



# Students Create Discount Debit Card

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A new discount/debit card will be available to Monmouth University students, faculty, alumni, and residents of Monmouth County, beginning this May.

Students in Professor John Buzza's Entrepreneurship class were given the chance this semester to create and run a business. The class created the Monmouth University Center for Entrepreneurship (MUCE) Capitol, and the discount/debit card, the "Blue Pearl."

The card will offer cardholders discounted rates at participating vendors around Monmouth County.

"The card was created as a means for students at Monmouth University and the community in general to take advantage of a new kind of debit card, one that affords the user immediate discounts when he supports our preferred vendors," said Buzza.

"The 'Blue Pearl' works like any other debit card. Its unique component is that it has a list of preferred vendors associated with it that can offer discounts only to holders of the 'Blue Pearl'

card," Buzza said.

According to the professor, the class plans to have over 50 participating vendors where cardholders can get discounts. Specific participating businesses are still being determined.

Since it is a debit card, cardholders cannot exceed the amount available, so they cannot incur debt. "You do not need to belong to a particular bank. You may re-load the card online or go to the bank that the card is issued through," said Brittany Frankowski, MU senior and student in Buzza's class.

MUCE Capitol and the "Blue Pearl" were created by the students with "many hours of planning, research and development, marketing, design and overall production," said Buzza. "Students spent an inordinate amount of time networking with each other to create the product."

"The class was divided up into different departments. There are about 40 students in the class, and everyone contributes," Frankowski, member of the MUCE Capitol publicity department, said.

Buzza adds, "This is their (the students') project and they

should be very proud of what they accomplished in such a short period of time."

A concert, a cleaning service, and a reduced fat ice cream bar were other ideas considered before they decided on the card.

"Campuses such as Rutgers and Penn State have similar cards, and the cards have been really successful," said Frankowski.

MUCE Capitol and the "Blue Pearl" will be run by the students in the Entrepreneurship class. Students in the Small Business Management and Business Development classes also get involved with the business.

According to Frankowski, "Students, local businesses, and the surrounding community will benefit from having this card. Students and those throughout the community will be offered discounts, and local businesses are getting free advertising."

To apply for the card, visit the link that will soon be available through [mucecapitol.com](http://mucecapitol.com). Tables will also be set up in the Student Center so students can apply.

The "Blue Pearl" will be accepted at all MasterCard locations.

## Foreign Language Department, Italian Club Host 'La Festa Italiana'

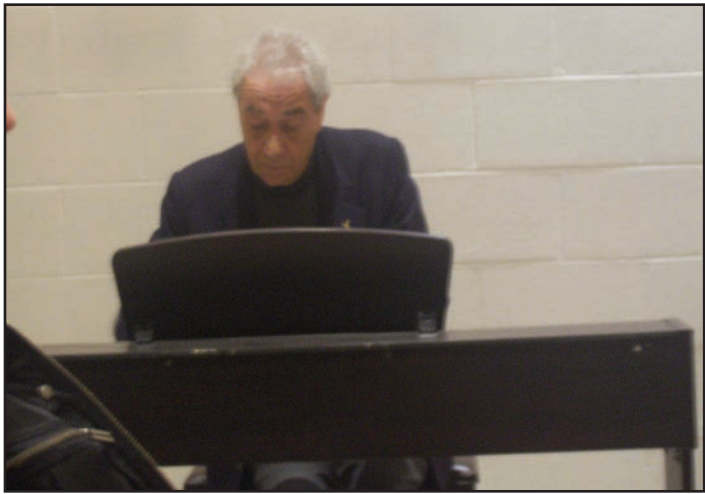


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Beautiful music was also played during the event by Maestro Giacomo Simonelli, a cousin of Professor Pasquale Simonelli.

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The department of foreign language and studies along with the Italian club of Monmouth University, "L'ora Del Caffè" sponsored "La Festa Italiana" on Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The ceremony was held in Anacon Hall A and B, on the second floor of the MU

Student Center. The event began at 11:30am and continued through 1:30pm.

The Italian Vice Consul in New Jersey, Dr. Andrea Barberia was officially there to join the occasion. Also, from Italian Universities, Dr. Marina Polignano and Dr. Leopoldo

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# Biology Major Receives Travel Award to Present Research

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Jaclyn Horvath, a MU senior majoring in biology, has recently received a trainee travel award from the American Society of Andrology (ASA) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Students who introduce an abstract theory can submit applications for this award, which the ASA Trainee Affairs Committee then evaluates and provides awards through support of a grant from the NIH.

"It's very exciting and I'm very grateful for the opportunity to be presenting at the ASA meeting," said Horvath.

Horvath is the only undergrad to receive a travel award out of the twenty trainees receiving awards. She will be presenting

her research on testicular torsion at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the American Society of Andrology in Albuquerque, New Mexico from April 12<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup>. The annual ASA meeting is an international gathering of approximately 300 scientists involved in basic and clinical research on male reproductive biology, endocrinology and related areas.

"This is the first national meeting I'll be attending so just being there will be very exciting," said Horvath. "I'm interested in seeing other research projects in the field of reproductive genetics. I've also never been to New Mexico, so traveling there with my lab partners, Anoop Shah and Rebecca Tyson, will be a fun experience."

Horvath will receive \$600 from this award to support her

travel to the meeting to present the research she is carrying out under the supervision of biology professor Dr. Michael Palladino together with biology majors Anoop Shah and Rebecca Tyson. Horvath, Shah, Tyson and Palladino will present a poster entitled "Induced Myeloid Leukemia Cell Differentiation (Mcl-1), a Potential Antiapoptotic Hypoxia -Inducible Factor-1 (HIF-1) Target Gene Expressed in Leydig Cells." This research is designed to identify specific genes and proteins that play a role in protecting the testis from cell damage following reduction in blood flow, a condition known as ischemia. Damage to the testis during ischemia can be a cause of infertility, testicular cancer and other reproductive problems.

"I became interested in re-

search because I wanted to gain more experience in the lab," said Horvath. "After hearing about this project from my professor, Dr. Palladino, I decided that I wanted to work on this project because I'm interested in genetics."

One of the biggest challenges she said that she faces in doing her research is actually having certain procedures and experiments work correctly.

"An experiment can be repeated a number of times without getting successful results which can be frustrating," explained Horvath. "The benefit of research is knowing that meaningful results can eventually help people."

The MU biology department offers a number of research projects in which students are encouraged to get involved. Horvath recom-

mends that other students who are interested in gaining experience in the lab should research the available projects and speak with the professor in charge of them in order to find which is the best fit.

Besides the lab experience she is gaining, Horvath said, "Ultimately we wish to gain a better understanding of the molecular events involved in oxygen homeostasis in the testis by studying the role of HIF-1 and Mcl-1 in the ischemic testis."

Horvath is a sister of Phi Sigma Sigma, a member of Tri Beta, the biology honors society, and is also involved in Snow Riders and Water Watch on campus. After graduation she hopes to get a job and eventually attend graduate school to continue her research.

Wednesday 59°/48°

Partly Cloudy

Thursday 65°/47°

AM Clouds/ PM Sun

Friday 54°/48°

Few Showers

Saturday 54°/47°

Rain/ Thunder

Sunday 54°/42°

Few Showers

Monday 54°/39°

Few Showers

Tuesday 55°/43°

Mostly Sunny

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# Comedian Cracks Up the Underground

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Comedian Ronnie Jordan came to Monmouth’s Underground on April 2, making Monmouth his 63 stop on his nation-wide college tour since September.

Jordan, hailing from Atlanta, was accompanied by his DJ who added to the fun atmosphere of the show. The DJ incorporated music into Jordan’s act as well as providing the audience members with music before and after the show.

The comedy show was a full house Wednesday night. He had the audience roaring with laughter with his college life comedy routine. The majority of his jokes were college-re-late, to which the crowd could relate. He poked fun at how broke college students are saying, “Everybody understands the language of broke in college.”

Other college-related material included Ramen Noodle obsessions, the dreaded community bathrooms, and roommate hate. “Once you know you hate your roommate you become obsessed with hating your roommate.” Relatable jokes like this one kept the whole place laughing all night.

One of the highlights of the show was Jordan’s Ruben Studdard impersonation. A bigger guy himself, Jordan made fun of his own weight and eating habits. Jordan’s humor was rooted in his ability to make fun of himself as well as point out the humor in black and white racial stereotypes. He described his experiences visiting colleges in Maine where he claims he was only black person there. Jordan was able to make people laugh at race, sexual orientation,

body type and more, while of-fending no one.

After seeing many of the comedians who visit us here at Monmouth, Jordan was one of the funniest I have seen. His jokes were so true and relatable that it was hard not to laugh. Some of his jokes were a bit risqué but he was just speaking the truth. Sometimes the results of these jokes were embarrassed laughs from audience members.

After the show Jordan was signing autographs and selling T-Shirts for \$10 and his CD for \$5. His CD, “Mix Tape Live from the Dorm Room”, consists of his stand-up, short skits, and the hottest new songs on the radio.

The comedy show was put on by the Student Activity Board who booked Jordan through the Auburn Moon Industry Agency.

Jordan, 27, has been doing stand-up for almost seven years. He started while in college when he was 21 years old. After gaining much reception at local open mic-nights, Jordan started getting offers to do tours. “The money I made touring was much better than the job I had at the time, so I quit and stuck with comedy.”

Only one year after hitting the comedy scene Jordan was dubbed “Rookie of the Year” in Atlanta. You may already be familiar with Jordan as he was featured in Diddy’s HBO series The Bad Boys of Comedy in 2005. Three years ago Jordan visited the U.S troops in Stuttgart, Germany to make the troops laugh and to show his appreciation.

Jordan’s college tour ends in May and says he does not have any big shows coming up in the future. He will continue touring at college campuses around the country in September.

# Monmouth Alumna Donates Silver Amulets to Scholarship Ball

PRESS RELEASE

Monmouth Alumna Maureen Bay will commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Monmouth University in a very special way. She designed and created 400 limited-edition sterling silver commemorative amulets to be given to each guest at the 25th Annual Scholarship Ball.

Maureen began her education at Monmouth College in 1970. In the very beginning, she discovered her two loves: the Arts and her future husband Bill Bay, also a Monmouth Alum. After graduating in 1975, Maureen used her creative and practical foundation from Monmouth to establish her own jewelry business, Gem of an Idea in Fair Haven, New Jersey. Over the past 26 years, Maureen has

been giving back to the community that has supported her business. As a long-time volunteer and past chairperson of the annual Scholarship Ball, Maureen makes it a practice of giving back to the University that has been so much a part of her life.

Maureen wanted to do something spectacular for Monmouth’s 75th Jubilee and turned to what she knows best -- jewelry making. She decided to design sterling silver commemorative amulets to be given to each guest at the 25th Annual Scholarship Ball. After several different ideas and drawings, Maureen settled on a simple design that features the iconic “MU” lettering from the gates of the Monmouth University Library with the number 75 added. This design was the over-

whelming favorite of the Scholarship Ball committee. The amulets, which can be worn by both men and woman as a charm, necklace, watch or purse fobs, or key chain decorations, have a retail value of \$125.

Scholarship Ball Chairman Jim Hickey said, “I was absolutely floored when Maureen came to me with her incredibly generous proposal. Her finished product is stunning. People who attend this year’s ball will be getting not just a souvenir. They will take home a truly special memento of this 75th Anniversary Year of Monmouth University.”

The Scholarship Ball will be held on April 26 in Wilson Hall. For more information, contact Office of Special Events at 732-571-3509

## Commission on Higher Education Honors Monmouth University Educational Opportunity Fund Program Graduating Seniors

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EOF SENIOR COUNSELOR

Ten Monmouth University Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program seniors were honored by The New Jersey Commission on Higher Education on March 17th in Atlantic City, NJ at the EOF state wide conference. EOF is a state funded program which awards scholarships to NJ students who fit financial and academic criteria. The Commission honors graduating seniors annually in three categories: Outstanding Academic Achievement 3.5-3.99 cumulative grade point average, Academic Achievement Award 3.2-3.4 cumulative grade point average and Outstanding Achievement based on leadership and community service. Those students receiving the Outstanding Academic Achievement award were: Joy Boniche from Bayonne; Jacqueline Fasolino from Jersey City; Kacie Hubbs from Eatontown; Peter Strauss from East Brunswick; Christina Wanis from Mechanicsburg, PA; Brittnei Wilkins from Long Branch and Thomas Wilson from Keansburg.

