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Palcohol, a powdered version of vodka and rum, has been approved by the U.S. Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau on Tuesday, March 10. The one ounce pouch, when mixed with five ounces of water, creates a standard drink, according to the company.

RICHARD FELICETTI

With powdered alcohol now

legal in the United States, college campuses may have a difficult time restraining students from obtaining the drug. The Alcohol and Tobacco

Tax and Trade Bureau officially approved the product, called Palcohol, to be allowed for consumption. Created by the Lipsmark company, Palcohol

GAME TIME!

has created a tremendous amount of controversy as states debate the safety of the product.

According to Fox News, one package of Palcohol is equivalent to one ounce. When added with five ounces of water, a standard drink is created. Varieties of powdered vodka, rum, cosmopolitans, mojitos, 'powderitas,' and lemon drops are available for purchase. Each packet contains 55 percent alcohol by weight and 10 percent alcohol by volume when added to water.

Palcohol, which will be available for purchase starting summer 2015, has already been banned in states such as South Carolina, Louisiana, and Vermont, and has faced obstructive legislation in states such as Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Massachusetts.

As stated in a USA Today article published on March 17, the product, created by Mark Phillips, was

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University Names New Dean of School of Education

MADELYNNE KISLOVSKY

Dr. John E. Henning has been named by Monmouth University to serve as the new Dean of the School of Education. An Ohio University native, Henning has experience as a professor, an associate dean, a chair of an education department, and has held many other distinguishing positions in the world of education at The Patton College of Education, Ohio University, and the University of Northern Iowa.

"Dr. Henning's proven capacity for leading transformational initiatives through partnerships with public schools, community agencies, and universities will enhance the learning experience for our students while greatly expanding their professional opportunities," said Monmouth University President Paul R. Brown, Ph.D., according to the press release.

Henning earned his doctorate in educational psychology and his master's degree in vocational education from Kent State University, and also graduated from Penn State. He has received the College of **Education Outstanding Faculty** Research Award and the College of Education Outstanding Faculty Teaching Award. Henning has written two books, and is in the process of writing two more, including Building Clinical Capacity: Tools and Strategies for Supporting Mentoring During Early Field Experiences.

Henning wants to focus on strengthening external partnerships between the University and professional organizations.

"Strong partnerships can multiply the power and effectiveness of any organization, and this is especially true for a school of education," Henning said. "Fostering a network approach to professional preparation promotes great teaching, will keep the school at the forefront of innovation in teacher education, and will provide unique research opportunities for our students.'

According to Laura J. Moriarty, Monmouth University Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, "Dr. Henning is an innovative and energetic leader with more than 30 years of experience in teaching and teacher education. His diverse background, which includes service as a public school teacher, university professor, and academic administrator, will foster a comprehensive and holistic approach to leading the School of Education."

Mary Brennan has served as the Interim Dean of the School of Education since October of 2014. She was initially appointed due to the retirement of former Dean Lynn Romero in January 2014, but transitioned into the title of Interim Dean in September 2014 and began serving one month later.

"Interim" Dean refers to serving as a dean for a limited amount of time, according to

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Full-Year Video Game Course Introduced

MARISSA CORNFORD STAFF WRITER

Andrew Demirjian, a specialist professor of communication, is creating a new year-long video graduation. game class that will combine the skills and expercomputer science, soft-

is designed mainly for seniors, or those who have completed all of their general education requirements and have more than 87 credits, but can fulfill some last minute requirements before

The first half of the course, for the fall semester, is a theory tise of students from the class that will focus on the critical, theoretical, and aesthetic ware engineering, music, issues in video games. Titled art, and communication "Critical Play: Theories and majors, among other fields Aesthetics of Video Games," of study. Starting in this class will fulfill the ISP the 2015-16 academic (Interdisciplinary Perspectives) school year, the class requirement at Monmouth.

During the Critical Play class, CO399 or 499, AR 410 students will have the opportunity to apply these ideas in order to develop the concept, a script, lead to doing the same and a storyboard for a new game that they will create.

The second half of the course, completed in the spring, will be spent producing the code and media for the game, creating cut scenes, music, 3D models, and more. This portion of the class will be an independent study where students work together to develop their own video game. There are different course options for each major, such as

or 499, MU 499, and CS 490, but they all project, just with different tasks pertaining to their skills.

This part of the class will also count towards the Interactive Media (IM) minor. The end goal of the entire course is to publicly distribute and market a video game that puts

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University Debate Team Reaches Finals in California

JAMILAH MCMILLAN STAFF WRITER

The University's Debate Team won 10 awards at the Western National Novice Debate Championship hosted by the Sacramento State University in CA.

At the tournament, six teams of two students competed from the University.

The debate team has two cocaptains: Michelle Grushko, a junior political science and psychology double major, and Dan Roman, a senior political science major.

The Monmouth Debate Team won a total of 10 team and individual awards. Five teams continued to the playoffs after six rounds and two days of debating. Competing schools included the University of San Francisco, California State University, and the University of Washington.

The Monmouth Debate Team was founded in 2008. According to Dr. Joseph Patten, Chair of the of the Political Science and Sociology Department, and coach of the debate team, this year has been their most successful.

"Each of the teams over the last three years have really been the best. One of the things about this year's team is that at the California tournament we brought six teams, and of the six teams, five teams made it to the playoffs. That's the greatest number of teams that we have ever had make it to the playoffs in one tournament. What that

What's unique about this year is that we had a lot of teams that could win. That's really good to see," said Patten.

Each year there is a specified national resolution to be debated. This year's resolution was: the United States should legalize all or nearly all of one or more of the following: marijuana, online physician-assisted gambling, suicide, prostitution, the sale of human organs.

Sana Rashid, a chemistry student, won a third place speaker award, and was second place with her partner in the tournament. "Everyone needs a partner, unless you go maverick which is really hard. But anyways, on a team you compete against other schools who argue different sides of the same resolution. There are always two sides to the same topic, and during the tournament I argued legalizing organ sales. Teams argue either affirmative or negative, and the Monmouth Debate Team prepared two different cases for the tournament; legalizing prostitution and another for organ sales," said Rashid.

Throughout the year, the team debated against many different universities regardless of their

"One of the greatest things about our debate team is that it helps to bring prestige to the University in the sense that our students are competing with Universities from all over the

means is that our team is deep. country including Ivy League schools, and the Big Ten. It is because of that that I have so much admiration for our students. They have the courage, work ethic, and fighting spirit to represent our University in such an impressive way," said Patten.

Leading up to their successes in CA, the Debate Team partook in three other tournaments. The debate team competed in West Point, West Virginia University, and hosted a tournament at the University titled the 5th annual Jersey Shore Debate tournament.

In between tournaments the team would meet weekly and practice the art of debate. Members practiced writing cases, and reading out loud.

Prior to the California debate, former debaters returned to the team to help coach. "Some novice teams were able to get extra help thanks to former debaters Lianne Kulik and Kelly Craig who volunteered their time to come back and help us practice," said Payal Patel, a junior political science major who left California a semi-finalist.

"Honestly, if they hadn't been there to help out, I probably would not have done so well at the tournament," Patel contin-

Such extracurricular programs at the University are necessary to enhance the quality of college life for University students, according to Patten.

The debate team members also spend time coaching the Asbury



The Univeristy Debate Team took home a number of awards while in California, including the top speaking award.

Park High School Debate Team. Asbury Park. I am particularly In February, the high-schoolers impressed by the breadth of explaced second at a New York perience that the team repre-City Urban Debate League tournament in the Bronx, their high- Paul Brown. est ever finish.

ments, and also for all the impor- University should celebrate," tant work they do as mentors in added Brown.

sents," said University President

"Having members from dif-"It is wonderful to see our deferent academic areas, including bate team continue to compete students with majors as diverse successfully, especially at the as chemistry and political scinational level. I am very proud ence, really makes the debate of their track record in tourna- team something all of Monmouth

New Dean Comes To University

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Brennan. Her term as the Interim Dean ends on June 30. Henning will take office on July 1.

Brennan is a specialist professor in special education, and she will return to the status of a faculty member when her term

Brennan said being an Interim Dean is a "24/7 job." She said she's always on call because the "nature of the position is such that you have to be present to faculty, students, and staff, either in person, by phone, or by email."

She continued, "There's a tremendous amount of interaction with other offices across the vous for the entering of the new campus."

"In order to really position yourself to be effective, you have to be available," said Brennan.

Ashley Ordile, a senior education student, said that Brennan was one of the best professors she'd ever had. "I got the most out of her class compared to any other class taken here at the University. She did an excellent job in teaching us what we needed to know in an engaging and effective way", said Ordile.

Worried about the transition of the new dean, Ordile suggests Henning meet with the department frequently to learn the everyday and constant stresses of the University's education

Another junior education student, Krista Delia, has also had a lot of interaction with Bren-

Delia agrees that Brennan is the best professor in her field



IMAGE TAKEN from pbs.twimg.com

University education students welcome Henning as the new Dean at McAllan Hall.

role model for the entire depart-

Delia, like Ordile, is also ner-Dean into the School of Educa-

"The education program is so unique here at Monmouth and the Dean plays a large role in it. I really hope [Henning] listens to Brennan's advice so the department can stay at the rate it's going," said Delia.

Brennan said she appreciates all of the support that she has received from staff, faculty, and fellow administrators during her time as Interim Dean.

She continued to say that she looks forward to continuing her affiliation with them as a faculty member come September.

Brennan doesn't know Henning very well.

Brennan said, "I would say he's going to take us on a very definite course leading to ideas, programs, and innovative approaches to teaching and preparing teachers in the field of education. We're excited to have somebody with his backat Monmouth, and sees her as a ground and knowledge."

Black Maria Film Festival

JULIAN GARCIA CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Matthew Lawrence, a specialist professor of communication, curated the Black Maria Film Festival. The festival is an opportunity to showcase independent short subject and feature length films from both domestic and international filmmakers.

At this event, nine shorts were chosen to showcase the festival's diverse selection of films on Thursday, April 2 in Pollak Theater,

Donna Dolphin, an associate professor of communication who usually curates the event, was on sabbatical. Lawrence said he jumped at the opportunity to host it, and felt the process more rewarding than nerve-wracking, especial-

doned tenements in New York and dedicated themselves to political activism and art; Self Portrait Portrait, a meditation on art by a man who has been drawing self portraits every day for the last twenty years; The Stick Maker, which relates the passion Alfred Jacques has for lacrosse who imbues his love and knowledge for the game in every lacrosse stick he makes; and Fausto and Emilio, about two brothers who have worked as barbers for the last few decades, bringing their culture to their job in subtle ways.

In the animation category, A Pirate Named Ned was screened, detailing the notorious and vicious swashbuckler Edward 'Ned' Low and his life struggling with being a having a film festival, I thought single parent and having a very short this would be a really good expetemper. Also screened was Ideas rience to just figure out how these

came to the event for a variety of reasons. For instance, Jack Olszewski, a freshman software engineering student, came for a love of movies. "I like movies in general and short films interest me... I haven't watched a lot of short films, so I guess I'm just looking to see what kind of films are out there," he said.

Patrick Hall, a junior communication student, came because of an interest in the technical side of it. "For as long as I can remember, all I've wanted to do was write my own stories for a living, and when I found out how much I love movies, I wanted to be a screenwriter... When I found out Monmouth was

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MATTHEW LAWRENCE Specialist Professor of Communication

ly given the turnout.

"Personally, just as a filmmaker, my favorite part of the filmmaking experience is after it's done and you screen it in front of an audience, so I want to please people," Lawrence said on curating the event. "Even though you didn't make the film, it feels great to pick a film in which you see the audience is really engaged and they're laughing or you can see when they gasp at a moment in the film and you're like, Okay, I made the right decision here.

The shorts in the program included documentaries, animation and narrative films. The documentary category included: Umbrella *House*, about a group of immigrant 'squatters' who lived in aban-

That Are Grand, a piece about a man who survived the extinction of the human race and finds other ways to occupy his time.

In the live action narrative category, the shorts Killing My Girl, Jaya and Lightning in the Hand were screened. Killing My Girl showcased a mother who is forced to abort her female child due to her family's wishes. Jaya featured a young girl who lives as a poor pickpocket in the streets of India. She sets out to find her real father when she sees a man similar to him in the streets.

The last, Lightning in the Hand, a western with high production values, was about a struggle over land between silver miners, a railroad company and an Apache youth.

Regarding attendance, students events to come.

film festivals really work and what is really showcased," he said.

Regular Black Maria attendees, such as Dr. Chad Dell, Chair of the Communication Department, come because they enjoy the festival itself. "I always come in with high expectations with the Black Maria film festival...I know that there's always going to be at least a half a dozen works that are going to wow me, one way or another," Dell explained.

"I hope it just continues to grow," Lawrence stated on the future of film based events such as this. At the end of a successful screening, hopes are high that enthusiasm for film will be fostered and spread in later

Author and Mental Health Advocate Visits University

DANIELLE SCHIPANIASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Nationally recognized author and New Jersey native Andy Behrman spoke to a crowd of University students, faculty, and members of the community about his experiences with bipolar disorder, how it has affected his life, and how he manages today at a lecture in Wilson Hall Auditorium on Tuesday March 31.

Behrman based his talk off of the content in his book Electroboy: A Memoir of Mania, which was sold and signed before and after the event. The book describes his experience while he was undiagnosed.

The author explained how he tried 45 different medications and eventually endured 19 rounds of electroshock therapy. He said that his memoir is a brutally honest and is not for the faint of heart, "I knew that if I was going to tell my story it wasn't going to be sugar coated at all," he said.

The memoir was described as, "...a story that is like no other yet is familiar to so many," said Erica Lee Lapid, University alumna and Co-Founder of Monmouth University's Counseling Alumni Connection (CAC) who also introduced Behrman. This was his 411th talk since the publication of his book in 2002.

One of Behrman's main messages was the importance of talking about mental health and bringing awareness to the issue. "For me, the biggest issue is talking about mental illness," he said.

"When this book was published in 2002 by Random House there were really only a few books out and people were not writing memoirs about their experience with mental illness, because there was so much shame involved in it. We need to continue talking about it because if you don't continue talking about it, then it goes away," Behrman added.

Behrman explained that it was difficult to diagnose him as being bipolar because psychologists had little experience with the mental ill-

ness at the time. "I would generally only present myself to a therapist in a severe rut or a low. I was diagnosed eight times with depression because every time I would go it would be during one of those periods. I was never asked any questions about any other periods or stages that I went through. They didn't want to talk about emotionally where I had been," he said.

