwait.

With 15 players looking to fill 12 positions, Cowperthwait said, "As a coach, this is a great problem to have."

In their most recent action, Monmouth traveled to Brown and fell to the Bears 11-4.

The Blue and White trailed 6-0 at halftime as the Bears were paced by Sarah Passano's four of her five goals in the first 30:00 of the contest, including her first, 36 seconds into the game.

The Hawks closed the gap to 7-2 after two quick goals at 34:48, but wouldn't get any closer, At 58:51, the Hawks tallied their fourth and final goal of the game, for an 11-4 final.

Four Hawks tallied goals in the game, including freshman Ashley Waldman's first career goal.

Stott had another solid game, as she went for a goal and an assist apiece.

They return to action this Wednesday as they host the Great Danes of



PHOTO BY Jim Reme

earned the win in goal for the Hawks Albany. The game is scheduled to Sophomore Katie Degan has four goals and two assists so far this season for the Hawks, including one of each against Lehigh.

Softball Sweeps Northeast Conference Weekly Awards

PRESS RELEASE Monmouth swept the North-Conference's weekly east awards, the league announced that closed with a season-high five-game win streak.

Week mention after hitting .478 (11-of-23) in seven games.

Hawks centerfield-Kristin Wilson also er won the award last week. In addition to her standout defensive play at third base, Micchelli drove in the eventual game-winning run with a suicide squeeze six. in the top of the eighth inning

5-2 for the week, including 5-0 at ers at bay in a 2-1 win. the Mizuno Bash at the Beach at Georgetown, Del.

The junior also scored six runs, Monday following a 5-2 week had three RBI and three stolen bases. On the season, Micchelli is batting .393 (22-of-56) Junior third baseman Sue with a career-high nine steals. Micchelli (West Paterson, N.J.) Meanwhile, sophomore Angela became the second Hawk in as Rand (Hamilton, N.J.) picked up many weeks to earn Player of the her first NEC Pitcher of the Week Award. Rand earned two relief wins, as well as two sparkling wins as a starter in Monmouth's 5-0 run at the Mizuno Bash at the Beach.

For the week, Rand worked 22.2 innings, allowing 20 hits and just three earned runs for a 0.93 ERA.

against St. Joseph's to give the nings of two-hit relief as the Hawks corded a career-high three hits in rallied to beat St. Joseph's in eight the final game of the week against She was Monmouth's lead- innings. Against Penn, she entered Penn, helping the Hawks to a 5-0 ing hitter as the Hawks went the fifth inning, and held the Quak- record at the tournament.

Rand capped her week with back-to-back wins as a starter against Delaware and Penn. Opposing batters hit just .207 against the right-hander for the week and just .164 at the Bash at the Beach.

Freshman Kara O'Dell (Henderson, Nev.) was named NEC Rookie of the Week after hitting a pair of home runs last week, including her first as a collegian in the second game versus Seton Hall and a two-run, round-tripper in an 8-1 win over Penn.

For the week, the Henderson, Nev. native hit .500 (8-of-16) She struck out five and walked with three runs scored and four runs-batted-in. Additionally, the The sophomore threw four in- freshman designated player re-

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Lacrosse **Schedule**

Albany - March - March 23 3:30 p.m.

UC Davis - March 27 12:00 p.m.

Lafayette College - March 29 3:30 p.m.

@ Wagner - April 1 3:30 p.m.

@ CCSU - April 3 1:00 p.m.

Hawks a 7-6 victory.



WWW.MONMOUTH.EDU/ATHLETICS Sue Micchelli was named NEC Player of the Week after hitting .478 (11-of-23) in seven games.



WWW.MONMOUTH.EDU/ATHLETICS Senior Kristin Wilson, hitting a team-best .474 (18-38), was named Player of the Week last week.



WWW.MONMOUTH.EDU/ATHLETICS Freshman Kara O'Dell, a walk-on for the Hawks, was named NEC Rookie of the Week after hitting a pair of home runs last week.

St. Francis (Pa.) - April 8 3:30 p.m. Robert Morris - April 10 1:00 p.m. Villanova - April 12 3:30 p.m. @ Long Island - April 15 3:30 p.m. Sacred Heart - April 17 1:00 p.m. Quinnipiac - April 22 3:30 p.m. @ Mount St. Mary's - April 24 1:00 p.m. @ NEC Semifinal - April 29 TBA

@ NEC Championship - May 1 TBA

Sports

March 23, 2005

Hawks **Baseball split** doubleheader with Maine

ED OCCHIPINTI SPORTS STAFF WRITER

The Monmouth University baseball team rallied with two runs in the bottom of the eighth inning for an 8-7 victory in game one of a doubleheader, and fell 2-0 to split a doubleheader with the University of Maine at the MU Baseball Field on Saturday afternoon in West Long Branch.

The Hawks record now sits at 4-8 on the young season.

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Monmouth scored two, twoout runs in the eighth inning on senior Cip Apicelli's single to center field to claim the 8-7 lead. With two outs, Nick Massari and Fran Rotella drew walks to set up Apicell's hit.

Junior Kevin Schneider, who has saved three of Monmouth's four wins, pitched a scoreless ninth inning for the Hawks, with two strikeouts, while freshman Brad Brach earned the win in relief of Joe Cummings.

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Brach, who is now 2-2 on the year, threw 2.2 innings, allowing two runs on three hits, in relief of Cummings who went 5.1 innings with five runs on eight hits.

Maine knotted the contest at 2-2 in the top half of the third inning, behind two Hawk errors.

collected two hits in the game for the Hawks.

In game two, the Hawks were fanned nine times en route to being shutout 2-0.

Maine posted single runs in the second and sixth innings off Monmouth starter Vince Grande for the victory.

Grande, now 1-2, went 6.0 innings for the Hawks, allowing four hits, while striking out four Bears, while Matt Marc-Aurele tossed the final frame, allowing no hits with one strikeout.

Massari had two of Monmouth's three hits in the second game, while Justin Braun accounted for the third.

The Hawks were rained out Sunday against Maine, as they The Hawks record now sits at only got through 5 innings of play.

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Monmouth grabbed a 5-2 edge in the bottom of the fourth inning after a Jon Lewis bunt single and a Brett Hardie walk knocked the Maine pitcher out of the game for the Black Bears. After a double steal, putting both runners in scoring position, Frank Pilitowski drove in a run with a ground out, Mike Hussa plated a score with a single and Massari finished the rally with a run-scoring double to right center.

Maine cut the lead to 5-4 in the fifth inning, powered by a tworun home run.

The Hawks retook a 6-5 lead in the home half of the sixth with a successful squeeze attempt, which was layed down by Hussa, scoring Hardie from third base, who had reached on a single of his own.

Monmouth's two-run eighth inning answered the Black Bears' two-run seventh, where Maine pounded three hits.

Hussa, Massari and Hardie each



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Eyes on the Prize









The Lacrosse team is eyeing up a return to the NEC Championships this season



Softball players recognized by NEC, Baseball and Maine each take one game in double header and Lacrosse underclassmen help team towards big win.