Ashley Muñoz from Bayonne and Marco Vera from Tuckerton received the Academic Achievement Award. Marissa Burkard from West Long Branch received the Outstanding Achievement award.

# Festival Celebrates Italian Culture

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Romagnoli were present to lecture on “spring life in Italian art and literature.”

“The season of spring describes Italy at its best,” Professor Pasquale Simonelli stated, at the ceremony.

“We are here, with Professor Simonelli, to celebrate the Italian culture and the ways in which they

Students, Marina Polignano and Leopoldo Romagnoli spoke for the audience and shared their experiences of Italian culture. They spoke of the fact that the spring season is reborn, in Italy, through artists. The two shared in the discussion of several art works and poets. “Spring is a rebirth each year.” Marina Polignano explained.

Julia McCarthy, a freshman,

Gianna Russo, a Business Marketing major, stated.

Beautiful music was also played during the event and was deeply described by the speakers. At the piano, Maestro Giacomo Simonelli, a cousin of Professor Pasquale Simonelli, serenaded the event, and there were plenty of refreshments to go around and be shared throughout the attendance, at the closing of the ceremony; his talent seemed to captivate the entire audience.

Jordan Devesty, a senior, Communication major, stated, at the end of Maestro’s playing that “Maestro Simonelli was very impressive, and his interpretation of classical Italian music is beautiful.”

“I enjoyed performing for the youth of Monmouth University, at this occasion.” Maestro Simonelli, cousin of Professor Pasquale Simonelli, stated.

At the end of the performances, there was a lovely arrangement of delicious food to go around. “I enjoyed the food,” Cody Ross Pitts, a sophomore, Chemistry major, announced.

“Come out and join the Italian club at our new meeting time, Mondays at 10pm, in the Student Center,” Lucia Riotto, a sophomore, Business Marketing major announced.

Professor Maria Simonelli, Professor of Italy and Latin, stated at the very end of the celebration, “I had a wonderful time preparing for this event with the help of my wonderful and very dedicated students. I’m very proud of them. I believe that this event was a huge success.”

Special Education and History major stated, “The Italian art works displayed at this Italian Art show are so beautiful!”

Leopoldo Romagnoli, a Harvard Abroad student presently, felt very welcomed by Monmouth. He commented how he “enjoyed speaking for the University, since America is an amazing country, and it was very nice to share our culture with Monmouth students.”

“The music at this event was very inspiring and symbolized the essence of spring.” William Cszasz, a junior, Anthropology major and minor in Religions and Philosophies, stated.

Stephen Ficarola, a student here at Monmouth University, played the piano for the audience, and Jaclyn Isaac read a poem as well.

“Stephen did an excellent job of playing the piano. The presentation was very moving.” Freshman,

## “The season of spring describes Italy at its best.”

PROFESSOR PASQUALE SIMONELLI  
Philosophy, Religion and Interdisciplinary Studies

are inspired by the spring season through their work in art and literature,” Laura Leotta, a junior, Business Management major and the president of the Italian club of Monmouth University, stated.

Kristina Cretella, a sophomore, Business Management major explained how “the Italian Festival will enlighten students with Italian Literature and music through presentations.”

The crowd, at this event, had gathered together to celebrate the Italian Spring Festival. Professor Maria Simonelli spoke at the event first. She announced how the theme of the event was the “artistic rebirth in Italian literature.” She presented Dr. Andrea Barberia, from Italy, who thanked Monmouth University as well as Professor Simonelli for their help in organizing this festival.

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## Meet the Candidates for SGA President

ELYSA CHAMBERLAIN  
ELECTION CHAIRPERSON

It's that time again, and the SGA spring elections are upon us. Three terrific candidates are all running to be Student Government president and you, the student body are the deciding factor. Voting will begin Monday April 14<sup>th</sup> at noon and end Wednesday April 16<sup>th</sup> at noon. You will be able to vote by logging into your email and follow the directions given in the campus wide email that will be sent out.

### Lauren Acquaviva



If elected president, there are two main things that I would like to accomplish. First, I would like to make the senate the true voice of the student body. I plan on making myself more available to the students so that they can provide me with feedback in which the senate and I could then turn into an action. Second, I would like to increase the overall school spirit on campus by providing incentive for students to attend academic, athletic, and social events.

### Spenser Lerner



As President I will take on many issues, but few more important than the advising problem students continue to criticize. The advising at Monmouth University is unacceptably poor and can no longer continue as is. I pledge to the entire Monmouth University Community that *I will make the advising dilemma one of my primary focuses* as President. I will initiate an *Advising Exploratory Committee* and work very closely with them to research and gather first hand information about the problem to pinpoint the issues and develop practical solutions.

### Jeffery Cook



Some goals for the future of our school and community will be to help our progress in becoming nationally recognized, increase funding, have more student activities on campus and on the weekends, and much more. Our community relations and involvement needs to be more widely acknowledged so our time spent at Monmouth can be enjoyed as much as possible. We all want to be able to look back and know we had the best time we could have had.

# WMCX Hosts Annual 24 Hour Music Fest

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STUDY ABROAD EDITOR

Monmouth's student run radio station WMCX 88.9 kicked off their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual 24 hour Live Music Fest this past Friday April 4 in the Jules Plangere building. The event featured 24 different artists mainly located around New Jersey from noon on Friday until noon on Saturday. Each band usually played live for a half an hour and then was interviewed live by two members of WMCX. The set up was similar to the fall 12 hour music fest which was held on September 12 last semester to help invite prospective students to join the radio station.

E-board members Diana Mikolas and Amanda Remling who worked hard creating and hanging posters and flyers to promote the music fest shared some of the tasks that are involved in getting such a huge event prepared "We have to set up the studios for the bands to come in and set up the mics. It's a big process because production works really hard making the sweepers along with Hawk TV's simulcast." Music Director Steve Pavarati and Program Director Dan Ste. Marie were responsible for booking many of the bands heard during the music fest, but their duties didn't end there. Once the bands are booked, Pavarati and Ste. Marie are then in charge of making sure the bands arrive on time and have enough time to set up, since everything is live; and in the worst case scenario if a band does not show, they have to be ready to grab another band or musician to step in and fill the spot so that there is constant live music.

These WMCX members were on their toes that night, because a few bands ended up not showing. Luckily enough for the radio station, many of their members happen to be musically talented and more than willing to step into the limelight and save the hour! One such member is freshman Greg Morga who grabbed his guitar out of his car and jumped right into the studio, playing songs from his solo project Red Tricycle. Some of the songs from his set included "Felt Up Dragged Down," "Eyes For Miles," and ended with his newest song "Out On A Limb." After performing the song he stated "I just wrote it this morning, so I literally performed it out on a limb."

Later in the 3'o clock hour Morga

performed again along with fellow freshman Fred Rubenstein and two other members, dubbing themselves as Annexation of Puerto Rico. They sang about many things from Facebook to food and beyond. Rubenstein also mentioned that along with jumping into the performance, he was scheduled to interview a few bands. "I'm interviewing a band at 9am tomorrow morning which should be fun after I've been up for 24 hours."

Monmouth alumni Joe Keating, more popularly known as Joe Monmouth, performed not only once, but twice during the event. He rapped songs off of his CD *From the UK 2 NJ*, which was mixed by a producer in Britain. Joe is also the singer in the band Dalloway, but spoke about his transition to hip hop "It's something I've been listening to for a long time. I've always loved listening to hip hop." This is the second time Joe Monmouth has performed for the 24 hour Live Music Fest. His class was one of the first to start up the music fest and commented on how the tradition has carried on. "I always enjoy it, the guys here are really passionate about it. It's just good to see people really putting time and effort into the station."

The music fest ended with a performance by another Monmouth student and WMCX member Jenine Clancy who was pulling double duty that night, because she was also interviewing bands as well, but came fully prepared with a blow up mattress and blankets. When asked about her upcoming performance Clancy shared, "I was kind of forced into this, because I said I sing, so we're doing all just cover songs." After 24 hours of music and mayhem, it only seems appropriate to have ended on such a fun note.

Surprisingly though, Clancy was not the only person to have busted out a few covers. General Manager of WMCX, Nicole Reed, and fellow E-board member Amanda Remling shared their vocalistic stylings with anyone tuned in to 88.9 by performing two covers of popular Spice Girls songs which included "Spice Up Your Life" and "Wannabe." Other bands that performed that night included Ire & Sentiment, So to Speak, A Diary of Need, Eric Ginsberg, Lexington Down, DJ Androsko, America loves Herman, Goat Casket, and Rexdog.

The event was sponsored by Jersey

Mike's Subs, Scala's Pizzeria, and Ross's Dockside Catering, who were contacted by WMCX's Sales Director Jessica Torciello. She said "this whole event takes us months in advance of planning and we all work very hard." Torciello had been working on finding sponsors for the event for 2 months and estimated that the amount of people needing to be fed during the music fest would be upwards of around 80 people including radio and TV members along with the bands and anyone else who happened to stop by.

Mikolas mentioned that the music fest was a major way for all members to have the ability to become really involved at the station, since each hour had two different members interviewing the talent, along with another working on the technical side of things. "This one is an end of the semester thing trying to get our name out there in the local scene, and also help get the new E-board ready for what we do every year." The event even had Hawk TV members involved with the live simulcast between the radio and TV stations at Monmouth. Because of this dual partnership, listeners were also able to view the entire show not only on Hawk TV, but also online at the Hawk TV website, WMCX's website and on Justin.TV/WMCX. "Having the simulcast available online gives people who aren't on campus an opportunity to watch it and not just listen to it," shared Hawk TV secretary Stephanie Fetchko.

Despite the few setbacks of having bands not show, WMCX managed to pull off another very successful 24 hour Live Music Fest. As Professor Ferguson shared, "the event takes 6 weeks to get together and there's a lot of day of decisions, but I think it's great, because it allows students to work together and it allows what a great radio station should do, reach out to the local community and let great local music get heard." All together there were around 50 Monmouth students who were in and out helping throughout the night, but many dedicated students managed to stick it out for the entire 24 hours with the help of lots of Red Bull. If you're interested in being part of next year's 24 Hour Live Music Fest, WMCX holds general meetings every Wednesday at 3pm on the second floor of the Jules Plangere building, or you can visit WMCX.com.

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Contact Marilyn Ward.

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4. **Most Monmouth University students do not use marijuana.**
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Geocaching is an activity where players hide small containers with trinkets and a logbook in the woods, publish the coordinates on a webpage and then other players can seek the cache by using handheld Ground Positioning System reveiver (GPS). Many geocachers hunt for caches as a family, others as groups of friends and some go at it alone.

A CITO event (*Cache In Trash Out.*) is the practice of picking up trash and generally cleaning up an area while geocaching. The "International CITO Day," a yearly concerted effort by geocachers everywhere to clean up their environments. It's one of the ways we give back to the areas we get to play in.

The Central Jersey Geocacher would like to invite all Cachers and non-cachers to join us in the park clean up. For more information about geocaching, please see the main Web site for geocachers in the U.S. is [www.geocaching.com](http://www.geocaching.com) for more information about Cache In Trash Out please see the official Geocaching CITO website.  
<http://www.geocaching.com/cito/>

Information regarding the event:

[http://www.geocaching.com/seek/cache\\_details.aspx?wp=GC1AJT1](http://www.geocaching.com/seek/cache_details.aspx?wp=GC1AJT1)

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For more information about geocaching in Central Jersey, visit the Central Jersey Geocaching home page at: <http://centraljerseygeocaching.net/j/> or email us at [centraljerseygeocaching@gmail.com](mailto:centraljerseygeocaching@gmail.com)

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## Spring Into Your Future Career

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI  
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With graduation just around the corner, on the minds of most seniors is where they going to be after graduation. While some have decided to continue on with graduate school, the others have opted to dive in the job pool. I am included with the others. Looking for a job can be scary and exciting all at the same time. Scary in that we're taking our first steps out into the real world and exciting in that we are starting a new chapter in our lives. To alleviate some of the fears of the job hunt, our University is hosting their annual Spring Career Day Wednesday, April 16. More than 70 employers in a wide variety of fields are going to be featured at this event. You may think you will see mostly graduating seniors at this event, but that is not the case at all. Alumni are

welcome to the Career Fair as well as any undergraduate still looking to fulfill their experiential education requirement by completing an internship.