Current graduate student in the school counseling program, Alexzandra Earley, spoke about her past experiences and how they relate to Behrman's. "The most profound thing that Andy spoke about was hiding things from his therapists/ feeling embarrassed. As a student who suffers from anxiety and depression, I can remember being too embarrassed to tell people that I was having suicidal thoughts, or when I had a panic attack," she said.
"As a graduate from the Psy-

chological Counseling Program at Monmouth, I am beyond passionate about what I do," said Jennifer Trimarchi, co-founder of the Counseling Alumni Connection (CAC), Psychological Counseling Graduate Program.

"Andy is one of those people who provides encouragement to the world of mental health, provides more purpose as to why mental wellness is so important," Trimarchi continued.

Many, including Dr. George Kapalka, Chair of the Department of Psychological Counseling, deemed the event a success. "The event worked well to expose attendees to issues that individuals with mental illnesses have to deal with, and what it is like to have a mental illness. Being able to hear this from someone first-hand is a rare opportunity," he

Behrman's honesty was admirable to many in the audience, including Lisa Harris, Counselor Career Connect Coordinator at the University. "I truly appreciate Andy Behrman's raw honesty throughout his presentation. I had read his book



Andy Behrman, a nationally recognized author who is bipolar, spoke to the University community on Tuesday, March 31.

prior to attending, so I knew many of the stories he told, but I liked his laid back approach to presenting what he has gone through. It makes the subject more approachable and real," she said.

Harris also discussed what she took away from the presentation, "I feel what I have learned personally is to be more observant when it comes to the behavior of those around me, whether loved ones, friends, people I work with, or stu-

Others were impressed with the speaker's honesty, including Matthew Tirrell, co-founder of the Counseling Alumni Connection. "He was willing to be brave enough to expose his vulnerabilities, defects, and lessons learned.... and he did it all with an amazing sense of humor. I found that to be truly inspiring and worthwhile to witness,"

"I enjoyed the event because it was unlike any other lecture I have ever been to," said Earley. "Andy was raw and open with the audience, and shared his story without holding much back. I felt his pain and could appreciate everything that he spoke about," she continued.

Behrman also discussed the myth behind the term "recovery," discussing how people sometimes believe that mental health patients can fully recover from their illness but the reality is that recovery does not exist. "I'm not a big user of the word recovery because I don't think people ever really recover, I think they learn to cope and manage," he said.

His presentation opened discussions regarding the stigma behind mental illness and what can be done to change this stigma. "Stigmas shame, shame drives you into hiding, and hiding keeps you sick," said Lapid. "We need to be the driving force to break this cycle. By making conversations about mental health causal and frequent we are not only saving lives but improving their quality."

One of the ways to remove the negative stigma often associated with mental health patients is for people to talk about the issue, according to Trimarchi. "Andy's story is an inspiration to help remove the stigma from mental disorders! That's our goal - mental health is very important and needs to be acknowledged more and more," added Trimarchi.

Behrman offered advice for any student who may be suffering from mental illness: he urged them not to go online and self-diagnose but to rather seek professional help. "At most universities there are mental health services and there is nothing wrong with going in and talking for 45 minutes or an hour and saying something feels wrong," he said.

Kapalka described the services available, specifically to all students at the University. "Monmouth University has the department of Counseling and Psychological Services devoted to assisting students with counseling and mental health needs. Students often also have the ability to utilize their health care benefits coverage to seek private services outside of Monmouth," he said.

iCIMS Visits MU

PRESS RELEASE WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ

Colin Day, CEO of iCIMS, a leading provider of Softwareas-a-Service (SaaS) talent acquisition software solutions, presented a special seminar on Wednesday, April 1 in H.R. Young Auditorium.

The program was designed to help students successfully compete for employment in today's marketplace.

Day is a human resources and

in the annual Fall/Spring Career Days and on-campus recruiting efforts held on campus. With 48 MU alumni currently based at iCIMS' corporate headquarters in Matawan, NJ, the relationship has proven to be equally valuable for both establishments.

Each year iCIMS receives an increasing amount of well qualified applications from the University's students which has played a large role in growing the in-house headcount to nearly 450 or more employees.

"...iCIMS provides a fantastic local employer option to our graduates."

JEFF MASS **Assistant Director of Career Services**

technology expert who shared tips on how students can use social media and other emerging trends to "be found" by employers looking for talent.

This event was sponsored by the Department of Career Services, Alpha Kappa Psi and the American Marketing Association. A total of 95 students from various majors were in attendance.

Monmouth University has formed a strong referral relationship with the talent acquisition provider through participation

"Monmouth University is a great source of local talent and iCIMS provides a fantastic local employer option to our graduates," said Jeff Mass, Assistant Director of Career Services at the

"iCIMS has hired many of Monmouth's finest students as interns and full-time executives. We have developed a positive synergy between our organizations that has resulted in a mutually beneficial business relationship, and we hope this continues for years to come," Mass added.

Palcohol: Entering the Market

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invented after Phillips and his friends' desired alcohol following long hiking trips. Since traditional bottles were too heavy to carry uphill, Phillips sought a new, more convenient method of transporting alcohol. Therefore, he designed the powdered alcohol which does not weigh him down.

Nonetheless, it is only a matter of time before the product is introduced to college campuses, and many ramifications are feared, according to Schaad. As underage drinking is already a primary concern of many colleges, powdered alcohol threatens the safety of students nationwide.

Whereas bottled alcohol can be easily identified, powdered alcohol can go unnoticed and may leave little to no trace. Therefore, Schaad said students can walk around campus with alcohol, virtually unno-

Suanne Schaad, the University's Substance Awareness Coordinator, noted that there is no necessary "need" for the product and it simply opens the door for abuse. "Of course, it will make it easier for people to 'sneak' around with it. Detection of its use will make it harder for any law enforcement to identify as well," said Schaad.

"And who is to say that people won't mix it with other alcohol or add more powder than recommended as a standard drink. Will

people be adding it to jungle juices that a new, more covert form of and punches too for that extra alcohol kick? Only time will tell the potential ramifications of this new product," continued Schaad.

Schaad noted that if the product is used as recommended, it may not pose a serious problem. However, she added that she wonders how many people will truly follow the recommended amounts.

mixed with water to create an alco-follow one of two courses if it is inholic beverage: however, some de- troduced on campus. tractors fear that bold students will mix the powder with an already alcoholic beverage, thus making the drink more potent. Additionally, it is feared that predators may sprinkle the substance into open drinks, unbeknownst to a potential victim.

Freshman software engineering major Claudia Ondecker said that she fears Palcohol may be very dangerous if brought onto the Monmouth University campus, as there are many factors that may be used against other students. "I definitely think that it will affect college students' drinking habits because it is obviously much more convenient and easier to hide than the normal bottled alcohol," she said. "But I can see where the problem is in that if the wrong kind of person has it, they can get someone more drunk than they intend to be by slipping it in their drink, and that's pretty scary to me."

With underage drinking already a major problem for many colleges across the nation, Schaad believes

transporting and consuming alcohol will only magnify the dangers of drinking.

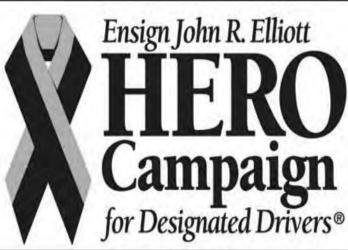
Despite the obvious concerns regarding the products misuse, some students believe the product may not be entirely bad. Freshman criminal justice student Jeremy Colon said he believes that while the product will make it simpler for students to The product is designed to be obtain and consume alcohol, it will

"Maybe such easy access to alcohol will bore kids since it no longer has that 'keep your hands out of the cookie jar' effect," said Colon. "Then again, maybe such easy access will lead to the product being abused and kids will start using this powder at inappropriate times such as class or events.'

Colon also noted that Palcohol may be used as a predatory strategy, as the un-noticeability of the product provides people with opportunities to drug unsuspecting party-goers.

Schaad urged readers to remember the statewide Good Samaritan Policy and Law, which states that if anyone ingests alcohol or other drugs to a dangerous level and is in need of medical attention, a bystander can call for help and neither party will face legal troubles.

There is free and confidential alcohol and other drug counseling at the Office of Substance Awareness in the Health Center at (732) 263-



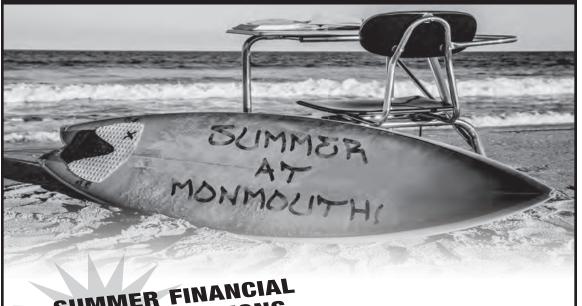


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MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES NATIONAL STUDENT EMPLOYMENT **WEEK APRIL 12-18, 2015**

The Student Employment Office's 19th Annual Student Employee Appreciation Week (SEAW) schedule:

Monday & Tuesday, April 13th & 14th- hundreds of bags of Herr's potato chips will be given to students. "What will you win when you punch in?" will also be featured! Tuesday, April 14th will be the 2nd Annual Student Employee Appreciation Bake-Off. Where the student employment supervisors bake and the student employees are the judges! This event runs from 12:00 -2:00 PM in the Student Employment Office!

Student Employee Appreciation Day is Wednesday, **April 15th!** There will be free food, prizes, DJ Salvation and the MU Pep Band at the Student Center between 11 AM and 4 PM!! Special guests include Chick-Fil- A & Buffalo Wild Wings. Thousands of dollars in prizes (& coupons) will be given away to student employees both leading up to and during the week!

The week will also feature Student Employment's 7th Annual Deck Your Door ONLINE Competition! Visit http://my.monmouth.edu to vote for your favorite between Sunday, April 12th and Thursday, April 16th at 10:00 AM!

Monmouth's Student Employee of the Year and Supervisor of the Year, will be announced on Friday, **April 17th**. Good luck to all of this year's nominees and thank you to ALL Monmouth University's 1,400 student employees and their 260 supervisors!

Student Employee Appreciation Week – **April 12 – 18, 2015 – how will** *you* **celebrate?**



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Springing into Springfest

THE *OUTLOOK* STAFF

With the end of the spring semester right around the corner, most students can't wait for all of the exams and papers to finally come to an end. But before heading back home for the summer and forgetting about having to set any early morning alarms, there's still one thing left on just about everyone's mind: Springfest.

This annual event brings University students together at the end of every year in an effort to give them a break from all of the time that they've spent studying and preparing for finals. Free food, games and t-shirts usually draw most students out to the event, but the main attraction is always the musical performance. At this year's Springfest, Jordan Roseman, more commonly known as DJ Earworm, will be performing.

In the "About DJ Earworm" section of his official website, Roseman explains, "Basically, what I do is take a bunch of songs apart and put them back together again in a different way... I also DJ with my laptop."

The editors of *The Outlook* seem to have mixed feelings about the news of Roseman's performance. One editor said, "DJ Earworm sounds like an untalented 'artist' who just uses other people's songs to become famous," while another explained, "I think it's interesting to have an artist come who is known for his mashups of other hit songs."

Another editor commented that he/she simply was not expecting a DJ to be the main event at Springfest. "I would have much preferred having an actual artist... A DJ isn't really what I think of when I think of the outdoor concert that Springfest is supposed to be," he/she said.

Regardless of the mixed reviews about DJ Earworm's upcoming performance at the University, one thing that *The Outlook* staff could agree on was the fact that other colleges and universities seem to have much better Springfest-like events. The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) is expecting performances from Paramore and The Wonder Years, and New Politics is set to perform for students at Ramapo College.

One editor said, "Yes, Monmouth is a small school but it probably has a ton of money to work with. Where is my tuition going?" To ensure that students don't raise questions of that sort about future Springfests, most of the other editors on *The Outlook* staff suggested that the University ask the students directly who they would like to have perform at the event.

"There should be a narrowing down process that takes place throughout the year," stated one editor. "Start out with just letting students fill in the blank, then make a list from there and narrow it down depending on what is affordable," he/she explained. "I'm unaware of ever even being surveyed."

The Outlook is unaware of any data collection done in regards to the performer's selection but would encourage this action. Student Acitivies Board (SAB) and Student Government Association (SGA) could not be reached for comment

d regarding Springfest.

"I would talk to the campus community," added another editor. "I think we could do a little better work and research on bringing artists that the campus wants to see."

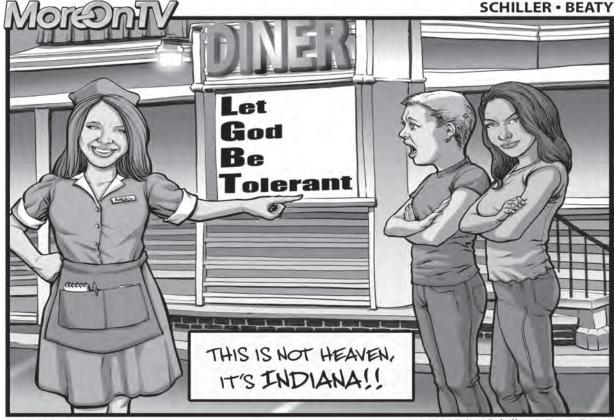
If the editors of *The Outlook* were ever given the opportunity to run Springfest, potential musical acts would include Rebelution, Imagine Dragons, Vance Joy, Florida Georgia Line, Kool and the Gang, Kings of Leon, and DJ Carnage.

Some more general suggestions were made by other editors in regards to Springfest, but food appeared to be the second most important aspect of the event, falling in line right behind the musical guest. "There could be better food, maybe Chipotle or Mojo would be really good," said one editor.

Other recommendations made by *The Outlook* staff included renting carnival rides for the students to enjoy, allowing students who are of legal age to consume alcohol on the premises, and even having Springfest occur on the beach as opposed to on the University's campus.

"If they added more things, food, events, etc., for students to go to, maybe we would actually 'fly together' for once," commented one editor.

Overall, most of the *Outloook* staff agreed that Springfest is meant to be a fun and exciting day for students to unwind and briefly forget about all of their coursework as the final days of the semester approach. However, the editors also agree that there is certainly room for improvement.



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The Achilles Heel to the Philadelphia Phillies

MAGGIE ZELINKA SPORTS EDITOR

Phillies General Manager, Ruben Amaro Jr., needs to be fired, but this is much easier said than done. He has been part of the Phillies front office since 1998 and has held the GM position after the team won the World Series in 2008.