I will be one of many seniors attending the Spring Career Fair next Wednesday and I am looking forward to it. I have only been to one other career fair and that was a month and a half ago. I attended a career fair geared towards getting into the sports industry. A career in sports is my ultimate goal, but I can't be naïve to think that I will be getting that on the first try. After all, you have to work to get what you really want in life. It's all about gaining experiencing and expanding your portfolio, right?

I feel as though attending career fairs like these are very beneficial. It not only gives you experience and allows you to gain more knowledge about employers vital

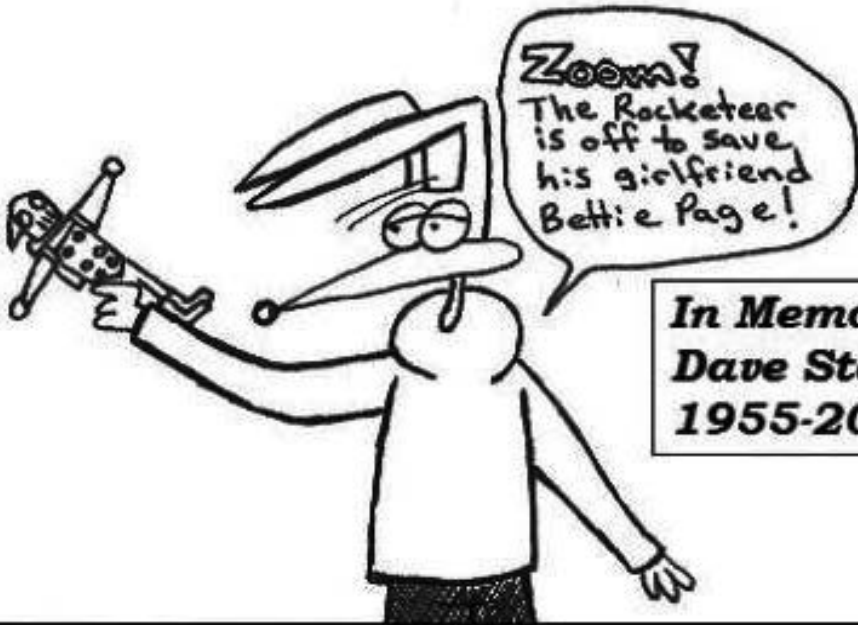
to your field, but it gives you the opportunity to sharpen your interviewing skills and speaking with professionals in the job market. The first career fair I attended I did not know what to expect at all. I knew I couldn't be nervous because this was something I really wanted to partake in and say that I got the experience. I remember being nervous about the first organization I spoke with, but as the day continued I got not only more comfortable but more confident as well.

Life is all about transitioning into the next phase. We all had to transition from grade school into high school. Then from high school to college and now for us seniors we are making the change from college into the working world. I appreciate our university once again for making this transition a little easier.

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# Six Measly Credits Green is the New Black

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In the middle of May a procession of the proud and those proud of that procession will file into PNC Art Center. Some will dawn gowns and for them the day will be special. Others will carry cameras, air horns, and goofy signs, and for them the day might mean still more.

A man will step to a podium dressed in elegant garb. He will expel his wisdom upon the honorees. Some will listen others will be distracted. Of the distracted will be those watching a beach ball bounce from hand to hand, or thinking about the party that will later ensue, or trying to determine why the weirdo to the right isn't wearing pants. Either way, as the man steps back, the honored will come to attention. One by one, upon hearing his or her name the individual will stand, walk on stage, shake a few hands, and graduate.

Mothers will cry and fathers will smile. Others in attendance will awake from a ceremony-long-slumber and commence their post-commencement cheering. The grads will be instructed to turn their tassels and instead caps will launch into the stratosphere. "Congratulations Monmouth class of 2008," a speaker will announce and after one more cheer and extensive lingering, the

run before he can walk. That is to say, one must graduate before she can graduate. Or rather, one must complete his or her entire academic program before he/she is permitted to partake in the graduation ceremony. Yea that's it, the last one.

Every community, every single community, no matter how large or small, adheres to some form of policy. Monmouth believes in its policies and strictly enforces them. Hammurabi would be proud, and yet, at some point it becomes apparent that the policy is flawed. Monmouth's codes, its laws, its standards, should always serve, without exception, the student population. All considerations that contradict this truth are irrelevant. Though arguments exist in support of the, "non-graduate commencement exclusion rule," I will not mention them. I will not bother with fair and certainly will not burden myself with balance. I will ignore every journalistic bone in my body.

I will not Lampanelli myself. I will not criticize the policy, only to cozy up to it at the last moment. Some things do not deserve such treatment. Inevitably, there will be a response. Inevitably "the man" will feel the need to explain his unquestionable logic. It will sound wise, well thought out, even articulate (unlike this drivel), and some will be convinced.

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crowd will disperse.

A few weeks later I will graduate.

In my experience everyone is on the "four year plan". Some might say different, some might even believe different, but in almost every case saying different is simply rationalizing. For me the failure is impossible to hide. Four years, three changes of my "academic program", and one hell of a ride later I will fall a measly six credits short of the "four year plan." My graduation will lack the luster of my four year counterparts; so, in an attempt to distract you from my academic impotence, let my rationalization begin.

College is very different in films. Turns out booze crazed hordes don't storm local parades in shark like tanks. In fact, in reality, an Animal House is 20 underage kids drinking with sheets over the window so they don't get busted by cops who charged into this world a few days before they did. Turns out one can't linger in school for seven years only to graduate at the last second by appealing to the board of trustees with the, "glove don't fit you must acquit," defense. No, to graduate from Monmouth, Van Wilder would have actually had to attend class.

So I'm left with a question. Who to blame? Of course there is the obvious (and almost surely correct) answer: ME, but that's no fun. No, I think I'll blame something else. Policy, yes, policy is keeping me from graduating, or at the very least, from participating in the graduation ceremony. You see, at Monmouth, one must

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Turning down the heat. Flipping off the light switch. Unplugging unused chargers. If these sound like some daily activities of yours, then you certainly are not alone.

The results of a recent survey that I conducted almost overwhelmingly stated that students care about the environment, as well.

More people are hoofing it than hopping in the car when going shorter distances. According to the survey, 39 percent are walking or biking, compared to the 25 percent that said that they probably won't.

"I think the results of your survey indicate that students have taken environmental issues very seriously and have incorporated energy-saving measures into their daily lives," said Marilyn Ward, Coordinator of Monmouth University's Service Learning and Community Programs.

Indeed they have. Of the 135 people poled, 63 percent

stated that they understood the issue of global warming somewhat well. Only 1 percent said that they did not understand it at all.

In addition, 60 percent admitted that they believe global warming is caused by both people's behavior and normal climate patterns, and that coverage of it by the media is generally underestimated.

It is a known fact that Monmouth University has been taking some great steps to lighten

and replaced energy hungry incandescent lighting with more efficient fluorescent ones.

It is great to know that students are matching the university's efforts by working to reduce their own impact on the environment.

If you or anyone you know has a tendency to be green and wants to get involved, the folks at NJ Community Water Watch are the ones to see. Monmouth U's chapter is always happy to take on some new members.

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MARILYN WARD,  
Coordinator of Monmouth University's Service Learning and Community Programs.

"Usually if anyone comes in wanting to get involved in an environmental cause, I just send them on over to Katie," she says referring to the chapter's coordinator, Katie Feeney.

Water Watch meets every Wednesday at 2:30 in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center's conference rooms. If you can't make it to the meetings, you can come out and lend a hand at their Second Annual Earth Day Cleanup at Poricy Park in Middletown. It is slated for Saturday, April 19 from 10 am to 1 pm. There will be food, drinks, live bands, and a whole lot of trash. It should be a great time.

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Political Debate: Is the Cell Phone Law Worth the Safety? (Week 2)

Here students debate political issues of the day. Week 1 students make their initial argument followed by Week 2 in which they respond to their opponent.

Side 1: Cell Phone Laws Infringe on our Freedoms

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Last week my opponent and I were asked to tackle a difficult subject with many proponents on each side: the New Jersey law that makes cell phone use a primary stop offense. As with any controversial topic there is solid evidence on each side and with that comes strong feelings. This past Wednesday I actually received an e-mail from a concerned reader stating that my argument was “hurtful” and “irresponsible”. People actually do care about this topic and it is important to get all of the facts out in the open.

So in order to recap what is being discussed we first must first break down this new law. Originally talking on a phone while driving was a secondary offense meaning that you would have to be doing something illegal as well as talking on the cell phone to be stopped, this new law has changed talking on the cell phone to a primary stop offense so that if you are seen doing it you can be stopped and given a 100 dol-

lar fine; all the while using a hands free set is perfectly okay. My opponent contends that this law was brought on by excessive traffic accidents and some fatalities, 3,500 and 11 respectively.

Now I ask, does he believe that this law will reduce that number? A study conducted by the New Jersey Department of Transportation in 2006 revealed there was almost a 50/50 split when it came to accidents caused by handheld phones and hands free phones. They went on to note that this number could easily have been more on the hands free side if it were a more popular set up. So how is it that this law will reduce traffic accidents if it’s not the holding of the phone causing accidents, but the actual conversations?

The second piece of evidence brought up against my argument was a study done by the Myth Busters showing that people on cell phones failed driving tests by a higher margin than those just under the legal drinking limit. Although Jamie Hyneman and Adam Savage are quite comical and experienced in special

effects and stunts the fact of the matter is that they are not scientists. They are, however, paid television characters subject to editing and bias outcomes. Even if this test was un-altered, their subjects were still under the legal limit and therefore not actually drunk. Plus the statistics show that drunk driving was linked to eight times as many deaths as cell phones were. Furthermore, testing of this nature must be done multiple times with many people in order to be substantiated.

To reiterate my points: the NJ law against talking on your cell phone while driving is mostly ineffective, difficult to enforce, and unfair. As stated earlier, this legislation allows hands-free headsets which currently account for half of all phone related accidents. This law is difficult to enforce because of costs, manpower, and it is hard to spot. And finally, it is unfair for Americans to be prevented from something that is so trivial and unnecessary to condemn. Thanks for reading and I hope these arguments have shed some light on the topic.

Side 2: One Less Distraction

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When the founding fathers created the Constitution, they never thought once to include any law about automobiles. Now to be fair, cars did not exist until a long time later, so there was no need to write about it. Two hundred years and twenty-seven amendments later, there is still no reference to driving or cars or anything of the sort within the words of the constitution. This is because there are no clauses about having the “right” to drive. Driving is not a “right” it’s a privilege. The people of this country are allowed to drive as long as they follow the laws. Well, guess what that means? People are going to have to put their cell phones down while driving. The law was not made to put a roadblock in our days, or make it more difficult for people to get in touch with each other. It was made a privilege in order to protect the people, and to protect against *someone else* who was glued to their cell phone and not paying attention. This law was made to protect, not to encroach, upon our freedoms.

Alcohol related deaths on the road are horrific and number into the thousands each year. This is far too high, but imagine how high they would be if there were no drunk driving laws. People don’t always follow the law, that’s why police and jails exist. If someone decides to break the law, they can get fined and go to jail. Just because people think it’s okay to drink and drive does not mean the law should be removed. It is because of this, that the law exists. No one should under any circumstance drink and drive, ever, yet people think that they can, and that’s why the law is there, to punish those people who think that they are above the law. The same goes for cell phone laws. Just because people think that they can speak on the phone and drive at the same time doesn’t mean that they should. This law

exists because too many people are getting into cell phone related accidents and cannot handle driving and speaking into a cell phone at the same time. It shouldn’t matter if people think that they can do it. The truth is, most people can not and are endangering the rest of us motorists.

This law was not made for the people who can drive and use their cell phone at the same time; it was made for the people who cannot handle doing both things at the same time. If that means that the people who can multitask have to put their cell phones down too, then that’s what they have to do, because once again, driving is not a right of the people, it is a privilege. Hundreds of thousands of people take part in driving every day, and at the end of the year, thousands end up in an accident or dead because of merely partaking in the privilege to drive that they have. Thousands of accidents happen every year, not because of cell phones or alcohol or drugs, but just from driving itself. Now throw distractions like eating, or getting ready for work, while driving. Now on top of that add talking on your cell phone, the chances of having an accident are just too high, and if it means taking away the ability to talk on the cell phone and drive to lower the chances of getting into an accident than that is what needs to be done.

New Jersey lawmakers were not trying to ruin everyone’s day and endanger anybody civil rights when they made this law; they were only trying to save lives. While yes some may say this law is hard to uphold, it doesn’t mean it shouldn’t exist. Police are not going to catch every drunk driver, nor are they going to catch every motorist talking on their cell phone; but for every one that they do catch, injuries are being prevented and lives are being saved. That’s why driving laws exist and that is why the New Jersey Cell Phone law is here and here to stay.

Hello everyone! For those interested in writing for the Political News page of The Outlook, please contact Daniel Wisniewski, President of The Political Science Club to get started! You can contact him at daniel.j.wisniewski@monmouth.edu. All topics and viewpoints are welcome! Thank you!

Corzine Budget Will Cut Funding for State Parks

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From “Corzine wants to close Parvin State Park,” AP: Governor Jon Corzine’s recently proposed budget could cause the closure of many state parks or historical sites. New Jersey’s Department of Environmental Protection faces a 12% cut overall, but 20% specifically in the “parks and forestry area.” Most likely many parks will have to cut back on services offered, such as swimming or camping. Lisa Jackson, commissioner of the department, has said that personnel will be cut and their corresponding services. The cut in parks is another recent tactic used by Governor Corzine to cut spending in the great garden state.

Governor Corzine proposes to close nine state parks including Parvin State Park, High Point State Park and Monmouth Battlefield State Park. Monmouth

Battlefield is located near Freehold, only 30 minutes from Monmouth University. The closures would only save \$4.5 million in salaries and maintenance, a very small portion of the governor’s \$33 billion budget. The budget must be approved by the New Jersey legislature by July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The recent proposal by the Governor has lead many political opponents to question the Governor’s reasoning, especially environmentalists. From the AP article, Jeff Tittel, executive director of New Jersey’s Sierra Club said “We have too many people in government who don’t understand how important parks are for the people of New Jersey,” he continued by calling the cuts “shortsighted.” Other political opponents have criticized the Governor for picking parks in more “Republican dominated” counties seemingly in an effort to avoid negatively impacting his

voter base.

Corzine’s extreme budget cuts have come after his toll-hike-tax plan failed to receive a warm reception from the residents of New Jersey, as well as members of his own party. Also included in the Governor’s budget proposal are college tuition hikes, and cutting aid to towns and local schools. This will, the Governor says, have the result of higher property taxes and hospital closings.

Budget cuts were originally sought after by political opponents. However, after seeing the proposed cuts in state services such as education, healthcare and the environment, bloggers and columnists of all colors have begun branding Corzine’s tactics “politics of fear.” They say he has made cuts in the wrong areas in order to gain support for his toll-hike-tax plan, which is being set up as the “better” option.

Political Quotes

“Politics is not the art of the possible. It consists in choosing between the disastrous and the unpalatable.”  
-John Kenneth Galbraith

“I seldom think of politics more than 18 hours a day.”  
-Lyndon B. Johnson

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# THIS WEEK OVERSEAS...

## London Students Embark on a Mediterranean Adventure

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Ciao, Hola, Bonjour! Sorry, I couldn't help myself considering I've recently been to France, Italy and Spain where I've had to use these greetings quite often. Throughout the past two weeks, I've been traveling southern Europe, and for my spring break – or holiday, as people call it in the UK – six of my friends and I took a cruise through the Mediterranean. I still can't believe I was in so many places in only a week.

The ship first took off from Palma de Mallorca, Spain, which was really pretty, and a bit warmer than London. We didn't have much time there, but walking around for a while was fun, and I even got to put some of the Spanish I know to use.

The second day was just called "a day at sea", in which we were headed to the southernmost part of our trip – La Goulette, Tunisia, which is a country in Africa. This was a place like no other I've ever been to before. As soon as we stepped off the ship there were three camels just standing there,

the city of Florence, followed by a quick visit to Pisa, where we saw the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa.

After leaving Italy, France was the next country on the list. Cassis,



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The historical amphitheater famously known as The Colosseum is located in Rome, Italy.

France was our stop in France, porting in Toulon. I have to say Cassis was the most beautiful place I have ever been to. The town was small and quaint, while the gorgeous blue water and massive mountains surrounded the little shops and restaurants. Our last stop before heading back to Palma de Mallorca, was Barcelona, Spain.

Unfortunately, due to the time constraints and the weather not being quite warm enough, we weren't able to go the beach, but walking around the city was a lot of fun. One of the things we saw here included seeing the most famous church in Barcelona, called the Sagrada Familia, which looks like no other church with its abstract form and uniquely shaped facade. I could go on and on, but that was just a quick rundown of some of the things I saw during my cruise through the Mediterranean.

I have to end with telling about meeting Mariah Carey at Selfridges, a department store here in London. After finding out that Mariah Carey, whom I've been a fan of since second grade, was going to be just ten minutes away, there was no way I was going to pass up this once in a lifetime experience. Luckily, I ended up being one of the 300 people who got to meet her and get her autograph, so to say the least, it was an incredible day for me. I went to visit family in Rome and Naples, Italy this past weekend, but I'll save that for my next article. Arrivederci!



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Study abroad students pose in front of the Leaning Tower of Pisa located in Piazza dei Miracoli, Pisa, Italy.

which was quite a shock considering we weren't expecting live camels to greet us when we arrived. In Tunisia, the majority of the population is Arabic, so it was somewhat of a culture shock for us because we didn't know anything about the country until we got there. With only being allowed a few hours here, we spent our time just walking around and doing some shopping.

Before we knew it, we were back on the ship and headed to the Italian port of Civitavecchia. This was the closest port to Rome, in which we got to spend the day in Rome on Easter Monday. Here we got to see four of the most famous sights in Rome – the Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, and lastly, the most famous church in Rome – Saint Peter's Church in the Vatican. Our next stop was Livorno, Italy, where we got to tour



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The Sagrada Familia is known as the most famous church in Barcelona, Spain.

## Pearls of Wisdom From Australia

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For me, the decision to study abroad was an easy one. I love to travel and see other places, and as an anthropology major I am always fascinated to learn about other cultures. This is not to say that I had no reservations about the prospect—I absolutely did.

I had about a million questions, and the concept of uprooting your life is totally daunting, but the study abroad program was simply an opportunity too good to pass up. Even though it was scary, I knew somewhere deep inside that I was making the right decision.

People who travel extensively like to talk about "culture shock," but until you actually take that plunge for yourself, it is impossible to fully understand what that means.

When I got to Sydney, I was overwhelmed and exhausted from the journey, but not in what I would consider a state of shock. After all, it's an English-speaking country which isn't really fundamentally all that different from the one in which I grew up.

Many aspects of daily life actually parallel each other quite

closely, and it often felt as if I had simply moved to a new city rather than halfway around the world. The little differences—like the way products that appear identical to the American ones (like Oreos or Special K, for example) taste just slightly off, or how "Burger King" is "Hungry Jack" and "Rice Krispies" are "Rice Bubbles"—are fairly easy to overlook.

The one thing that I found truly difficult to adjust to was the education system. I honestly believe that if I had grown up in the Australian school system I would have been able to transition much more easily into the university program.

It is a very peculiar feeling to sit in a class and feel stupid and unprepared as a result of your previous education—through

no fault of your own. I went to an excellent, nationally recognized high school, and in any part of the United States my secondary education would have been more than sufficient, but suddenly, in this new international setting, it seemed inadequate.

This is how my own culture shock manifested, but I believe that it is a personal thing and as such would be different for every-

one.

Education is a powerful thing which is a privilege and not just something to which we are entitled. If I had



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The Twelve Apostles are one of the tourist attractions located along the Great Ocean Road in Victoria, Australia. The Apostles are a group of enormous limestone rock formations. Only nine of them remain standing today.

been given the option from the beginning of the process to study abroad for a full year instead of just a semester I would not have taken it, but now I would without even thinking about it. With power comes responsibility—this is common knowledge.

The well-kept secret is that sometimes you must be irresponsible in order to be responsible. You must make decisions that allow you to get the most value out of your experiences. In order to become old and wise, you must first be young and foolish.

So jump off a cliff—travel, leave your family and your comfort zone, and learn about yourself. Keep long hours, shirk minor duties, party hard, and spend too much money.

Study abroad—have the time of your life. You will be a better person for it, and you'll never regret it. The best advice I can give is no matter where you choose to go, study abroad. And always remember, go big or go home.



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A view of the Sydney skyline can be seen from the Sydney Harbour Bridge as you drive into the city. The Skyline features the Sydney Sky Tower along with several other prominent buildings

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# No Rest for the *Weary*

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STAFF WRITER

“GET UP!!!!,” shouts your alarm as you spring with bewildered clumsiness from your cozy bed. Darn it, you are late. You thought you’d just shut your eyes for another minute or so, and suddenly, as if someone is playing a trick, you have ten minutes to get to class. You quickly dress, brush those teeth, and without even thinking about breakfast you’re out the door. The day has just begun.

If this accurately describes your morning ritual, then believe me, you’re not alone. It seems like there’s just not enough time in the day (or cups of coffee in Einstein) to get everything done. A full course load, homework, midterms, papers; it all adds up pretty quickly. But what happens when

rest by the end of the day.

Of course, Wood Hollow is not her only job. Margaret also works one day a week at Intrinsic, a hippie-type store in the Monmouth Mall. This job, however, isn’t nearly as stressful. Her day there consists mainly of straightening up, answering phones, and ringing up customers. It’s a colorful scene there, full of pseudo-hippies and co-workers.

And although it may be a farm, it doesn’t get much more conventional at Wood Hollow. Margaret’s boss hires a horse psychic to come and evaluate their mental conditions. Dutch, her deceased husband’s horse, is said to embody his soul. “I don’t know

I’m going to the mall because I’m done with all my tests,” she ejects through an almost guilty smile.

Justin Theno, a junior Graphic Design major, has been through the works. He’s had both off campus and on campus jobs. He likes the latter more, however. “It’s more convenient, they’re more flexible, and very understanding with schoolwork,” he says.

He goes on to say that the pay is less, but it ends up balancing out for him because he works more. He puts in about 15 hours a week at the campus copy center, compared to only eight at Junior’s Burgers in Long Branch, where he was a delivery boy for a month. “I still bring home enough bacon, I just have to work more.”

Dennis Ruhlin is the perfect example of someone who refuses to let his schoolwork define him as a person. A junior Business Administration major, he works at the campus copy center, alongside Justin, doing type-setting and graphic design.

When asked if he finds it hard to balance work, school, and a social life, Dennis responds, “No, because I don’t study a lot.” Then, as if realizing how this must sound, he elaborates. “I’m not a bookworm. I don’t spend all my time studying. But I also don’t spend all my time at work. I have decent grades, but I’m not a workaholic.”

See, the thing about Dennis is that he enjoys his job much more than his classes. Designing and creating things gives him a sense of purpose. Having done something that is tangible makes him feel accomplished. “Sometimes I’ll walk around campus and see a poster and go, wow, I made that.”

Because his job is what he wants as a career, it’s not as difficult to face a workday as it is a school day. “The most stressful part of the day is schoolwork, is trying to get by and studying for dumb things.”



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We go to school to climb the career ladder, hoping that our part-time jobs and hard work in class will allow us to get to the top.

**“It’s more convenient, they’re more flexible, and very understanding with schoolwork.”**

JUSTIN THENO  
About on-campus jobs

you add a job on top of all that?

Throughout the last couple of days, I’ve spoken with fellow students who make it work. And amazingly, they do it with a shrug of the shoulders and devil-may-care attitude. In other words, they do what they have to do.

How would you like to go from Poli-Sci Club Vice President to professional horse manure wrangler throughout the course of your week? For Margaret DeVico, a junior Political Science major, this is a reality. And one that she loves.

“It’s like scooping a litter box, but on a bigger scale,” she says of her job as a barn hand at Wood Hollow Farm in Colts Neck, NJ. She’s only had the job for a couple of weeks, but has already fallen for it. She loves horses, and she loves riding.

Growing up on a farm in Cape May County has certainly helped. “It’s something I can step right into and feel comfortable with,” Margaret says.

But it’s not all fun and games. The job itself is very physically

how comfortable I feel kicking her husband around the farm,” says Margaret.

So what does Margaret do to unwind after a day of professors, hard-labor, and horse psychics? She hangs out with her boyfriend, and just generally tries to relax, an admirable feat considering a 21 hour work week and 18 credit course load.

Our next candidate has exchanged a pitchfork and work boots for a computer terminal and large sums of cash. Jen Phillips, a junior Criminal Justice major, has a part-time job at the Commerce Bank on Parker Avenue. She’s worked there for five years, since she graduated high school. “It’s very simple, so it doesn’t require much thought,” she says of being a teller.