A security guard at Citizens Bank Park who wishes to remain anonymous said Amaro will never be fired because he is part of the "inner circle," a group of employees who chief owner Dave Montgomery refuses to let go. While it is unlikely Amaro will be fired, this does not keep fans from discussing the endless reasons why he should be fired

The Phillies had 2.4 million fans pass through the turnstiles at Citizens Bank Park in the 2014 season, a significant drop from the 2013's total of 3 million fans. The influx of money has been decreasing from year to year, yet Amaro seems to spend like it is 2009 all over again. As fans show up on game days just to witness loss after loss, their opinion of the team changes and eventually they lose interest.

Anyone who actively follows the game must notice that Amaro believes pitching is the reason teams win or lose. Since Amaro has confidence in this theory, he uses all resources available to construct what he views as an elite pitching

If we retrace what seems to be sition ignited the trend of signing some of Amaro's most well-known pitching acquisitions, we would find relatively disappointing figures and a grim hope for the future of the team. Let us examine three of these examples:

1.) Chan Ho Park

Prior to the 2009 season, Amaro promised fans a veteran reliever and with no time to spare, he found the then 36-year-old Chan Ho Park. Chan Ho Who, you say? Why, the veteran reliever Amaro promised 2009 fans of course!

During his one season stint as a Philadelphia athlete, Park went 3-3 and posted a 4.43 ERA. By no means was he the worst pitcher off the bench that season. We were all eye-witnesses to Brad Lidge's 2009

7.21 ERA, a pitiful performance compared to the previous season's perfect 48-for-48 saves.

With this said, can Amaro somehow justify paying \$2.5 million for the mediocre Park? When the city's beloved Jim Thome was resigned, he was only paid \$1 million for a one year contract. Thome, unlike Park, was signed as a mentor and first baseman. Park, who was flakey on the mound, deserved an equivalent to Thome's salary or less, but certainly not more.

The \$2.5 million given to the South Korean native could easily have remained in our farm system, which now has little to no prospects on the horizon. This acquiseason, he lost his edge and former few days too early in front of the sisted of Roy Halladay, Cliff Lee, manager Charlie Manuel had to convert relief pitcher, Ryan Madson, to closer. While it was not the most sensible arrangement, eventually the plan did work.

Although many have high hopes for rookie Luis Garcia, for now the Phillies' closer remains as Jon Papelbon. He signed with the Philies at 30 years old; Papelbon's statistics are quite impressive and his speed on the mound leaves most in awe, but his accuracy is not always the best. With all this said, he too is not worth the money stated in his

In an article posted by Sports Blog Nation, one of the most credexpiration of the then-CBA, and thus had to comply with the old compensation procedures."

After leaving the Boston Red Sox for the Phillies, Papelbon signed for a total of \$50 million over four years. His contract includes an option for 2016 which would ultimately make him \$63 million over five years. If Amaro had held out for a few more days and scouted the league, the Phillies could have secured Papelbon for less and could have invested more into their farm system.

Then there is always the underlying issue of Papelbon and the city of Philadelphia. This past SeptemCole Hamels, and Roy Oswalt (sorry Kyle Kendrick, they could not think of a clever enough slogan for five pitchers). While "The Four Aces" provide Philadelphia with many reasons to cheer, financial resources were depleted due to their

In fact, an article published by the Business Insider reported Halladay as the fourth most overpaid player during the final season of his contract. Halladay and Oswalt were 33 years old when the Phillies signed them. Cliff Lee was 32-years-old. Hamels, a product of the Phillies farm system, was the youngest of the crew at 27-years-

Age is a crucial matter when it comes to how much a pitcher should be paid. The best summary I have ever heard to describe an aging pitcher was by Hall of Fame pitcher Don Sutton.

He said, "It's amazing how fast you grow old in this game. At first you're the rookie right-hander; next season you're that promising righthander; then suddenly you're the old man.'

Halladay had the team booked for \$60 million over three years with a \$20 million option for 2014; Oswalt was guaranteed \$23 million for two years; Lee cost the team \$120 million for five years; and Hamels cost the Phillies \$31.15 million from 2010-2012 alone. The Phillies continue to spend big money on pitching; during his past offseason, the Phillies signed 36 year old pitcher Aaron Haranag to a one year contract worth \$5 million.

This brings me to my last point: Amaro came into an easy two year stretch. Pat Gillick built a formidable team from 2006 to 2010. Amaro simply ran an already manufactured roster.

Once Amaro could no longer work with Gillick's left overs, the team began to resemble decaying talent instead of promising rookies and professionals at their prime.

This day will only end once the Phillies's executives remove Amaro as General Manager and seek out a more financially aware replacement who will be able to replenish our farm system and roster ...with prospects.



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Ruben Amaro Jr. took as Phillies General Manager when Pat Gillick retired after the 2008 season.

pitchers who were 30+ for much more than their worth. How do you measure one's worth? In baseball, it is simply looking at the statistics produced. Park's irrelevance to the ball club is displayed in his .500 record and high ERA.

2.) Jon Papelbon

The savior of Philadelphia baseball... or so we thought. The Philadelphia Phillies have a long standing history of powerful, unmatchable ninth inning arms. Under General Manager Ed Wade, fans would see Billy Wagner consistently hurl 103-mph fastballs.

Then there was Brett Myers, a starting pitcher who was converted to a closer. Next was the hero of all heroes: Lights out Lidge. With his crumble when he went 0-8 with a confidence shaken after the 2009

ible sports blogs in the country, Steven Goldman writes "Back in July, as rumors circulated that the Phillies were peddling their overpriced wares, Papelbon was asked if he was up for being traded to a contender... Even had the Phillies picked up some portion of the bill, spending that kind of dough on a closer is just not worth it below the level of perfection."

This is by no means a disparagement to Papelbon's ability. When the Phillies signed him, he was one of the most sought out commodities in the MLB.

According to Bleacher Report, "Amaro did a poor job both evaluating the market of interest for Papelbon from other teams... The Phillies lost a first-round draft pick because they signed Papelbon a

ber, Papelbon made a rude gesture towards the booing Phillies fans after he blew a 4-0 lead in the top of the ninth.

Joe West, the game's second base umpire said, "The whole thing started because the fans booed him and he made an obscene gesture. He had no business doing that. He's got to be more professional than that. And that's why he was ejected. Whatever happened out of that may have happened in anger out of being kicked out. But that's irrelevant." For his vulgar motion, the MLB suspended him for seven games. Unfortunately, we are now bound to the closer for what appears to be two more seasons.

3.) The Four Aces

The four best Phillies pitchers, known as "The Four Aces," con-

(G*d D*mn Independent) Proud to be a "GDI"

ALISON SILVERMAN ONTRIBUTING WRITER

rority on campus. Next year, I'm No. That is why I fully decided living with two girls in that same when I came to Monmouth that I dues to pay and philanthropy sorority. So let me preface this by was going to be a GDI (also known hours to fill. You're also expected Instead, I propose this: It's very fraternities and sororities). possible to get through your undergraduate years at Monmouth ficult – I mean with Greek Life, without being involved in Greek Life.

I transferred schools and I was in a sorority before that happened. I know what it's like, as most of Greek Life has the same rituals and processes (loosely said). You go through recruitment for girls or rush for the boys, you then pledge for the sorority or fraternity you want, you get initiated and boom: you have fifty close sisters or brothers that you can never imagine your life without. Or can you?

After transferring schools, the 126 girls that were in my sorority disappeared. Except for one or two of the girls, nobody spoke to me. I didn't get asked how I was doing or if I was coming back (even though I made it pretty clear I wasn't). Those girls who I had been so close with seemed to

I was not involved in the sorority anymore.

Was my pledging, my time, my I live with the president of a so- effort, and my money worth it? saying that I in no way, shape, or as a "g*d d*mn independent," a to support other Greeks' events so look, and even have my own radio tising for an event. I'm not even form, am knocking Greek Life. sarcastic twist on the slang for as to create your Greek commu-

> I thought it was going to be difit's like an instant set of friends. There's always someone to get lunch with or go to the mall with. However, being a GDI has taught me a lot in the six months that I've been here. For example, I have time to explore interests that I wouldn't have time for.

Greek Life is demanding. Not only do you have weekly chapter meetings and sisterly bonding nights (for sororities, from what I've observed) but you also have to keep up your grades and maintain your relationships with all of the members of your organization - it's a lot. So much, in fact, it's almost difficult to be a part of another organization that isn't Greek

When I ran for executive board for a club, I was more likely to

was involved in Greek Life or people who are so consumed by planning on being involved sim- this often forget is that there is an ply because I was going to have more time.

been able to work five days a not see a Greek organization funweek, write articles for The Out- draising, doing sign ups, or advershow. Being a GDI enables me involved in Greek Life and yet I nity and on top of that you have to do the things that I want to do as an individual while still being part of a group – *WMCX* is a great example. Through this organization I have been able to have my individual show all while being a part of a great club. Do I have 50 built in friends? No. But maybe it's better that way.

Ultimately, I'm not saying be considered than someone who Greek Life is bad - but what

entire other side to Monmouth. It's almost impossible to walk Without Greek Life, I have through the Student Center and still know all the fraternities and sororities on campus.

> It's nearly unavoidable to go a day without overhearing a sorority girl speaking of last night's mixer in class. And while Greek life might seem to maintain a great presence on campus, surprisingly, the GDI presence is stronger – we just need to make ourselves as known as our Greek counterparts.

> Instead of laying back and letting Greek Life be the domineering aspect of Monmouth social life maybe the alternative group of people should get involved. Join a club or audition for theatre. It may seem overplayed and cheesy, but if the GDI's don't maintain a presence on campus, what does that say about Monmouth? It will only have a growing effect on Monmouth Greek Life.

Going Greek may seem like the social norm, but sometimes being an outsider is that much better.

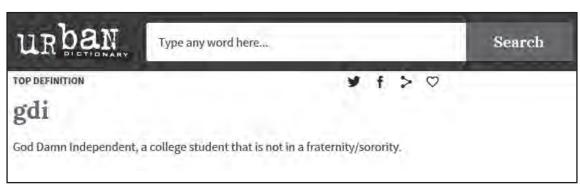


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evaporate in thin air just because GDI, "g*d d*mn independent," is a sarcastic name given to non-Greek students by Greeks.

Debate: Defending the RFRA in Indiana

BRENDAN GREVE

When asked about the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) signed and passed into law by Indiana Governor, Mike Pence, the owners of a small pizza shop, Memories Pizza, said that they think anyone can believe whatever they want, but they are a Christian establishment and wouldn't be catering to gay weddings. In fact, the pizza shop has actually never catered to any weddings before. Now the small business has been forced to shut its of the many actions that were doors doueto hatred, threats, and taken to oppose the so-called harassment from those who op- "intolerance" of the RFRA law. pose the law.

So, are the owners of the pizzeria intolerant because they do not want to participate in a gay wedding, or are the opponents of the RFRA law intolerant for disagreed with a "tolerant" thing forcing the business to shut down to? What many Americans do not temporarily because of its hatred, threats and harassment?

The opposition of the law has been shown by numerous celebrities, over forty companies, and even multiple state and local governments. They are showing gays or anyone for that matter. It is opposition to the law by "boycotting Indiana" which has become a popular hash tag on Twitter. They the whole state. According to the

Salesforce has cancelled programs that require its customers and employees to travel to Indiana. The Governor of Connecticut, Dan Malloy, signed an executive order prohibiting state funded travel to Indiana. New York's Governor, Andrew Cuomo, asked state agencies, departments, boards, and commissions to bar publicly funded travel to Indiana that isn't essential. The band Wilco cancelled a show that was scheduled to play in Indianapolis.

These are just some examples However, are the critics of this law really showing tolerance? Is trying to shut down businesses and the whole state of Indiana because they passed a law that they realize is that tolerance and diversity is a two-way street.

Many of the law's critics do not fully understand the law. The law is not supposed to be used as an excuse to discriminate against used to protect the citizens' rights under the First Amendment of the Constitution to exercise religion are withdrawing from the state by and speech freely. What many of cancelling business and travel to the law's critics on the left also do not know is that this law mir-Washington Post, the company rors the original RFRA that was Angie's List withdrew to expand signed and passed by President its "Ford Building Project" until Bill Clinton in 1993. Clinton's ex- RFRA.

further notice, and the company act words when he first passed the contraception that was included should be held to a very high level law were, "Today this event assumes a more majestic quality because of our ability together to affirm the historical role that people of faith have played in the history of this country, and the constitutional protections those that profess and express their faith have always demanded and cherished."

This law has been challenged before in the Sebelius v. Hobby Lobby case that was argued in front of the Supreme Court in 2013. The case was very similar to the controversy today. The Christian run Hobby Lobby Corporation refused to pay for the in the Obamacare mandate. They refused to cover contraceptives for their employees because they did not believe in contraceptives because of their Christian beliefs. They did not say that they would not allow their employees to use contraceptives they just were against covering them in their healthcare plans for their employees. Hobby Lobby ultimately won the case because of the law that was passed by Clinton.

This controversy is very similar. Clinton explained his law by saying, "What this law basically says is that the government



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Hobby Lobby, an Oklahoma City-based craft store, was involved in 2013 Supreme Court case involving claims similar to those against the of proof before it interferes with someone's free exercise of religion."

In other words, this law means that a Muslim-run institution should not have to serve pork or alcohol. A Jewish deli can only serve kosher meat if they choose. A gay couple could find a church to get married in but every church does not have to participate. A woman can get birth control or have an abortion but religions that are against such things to not have to condone it. So by this logic, the law does not make it legal for a Christian run pizzeria to discriminate against gays. It just means that they do not have to take part in their wedding if they believe that marriage is between a man and a woman.

Americans must think about what true tolerance is. The right to freedom of speech and religion does not only apply when it goes along with everyone else. True tolerance means tolerating people that are intolerant or that disagree. That is what true diversity is and freedom is. This is why the Supreme Court ruled on the side of religious freedom in the Hobby Lobby case. If this law is challenged, it will end just like the Hobby Lobby case did with the court's ruling on the side of religious freedom.

The opposing side of this debate will be published in the April 15 issue of The Outlook.

Indian-Americans Rise in Politics in California

CURTIS TATE

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In a stairway just off the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives, Rep. Ami Bera walks past a portrait nearly every day of the late Rep. Dalip Singh Saund, a Democrat from California elected in 1956 and the first Indian-American) to serve in Congress.

And while their ranks in Congress have not swollen, Indian-Americans have been making political inroads, from city councils to state capitols. One is even flirting with running for president.

how to get Indian-Americans more engaged in politics," said Bera, a Sacramento County physician and the sole Indian-American in Congress. "They should think about running for office."

clude Indian-Americans, are the U.S. Treasury Department official fastest growing demographic Neel Kashkari, a Republican, ran ficials," he said.