Although the job may not be all that demanding, it does consume a large part of her week. In fact, it takes up between 29 and 35 hours of it. So how does Jen balance work and class? “I split up my classes so that I could



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The work doesn’t end with class. We as students end up leaving class with a ton of homework, studying, projects, etc. to do, sometimes making it difficult to hold a part-time job.

demanding. Some days she must get up at 6 a.m. to be at work by 7. Once there, she does everything from cleaning the stalls, to saddling the horses, to leading them around for any young kids who may stop by. All the bending, turning, and riding she does leaves her muscles screaming for

either work at night and have classes during the day, or work during the day and have classes at night,” she says.

Jen manages to find time for herself, however. She does things like getting her nails done, going to the gym, or doing a bit of light shopping. “Like tonight

**“Sometimes I’ll walk around campus and see a poster and go, wow, I made that.”**

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## British Punk-Rock Icons Play Asbury Park in Last Minute Gig

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With only two days notice, a couple of hundred lucky fans, were able to see the band Carbon/Silicon perform at the Asbury Lanes in Asbury Park.

The band The Mean Streets, from Philidelphia, opened for Carbon/Silicon. Their quick playing and equally fast vocals were a big hit with the crowd. Once their set was complete, Carbon/Silicon was supposed to take the stage, but due to several precautionary sound-checks, it was about twenty five minutes until they took the stage.

After apologizing for the wait, Carbon/Silicon, headed by former The Clash front man Mick Jones, 52, and guitarist Tony James, 50, of Generation X fame, played a remarkable

live music. Every member of the band got into the show, interacting with the audience, providing comical commentary between songs, and Jones even danced a bit, much to the crowd pleasure and amusement.

After the set the band gladly took to the stage again to answer the crowd's cries for an encore. They played "Police on My Back", a number from Jones' The Clash days.

After graciously thanking the crowd for the opportunity to entertain them, Jones and James mingled with the crowd and signed autographs. One fan even brought a British flag-themed guitar for Jones to sign.

Sabrina Shuckin, a Monmouth University student and life-long The Clash fan who attended the



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Mick Jones and Tony James of Carbon/Silicon perform live.

set reflecting both band members' classic punk-rock roots, yet showing how much the two artists' music had matured since the late seventies and the eighties by incorporating jazz and reggae influence into their music. Members of the group brought on for the tour were Leo "Eazykill" Williams on bass guitar and Dominic Greensmith on the drums

"This show happened by chance," explained Jones. "We were supposed to play in Toronto, Canada tonight, but that had to be postponed. So, we threw this last minute gig together here in Jersey, which was brilliant because we love New Jersey."

Fresh off their performance on the Conan Obrien Show the night before, the band played for a full house at the Asbury Lanes.

Their set included such songs as "Why Do Men Fight", "Really the Blues", and "Soylent Green", of which Jones said, "...our music has many different influences and our hope is basically to promote peace and have a good time doing it "Soylent Green" was to be on the "music inspired by the motion picture Psychomania" album, but apparently the movie came out in 1971, so we were a bit late," Jones joked.

Though their music carried a serious undertone, it did not lack the energy and fun that is so important in

show, had the chance to meet, get the autograph of, and take a picture with Jones. "I was so nervous. I got up there and all I could think to say was "so...how do you like it here?" said Shuckin to which Jones replied, "The beach? Oh, I love it. Simply love it."

For those not familiar with Jones and James work, they founded the group London SS (Social Security) in 1975. When that band dissolved, both men went on to lead successful music careers with Jones helping to form The Clash and James starting the band Generation X with pop-punk icon Billy Idol, as well as several other groups each.

In 2002 Jones and James reunited to form Carbon/Silicon in response to internet and peer-to-peer file sharing. "Our first single MPFree was our way of saying that we embrace new technology that gets music to the people for free. We believe that music is everyone's to have," said Jones.

For those lucky enough to have caught this rare performance, it was an experience surely not soon to be forgotten. And for those who did not make it out to the show, Carbon/Silicon's music can be downloaded for free from their website carbonssiliconinc.com.

## An Inside Look at What Makes Article A Rock

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STUDY ABROAD EDITOR

Every once in a while there comes along a band whose songs have the amazing ability to convey feelings of dedication, passion, and pure love for music to their listeners simply through the use of lyrics and melodies alone. This is the case for Article A, who not only express their enthusiasm through their music, but add to the fervor by being one of the most amicable groups who make the time to spend with their fans, whether they're long dedicated or newbies. It comes as no surprise then that this band should be on its way to becoming a household name.

In August of 2000 best friends Christian LaGrotteria and Joe Haight had the idea to form a band; soon after they asked Evan Gallipoli to officially become their drummer and finally three years later they found the last piece to their puzzle when guitarist Gary Kramer joined Article A. Since then, the band has been busy writing and recording their recently released CD *Stay Now* along with performing at various locations, such as Hard Rock Cafés along the east coast, Mainstage with The Ataris, and even here at Monmouth for Hawk TV's Msquared Live.

In December of 2005 the band signed with 785 Records, whom AA got in contact with through their producer, PJ Bianco, who's currently known for writing The Jonas Brothers' latest hit "Look Me In The Eyes." After signing with 785, Article A embarked on the arduous task of creating an album and from that point things started moving a little slower for the band. As Joe and Gary recall, "We went back and did 8 months worth of writing before recording, but the songs got so much better through those 8 months because it gave us time to develop, whereas a lot of other labels don't have the patience or the money to do that. It allowed us to hone our craft." Christian, lead singer for AA, credits the successful release of Article A's first CD partly to Mark Eichner, president of 785 Records,

who worked with the band to help create *Stay now*. "He challenged us to write better songs and put out a better album."

Together, the members of Article A manage to create songs with many layers of melodies and complimenting harmonies along with catchy beats and clever lyrics. As Joe, bassist for AA shared on how the band as a whole creates their songs, "Individually we write

songs featured on the CD has accidental meaning behind it as Joe shared, "We had been writing for 8 months and at the last minute we said let's just write a song about nothing. The verses sound like they're really deep but they really don't mean anything, but the pre-chorus and the chorus are all about how you have to stay and listen to the words and really try to find out the meaning, so it became the theme of the whole album."

Although the band constantly changes what they consider to be their favorite song off of their album, Christian claims that the track "Find A Way", which is one of the slower songs on the CD, is his possible favorite because it is the song that landed Article A's record deal with 785 Records and has managed to survive three different versions of the song. "I think it's just a special song that I'm hoping, if we start moving forward, is the global smash because it's a song that everyone can relate to." Lately, Article A has had plays on radio stations in Philly, LA, Reno, Chicago, and in the tri-state area on Q104.3's Out Of The Box segment. In the near future they hope to really bust out into



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The men behind the music; (left to right) Joe Haight, Evan Gallipoli, Christian LaGroteria, and Gary Kramer.

stuff and bring it in and then just totally mess with it from there." Gary explained, "You've got to be aware of compromise when you're bringing in an idea, [the music] just kind of goes from you to becoming the band, so there's some give and take." Christian also added "When you start to accept other people's criticism, it's just going to push you to do the best you can. Songwriting is a challenge with a group, but it's probably the only way I'd like to write", which is a good thing for Article A, because combining all the separate influences of each individual band member helps to give a unique and eclectic style and depth to their music.

According to the band, each of the songs has their own little story behind it; some even have personal ties to the members. One such song is the last track entitled "Goodnight Goodbye," which is reminiscent of the loss of Christian's grandfather. "I feel like I never got to say goodbye, so that song is kind of like me saying goodbye." Even the title of their debut album, *Stay Now*, which is also one of the

the music scene both locally in NJ and NY along with internationally as Evan mentioned when discussing his dream place to perform. "I would want to play at Slane Castle in Ireland, with a runway that goes around the crowd and has a drum riser on a track; that way the whole stage, all of us, would be moving around 300,000 people." While Article A won't be playing internationally within the next few months, they will be performing at noon on Day 2 of Bamboozle in East Rutherford New Jersey, May 4, so be sure to grab a ticket today!

*Stay Now* is available in stores now and online at Article A's website [www.articlea.com](http://www.articlea.com), but one can never really experience the musical dedication that this energetic and enthusiastic band has to offer until they have seen them perform live. Luckily for you dedicated readers, Article A will be making a free in-store appearance at the FYE in the Freehold Mall today, Wednesday April 9 at 5:30pm. So grab some friends and check them out, and be sure to look out for other upcoming Article A shows at [MySpace.com/articlearock](http://MySpace.com/articlearock).





# This Season on Idol



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Hey *Idol* lovers! Last week on *American Idol*, Dolly Parton mentored the top nine contestants for country music week.

Many would suspect that this week would be Kristy Lee Cook's niche. While she did alright, her performance was not very captivating. Judge Simon Cowell called her performance "pleasant, but forgettable," which went against the positive comments that judges Randy Jackson and Paula Abdul gave to Cook.

Ramiele Malubay gave a sweet performance of "Do I Ever Cross Your Mind," but also failed to give it that special something. Her vocals were a bit shaky at times and she still hadn't mastered the art of commanding the stage. Jackson gave it "a six-and-a-half out of ten," and Cowell said it reminded him of something he would see on a cruise ship.

Brooke White's rendition of "Jolene" was one of her worst performances to date. Her vocals were not as strong as they have been in the past and she lacked the spark that she normally displays. Jackson said, "I don't know if that was a stellar performance for me." Cowell also critiqued the on-stage band and told White, "I thought all of you looked very odd together as a group" and said, "It wasn't one of your best performances."

David Cook sang "Little Sparrow," and once again had another great performance. In addition to his strong vocals, he showed that he can also soften his voice to a falsetto, which Abdul loved along with his haircut. Even Cowell said, "If you can make a song about sparrows good, which actually you did, congratulations."

David Archuleta's performance of "Smoky Mountain Memories" certainly towered over his performances

these past few weeks. His vocals were fully on-point, and really connected with the song. Jackson declared, "David Archuleta is back tonight!" and Cowell said he was "absolutely on the money."

Carly Smithson gave a very nice performance. While it wasn't her best, she



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Brooke White and Syesha Mercado comfort a crying Ramiele Malubay, after learning that she had been voted off the show.

certainly remains a front-runner in the competition. Abdul called her "such an amazing talent," while Cowell said "It was good, I didn't think it was great." He also critiqued her wardrobe, and said that at this point she needs to start looking like a star.

Jason Castro's rendition of "Traveling" was nice and relaxing. While it won't be one to remember, his vocals were much better than they have been the past couple of weeks. Jackson said, "I thought it started a little bit rough for me," then later said, "but by the middle of the song I thought you picked it up." Abdul thought it was one of his strongest performances, but Cowell didn't like it and said, "I don't think this kind of music suits you particularly well."

Michael Johns seems to have improved a lot since earlier in the season. This week's performance was another great one from him. His vocals are

more consistent and less shaky. "It's So Wrong but it's So Right" was definitely a perfect song choice for him. Jackson praised him, saying, "You keep on bringing it up every week a notch," Abdul called him a star, and Cowell said, "I think this is the best I have heard you sing throughout the whole competition."

Syesha Mercado took a leap, performing "I Will Always Love You." And you know what? She NAILED it! (She gave me chills when he finally got to the big notes at the end!) Jackson, however, skeptically said, "You took on the biggest tiger of the night, and I think you did pretty good," claiming that it's tough for him to hear anyone else sing that song. Abdul on the other hand loved the fact that Mercado has been growing each week and has improved in connecting with the audience. Simon, unfortunately, agreed with Jackson, saying that Mercado's rendition "paled by comparison to the Whitney (Houston) version." (Ok, but how was she compared to the rest of her competition? Shouldn't *that* be what's considered? Because in my opinion, that performance helped move her up in the ranks.)

So how did the voting turn out?

During the results show on Wednesday night, the idols performed "Nine to Five," in honor of Parton, who also performed herself later in the evening. Malubay, K. Cook, and White were in the bottom three, and ultimately, Malubay was sent home. (Not surprising; hopefully Kristy Lee Cook goes home next.)

Eight contestants remain. Tune in April 9 for *Idol Gives Back*, and check *The Outlook* next week for the latest *Idol* updates!