Pew Research Center.

Nearly 600,000 of the country's 3.1 million Indian-Americans live in California, including a number of notable elected officials. Besides Bera, who was born in Los Angeles to immigrant parents, they include state Attorney General Kamala Harris, who could American (in fact, the first Asian- become the first Indian-American elected to the U.S. Senate.

Ash Kalra, a member of the San Jose City Council, is running to become the first Indian-American elected to the California legisla-

"The longer the Indian-Ameri-We certainly are looking at can community has been in this country, the more it has matured," Kalra said. "And part of that maturity is becoming more politically active."

Last year, technology lawyer Ro Khanna, a Democrat, sought Asian-Americans, which in- a seat in Congress, while former a very diverse electorate, which I

group in the U.S., according to for governor. Though both challenged popular incumbents and lost, their efforts are emblematic of the rise in Indian-American political engagement.

Bera, who has endorsed Harris to succeed retiring Democrat Barbara Boxer, could be joined in the House next year by Kumar Barve, former majority leader of the Maryland House of Delegates.

Barve is running for the House seat of Rep. Chris Van Hollen, a Maryland Democrat who is a candidate for the Senate seat of another retiring Democrat, Barbara Mikulski.

Barve said he won his first election with hardly any Indian-American votes. Even today, Asian-Americans account for only 8 percent of the population of the congressional district he seeks to represent.

"We have to prove ourselves to think makes stronger elected of-

cent of the U.S. population, they are the most affluent and best educated of any immigrant group in the country, according to Pew. They lean strongly toward Democrats, yet two Republican governors, Bobby Jindal of Louisiana and Nikki Haley of South Carolina, are of Indian descent.

They include doctors, engineers, tech entrepreneurs and educators, and form a rich donor base. However, Indian-Americans are more spread out than other ethnic groups, and Indian-American candidates in expensive races often have to go out of state to raise money.

Harris will have to seek contributions to run in a state with some of the costliest media markets in the country. Asian-Americans could be crucial to her campaign.

"When it comes to political contributions, that aspect of her identity will become important," said Karthick Ramakrishnan,

associate dean of the School of pacing Latinos. Public Policy at the University of California, Riverside.

Having a large concentration of Indian-Americans in your state or district doesn't always translate to victory, nor does a lack of Indian or Asian-American voters mean

Khanna, who was born in Philadelphia, ran last year in California's 17th Congressional District, which is home to about 100,000 Indian-Americans, more than any other House district in the country. It encompasses much of Silicon Valley, and Khanna leveraged the deep pockets of the tech sector. Though he outspent incumbent Democrat Mike Honda, he lost a close race.

Indian-Americans are only 2.4 percent of the population in California's 7th Congressional District, where Bera has won twice, though narrowly. He did so last year in challenging political terrain: a district whose party regisand against a Republican, Doug Ose, who had been elected to Congress before.

James Lai, director of the ethnic studies program at Santa Clara University, said that Bera's success involved focusing on issues that were important to the district, including jobs and the economy, health care and education. Harris will likely run on her accomplishments as state attorney general.

"Any successful candidate of Asian descent will have to run as kind of a mainstream candidate," he said. "You always have to go to your constituency.'

A Pew Research Center report last year found that 65 percent of Indian-Americans identified as Democrats or leaned toward the party, the highest level of affiliation among Asian-American groups. Asian-Americans overwhelmingly voted for President Barack Obama in 2012, even out-

Asian-Americans generally have trended away from the Republican Party in the past two decades, including once-reliably Republican Vietnamese-Americans. The party's stance on immigration is a major factor, political observers say, as well as security policies enacted after 9/11 that increased racial profiling.

"The Republican Party has a long way to go with Asian-Americans," Lai said.

Republicans Haley and Jindal succeeded by aligning themselves with their states' largely white, conservative electorates. Both have twice been elected governor of their states. Jindal, who previously served in Congress, is considering running for president in 2016.

Last year, Kashkari, who worked for President George W. Bush, defeated a tea party favorite in the Republican primary for governor. Still, in a year that fa-Though Americans of Indian tration is evenly divided, a mid-vored Republicans almost everyescent account for only 0.1 per- term election with low turnout where else in the country, he lost by a wide margin to three-term Gov. Jerry Brown.

> It could be a very different outcome for Harris, the twice-elected state attorney general widely considered the front-runner in the California Senate race. Harris, whose mother is Indian-American and whose father is Jamaican-American, would be the first Asian or black American elected to the Senate from California.

> She is running in a presidential election year, which means higher voter turnout overall and more Democrats coming to the polls. Her candidacy showcases the diversity in the Asian-American community and has generated a lot of excitement, said UC Riverside's Ramakrishnan, who's extensively studied Asian-American voters and candidates.

> "She's a formidable candidate who has a lot of support in many communities, not just Asian-Americans," he said.



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Dalip Singh Saund (center) meets with Senators John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson. Saund was the first Indian American elected to be a voting member of Congress.

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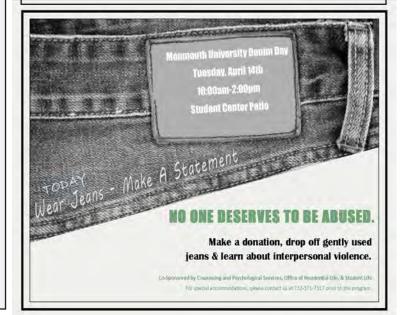








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Justin Bieber Gets Roasted

EMILY SHAPIRO

Admit it: at one point in your life you had a little crush on Justin Bieber. Whether it was his long luscious hair, his cute voice, or how smooth he looked with girls in music videos, he always seemed to be your type.

Whether your crush for Bieber was real, or still is, there is no way you could miss out on The Roast of Justin Bieber, which aired on Monday March 30 on Comedy Central. From jokes about his pet monkey being left in Germany to his relationship with actress and singer Selena Gomez, the jokes kept getting better and better.

The ones who mustered up the courage, and jokes, to get on stage to humiliate Bieber were Kevin Hart, Ludacris, Snoop Dogg, Pete Davidson, Martha Stewart, Jeff Ross, Shaquille O'Neal, Hannibal Buress, Natasha Leggero, Chris D'elia, and surprise guest Ron Burgundy.

It was recently announced that he would be receiving the Comedic Genius Award at the MTV Movie he was the recipient of this award made it crucial that he lived up to the expectations for this roast, and he delivered; his jokes were hilarious. He joked about people wanting Ebola rather than 'Bieber fever,' and how Justin is Canadian but really American because no Canadian has ever been as disrespectful as he has. I would say Hart was one the funniest of the night.

There was a lot of talk about Martha Stewart being the greatest thing to happen to The Roast of Justin

jokes were written for her, and that he has. Jeff Ross joked, "A lot of she was reading them for the first time while she was on stage. A lot of the other participants of the roast mocked on how Stewart had been to jail, but her best joke was when she gave Bieber tips on what to do once he made his way to the cellar. For a 73-year-old woman, I guess Stewart did the best she could.

Pete Davidson, who is somewhat of a newcomer on the comedic scene, held his own throughout the night. He was the first to tell his jokes, after Hart did his little introduction, and the audience witnessed some jaw-dropping moments. Davidson mentioned how his father died in the 9/11 attacks, and he had always regretted growing up without a father until he met Bieber's father. The crowd was shocked, but the delivery was pretty on point. It was reported that Davidson also made jokes about the late Paul Walker, but those were not aired on the special. Talk about controversy!

While there were many well-Hart was the host of the night. known people in attendance to see the Biebs get attacked, there were two comedians on the stage that seemed irrelevant. Hannibal Buress Awards this April. Knowing that and Chris D'Elia were both part of the roast, but were sitting towards the end of the stage. It was rare for another 'roaster' to make a joke at either one of them. D'Elia is supposedly Bieber's favorite comedian, which explains why he was there, but why was Buress in attendance? He even said himself that he did not enjoy the music the Justin put out, but was at the event because it was good for his career. Maybe Comedy Central should have looked a little harder for some comedians.

Some of the funnier jokes were Bieber, for some reason, I just was about Bieber not having a Gramnot feeling it. It felt like all of her my despite all the songs and fans

people are upset that Justin hasn't won a Grammy. There is Martha Stewart. She can be your grammy." D'Elia also joked about what Bieber doesn't have by saying, "Justin, you have it all—except for respect, love, friends, good parents, and a Grammy." Bieber has been nominated for a Grammy three times, but has never won.

Many people brought up the singer's on-again-off-again relationship with Selena Gomez. "Selena Gomez couldn't be here tonight. Just because she didn't want to be here. I wish I had something better to tell you but I don't," joked Hart. Ross also took his stab at a Gomez-inspired joke by telling Bieber, "Selena Gomez wanted to be here tonight, but she's dating

men now." Backstage at the event, Bieber was asked about how he felt when it came to the jokes about him and Gomez. "I mean everybody was going balls to the wall. There was no holding back, so it was whatever." It was also reported that a lot of Bieber's new songs were inspired by his break up.

Just when you thought the night was coming to a close, special guest Ron Burgundy (Will Ferrell) showed up with a drink in one hand and a cigarette in the other. Staying in full character, he proceeded to tell the audience that Bieber was doing everything right! From whom he hangs out with to the characteristics he possess, Burgundy was all about defending Bieber. Out of everyone that stood up on that stage last

Monday night, it seemed as though Bieber had the biggest smile on his face when Burgundy stepped up to the plate.

After all was said and done, it was Bieber who got the last laugh. "What do you get when you give a teenager two hundred million dollars? A bunch of has-beens calling you a lesbian for two hours." He proceeded to end his speech by saying he was turning over a new leaf, and getting his life back in check. He wants people to realize that he grew up in the public eye and everyone watched him make mistakes, but he has learned from them. It is now time for new music, new relationships, and new adventures.

The Roast of Justin Bieber can be seen at www.cc.com.



Justin Bieber was roasted by Kevin Hart and several other notable comics on March 30 for a Comedy Central special.

NEW SERIES 'LIP SYNC BATTLE' TRIUMPIS ON SPIKE

KELLY COFFEY

The mic is off, but the battle is on in the all-new series Lip SPIKE on Thursday, April 2nd. want to miss! The lip sync batwith Jimmy Fallon is already a the volume of their applause. huge sensation, but now SPIKE is taking it to the next level.

by LL Cool J, with commentary

Teigen. Each episode will feature two celebrities like you will be two rounds each epi-

This all-new series is hosted who went up against Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson. Johnson

Grab that bowl of popcorn, a sode. The first is pure lip sync first round. close friend, and get ready to while in the second round, the laugh until you cry because Lip celebrities are free to take their choice was Harry Belafonte's Sync Battle is a show you don't performances above and be- "Jump in the Line." Not only yond. The audience determines tle skit from The Tonight Show the winners of each round by The first episode starred Jimmy Fallon, the king of lip sync,

Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson and Jimmy Fallon faced off in the series' inaugural competition.

by supermodel co-host, Chrissy started the battle by perfectly lip-syncing Taylor Swift's hit "Shake It Off." Picture a 6'5" have never seen them before: wrestler lip-syncing a Taylor lip syncing their hearts out in Swift song; it was everything Sync Battle, which debuted on hysterical performances. There you could ever imagine. Johnson definitely brought it the

> Fallon was up next. His song did he perfectly match the ics, but also brought the hipshaking and the rumba along with him. Fallon was even able to start a conga line with the au-

In round two, Fallon took the mic first. His second song choice was "Like a Prayer" by Madonna. As if his first performance wasn't enough, Fallon definitely took it up a notch during his second lip sync. Not only did he wear a church robe to fit the role, but he brought out an entire choir to lip sync with him. That's dedication.

Johnson chose Alive" by the Bee Gees for his final performance. As soon as he came out on stage, he was dressed in disco clothes, had a group of dancers with him, and even had a disco ball hanging over the stage. Johnson really brought his A game on stage. Even Fallon was impressed, and at the end of the performance



"The Rock" went all out for his performance of "Stayin' Alive."

said, "that's how you do it."

After deliberation from the audience, it was determined that Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson was the winner of the lip sync battle and got to bring home the championship belt. I mean, after that performance of "Shake It Off," how could he not win? Sorry, Fallon.

great potential. LL Cool J, as alnights at 10:00 pm.

ways, is hilarious while hosting the show and always knows the perfect things to say. Though very different from his hosting at the Grammys, LL Cool J nailed his gig on Lip Sync Battle. He even had the celebrities rolling on the floor.

Chrissy Teigen is a great addition to the show. As her role as co-host, she adds in small but funny commentary proves that she is more than just a pretty face.

Then you mix in celebrities, like Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson, to lip sync to songs that you would never expect to come from them. It doesn't get better than that. As long as they continue to get celebrities on the show that are willing to embarrass themselves, this series definitely shows enough potential to continue its run.

Other battles that take place this season include John Legend versus Common, Anne Hathaway versus Emily Blunt, Derek Hough versus Julianne Hough, and Terry Crews versus Mike Tyson. It is also rumored that Salt-N-Pepa will go headto-head in a May episode, along with Justin Bieber, Iggy Azalea, and Andy Cohen.

Be sure to tune into Lip Sync This show, as expected, has Battle on SPIKE Thursday

Robert Durst Gets Jinxed:

EVIDENCE FROM THE *HBO* SERIES LEADS TO HIS ARREST

MELISSA PRAVATA CONTRIBUTING WRITER

HBO's The Jinx: The Life and Deaths of Robert Durst's ratings have skyrocketed the past few weeks as star Robert Durst jinxed himself into getting arrested in New Orleans, LA on first-degree murder charges days before ries titled The Jinx. the season finale aired.

by director Andrew Jarecki that was inspired by the life of the mysterious Durst who beat three murder charges. Jarecki media. The series investigates originally took interest in Durst back in 1982 when the case of his wife, Kathy Durst, domithe 2000 execution-style killing nated news stations and airways of Susan Berman, as well as the all over the country with her unsolved disappearance. Apparently Kathy was last seen arguing bors with Durst in Galveston, with her husband before heading home, never to be heard from again.

2000 execution-style killing of Durst's good friend Susan Berthe news headlines in California. 2001, the death and dismemberment of Durst's apparently good Durst see a trial.