## Foreman Offers A Song For Every Season

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STUDY ABROAD EDITOR

Lead singer and guitarist for popular rock band Switchfoot, Jon Foreman, has recently embarked on a solo project in which he released his first EP *Fall* in November of last year. On this solo project, Foreman is working with Credential Recordings along with Lowercase People Records which was founded and is currently run by the members of Switchfoot after their split from Columbia/Sony BMG.

Jon Foreman's collection in its entirety will contain four separate EP's titled after each season: *Fall*, *Winter*, *Spring* and *Summer*. So far all have been released

with the exception of *Summer*, which is due out May 27. Each EP contains six original songs that continue to grow not only in sound, but in passion as well with each new release.

The use of different instruments is evident on each of the EP's to convey a musical sense of its particular season to the listener. This melodic story is mainly apparent in Foreman's most recent EP *Spring*, which incorporates many upbeat chords along with horns and playful percussion.

The EP starts out with the song "March (A Prelude to Spring)" featuring Foreman accompanied by female vocalist Molly Jenson. The track's upbeat melody is instantly reminiscent of that first day of spring, when

the sun is shining, the trees are slowly becoming green again, the air is filled with the aroma of newly budding flowers and the breeze has a sun-kissed feeling of warmth about it, despite the lyric's implication of a relationship's break up.

The next few songs have the feeling of April about them, in that it is termed the season of "showers that bring May flowers". The melodies have a lazier sound to them; much like watching the rain hit against a window, but they also include a few bright moments that are suggestive of April's seldom sunny days amidst the usual overcast weather. "Baptize My Mind" and "Your Love Is Strong" prove to be the pinnacle of *Spring* between their powerful lyrics and intricately layered sound. The EP concludes with "Revenge" which takes a complete turn from the way the EP started out and ends on a much drearier note, leaving listeners to wonder how *Summer* will start off.

Foreman's vocals are similar to those of the laid back style of Jack Johnson combined with the folk sound of Australian artist Bernard Fanning. His music is also reminiscent of a mix of Fanning's eclectic sound, with a side of Sufjan Stevens' unique use of wind instruments and a dash of Elliot Smith's soft acoustic stylings.

All in all *Spring* is an entertaining listen, ranging from a variety of emotions and sounds while retaining an easy and laid back feeling to it. *Fall*, *Winter*, and *Spring* are available in stores and online at his website, jonforeman.com or you can check him out at MySpace.com/jonforeman.



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## Relive the 80's at Awesome 80's Prom

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NEW YORK--- Tease up your hair, dig out your parent's old members only jacket, slide on some leg warmers, and enjoy a night at Wanaget High's Senior Prom class of 1989. *Awesome 80's Prom* is an interactive theater production similar to that of *Tony n' Tina's Wedding* full of loud music and dancing.

Once guests arrive they are immediately greeted by Mr. Snelgrove, Wanaget High's principal, who is there to chaperone the event and make sure all students are under control. Shortly after you are whisked away into the prom where Mrs. Lascalso, the school's drama teacher, is waiting at the entrance, clipboard in hand. Mrs. Lascalso is the typical lovable air head of a teacher, complimenting and congratulating everyone on making it to their senior prom.

With limited seating inside the actual prom, attendees are drawn to the dance floor. A typical 80's DJ is up on a makeshift stage getting the crowd pumped playing 80's classics such as "Girls Just Wanna Have

Fun" and "Pour Some Sugar on Me." The characters subtly emerge from the back and begin to dance and interact with the audience. With everyone decked out in their best 80's apparel, it is hard to pin point the actors at first.

The scene is set at a typical high school prom. You have the popular cheerleader and her posse of girls, along with the captain of the football team who winds up breaking up with the head cheerleader in the first few minutes of prom. Then there is the football player's overweight booze loving friend who drunkenly wanders around the prom. Of course you also have the overly flamboyant drama loving guy, who later is even nominated for prom queen. Then the student council presidents show up adorning "VOTE FOR ME" pins. They are constantly showered with boos from the audience every time they make announcements.

Next is the rebel who casually roams on his own, looking unimpressed and uninterested in prom. This tough guy never gives up an opportunity to grab the geek and throw him in a garbage can in the middle of the dance floor. Lastly



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The birthday girl poses with the geek.

there are the two foreign exchange students from Asia and Sweden who seem to awkwardly fit into the crowd.

Once the show begins the audience's attention is drawn to the stage where the student council president announces the prom court, which of course adds a lot of high school

drama. Guests are then encouraged to make sure they vote as the prom is taking place for their favorite nominees for prom king and queen.

As the night continues, the audience is left to dance and socialize with the characters on their own. With a lot of different things going on, you always have to be on the look out. One minute you're watching the rebel getting in trouble for having drugs on him, and the next second you see the principal make his way to the bar disheveled and inebriated.

Flashes are constantly going off as the guests seek out photo opportunities with the actors. There is also an area where attendees can take their typical prom picture under the Wanaget High School banner.

The high school's DJ makes sure to keep the party on track with various dance offs and contests. *Awesome 80's Prom* is a popular destination for bachelorette and birthday parties as well. Birthday girls are given a tiara to wear so that the actors can easily spot them


and include them in the prom festivities. The bachelorettes are given a "Most likely to get married at 80's prom," sash to wear so the male actors give them lots of extra attention.

The show ends with the crowning of prom king and queen and a final dance from all the characters. The prom is held in Webster Hall, a popular New York's, club located on the Lower East Side. Guests of the *Awesome 80's Prom* are entitled to free admission to Webster Hall after the prom.


*Awesome 80's Prom* has productions in other cities such as Chicago, Minneapolis, and Baltimore. The show has also been featured on NBC's *The Today Show*, CBS's *The Early Show*, and Fox 5 News as well as in print in *The New York Times*, *The NY Daily News*, *New York Magazine*, and many others.

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- 5:00 PM Music by American Halo, Team Registration and Survivor Dinner (If you are a cancer survivor RSVP today to 1.800.ACS.2345)
- 6:00 PM Capoeira Presentation by Kasey Sanders
- 7:00PM Opening Ceremonies
- 7:30 PM Survivor and Caregiver Ceremony & Laps
- 7:45 PM Music by Juke Joint Jonny, Dance-off's, Team Banner Lap
- 8:00 PM Relay Races and Beach Bum Lap (wear beach apparel)
- 9:20 PM Music by Explosive Sheep
- 10:00 PM Luminaria Ceremony
- 10:30 PM Best Friend & Family Lap
- 11:00 PM Monmouth University Pride Lap, Relay Olympics, Open Mic Night (Bring your guitar, a piece of written work, or something original and perform at Relay!)
- Midnight Crazy Costume Lap (The Crazier the Better!) , Mz. Relay Competition (Don't forget your Wig & Dress)
- 1 AM Wear Purple Lap,
- 1:30 AM Soap Box Durby (Don't forget your car; the only rule is that it must have 4 wheels!)
- 2:00 AM Backwards Lap, Frozen T-shirt Contest
- 3:00 AM Pajama Lap
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- 6:00 AM Best of the Day Lap AKA Best Bead Head Lap
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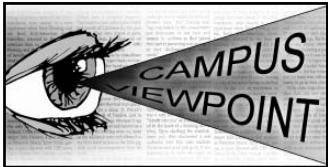
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Jeff  
junior

"Yes, I'm gonna Jam all summer!"



Lauren  
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"I'm excited for summer, to get out of classes, but I don't want to leave."



Ashley  
freshman

"Yes! I'm living in California for the summer!"



Tiffany  
senior

"I'm ready to get out, and I can't wait to go to Florida for Grad school!"



David  
junior

"Yes, I can't wait to go rest on my recliner."



Suyesh  
Grad.

"No, I want to continue my studies."



Srinivas  
Grad.

"No, Monmouth is a very good school."



Balakiran  
Grad.

"Yes, I'm staying at school, but I can't wait for classes to end."



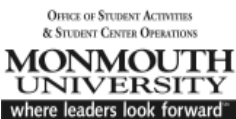
Ron  
freshman

"No, I'm not ready for classes to end... I like to party!"



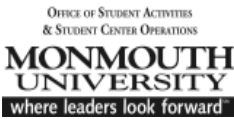
Chris  
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"No, I will miss my graduating friends!"



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Campus Events This Week

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

Break Out of the Silence: Inequalities in Prison • 1- 4 PM • Student Center  
STE Student Research Conference • 2:00 PM • Wilson Auditorium  
Baseball vs. Lafayette • 3:30 PM • Baseball Field  
Softball vs. Manhattan • 3:00 PM • Softball Field  
Bowling Club Tryouts • 8:45 PM • Brunswick Zone Hazlet

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

X-Ray Project • 7:00 PM • Wilson Auditorium  
Craft Night • 7:30 PM • Catholic Center

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Music Entertainment Pit Show • 3:00 PM • Student Center Patio  
Second Senior Art Exhibition Opens • 7:00 PM • Ice House Gallery  
The Kite Runner • 7:00 PM & 11:00 PM • The Underground  
Relay For Life • 5:00 PM • MU Practice Field

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

A Day with Brother Marx • Pollak Theatre  
Softball vs. Wagner • 1:00 PM • Softball Field  
International Festival • 7:30 PM • Anacon Hall  
National Treasure: Book of Secrets • 7 PM & 11 PM • The Underground

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Mary Poppins NYC Trip • Tickets \$55 (MU Student) • Departs 10:00 AM  
Men's Tennis vs. Mount St. Mary's • 1:00 PM  
Softball vs. Long Island • 1:00 PM • Softball Field

MONDAY, APRIL 14

Student Government Association Elections Through Wednesday 4/16  
Greek Week Begins - Look for Details for Specific Event  
Women's Tennis vs. St. Francis (NY) • 3:30 PM

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

Baseball vs. Rider • 3:30 PM • Baseball Field  
Men's Tennis vs. St. Peter's • 3:30 PM  
TransAmerica (Movie) • 7:00 PM • Wilson Auditorium

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

Student Employee Appreciation Day • 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM • RSSC Lobby  
Alcohol & Marijuana Screening Day • 11 - 4 PM • Health Center  
Spring Career Fair • 12:30 PM • Anacon Hall  
Softball vs. Rutgers • 1:00 PM • Softball Field  
Band - Verdict • 2:30 PM • Student Center Patio  
Virginia Tech One Year Later - Candlelight Vigil • 8:00 PM • Res. Quad  
Ice Cream and Game Night Social • 9:00 PM • The Underground

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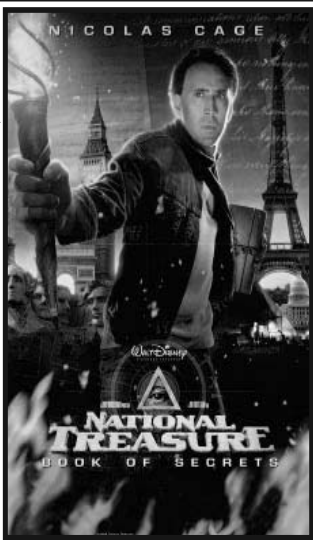
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THE KITE RUNNER

SATURDAY, APRIL 12  
7:00 PM & 11:00 PM  
NATIONAL TREASURE:  
BOOK OF SECRETS

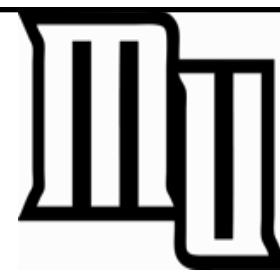


THE UNDERGROUND





# CLASS of 2008 SENIOR WEEK



TICKETS WILL BE SOLD **APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup> – APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>** AT THE OFFICE OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR OF THE STUDENT CENTER. **ONLY GRADUATING SENIORS MAY BUY TICKETS THROUGH APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup>**. TICKETS FOR SENIOR WEEK ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND CAN BE PURCHASED WITH CASH OR CHECK. TICKET PURCHASERS MUST SHOW PROPER ID. ALL TICKET PURCHASERS AND THEIR GUEST MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED). ONE GUEST PER STUDENT ID (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED). **ONLY GRADUATING SENIORS MAY STAY IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS DURING SENIOR WEEK.**

## Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>

### **BAR A - \$13**

Spend time with friends, relax, and enjoy!!! All you can eat barbeque from 9:00 pm – 12:00 am. Shuttles to Bar A leave from the Student Center parking lot starting at 8pm. There will be 3 shuttles running from 8:00 pm – 1:30am (last shuttle home). Shuttles hold 15 passengers each, so plan your return time from Bar A accordingly.

Bar A will ID at the door.

## Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>

### **MEDIEVAL TIMES - \$45**

Step back in time for an afternoon of lunch and jousting fit for a king. Bus leaves at 10:45am from the Student Center parking lot. **Due to limited tickets**, no guests will be allowed. (Under 21 allowed).

### **OCEAN PLACE - \$20**

Join the senior class for a barbeque dinner and bonfire on the beach (weather permitting--there is an indoor rain location for bbq) from 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm. Two 15 passenger shuttles to Ocean Place leave the Student Center starting at 6:30pm and run through 10:30pm. **Due to limited number of tickets**, no guests are allowed.

## Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

### **CASINO NIGHT - \$20**

Spend 6 hours in Atlantic City!! This includes an \$18 coin token to the Tropicana. The two busses will leave for Atlantic City at 2:00 pm from the Student Center parking lot.

## Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>

### **SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE - \$25**

Spend an exciting day at Six Flags!! The bus will leave Student Center for Six Flags at 10:30 am and will be leaving Six Flags at 6:00 pm. Limited tickets, so get them early! (Under 21 allowed)

## Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

### **SENIOR RECEPTION**

hosted by President and Mrs. Gaffney

### **Semi-Formal-Free**

This is a semi-formal event being held at the Doherty House from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm (rain site TBA). **Pre-registration required at the Office of Student Activities**. No guests allowed, because space is limited to the first 100 people to sign up.

## Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>

### **NYC TRIP - \$12**

Come and enjoy the sights and sounds of New York City. The bus will leave for NYC at 11:45 am from the Student Center parking lot and will be leaving NYC to return at 8:00pm. (Under 21 allowed).

## Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>

### **JACKS**

Spend one last night at Jacks, where everybody knows your name! Shuttle vans will be available at the Student Center parking lot from 9:00 pm – 1:45am. There are two 15 passenger vans so plan your leave time from Jacks accordingly. Jacks will ID at the door.

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CLUB and GREEK

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Alpha Sigma Tau

Alpha Sigma Tau is preparing a Dining To Donate at Applebees on April 16. Please come support the Lovely Ladies of Alpha Sigma Tau. Greek Week is almost here. Congrats Upsilon Class! Happy Birthday Roxie and Stiletto! More upcoming events coming soon!!! Insiders: As-trid, love the teamwork! Lucky Star, you're a hot mess covered in paint and I love you for it! Big, you're too cute, I love your life haha <3 Aali-yah Little you are amazing and I love you <3 Honey Roxie- thanks for treating to Cheesecake Factory! Love you so much Tuki and Star Dust Radiance- What do you know about Richard Rahl? <3 Euphoria KFC? <3 Summer I love my Littles! <3 Muse Twin- I can't deal..Hammer Toes?..Snacks Buddies..<3 Moxi aka Snacks

Swimming and Water Polo Club

On 4/2/08 SGA approved the Monmouth University Swimming and Water Polo Club. We will be meeting on Tuesdays at 9:30 PM and Wednesday at 2:30. All are invited, level of ability does not matter. Come to improve your swimming skills, get a good workout, or just have some fun. For questions please contact Emily at s0670574@monmouth.edu.

Alpha Xi Delta

The ladies of Alpha Xi Delta would like to welcome our new members! Congratulation on your initiation!! The ladies would like to congratulate Carolyn Bodmer, Jacquelyn Bodmer, Ann Marie Bond, Kristen Duff, Emily Jodry, Jenn Mastrangelo, Jennifer Puckett, and Merrideth Trocano. The ladies are also working hard to prepare for Greek Week and their upcoming event for The National Parkinson's Foundation along side Theta Phi Alpha. The event will take place on April 22, 2008 in Anacon Hall, from 7:30-9. The event will be a silent auction for some really great prizes. Please come out and donate! We hope everyone is getting excited for Greek Week! Keep an eye on this space for more Alpha Xi Delta updates, or check out our Facebook profile, Interested in Joining Alpha Xi Delta. Much Xi love to everyone!

Plants

JAMIE KINARD  
STAFF WRITER

Native plants are the most common types of plants used in a Rain Garden. This is because the plants are already situated to the types of conditions that the rain garden is in. Using plants that are not from the area involves special care of the plant and placing the rain garden in a place that may not be of use to the environment because of the needs of the one plant. Also, the one plant may out compete the other plants for resources, destroying the garden. In choosing plants, it is necessary to know how big your plants will get, as well as how far apart they should be spaced. Having a plant too tall or too close can take away resources from other

plants, and those plants end up dying. Also, it is important to know when they bloom and how many of those plants you want. Having too many of one plant may offset the balance of the rain garden, and knowing when they bloom allows for you to plan how you want your garden to look at all times during the year.

In our rain garden we are using 14 native plants. These include, Inkberry Holly, Winterberry Holly, Northern Bayberry, Red Chokeberry, Sweet Pepper Bush, Royal Fern, Marsh Marigold, Common Meadow Violet, Turtlehead, Cardinal flower, Blue flag iris, Swamp Rose Mallow, New York aster, and Seaside goldenrod. Each plant blooms between spring and fall, except the inkberry holly, winterberry holly, and northern bayberry. This is because they are

evergreen or semi-evergreen. Evergreen means that they are in bloom all year round, so they make great winter plants. The other plants are good from warmer weather to make the garden beautiful when most people are outside. Our gardens' flowers also have a variety of bright colors that make it appealing to look at.

The garden will be approximately 21' wide, and 95' long. Through the middle of the garden will be a 4' wide pathway that runs through the entire garden. This allows for people to walk right through the middle of the garden and fully enjoy the garden. We will also offer tours to the community in order to show them how to set up the garden and build one of their own.

START: Students Taking Action and Responsibility Today

On March 19, 2008 the United States has entered the fifth year in Iraq since the war first started with a rising death toll. On Monday, March 24, 2008 a roadside bomb killed four U.S. soldiers in Baghdad which pushed the overall death toll in the five-year war to 4,000. As a part of the Global Understanding Convention week, START sponsors the 3rd annual Peace Demonstration.

The demonstration is held at the Student Center Patio from 12:30-2:30pm.

For inclement weather, join us in Anacon Hall A (2nd floor Student Center). Join us as we sing, speak out, read poetry, and demonstrate for peace including guest speakers: President Paul Gaffney; Ms. Sue Niederer, graduate of MU (her son, Lt. Seth Dvorin, was killed in Iraq February 2004); The Rev. Bob Moore of the Coalition for Peace Action; Councilman Jim Keady of Asbury Park; Father Brian Butch of Holy Innocents Church; and Steve Hildner from Congressman Holt's office.

Make your own personal statement as participants may videotape their Pledge for Peace; or register to vote with the voter registration drive held by the Service Learning Office; or witness media from a peace rally in London. Let your voice be heard—speak out for peace!

WHAT: Peace Demonstration—as a part of the Global Understanding Convention

WHEN: Thursday, April 10, 2008 – 12:30-2:30pm

WHERE: Student Center Patio—for inclement weather: Anacon Hall A (2nd Floor)

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## VOLUNTEER CORNER

*Volunteer at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Family Fundraiser at the West Long Branch Public Schools on Saturday, April 26.* Volunteers are needed to help with carnival games and crafts for children from 4:00pm - 6:00pm or from 6:00pm - 8:00 pm. This is a quick, easy and fun way to get involved in the community and help to raise funds for the West Long Branch Foundation for Public Education. Please contact Theresa Fontana at 732-870-2242 for more information on how to get involved.

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# Baseball Perfect in Last Eleven Games

*Hawks win six games in six days to extend their winning streak to 11 consecutive victories*

ERIC WALSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Monmouth's baseball team continues their winning tendencies, as they have now reeled off 11 straight victories, improving their overall record to 13-8, including a perfect 4-0 in the NEC. Over the past week, the Blue and White went 6-0, with victories over in-state rivals Princeton and Rutgers, and two doubleheader sweeps of NEC foe Sacred Heart.

On Tuesday, April 1, the Hawks hosted the Princeton Tigers in their first contest of the week. The game turned out to be an offensive slugfest, with Monmouth rallying late to defeat the visiting squad 11-8.

Princeton got a quick start, scoring two runs in the top of the second inning off Monmouth starter Kyle Breese.

MU came back to go up 3-2 in the bottom of the inning with Rick Niederhaus, Brett Holland, and John Dennis crossing the plate for

the home team. The game was tied at 5-5 in the bottom of the third inning when rain came through West Long Branch, delaying the game for an hour and two minutes.

After the rain cleared the Tigers scored three runs to go up 8-5. Monmouth scored a run to bring the score to 8-6 in the bottom of the fourth.

In the bottom of the sixth inning Andy Meyers hit a solo home run to bring the Blue and White within one run. In the same inning Paul Bottiglierio hit a double and scored on Nick Pulsonetti's team-leading fourth home run of the year to put MU up 9-8. Dennis' two-run single in the same inning gave the squad the 11-8 lead going into the seventh, which proved to be enough for the victory.

Monmouth tallied 13 hits on the day, as pitcher Tim Ballard earned the win, improving his record to 2-0 on the season.

The team returned to the diamond just a day later to host another in-state rival in Rutgers.

The hero of the game was relief pitcher Nick Vallillo who threw three scoreless innings to preserve the 6-5 Monmouth win.

Monmouth reached a 4-0 lead by the bottom of the fourth inning, loading the bases in each of the first two innings. Rutgers was able to even the score in the top of the fifth with a bases clearing triple off of MU pitcher Andy McDonnell.

The Hawks scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth and held on to win the game 6-5. Brett Brach earned the save as Vallillo earned his first victory of the year.

With their NEC opener against Sacred Heart on Friday at Harbor Yard, in Bridgeport, Connecticut, postponed due to rain, the teams played doubleheaders on consecutive days, starting on Saturday, April 5.

The Hawks opened their NEC season in strong fashion, winning both games in their doubleheader on Saturday 12-0. The story of both games was Monmouth's pitching staff, which allowed only 14 hits in both games in 16 shutout innings of work. In addition, all 14 hits allowed by Monmouth pitchers were singles.

In the first game MU managed 15 hits on the way to the 12-0 victory. Senior ace Brad Brach and Andy McDonnell combined to pitch nine shutout innings, while allowing no extra base hits.

In the second game of the day, senior lefty Matt Marc-Aurele earned his first win of the 2008 season as he pitched a complete game shutout, allowing five hits and registering six strikeouts. Once again the Monmouth bats were alive, racking up 12 runs on 13 hits.

On Sunday the story was mostly the same as the Blue and White recorded two more wins over host Sacred Heart.

In game one of the doubleheader, starting pitcher Ryan Buch earned his third win of the sea-



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son while registering a complete game, one-hit shutout. The right hander recorded a career-high 14 strikeouts in the contest.

The Monmouth hitters put together a great performance, coming away with 17 hits and scoring at least one run in each inning, winning 17-0. The team recorded six doubles and a triple to propel their 17 run performance.

The second game of the day was completely different than the first three games of the series, as the Blue and White trailed for the time against the Pioneers. The game needed extra innings, but in the bottom of the eleventh Meyers' two-out single to right field plated Higgins for the winning run, giving the Hawks the 5-4 triumph.

Monmouth out-hit the Pioneers 11-9 in the contest, with Justin Esposito earning the victory, his first of the season.

The Hawks' current eleven game winning streak will be tested six more times this week, with a mid-week four game series at Wagner highlighting the six game week.

The next contest for the team will take place on Wednesday, April 9, at 3:30 p.m. at home against Lafayette.

## Baseball Upcoming Schedule

4/9  
Lafayette  
3:30

4/11-4/13\* at  
Wagner

\*Each has different time

4/15  
Rider  
3:30



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Ryan Buch pitched a complete game one-hit shutout to lead Monmouth to a 17-0 victory over Sacred Heart. The right hander had 14 strikeouts in the game.

# Softball Heats Up With 5-1 Week

*Blue and White split games with Seton Hall to start the week, go 4-0 against Mount St. Mary's and Rider*

ANDREW SCHETTER  
STAFF WRITER

The Hawks started off the week with a split at Seton Hall and then went on a 4-0 run taking two from Mount St. Mary's and Rider respectively. Monmouth did not have a closely contested game after their loss to Seton Hall in the 2nd game of their double header.

In the first game of the double dip against Seton Hall the Hawks gave themselves a 2 nothing lead after their first two batters as center fielder Nichole Alvarez and catcher Emily Delong both went yard in their first at bats. Delong also proved that if you put the ball in play good things can happen as she reached on a fielding error in the 5th and therefore brought in what would prove to be the winning run.