2010 to direct a Durst-inspired committed.

film called All Good Things star-Dunst. The movie did its job and triggered something in Durst, who, soon after the film's release, called up Jarecki with profound admiration of the picture and decided to work with him on a new project, an HBO minise-

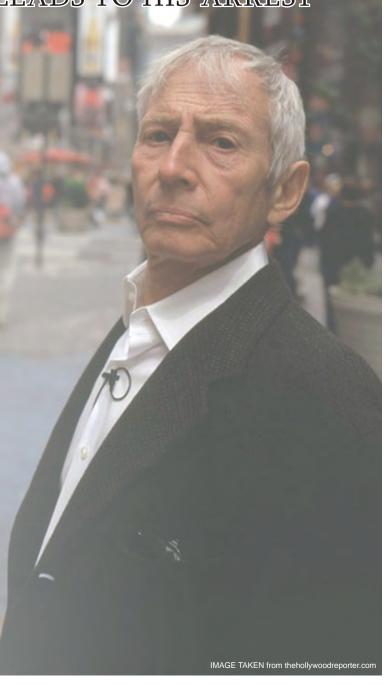
Durst would ultimately sit The Jinx is a series created down with Jarecki for over 20 hours throughout a multi-year period, having never before cooperated with journalistic deeper into the unsolved 1982 disappearance of his wife Kathy, 2001 death and dismemberment of Morris Black, who was neigh-TX, although no one in the town had ever seen the two together.

The series uses a variety of Following the 1982 case, the existing footage including news, security and archival footage, and police evidence, as well man put 'the Jinx' right back in as interviews with friends and family of the victim and Durst. Then, only a few months later in The series also focuses on the peculiar relationship and interview process that Jarecki had to friend Morris Black came about undergo with Durst, as well as and was the only case that had some ground-breaking evidence that was dug up while filming, After all these murders leading to Durst's arrest just seemed to link Durst as a com- days before the finale aired on mon theme, Jarecki became in- HBO. Between the editing and terested in Durst and wanted to narrative style, the series gives make a movie that he could sit the viewer a real inside look at and watch and possibly draw the life of Robert Durst as well emotion from. Jarecki went on in as the murders that he allegedly

The Jinx also focuses on ring Ryan Gosling and Kirsten Durst's early life and how he got to where he is now. Talk about poor little rich boy; Durst grew up as the son of one of New York's wealthiest real estate moguls, Seymour Durst, who is the founder of the Durst Organization. Durst watched his mother commit suicide when he was just seven-years-old, leading to what was only the beginning of troubling times for the boy. The show focuses on him dealing with that and how it affected his relationship with his other family members, most of whom he does not speak to.

With his arrest on March 14, 2015 in New Orleans signed by a Los Angeles judge, Durst is looking at the death penalty on "special circumstances of murder of a witness and lying in wait." Durst was recorded in a public restroom, talking to himself with his microphone for the show still on, muttering, "What did you do? I killed them all, of course." Chills were sent across America, and ratings drastically increased for HBO after the 6 episode series came to an end in mid-March.

Through the years, Durst has spent millions of dollars on lawyers and extensive training on how to properly answer questions with the police while being interrogated. The show has done substantial research on the cases and trial and dug up key evidence, which has landed Durst in jail today, still facing ongoing



"The Walking Dead" Survives Another Season

KERRY BREEN

Sunday, March 29, saw the end of the fifth season of AMC's The Walking Dead, culminating with an explosive season finale that left viewers on a cliffhanger until October, when new episodes will air.

The season finale wrapped up several plots that have been building over the course of the season; namely, whether Rick Grimes (Andrew Lincoln) and his group will be able to stay in Alexandria, a safe haven where life continues as normal even in the middle of a zombie apocalypse. The last moments also reunited Rick with former friend and ally Morgan Jones (Lennie James), who was last seen searching for Rick at the end of the first episode of the season. While many viewers believed that the season would end with Rick being exiled from Alexandria, it seems that this will not be the case, and it appears that he may even be given more authority in the city.

Several minor plot points were wrapped up as well, such as answering the mystery of the people who had been leaving 'W's carved onto the foreheads of zombies and corpses across the countryside—this was revealed to be the handiwork of the Wolves, a mysterious group that has yet to be explained much. The Wolves, while much speculated about, had very little screen time in the season, although it is hinted that they will return at some point in the sixth season.

Unlike most season finales of the show, there were no major character deaths-although this past season has seen the demise of characters Beth Greene (Emily Kinney), Tyreese (Chad Coleman), and Noah (Tyler James Williams). There were several scenes, however, that put major characters in danger, such as when Glenn Rhee (Steven Yuen)

was attacked by an enemy inside Alexandria, and when misguided priest Gabriel Stokes (Seth Gilliam) attempted first to kill himself, and then attacked ally Sasha (Sonequa Martin-Green).

Even though no major characters died in the finale, it remains one of the most tense and suspenseful episodes to date, aided by a masterfully-done soundtrack and putting characters in situations where others had perished. Even the conversations between certain characters were filled with tension and apprehension. In one moment, Carol Peletier (Melissa McBride) threatens another character; her assurance of his complete destruction remains one of the most terrifying moments in

the finale. Another suspense-filled scene takes place when Daryl Dixon (Norman Reedus) and Aaron (Ross Marquand) find themselves stuck in a trap and are nearly killed when the zombies that they accidentally release swarm the car that they are hiding in.

Although no major twists happened in the episode—the safe city of Alexandria remained standing, Rick and his group were allowed to stay despite the trouble they had caused in previous episodes, and again, there were no major deathsit remains a perfect ending to an action-filled season. The episode was bursting with a sort of political drama, as the leaders of Alexandria debated exiling Rick, and his allies did their best to ensure that he remained in Alexandria. The episode was also extremely character-driven, as those in Alexandria came to a better understanding with those in Rick's group.

The episode also set up plots for the upcoming season, such as hinting at a new threat in the Wolves, and creating a divide between Morgan and Rick, as well as between Rick and those in Alexandria. The episode also ended with the residents of Alexandria-formerly naïve to the dangers around them, safe in their protected bubble—now exposed to the many risks surrounding them, and more aware of the circumstances of the real world.

Season six premieres in October, although the exact date has yet to be announced, on AMC.



IMAGE TAKEN from blogs.amctv.com "The Walking Dead" finale drew a record of 15.8 million viewers, according to The Wrap.





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Long Distance Relationships: Worth the Wait

KYLE O'GRADY

people, what makes being committed to one person worth forgoing every other option out there?

Maybe it's the shared pint of Ben & Jerry's on a Friday night is not being able to hang out on in, or going to a bar and knowing you have someone to go home with. Maybe it's a hug after a long, hard day or maybe it is just the fact that you always have your best friend there to be down for whatever.

So what makes it worth it, if you take all that away?

Today many people now find themselves in long distance relationships, whether it be military-related, job-related, or school-related. Couples are not looking to ask the other to sacrifice what they want out of life. Instead they are working hard to support each other to succeed. Even if that support has to come from half way across the

It is often said that "absence makes the heart grow fonder," but that doesn't mean it makes it any easier.

is no way to sugar coat it. There are elements in a relationship that have to constantly be attended to and a pathway of open partner as much and you may communication that must always be walked down together. long distance relationships are Adding a couple hundred miles

into that mix does not help.

Louise Moss, a senior psychology major, was in a long In a world of seven billion distance relationship with her boyfriend for two years, and recently they have had to revert back to long distance due to her boyfriend's job relocation.

Moss said, "The hardest part a regular basis and make memories." An essential part that candles and fans fires." comes with being in a relationship, it seems silly that people mit to a long distance relation-

In fact, Psychology Today claims there is a growing

amount of research pointing to the added strength that distance can give to a relationship. As François de La Rochefoucauld, a noted French author, put it, "Absence diminishes medio-

ones, as the wind extinguishes People are not going to com-

cre passions and increases great

tionships with nearby partners." in a long distance relationship since September when her boyschool.

Regardless of geographical distance, keeping personal growth is a priority in any relationship. You want to grow together, but also grow as your own person. Long distance enables couples to grow individually; you have to learn to be independent to make it work.

Psychology Today's article,

According to several studies, as stated in the "Distance friend transferred to another is the new closeness," article published in Psychology Today, communication in long distance dating is often more intimate, more positive, and contentious than in geographically-close relationships.

Most couples working on their long distance love state their strategies involve a lot of openness and positivity. This communication ultimately leads to more intimacy than some geographically close relationships.

What really helps make it easier is looking forward to seeing each other." LaMarca said. The weeks and months away may be hard, but the joy of getting to spend even just a few days together makes it worth it. Ultimately long distance is hard, but being with the right person makes it a lot easier.

"It depends on if the connection with the partner is strong enough. If you love them you'll do what it takes to stay with them," said Connor Orr, a freshman student. Although having someone you can see everyday is nice, having someone you wait week after week to see can sometimes be even more spe-

Going through this distance is only going to make these couples stronger in the end. And when you find that right person, distance really isn't even an is-

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would commit to someone, they maybe only see every few months.

"Other than the few difficult parts that come with long distance, if you love the person then I think you can make it work" Moss explained.

According to Dr. Gary Le-Relationships are hard. There wandowski, Psychology Professor and Chair, "[Long Distance] relationships can be difficult because you don't get to see your feel lonely. Don't worry though, generally no worse off than rela-

not worth forgoing normal relationship aspects.

"The person you're with definitely makes it worth the distance," Claudia LaMarca, a sophomore communication student, said. "In the end any amount of distance is better than not being together." Long distance relationships are strong because it goes a little bit farther than just having someone there.

In a long distance relationship, both people work hard everyday for a common love for each other. LaMarca has been

ships if being with that person is "Distance is the New Closeness" said, "Moreover, very close geographical proximity to the partner may in many circumstances impede, rather than nurture, personal flourishing."

Many years ago, long distance relationships might not have been as feasible as they are to-

With features like Skype, text, Snapchat, iMessage and social media, no one is really that far away anymore. A Skype date may not be ideal, but it has made going weeks on end of not seeing someone a lot easier.

Is there Still Room for Creativity in the College Classroom?

LAUREN NIESZ COPY EDITOR

This past weekend I went to the Crayola Experience, in Easton, PA, with my little cousin Amanda. Walking around the incredible building all I saw were bright colors and tons of innovative arts and crafts for kids to do.

While Amanda was making her very own crayons, including one named "Daddy" for her number one supporter, my Uncle Justin, I realized that I don't get to do these fun things anymore. I don't have a use for crayons, clay or multicolored markers now.

Why is it that once students start their college career, they stop utilizing our creative and expressive outlets? I'm talking about drawing, photography, painting, and the like. Some of these hands-on learning methods, drawing in parscience.

Drawing assignments out can be a useful tool in logical courses. Whereas using paint and photography are useful in classes such as history and geography, visual comprehension is important in many courses. Aside from art majors, Monmouth requires three credits in an aesthetic course for other majors. It would be beneficial to see creative projects or any type of creative freedom incorporated into other more intense, non-intro, courses

According to the Adobe State of Create global benchmark study, approximately 62 percent of Americans feel that our creativity is being stifled by our education system(s). That is over *half* of the population. This is an overwhelming number considering that almost every American is able to attend school and experience it at some point in his/her life. In addition, 85 percent of Americans believe that "creativity begins with expressing my ideas."

The majority of classes assign papers, journal entries, etc. solely based on their guidelines and prompts. This would lend to the idea that the education system "stifles" students' creativity.

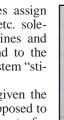
Because students are given the outlined assignment as opposed to creating challenging prompts for themselves, students can become lazy and reliant on instruction. Therefore, when given the task to create his/her own prompt, many to most students take the easy way out, which could be a direct result

Many people, professors especially, may argue that writing is a form of creative expression, but when a student has an essay due for each class in the same week, it becomes tiresome and difficult to be passionate and expressive in each one. This is especially difficult for dry writing in subjects ticular, are extremely useful in such as science or history. The difficult courses such as math and excessive utilization of writing in of our majors in the 300 and 400 college courses can beat a student level courses, they are already endown and make him/her loathe the gaged and, therefore, do not need word "essay."

Dr. Sue Starke, an associate professor of English, said, "Sometimes imitation of a form one is studying, for example, writing a sonnet in a sonnet unit-a very hard assignment, by the way-is a creative way of learning the material." This type of writing, not exactly an essay, might be something that is useful in inspiring creativity in a literature setting.

Dr. Starke also brought up a point about higher-level classes; she said, "I think that professors assume, rightly or wrongly, that by the time a student is in a 300 or 400 level class in a college-level discipline, the sorts of 'attention-getting' projects designed to elicit engagement at the lower levels aren't necessary, as students have specialized themselves by major and interest type."

A lot of times, in intro/lower level courses, engagement can be difficult to get because these courses are mainly general education courses



of a stifled creativity environment.

terest/engagement.



The Crayola Experience in Easton, PA, offers creative experiences for children.

being the way it is, creative/crafty projects are a good way to gain in-

When students get into the meat such obviously creative assignments. But, as Dr. Starke stated, mimicking forms of great works, in literature courses that is, would give the same creative effect as an obvious crafty assignment.

In contrast to what Dr. Starke was saying, Maddie Arecchi, a sophomore English and education student, said, "I think incorporating more hands-on, creative projects would be beneficial because it would be a nice mental break from lectures and they would help us to connect to the material of the course in an interesting way."

Arecchi continued, "This would also be beneficial for the kinesthetic learners who learn best by doing." When we are younger we discover the world by doing things and engaging in various learning activities.

Esteemed educational psychologist Jean Piaget once said, "Although the ability to abstract a concept and make complex con-

mature mind, humans learn best and then abstracting to more gen- enhancement of passion. eral concepts."

education, abstract, dense studying we engage in should be supplemented by a hands-on, interactive project or experience.

Creativity gradually has less and less of an incorporation into curriculums as one gets older, when it should be incorporated more with age. If creativity was simply woven into a course's curriculum, it could spark new interest for students in any given subject area.

Grace Ward, a sophomore business marketing and management student, said "Who knows? It could lead students into finding a new direction in a career they are passionate about. Passion is the new drive for a great career and

When we graduate from college, many of us will go on to lead jobs in which creativity is a necessity. In fact, it is difficult to imagine a job that doesn't utilize and value creativity. According to the same study above, 50 percent of Ameri-

that are required to graduate. And, nections between concepts are cans agree that people are increasconsidered to be signatures of a ingly being expected to think creatively at work. And, Grace is by doing something concrete first, right; creativity usually leads to an

> More creative freedom in sci-By this regard, college courses ence could lead to a greater pashave it all wrong! All of the higher sign for the subject: the same goes for any subject. Any kind of wiggle room in a subject can open up whole new avenues of work and desire in a course.

The educational system can take little steps in this more creative curriculum by implementing small changes. For example, more courses can simply give freedom of choice with assignments.

English professors could give more of a choice on the topics of essays; science professors can structure labs to be more experimental and lax, and so on. This does not necessarily mean students should start making paper mache volcanoes and overly decorated tri-folds again, but a little bit more freedom in decision making and assign-

ment creation could go a long way. So, after a long and tiring visit to the Crayola Experience, I have realized, with some help from my little cousin, that when one is allowed to color outside the lines, anything is possible.

The Evolution of Friendship

FABIANA BUONTEMPO

During this decade we often get caught up in our love lives and relationship status. Your love life is, of course, something to be conscious of (especially when grandma keeps asking if you have a boyfriend yet,) but there are other relationships just as important in our lives: our friendships.

When thinking about those people who I cherish and call my good friends at this point in my life, I can't help but think about all of the friendships in my life that have either been tested, broken or (best of all) have lasted to this day.

Growing up, I'm sure most of us were told, "if you find one best friend in this life, consider yourself lucky." When I was younger, this piece of advice was kind of a bummer to me. Out of all the people I encounter and befriend in my life, ONE best friend is lucky? This sounded a little crazy to me. However, my twelve-year-old self didn't realize how people change. Friendships don't always last and it's truly difficult to find someone who you consider your friend-mate, what I call a soul mate version of a best

I've never been one to have a huge group of friends. Okay, correction: I've never been one to have a huge group of friends who are all friends with each other. This meaning, I always had groups of friends from the different aspects of my life. I had my dance studio friends, my work friends, my school friends and my childhood friends. As normal as this sounds, having these different social groups in high school was kind of taboo. I went to a small Catholic private high school and man was it clique-y, as most the halls. high schools are.

Halfway through freshman year people find their set of friends and latch on. A lot of my eighth grade class went to the same high school so I didn't feel alone entering high school, as I knew about 40 other people right from the start. Looking back, this was a good and a bad thing. I had a few friends who I considered my "BFFL;" remember those days when everyone was your besty and you would be friends for life? HA. I felt security knowing I would go through high school with my bffl. Think again young Fabi-

A few months into freshman year, we found our niche and our interests. Some of us played field hockey, others joined the cheerleading team and I joined the dance team. We all made friends within these circles but once some of my friends got hooked, they never came up for air. I started losing my friends one by one and for pretty sad (pathetic) reasons.

My (former) friends started become interested in things that I never thought twice about. They wanted to be part of the 'in/cool' crowd. They wanted to party, drink, smoke, and hook up with guys every weekend and post the proof in pictures all over Facebook. I took this hard, because I personally wasn't so wrapped up in all of these things. I was trying to find my way, adjust to high school, remember my dances for my dance team's competitions, and do well in my honors classes. Despite having different interests, I tried so hard to maintain a relationship with these girls because it baffled me how we were just having sleepovers every weekend to now barely saying hi in

Although I resented the new group of people my former friends were hanging out with and replacing me with, this brought me to my current best friend. Bonding over the Jonas Brothers, we met freshman year and haven't left each other's side since. We were innocent for a pair of 14-year-olds. We stalked Nick Jonas fan pages in our free time, baked cookies, and laughed endlessly with each other. This best friend didn't like cliques either, which made me feel so much

Throughout high school, we were known as a dynamic duo because we would float around, to different groups, go to sweet 16s with them, but were never a designated member of any of these cliques. We tried being friends with everyone and that really helped me get through (survive) these tough years in a teen's life.

Fast forward four years later and now we're both in college. My best friend goes to Connecticut and I'm commuting to Monmouth. I guess she was trying to make up for lost times, because my friend went on a rampage of partying, drinking and hooking up with guys.

Gabriella Leuizzi, a junior biology student, relates as she has experienced a similar situation with a friend of hers. "I also commute to school, so I don't have the same lifestyle and priorities as my friends do who are away at school," said Leuizzi.

I remember having dinner during our first year's winter break and her sharing all these crazy, college party stories with me. I was having flashbacks to my freshman year of high school, losing those friends to different interests and priorities



IMAGE TAKEN from twiniversity.com

Friendships change as you grow up and people realize they have different priorites from one another.

What happened to the best friend who didn't care about partying and would rather bake and watch Disney channel with me? Here we go again, another friend I might lose to petty things as boys and booze.

Brittany Lamb, a junior business student has lost friends to different interests as well. "It's really tough, because I have had friendships break up over dumb reasons and it's tough because I feel we could've worked through it," said Lamb. After break we went back to our completely different college lives and still kept in touch. The thing is. as time went on and my friend got the typical college things out of her system, we went right back to how we were pre-college. Yes, she still is into partying and hooking up with the newest guy, but we still have that bond we've always had and connect over things that I don't have with other friends.

On the opposing side, Jessica Caffey, a junior criminal justice student, remains friends with someone who has different interests than her. "My best friend and I are two totally different people but we respect each other and don't judge what one another do because we have a strong bond," said Caffey.

Now I laugh at her typical college student ways when she's sharing the latest gossip with me while we bake and have dance parties in my kitchen. We both, obviously, have different priorities but we respect each other enough to not stand in judgment of one another. As I have a solid three best friends, she's the one I know I can be crazy with, tell her my latest guy traumas and share the most embarrassing things with her because we have that kind of friendship.

So to my fellow twenty-somethings, friendships will be tested but if you have that connection and mutual respect with this friend, nothing will get in the way of you and your bestie.

New Video Game **Class Launches**

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Monmouth University on the map. Demirjian said that he is looking to establish a novel version of the Music Department's Blue Hawk Records, but for video

In an interview with HawkTV's "The Save Point," Demirjian told host John Guth, "We're trying to simulate real world experiences for you guys to have to develop your portfolio and to be able to work in teams with software engineers and proud of.

He is excited about taking students from "departments that don't really get to work together" and combining their talents for the project, as he spent a year trying to figure out how to bring different more art major with a focus on people together in one place.

"Any way that you can get involved, we'd love to have you on board," Demirjian added.

Student gamers on campus are very excited about getting to learn more about one of their favorite hobbies, according to Demirjian, especially with the opportunity to transition from player to developer.

Chris Chinn, a junior studying communication (radio/TV), said, "I think it's going to open the doors for gamers to learn more about what they love most. It will also give students an opportunity to be in the spring. more creative outside the realms they are used to."

lar sentiments about the new video <u>mouth.edu</u>. Happy gaming!

game class. "It's hard to say how it will turn out at this point, but based on my impressions, it sounds like a really good experience for any student who is considering a career in any aspect of game designing. As a hardcore gamer, I have come to realize that a lot of work goes into building a game, coming from theatrical, cinematic, and artistic backgrounds, as well as technological and mathematical ones."

"Truth be told, I cannot program a game to save my life, but I am excited because there is still computer scientists to really make a place for me in this course." Hall something cool that you can be went on to say that he feels "this is a step in the right direction, as it brings people closer together to work on a professional project with real rewards and experiences," Hall added.

Rahmonn McMillan, a sophoanimation, said, "I think that incorporating video games and the like into contemporary education can be beneficial for many reasons, whether or not the student is pursuing a career in video games.

"Classes like this bring schools into the 21st century. Getting to see how things work is very special experience, and I'm glad to see that it is available at Monmouth," McMillan added.

The Critical Play theory course will be available starting Fall 2015, followed by the production course

To register for the independent study or to ask any questions, Patrick Hall, another junior Demirjian can be reached at his communication student, had simi- Monmouth email, ademirji@mon-



TOP PHOTO TAKEN from abcnews.com

Video Games are being incorporated into the Monmouth University classroom, as students will learn how to construct the programming and apply it to building their own games.

Step Aside Susan Sarandon, Here Comes Franny Kieffer!

KATIE JAFFE

At the late night, double feature picture show, there is girl who shines brighter than the sequined costumes worn by her cast mates and that girl is Franny Kieffer.

In May of 2014, Kieffer joined the cast of Friday Nite Special's Rocky Horror Picture Show production in Aberdeen, NJ and hasn't looked back since. Kieffer was inspired to join the cast of the show not only because she found the cast to be a group of warm and accepting people, but because Kieffer has a knack for performing herself.

In high school I was super involved with the marching band," said Kieffer, "and I missed performing so much I thought I'd give Rocky a chance."

A week after her audition on May 18, 2014, Kieffer went straight into preparing for her role. Kieffer auditioned for the role of Janet, the female lead, but she had a long way to go before actually hitting the stage as the leading lady.

Before performing the role of Janet, Kieffer was trained by a fellow cast mate who takes on the role as well; as the cast switches up the parts they play every week, to learn the staging for the songs. As far as learning lines from the movie, it was up to Kieffer to spend her own time studying every line and song of every single character.

On the night of Kieffer's first show, her debut performance was portrayed as a Transylvanian, or "Transy" as the cast re-

Transies are party goers in the throughout the year. Halloween movie that are crucial to one of is their busiest season and durthe most famous scenes in the ing this time, they sell out three members, who she considers movie, which is when they do shows in a weekend with one of

Kieffer not only has a great Kieffer. time performing with the cast



PHOTO COURTESY of Franny Kieffer

Monmouth student Franny Kieffer performs as Janet Weiss in Friday Nite Special's Rocky Horror Picture Show in Aberdeen, New Jersey.

Kieffer was performing as Time at Rutgers University's New of self confidence from being Warping Transy, she had to study the girl playing Janet that evening as well. Despite the rehearsal time Kieffer received, she still needed to observe the girl so she would be prepared when it was her turn to be Janet.

Aside from putting on shows every Friday night in Aberdeen, Kieffer performs with the Friday Nite Specials Rocky Horfers to this group of people. The ror cast at different locations

Brunswick campus.

The cast also has meetings twice a month to discuss ideas for theme for their shows, which have included a Harry Potter theme (suggested by Kieffer herself), a Whore & Gore Friday the 13th/ Valentine's celebration where audience members wear lingerie covered in blood and most recently a Toga

back in the spotlight.

However, the best thing Kieffer has taken away from Rocky Horror, aside from a major confidence boost and support system, is that she has found a group of people that are just as passionate as she is.

"I love how accepting the environment is and how all of the ate about the same thing," said as I can."

Kieffer's sorority sisters at Monmouth University have also been very supportive of her participating in Rocky Horror. Many of her sisters have attended her performances, including her Big Sister, one of her Little Sisters, Hannah Mizrahi, and her housemate and best friend Amanda Salerno have all been to the show multiple times.

"I thought the show was great and all of Franny's cast mates are super cool, too," said Saler-

In fact, Kieffer and Salerno recently went on a road trip to Florida with two of Kieffer's cast mates and plan on living with one of them next year.

Kieffer mentioned how Rocky Horror, as well as her sorority, are both huge time commitments, but Kieffer is determined to be as involved in the two as she possibly can.

Along with taking two more Little Sisters this semester, Kieffer has performed as Janet over six times as well as playing main characters like Columbia and even as Rocky himself. She also has designed flyers for events the Friday Night Specials Cast has hosted as Kieffer is a graphic design major at Monmouth.

Even though this sounds like a lot to handle, Kieffer seems to be doing her best to manage all of her important tasks and being involved equally with all of her activities.

"It's a big time commitment being in Rocky and the sorority," said Kieffer, "But I think I do my best to spend time with cast members are all passion- both groups of people as often

Mondays at Monmouth vs. the Monmouth Student

MEL LEWIS STAFF WRITER

Running out the door with my extra large Starbucks caramel coffee and an english muffin in hand, my oh my, it must be a Monday, and I'm late.

Zooming down Cedar Ave doing the Jersey weave, I say a quick prayer for green lights, yet I get red lights in return. Now at I am the intersection of Cedar and Norwood and some clueless freshman pressed the walk button. Don't they know by now you can just walk when there are no cars? It's the secsemester already. great, add on another minute to my tardiness.

The line to turn into campus is longer than normal; everyone must have been feeling a little sluggish this lovely Monday, hopefully to my benefit, my professor included. Finally I get into campus and drive past my favorite parking booth attendant; I give her a wave and a big smile while taking my last bite of my english muffin. She never seems to have a bad Monday; then again, she doesn't have to worry about parking.

By now the clock strikes 11:20 am and students and teachers alike are getting nervous as everyone seems to be playing musical chairs in the parking lot. With my class being in Plangere, I whiz into the lot behind the mac. Deadlock.

You would think the president



IMAGE TAKEN from staticflickr.com

The traffic in school parking lots not only make students and professors late to class, they also cause a lot of stress and arguements between drivers.

amount of people trying to find that golden spot to not be late to class. After a few moments of panic I have an epiphany, the parking attendants!

I bolt into the middle isle of the parking lot nearly hitting a car or two in the process only to see no cars double parked, just more frantic students trying not to be late. I see a sign up ahead, thinking this must be As I rush out of the back lot good news but instead the worst thing I could have read on that woeful morning.

"Mondays at Monmouth." of the Untied States of America Oh no. To prospective students was here to do a speech by the and administration alike this

is a great day. Students flock to the university, and migrate around seeing how the school really functions. To current students this is a death sentence for parking. Parking is bad enough now throw in an extra 100 cars and take away our lot attendants and you sure have a recipe for disaster.

And disaster it did feel like. thinking maybe I'll get lucky in the big lot, I'm stopped by a tour crossing the road. They just really don't want me going

to class today, do they? 11:27 am now I'm about to

give up, throw in the towel, wave the white flag, and go back home. But I'm no quitter so I think of one last place to look for a spot, Athletics. If I park at athletics I will definitely be late, but I'm sure almost every person coming from off campus will have the same issue unless you camped out overnight like you were seeing a Justin Bieber concert.

I say to myself "Okay, one more isle, you can do this," while doing the breathing exercises I learned in yoga the previous semester. I see two large SUVs, but in between the two have a 4:30."

giant cars, a beautiful space, enough to fit a midsize sedan and I'm lucky enough to be driving one.

I put on my blinker as fast as I can to say, "Hey this is my spot and if you try to take it I will fight you, and you will loose." I turn my wheel into the spot with a sigh of relief only to be stopped short by the sight of an ugly red motorcycle in the space I thought was mine. I was defeated. You win, Mondays at Monmouth, you win. As I drive away I think to myself, "Tomorrow shouldn't be as bad, I only

"Melodies by the Sea" Charity Concert

PRESS RELEASE West Long Branch, NJ -

Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) Monmouth University Chapter and Shadow PR Firm will hold its first annual Melodies by the Sea to benefit local nonprofit, Mary's Place by the Sea on April 9 from 6 to 9 pm on Shadow Lawn.

Student Artists and Local Musicians from Monmouth University will perform an acoustic concert for Monmouth University student and faculty. All proceeds from admissions, activities, and silent auction will go to Mary's Place by the Sea in Oakhurst, NJ. These features will be available for the entirety of the event. Melodies by the Sea will begin at 6 p.m. and feature musical stylings by: Amanda Siller; Brittani Hrehorovich; Antonio Scavo; Joseph Lacalandra; Ross Ottman; Jonathan Bass; and Matt Avellino.

The event will be catered with donations from Chipotle and Chick-Fil-A and is supported by many local and on campus sponsors. To date, PRSSA has raised \$3,000 combining donations thus far. PRSSA has set a goal of raising over \$5,000 from Melodies by the Sea.

Tickets are \$5 and are available for sale in the Student Center and Dining Hall during certain times, and can be purchased at the door.

For more information contact Casey Allocco at s0840129@ monmouth.edu

Alpha Xi Delta "Lights it up Blue" for Autism National Autism Awareness Month Kicks off with Light it up Blue Week

NICOLE NAPHOLZ STAFF WRITER

ta (AXiD) holds their annual "Light it Up Blue Week" around campus in honor of National Autism Awareness month and their national philanthropy, Autism Speaks.

The first week of April the sisters host many different events on campus to help raise money for Autism Speaks. According to the Autism Speaks website, "An estimated 1 out of 42 boys and 1 in 189 girls are diagnosed with autism in the United States."

Autism Speaks raises money to support the research of Autism in hopes of supprting the individuals and families affected by the disorder. AXiD hosts a variety of different events on campus throughout the first week of April to help give back to the organization.

three different events throughout the week. The first was a "Kissing Booth." The sisters handed out blue ribbons and Hershey kisses with different facts about Autism on the bottom in exchange for donations. The sisters were able to raise money for a great cause and also spread awareness and statistics on the disorder.

For the second day of "Light it Up Blue Week" AXiD hosted an event called "Pie a Xi." Everyone on campus was able to come out and donate to the cause and got a chance to pie a sister in the face. Ali Hart, a sophomore and the sorority's philanthropy chair, was thrilled held on campus during the with the turnout of day two.

"The second day was the most successful," Hart said. "Everyone came out to pie one ness for the cause. They were

of our sisters for \$2 and it was a lot of fun!"

The last day of "Light it Every year Alpha Xi Del- Up Blue Week" consisted of a bake sale. The sorority members sold different baked goods in support of Autism, some of which were even shaped as puzzle pieces and dyed blue. All of the proceeds that were made from the bake sale went to the Autism Speaks foundation as

> A lot of planning and preparation went into this year's Light it Up Blue Week in order for it to be as successful as it was.

> "Preparation takes about a week once we have our ideas planned," Hart explained. "We had to make a lot of ribbons to hand out to people on campus, we had to tape on facts about Autism to the bottom of every Hershey kiss, and we had to have other sisters bake goods for the bake sale."

Katelyn Basile, a sister of the This year, the sorority hosted University's chapter of AXiD, has a personal connection to Autism and it is something she holds very dearly to her heart. One of her family members is affected by Autism and she enjoys seeing the different events her own sorority holds year after year for the cause during April.

"Seeing all of the fundraisers around campus every April is amazing," Basile said. "Outside resources can be expensive for families and knowing the money Alpha Xi Delta raises will go towards spreading knowledge and bringing these families together in their journey is heart warming."

On top of all of the events week, a selected group of sisters travelled to New York City to continue to spread aware-



PHOTOS COURTESY of Victoria Porter

(Top) Sisters of Alpha Xi Delta showing their support for Autism Speaks on the set of the "Today Show" in New York City. (Bottom) Alexa Olah, Shannon Christie, and Katelyn Caiati tabling on campus to raise money and spread awareness for Autism.

invited to appear on the "Today Show" with sisters of AXiD chapters around the area to show their support for the cause and to spread awareness.

"It was great being able to travel to New York City to continue to spread awareness for Autism. It was amazing to know that we could not only spread awareness on campus, but all over the world as well," said Vanessa LaRocca, a junior elementary education and anthropology major.

Throughout the week, the University's chapter of AXiD was able to raise \$336 on campus for Autism Speaks. Traci Marren, the sorority's Chapter Advisor, was very happy with

"I was thrilled with the amount of time and effort the girls put into "Light it Up Blue" Week," she said. "They were able to spread awareness for Autism Speaks and were able to donate all of their proceeds to such a great cause."

CLUB AND GREEK ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACCOUNTING SOCIETY

The Accounting Society will hold its 2nd Annual Ac counting Society Networking Event on April 28 in the Versailles and Pompeii Room of Wilson Hall from 6 to 8 pm. All accounting students are welcomed. If any one has any questions or would like to RSVP, please contact, Maria Carvalho at s0774450@monmouth.edu We hope you can make it!

RUNNING CLUB

The Running Club is now meeting several times a week, both for recreational runners and for those interested in competing in cross country, road races, or track & field. Contact Coach Joe or Mitchell Parker for more information and for various practice times. Look for more information soon about the Color Me Rose Run, which is scheduled for April 19.

THE OUTLOOK

The Outlook is looking for students interested in writing, graphic design, and photography to join the team and become an active member in creating our weekly publication. We are an award-winning group of students who bond over our love of writing, reporting, having fun, networking, and being a family. If you are interested in joining, please don't hesitate to contact the Editor-In-Chief, Brianna McCabe, at s0828430@monmouth.edu.

OUTDOORS CLUB

The Outdoors Club will be hosting a game night on Friday, April 17 from 8-10 pm in the RSSC 1st floor lounge. Refreshments will be served.

MOCC

Did you know public speaking is the #1 fear? Fight the fear with the help of the Monmouth Oral Communication Center. Contact lschmidt@monmouth. edu to make an appointment.

INTERNATIONAL READING **ASSOCATION**

The University's International Reading Association will be hosting "Paws for Print," collaborative presentation with Monmouth County's SPCA about the benefits of reading to animals at Bradley Beach Elementary School on Tuesday, April 14 from 9 to 10 am.

MU SURF CLUB

Check out one of the University's newest organizations, the MU Surf Club. Take advantage of going to school less than a mile from the beach and get together with students with the same interest and passion for the sea. Everyone is welcome, including surfers, bodyboarders, photographers, etc. The club will be holding beach clean-ups, contests, beach parties, and more. For more information contact the club's President, Tyler Sankey, or Vice President, Connor Perzely.

BOOM ROASTED PRODUCTIONS

Boom Roasted Productions presents *Rent* in Woods Theater at 8 pm on May 2, and 3 pm on May 3. Visit Facebook.com/BoomRoastedMU.

HUMAN **RESOURCES CLUB**

Want to learn about careers in human resources? Come to the Career Panel Event and hear from professionals in the exciting and rewarding field of human resources on April 9, 6-7:30 pm in Magill Club Rooms 107 & 108. Meet club members and network with Human Resources professionals. Please email Ellen C. Reilly at ereilly@monmouth.edu with any questions. All majors are weclome!

MONMOUTH REVIEW

Call for artwork to be published in the Monmouth Review. Please send submissions to Brittany Bowling s0906852@monmouth.edu.

MOVE FOR HUNGER

On April 12 at 2 pm in Lot Building, we will be hosting a truck-pull competition to help bring awareness to the hunger issue in Monmouth County and fundraise for Move for Hunger. Teams of 10 will register a team for \$50, \$5 per person to compete. Teams can be clubs/organizations on campus, faculty, community members, or even just a group of friends looking to get involved. Winners will receive awesome prizes and gift cards to local businesses. Teams can register through this link: http:// mutruckpull.eventbrite.com.

CIRCLE K

The University's Circle K will be hosting an open mic night in the Rebecca StaffordStudent Center, fireplace lounge, on April 11 from 6-11pm. Come out and support! We are also still looking for more people to sing at the event!



TOP LEFT: HOPEFULLY THE SHORE WILL BE SAYING GOODBYE TO THE ICY COLD WEATHER. (PHOTO COURTESY OF ANDREW WELLENBUSHER)



KAT D'AMICO, (LEFT), AND MEAGHAN GOTTO, (RIGHT), CAME TO SUPPORT SAMANTHA GENISE, (CENTER), AT HER INDUCTION INTO MU'S CHAPTER OF PSI CHI, PSYCHOLOGY INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY, WHILE PROUDLY DISPLAYING THEIR SISTER-LINKED ANCHORS.

(PHOTO COURTESY OF SAMANTHA GENISE)





BOTTOM:

ANTHONY NAPOLI, SARAH LEWIS, KIM KALLOK, AND SARAH GERSTEIN AT RHA'S WINTER BALL LAST FEBRUARY (PHOTO COURTESY OF SARAH LEWIS)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"JUST BE HONEST ABOUT HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT PEOPLE WHILE YOU'RE ALIVE."

- JOHN MAYER



WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU DO TO DEAL WITH STRESS?

COMPILED BY: KIERA LANNI



Sara Junior "I vent to the ones I love the most."



Stephanie Junior
"I watch Netflix and pretend I don't have homework."



Hannah Freshman
"I really like to knit and to crochet."



Brennan Junior

"I write everything down in a notepad and deal with it one at a time."



Dr. Merrily Ervin Coordinator of General Education Science Course

"I like to take walks. If it's too cold, I go on the exercise bike at home. Almost always, it's some sort of physical activity."

Women's Lacrosse Remain Undefeated in Conference

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The women's lacrosse team extended their winning streak to five games this past week to improve to 8-3 overall on the season, and are currently tied with Fairfield and Canisius for first place in the MAAC at 3-0.

MU first overcame an early four goal deficit on the road at Quinnipiac to earn a thrilling 11-10 overtime win over the Bobcats. Sophomore Olivia Higson and junior Marial Pierce led the Hawks' attack with three goals apiece, and Higson added an assist as well. Senior midfielder Allison Stathius also scored multiple goals with two and added an assist of her own.

"I was very proud of how we came back," said head coach Denise Wescott. "Once we started to come back, we worked hard to get the draw and then made some great plays to get possession back and tie it. I was really pleased in overtime that we were composed, got the draw and maintained possession long enough to make a couple of big plays when we needed to.'

Trailing 5-1 with just under ten minutes to play in the first period the Hawks were able to stay composed and battle their way back. Behind two goals from Stathius MU outscored the Bobcats 4-1 over the remaining of the period, and headed into the half trailing by only one.

The contest remained close throughout the second period. Quinnipiac briefly increased their lead to two with 25 minutes remaining in regulation, but just over a minute later sophomore Claudia LaMarca responded with a score to cut the lead back to one.

After another QU goal, the Hawks responded with two straight goals from junior Mithe game at eight.



PHOTO COURTESY of ACS Photography

Olivia Higson tallied five goals and two assists in the Hawks' two wins this past week. The sophomore is currently tied with Marial Pierce for the team lead in total points this season with 28.

With less than nine minutes to go in the second, the blue and white again found themselves trailing by one. Higson brought MU right back, however, to even the score once again. Pierce's third goal of the game gave the Hawks their first lead of the contest at the 5:26 mark, but it was short lived as just 10 seconds later the Bobcats' Kyra Ochwat got it past MU keeper Katie Donohoe to send the game into overtime.

Neither team generated many scoring opportunities through the

ing the score was still tied at ten. After a save from the QU goalie Gonzales won the following draw for the Hawks and got the ball into the offensive zone. A quality Hawks possession eventually led to a shot opportunity for Higson who was fouled on the attempt and awarded an eight meter penalty shot. Higson found the back of the net with 1:22 to play, and the MU was able to run out the clock and seal the victory.

Momentum appeared to carry over for the Hawks when they chelle Gonzales and Pierce to tie first half of overtime, and with returned home three days later first half of overtime, and with returned home three days later "It comes from everybody less than two minutes remain- to take on Siena. MU recorded a throughout the entire field," said

season high 20 goals in a blowout victory over the Saints, and never trailed throughout the contest.

Stathius and Pierce continued their solid play with each recording a hat-trick, and sophomore midfielder Carly Sane added three goals of her own off the bench. Senior captain Emily Barbieri also got herself in the scoring column, but contributed mostly by finding her teammates with a career high five assists. Donohoe was impressive in net for MU as she made eight saves for the contest.

Barbieri after the win. "Defense, goaltending, the midfield attack, there's not just one person who had a solid game. It was all of us out there."

Carly Sane, a sophomore, got things started for MU just a minute after the first draw when she took a pass from Barbieri and put it in to give the Hawks an early 1-0 advantage. Siena responded right away, however, and evened the game at a goal apiece just 15 seconds later.

The Hawks did not let the Saints hang around for long though, and scored five consecutive goals over the next 10 minutes to take a 6-1 lead at the 18:19 mark of the first period. The run was highlighted by two Stathius scores and two more assists from Barbieri.

Siena managed to cut MU's lead to three with seven minutes remaining in the first, but the Hawks closed out the period with two goals in the final four minutes and headed into the half holding a five score advantage.

It was all MU from that point on as the blue and white came out aggressively to start the second period. Four straight Hawk goals in the first eleven minutes of the period gave them a 14-5 lead and all but put the game away. Siena would get no closer than eight over the final 19 minutes of play, and two late MU goals pushed the score to 20-8 when the clock hit zero.

"I was really pleased," said Wescott. "I thought we executed our game plan really well. Offensively, that is the smartest game we have played this year. When we needed to get some goals and get ahead our offense played really well together. I thought we did a nice job creating great looks.

The Hawks look to make it six straight Wednesday, April 8 when they welcome 3-9 Manhattan for another conference showdown. Start time is scheduled for 3:00

Baseball Loses Series to Quinnipiac Bobcats

MAGGIE ZELINKA

The baseball team lost two out of three games to conference rivals, the Quinnipiac Bobcats, this past weekend. The Hawks started their weekend by splitting a doubleheader on Saturday and losing their final game, 5-3, on Monday.

Saturday began with a 9-0 loss to the Bobcats. In unusual fashion, senior right hander Chris McKenna went five innings allowing six runs, three of which were earned, off 11 hits. After fense for the next two innings, but offense 2-for-3 with one run and facing 27 batters, Head Coach Dean Ehehalt replaced McKenna with senior righthander Adam Yunginger. Yunginger pitched the following three innings permitting three earned runs on five hits. Senior right hander Charlie Battis shut down the Bobcats' offense with a solid ninth inning appearance. QU's starter Thomas Jankins and reliever Taylor Luciani held the Hawks to two hits, one from junior Christian Holland and the other from sophomore Grant Lamberton.

The Bobcats saw four starters go 3-for-5 and accumulate a total of six runs. Batting cleanup for the Bobcats was Vincent Guglietti who contributed for four RBI's and hit a double. QU's Scott Donaghue also hit a double and scored three runs.

QU took an early 2-0 lead in the top of the first and furthered their lead by another run in the top of the second. The Bobcats broke

they scored three more runs to by the top of the sixth, the score in the inning, John Bodenhamer started the rally when he reached first on an error. Two consecutive singles from Matt Oestreicher and Ben Gibson loaded the bases. Bodenhamer reached home on a sacrifice fly; Gibson and Oestreicher moved second and third base, respectively. With two on, Mike Palladino ripped a single down the left field line to plate both Gibson and Oestreicher.

MU was able to hold the QU of-

make the score 6-0. With one out was 7-0. The final runs of the game came in the eighth inning courtesy of Guglietti's two-RBI double.

With a break in between, MU was able to regain their stamina and win Game 2, 6-1. Right handed senior TJ Hunt started for the Hawks; he threw his second complete game of the season and earned his third win. Hunt gave up one run and struck out four over seven innings. Freshman Justin Trochiano led the Hawks

PHOTO COURTESY of James Reme

the game open in the third when **TJ Hunt** has three wins in the five games he started this season.

Game 2 was scoreless until the third when QU took a one run lead. Palladino walked and then stole second before coming home on Batten's single to center. The Hawks answered with two runs of their own off three hits in the bottom of the third.

The game was knotted at 2-1 until the sixth inning when the Hawks added insurance runs to their victory. Sophomore Shaine Hughes and freshman Chris Gaetano both singled to get on plate Oestreicher. QU stretched base for senior Kyle Perry. Hit- their lead to four Batten advanced side, Perry's hit stayed fair for unearned. The Hawks got on an RBI double plating Hughes. Junior Dan Shea then loaded the bases with an intentional walk. Trochiano hit a single to center scoring both Gaetano and Perry to give MU a 5-1 lead. Junior Robbie Alessandrine drew a walk to load the bases for the second time in the sixth. QU replaced pitcher Matt Lorenzetti with Gary Binkiewicz, but the pitching change was unable to stop MU of scoring. Binkiewicz walked senior Steve Wilgus to plate Shea and give the game its final score

"Winning the second game is a real boost. Their guy pitched extremely well in the first game, and I was really happy for Trochiano, he really provided us with a little bit of a boost and T.J. Hunt came out ready to go. That set the tone for a really solid win." Coach Ehehalt said about the doubleheader.

The Hawks final game of the ries against Iona.

series came on Monday, April 6. Junior southpaw Anthony Ciavarella was given the start and lasted over six innings, allowing three earned runs off eight hits. Ciavarella struck out nine and surrendered no walks.

Despite Ciavarella three strike outs in the first inning, QU took a 2-0 lead courtesy of a two run single from Louis Iannotti. The Bobcats extended their lead to three in the next inning off a sacrifice fly by Brian Rudity's to ting the chalk on the third base to third on a wild pitch, scored, the board in the third inning as Hughes crossed home. It was not until the seventh inning when the Hawks attempted a comeback.

> Sophomore Ryan Bailey approached the plate as a pinch hitter and singled through the middle to put a base runner on. Trochiano followed with a walk while Alessandrine reached on a throwing error by third baseman. The error scored pinch runner, freshman Pete Papcun. Wilgus cut the lead to one with a ground ball hit to left that scored Trochiano.

> The Bobcats made sure to capitalize on a ninth inning bases loaded scenario as Iannotti singled to center bringing the final score to 5-3.

> The Hawks will next host Princeton on Wednesday, April 8 for a 3:00 pm game before they head to New Rochelle, NY this weekend to play a three game se-

Track and Field Competes in Two Events

Colonial Relays

MEL LEWIS STAFF WRITER

The Monmouth University men's and women's outdoor Engelberger and senior Mack-track and field teams were at enzie. The 4x800 of freshman two different meets this weekend, with half the team compet- Hand, sophomore Jenna Cupp, ing at the Colonial Relays for and sophomore Tionna Gartrack events and the Liberty Collegiate Invitational for field

At the Colonial Relays competing in just track events while the field event athletes were at Liberty, the women finished than 50 colleges. The men's 4x800 group of Senior andrew Langille, senior Alex Leight, junior Domenick D'Agostino, and sophmore Dylan Capwell ran a IC4A qualifying time of 7:32 to win.

Also qualifying for IC4A's was the men's 4x100 team of senior Jalen, freshman Bryan Sosoo, junior Eric Kahana, and junior Ahmier Dupree finishing fifth with a time of 41.97. The men's spring medley relay of Dupree, Kahana, junior John Malespina and senior captain Ben Boyd ran 3:28.84 for third. Walker took third in the 110 hurdles with a personal best of 14.36 seconds.

"This weekend was a great experience to compete with good competition, allowing me to see where I am at this point in the season, and what I need to improve on going forward," Walker said.

Running one of the top times in Monmouth history was the 4x1500 team of junior Graham Huggins-Filozof, senior Khari Bowen, junior Kevin French and junior Zach Iannarelli took eighth in 16:22.22. Langille also took sixth in the 800 at 1:53, and D'Agostino was seventh in the 1500 with a time of 3:52. Huggins-Filozof also finished 10th in the steeple in his first time in the event.

For the women, the 4x1500 won for the first time in school Domoah Kuti-Akoi took seventh in the 100 meter and ninth in the history, with the second best long jump at this past weekends Colonial Relays.

time in school history of 19:17, was the relay team of sophomore Molly McKeon, freshman Danielle Leavitt, junior Sydney Allie Wilson, junior Kendal

ner took second overall with an ECAC qualifying time of 8:57.63, the second fastest time in school history.

Another ECAC qualifier was the women's 4x400 consisting of sophomore Antoinette Isek-11th and the men 12th of more enegbe, sophomore Nia Driver, sophomore McKenna Coakley and Garner, finishing in 3:50.09 coming in fourth. Garner was also second overall in the 800, running 2:11.26. Senior captain Kate Frye took third in the 400 hurdles. Freshman Domoah Kutu-Akoi took seventh in the 100

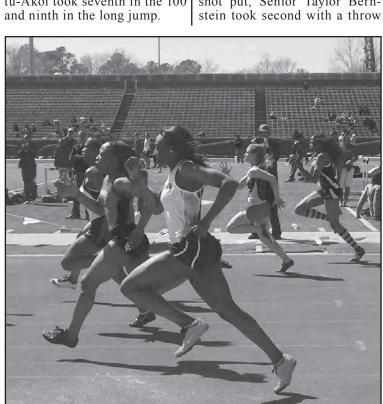


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Liberty Collegiate Invitational

Erik Anderson won the high jump with a mark of 6'8.25", and sophomore Daniel Jefferson took fourth. Junior Liam Vogt won the long jump with a mark of 23'5.25" and finished sixth in the triple jump. The javelin saw MU take the spots, led by senior Zach Torrell at 203'4" for first and sophomore Kris Horton was third, followed by junior Stephen Adkisson, freshman Will Civatte, and junior Chris Norcross.

Junior Spencer Dimock took third in the discus, throwing 155', followed by freshman teammate Corey Murphy, who finished fifth. Sophomore Troy Andretta joined Dimock in the hammer with top five finishes, with Andretta taking third at 177'9" and Dimock in fifth. In shot put, Senior Taylor Bern-

For the men at Liberty, senior of 56', followed by Murphy in rik Anderson won the high third and junior Tevin Kirby-Stewart in fifth. Adkisson won the 110 hurdles with a time of 15.17.

> For the women in the hammer throw, senior captain Taylor Johnson won with a throw of 167'10 and senior teammate Amber Brown took second with a throw of 150'3". Freshman Kennisha Okereke, junior Aziza Ahmed, and freshman Alicia Hester all placed in the top ten in hammer. Johnson also won the discus with an ECAC mark of 158'5", and took fourth in the shot put at 42'3.50". Ahmed also finished seventh in shot put." Even though we were divided this weekend between two meets it was actually the first time this season that we competed as a full team. At this point everyone has opened up in their main events and some people have already qualified for big meets. Now the focus will be to come together and have a strong showing at Princeton this Saturday in a scored meet with 3 other solid teams," Johnson said.

> In the javelin, senior Kelsey Reese and freshman Stephanie Roones went one-two, with marks of 141'9" and 134'7". Senior captain Lauren McDonald finished fifth in the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.48 seconds. She also was tied for second in pole vault with a jump of 11'5.75". Sophomore Casey Sturts tied for sixth at 10'11.75' and also took third in the high jump at 5'3". Senior Kim Price took seventh in the triple jump.

> "We were not very sharp overall on the first day at Colonial Relays, but we put together some great relays today in events that we don't always get to do," said Head Coach Joe Compagni. "Our field event athletes put up some very strong early season marks at Liberty as well."

The Hawks will compete in the Princeton Quad Meet next

SIDE

Junior WLAX Pierce was named the MAAC Women's Lacrosse Offensive Player of the Week on Monday. In the Hawks' overtime win over Quinnipiac Pierce scored three goals, including the game winner with just over five minutes to play. Pierce led MU in goals, total points, groundballs, draw controls, and caused turnovers over the course of the week.

MLAX Bryce Wasserman has been named the MAAC Offensive Player of the Week for his efforts in the Hawks two games last week. The freshman recorded 12 total points, including nine goals, during the stretch to help the Hawks move to five and five overall and 2-1 in conference play. He has at least one point in every game this season, and currently leads the team with 19 goals, seven assists, and 26 total points.

UPCOMING

Wednesday, April 8 MTEN at Fairfield* Fairfield, CT 2:30 pm

Baseball vs. Princeton W. Long Branch, NJ 3:00 pm

WLAX vs. Manhattan* W. Long Branch, NJ 3:00 pm

Softball vs. Delaware W. Long Branch, NJ 3:00 pm Doubleheader

Thursday, April 9 Bowling NCAA National Championships St. Louis, MO TBA

WTEN at Fairfield* Fairfield, CT 3:00 pm

Friday, April 10 Bowling NCAA National Championships St. Louis, MO TBA

MTEN at Rider* Lawrenceville, NJ 2:00 pm

MSoccer Alumni Game W. Long Branch, NJ 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 11 Bowling NCAA National Championships St. Louis, MO TBA

Track and Field Bison Outdoor Classic Lewisburg, PA TBA

Track and Field Princeton University Inv. Princeton, NJ 10:00 am

MLAX at Detroit Mercy Detroit, MI 11:00 am

WTEN at George Mason Fairfax, VA 12:00 pm

Baseball at Iona* New Rochelle, NY 12:00 pm Doubleheader

Softball vs. Iona* W. Long Branch, NJ 1:00 pm Doubleheader

WLAX vs. Marist* W. Long Branch, NJ 1:00 pm

WSOC Alumni Game W. Long Branch, NJ 5:00 pm

*Conference Games

Vasserman Sets Record in Hawks Win

MELISSA PRAVATA

Freshman Bryce Wasserman the first quarter. made six goals to help the men's lacrosse team see a 10-7 Metro the Hawks take back the game Atlantic Athletic Conference as he turned a pass from Was-(MAAC) win over the Canisius serman into a goal with 2:31 left an unassisted goal Golden Griffs on Saturday af- in the quarter. ternoon at Monmouth Stadium. Three of Wasserman's six goals were scored in the fourth quarter giving the freshman a new career high.

Not only had Wasserman set personal records, but he also set program records while facing Canisius. Wasserman, who has scored at least a point in all ten games so far this season, set a new program-record for the seven points in a single-game against Canisius. Wasserman has accumulated 12 points in the last two games, and is leading MU with 19 goals and 26 points. With the win, the Hawks now move to 5-5 overall and 2-1 in ter, the Hawks lead 6-5 before the MAAC conference.

"I am proud of the guys and the way in which we prepared this week after a tough loss on Tuesday night, to come back and earn the victory today," stated head coach Brian Fisher.

Canisius came out at the start hind 8-7 with 7:26 left of play.

of the game strong, scoring the first goal in the contest and led the Hawks throughout most of

Sophomore Chris Daly helped

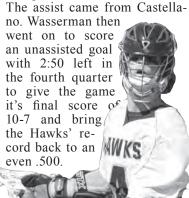
Wasserman, senior Zach Johannes, and senior Ryan Schwartz all contributed to the Hawks' score and held a onegoal advantage until Wasserman scored with 2:11 remaining in the seven-goal second period. With Wasserman's goal, MU secured a 5-3 edge over the Golden griggs. The Hawks eventually led 5-4 at half.

Wasserman came out ready Hawks' with his six goals and again at the beginning of the third quarter, with an unassisted goal for the Hawks. Canisius answered back as Tim Edwards assisted an Adam Huber tally to cut his team's deficit.

Heading into the fourth quarsenior John Castellano and Wasserman each scored unassisted goals to put MU ahead 8-5 with 10:08 remaining.

Canisius scored back to back goals with a pair of assists from Edwards, having the Griffs be-

Canisius goal, Wasserman not let this conference win slip scored once again to give MU a two point lead over the Griffs.



Canisius outshot Monmouth 34-38 and senior goalkeeper Con-Garret away had 12 saves to show. This marked his seventh game with double-digit stops.

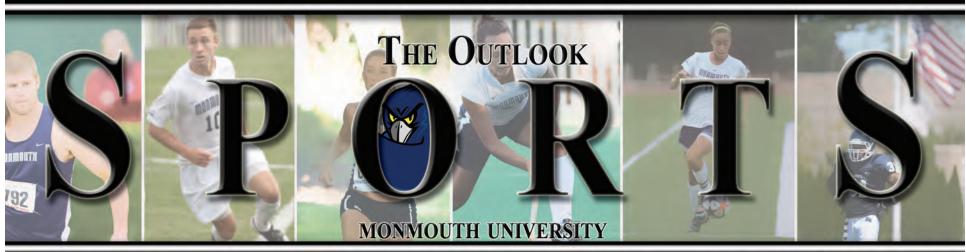
After the Hawk's nailbitter non-conference loss at Lafayette the past Tuesday, the blue and white have been work-

Just 19 seconds after the ing hard to make sure they did away. Wasserman talked about starting the game fast so the Hawks would not have to fight for a comeback at the very end of the contest. When asking about his preparation, Wasserman said, "I have been working three to four times a week alone with Coach Fisher on getting steps on the defender and coming around the goal to finish." His hard work was obvious with his performance against Canisius.

It has become apparent that the team is more of a cohesive unit this season than last. Being this far into the season and still fighting for a winning record was not something fans were able to witness last year as the Hawks finished with a 0-13 record. The team has well surpassed that number this season.

> The Hawks return to action on Saturday, April 11 against the Titans in Detroit. The game is set for 11:00 am.

PHOTO COURTESY of Taylor Jackson Bryce Wasserman leads the Hawks in goals scored (19), assists (7), and shots on goal (40).





Women's lacrosse is currently tied for first in the MAAC after taking down Quinnipiac and Siena this past week, and is currently in the midst of a season high five game winning streak.