Kristine Sawlsville continued her hot streak pitching gaining her third straight victory for the Hawks. Sawlsville allowed two runs on five hits while striking out four in the 4-2 victory for the ladies. She then handed the ball to freshman Melissa Mehrer who pitched 2 scoreless innings for Monmouth and recorded her first

save in her collegiate career.

In the 2nd game it started off feeling like a ground hogs day game for the Hawks as once again the game began with a Nichole Alvarez homerun. Sadly, the Pirates went on to score eight unanswered runs and take control in the contest.

The Hawks managed another two runs in the game but never could stage a serious rally. After her impressive save in the first game Mehrer, recorded the loss as she allowed seven earned runs and ten hits in 3.2 innings of work. Freshmen Dara Palms then saw some action allowing only one run over the final 2.1 innings and striking out two.

The blue and white then returned home to take on Mt. St. Mary's in a double header and swept their Northeastern conference rival. The Hawks took the first game easily with a 10-1 victory and followed that performance with a 5-3 win.

In the first game Emily Delong once again was huge for the offense going 3-for-4 with two runs batted in and she scored a run as well. Nichole Alvarez set the table beautifully from the leadoff spot

going 2-for-3 with a stolen base and two runs scored to her credit.

The Hawks once again saw a dominant pitching performance from Junior Kristine Sawlsville as



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Emily deLong helped Monmouth go 5-1 last week by batting .500, highlighted by a home run and seven RBI.

she gained her fourth straight victory and improved to 5-6 on the season. She recorded four strikeouts and gave up only one run in 5

innings of near perfect work.

In the late game freshman Melissa Mehrer took a page from her fellow pitcher and came up victorious in a complete game win. The blue and white took the game by a score of 5-3. Monmouth took the momentum early tallying three runs in the bottom half of the first. The Hawks saw perfection from the DH spot in the game as Jaime Jurewicz went 3-for-3 in the contest.

Monmouth then looked forward to their trip to Rider where they swept their second consecutive double header. They took the first game 7-2 and the second 8-1 against their rivals from New Jersey.

In the first game Sawlsville got back to 500 on the season and won her 5th consecutive game with yet another complete game victory. She allowed only four hits in the game and allowed only one earned run, while

striking out four.

The top of the lineup once again proved to be a solid foundation for the team as Nichole Alvarez singled and stole a base to start the third inning for the Hawks. This led to her scoring a run off of an Emily Delong triple. Delong ended up driving in four of the seven runs for Monmouth and made it a little easier for Sawlsville to continue her hot streak.

The second game proved to be the same story different pitcher as freshman Dara Palms got her first collegiate victory. Abby Martin relieved her after five innings of great work by Palms, to toss two scoreless innings herself.

Alvarez had four runs batted in during the game and blasted a two run home run in the third inning to put her team ahead for good. She then batted in two more RBI's off a triple in the 4th and scored herself, as the shortstop for Rider overthrew the third baseman and allowed Alvarez to score on the play.

Kristine Sawlsville will try to go above 500 as the Hawks return to action Tuesday afternoon as they face off against Manhattan in a double dip of softball action.

# A Word on Sports

## Why? A Question That Must be Answered

ALEXANDER TRUNCALE  
STAFF WRITER

Why. Not just the twenty-fifth letter of the English alphabet, but a word used to identify reason, and to attempt to grasp the answer of life's mysteries. Mysteries such as Why are we living? Why must we all eventually die? Why are some people born into wealth and others into abject poverty? Why did I procrastinate on a paper so much that I had no choice but to do it during the weekend of the Final Four?

Some questions just cannot be answered, so it's important to focus on the ones that can, like, for example, the question of "Why has Isiah Thomas lasted this long as the Knicks head coach?" The answer to that question is simple: because of Knicks owner James Dolan's complete and total incompetence when it comes to knowing anything about how to run a professional sports franchise, particularly one as storied and (once) revered as the New York Knicks.

People are quick to jump on Isiah Thomas and make him out to be a villain. And they would be justified in doing so. Not only does he have no clue about how to evaluate NBA players (exemplified by his continued defense of all-world underachiever Eddie Curry), but it doesn't even seem like he cares. He has been fined multiple times this year for showing up late for games (which he blames on traffic. Seriously, Isiah, how

long have you lived in New York City?), most of the time doesn't even get off the bench to discuss strategy with his team during timeouts, and during the game, sits on the bench with a blank look on his face, and seems more interested in the process of vulcanizing rubber than he does his team. And that disinterest translates to the team. After all, if the head coach doesn't care, why should the players?

I agree that Isiah should be denigrated, but I can't blame him for sticking around. I mean imagine if you had a job that you kept screwing up at and your boss kept giving you raises. It's no different than James Dolan, who continues to get hoodwinked by Isiah Thomas, thinking that he is the answer and still believing (two years later) that Larry Brown is the cause of the Knicks' doldrums.

I don't blame Isiah for being smart enough to manipulate his boss. I blame Dolan for being so foolish. Since Isiah has taken over the team, the Knicks have not even sniffed the playoffs, except for a brief period of time last season where, for about 20 minutes, they were in 8th place in the Eastern Conference. Fortunately for Isiah, and unfortunately for anyone who is a Knick fan, during that brief time, Dolan gave Isiah a contract extension, which means that the Knicks organization will be forced to pay him for the next three years.

Why must this vicious cycle continue? Well, there is some hope. Last week, Dolan, who

either came to his senses or had sense slapped into him by NBA Commissioner David Stern, hired former Indiana Pacers President Donnie Walsh as the new President of the Knicks. Reports indicate that Walsh, before taking the job, demanded full control over the team. Since Dolan decided to hire Walsh even with those stipulations, it looks like this may be the beginning of the end for Isiah Thomas at Madison Square Garden.

But before we all pop the champagne bottles, there is one aspect that may be overlooked: Walsh was the team president of the Pacers when Isiah was the coach. Hence they have a history together. There are some who fear that, because of this, Walsh will not give Isiah the pink slip. Of course, I believe Walsh knows he was hired to do a job, and more importantly, do what's best for the New York Knicks franchise. If that means firing an old friend, then so be it. Or, as Moe Green said to Michael Corleone in The Godfather, "I got business to run. I got to kick butts sometimes to make it work." Hopefully, Walsh will follow Moe Green's advice, and the Knicks will rid themselves of the disease known as Isiah Thomas.

And, if next year, Isiah is still on the Knick bench with that expressionless look on his face, my response, as well as the response from Knick fans everywhere, will be the same. Why?

# Track Teams Successful at Colonial Relays

PRESS RELEASE

Monmouth University's men's and women's track & field teams had a solid first day of competition at the Colonial Relays (hosted by William & Mary) on Friday.

Monmouth's women's team took the top three javelin spots, with Tiffany Hahn winning the event with her throw of 133' 09". Hahn became the first Monmouth athlete to win an event at the Colonial Relays with her victory in the javelin. Tia Testa was second with a mark of 127' 03" and freshman Mary Wilks was third with a distance of 126' 03". Cailin Lynam was eighth in the 1500, crossing the tape in 4:39.72, while Michelle Losey also came in eighth in the 400m (57.21). After one day of competition the women were in sixth place with 24 points.

The Hawks went 2-3 in the shot put with senior Christian Keller earning a second place finish with his throw of 54' 7 1/4". Tom Ciccoli was third in the shot put with a throw of 52' 11". Alex Bowers finished in third in the long jump, clearing 22' 8".

Monmouth's Brian Fill was fourth in the javelin (180' 7") with Matt Mizerek right behind him in fifth place with his throw of 175' 03". Sophomore Chris Taiwo was sixth in the 100m qualifying for tomorrow's final with his time of 11.02. Chris Vuono was sixth in the 400m, crossing the line in 49.37. With 11 events scored on the first day, Monmouth's men's team was in fourth place behind only William & Mary, Rutgers and Michigan State.

At the Sam Howell Invitational (hosted by Princeton), school pole vault record holder Nikki Zwartjes cleared 11' 1 3/4", a height matched by Christine Fatale, which tied the duo for seventh place. Junior Laura Myers cleared 10' 8" and freshman Heleen Riggs cleared 9' 8", both personal bests.

Despite throwing out of the unseeded section, freshman Vincent Elardo still emerged to finish eighth overall in the men's discus with a best of 140' 5". All four of Monmouth's women throwing in the discus hit their best marks of the young season.

The men's and women's track & field teams ended up finishing fifth and seventh, respectively at the Colonial Relays on Saturday hosted on the campus of William & Mary.

The men finished in fifth place with 51 points, with 20 other teams competing.

Monmouth's Ed Skowronski took second overall (first collegian) in the hammer throw with his toss of 188' 06". Christian

Keller was seventh overall (171' 03") and Shawn Sabo was the eighth collegian with his mark of 157' 01". Keller was fourth in the discus (151' 00") while Sabo was sixth in the event with his throw of 147' 11".

The 4x100 relay team of Chris Santorelli, David Martell, Jason Kelsey and Chris Taiwo finished fourth on the day, crossing the tape in 42.27. Taiwo's time of 10.94 placed the sophomore fifth in the 100m dash. Vuono, Eric Fay, Martell and Taiwo combined for a fifth place finish in the 4x200m relay, coming in with a time of 1:27.65.

MU's 4x200 relay team of Brittany Gibbs, Crystal Stein, Michelle Losey and Illiana Blackshear took fourth with a mark of 1:42.14. The same four combined to take third place in the 4x400 relay, this time finishing in 3'50.25, which qualified them for ECACs. Jenn Tarsan took fourth in the high jump, clearing 5' 3". Gibbs finished in sixth place in the triple jump with a distance of 37' 5 3/4".

Laura Embrey, Christine Altland, Cailin Lynam and Tiffany McKenna took seventh in the 4x1500 relay with their time of 20:10.25. The time set a new school record.

The women finished in seventh place with 37.33 points.

# Lacrosse Wins in Fourth Overtime

## Hawks beat Villanova 12-11 in 4OT, defeat LIU 20-6

PRESS RELEASE

Monmouth University's women's lacrosse team needed four overtimes to topple Villanova on Friday night, eventually winning the match by a score of 12-11.

Monmouth squandered a 10-4 lead by allowing Villanova to score six unanswered goals in the final 12:38 of regulation, including Stevie McFadden's goal with 21 seconds remaining that tied the game at 10-10.

MU's Megan Nutter scored with two seconds left in the first overtime but Wildcat Rachael Ponge tied the game in the second overtime.

After a scoreless third overtime, sophomore Megan Brennan scored the game winning goal on a free position goal with 47 seconds left in the fourth extra period.

MU jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the first 16 minutes, with Rachel Feirstein scoring two of the goals. Ashley Waldman, Brennan and Brittany Scott tallied the other three scores.

McFadden and Katie Stone scored two unanswered goals to cut the lead to three but Carissa Franzi and Feirstein tallied two more goals and Monmouth was ahead 7-3 going into halftime.

The first three goals of the second half were all free positions, with two coming from the sticks of Brennan and Feirstein while Villanova's Carly Miller notching the other one. Nutter scored an unassisted goal with 17:52 showing on the clock and Monmouth's lead grew to 10-5 before Villanova scored five straight to send the game into extra frames.

With 2:24 left in regulation Monmouth defender Erin Marley was issued a yellow card, the Hawks' fourth, which forced Monmouth to play with a man down for the rest of the second half and the first 36 seconds of overtime. Her foul set up a free position goal for the Wildcats at the 2:24 mark.

Brennan and Feirstein led the Hawks with four points each, with Brennan finishing with three goals and an assist.

Waldman had two assists and one goal for three points while Nutter finished with two goals. Goaltender Monica Johnson had 15 saves in the win.

Villanova's Rachel Lasda led all scorers with five points, coming on three goals and two assists. Villanova finished with a 39-28 advantage in shots.

The Hawks capitalized on five of six free position shots while 'Nova was just three-of-10.

The team returned to action just two days removed from their four overtime thriller against Villanova to face NEC rival LIU at Kessler Field.

The Hawks scored a season high 20 goals in the contest to defeat the Blackbirds 20-6.

The team was led by Ali Pollock who registered four goals and four assists in the game.

The sophomore became just the ninth player in school history to record eight total points in a game, and the eighth player to tally four assists in a game.

The Blue and White improve to 9-3 on the season with the two victories.

The team plays next at Rutgers on Wednesday, April 9, with a 7 p.m. scheduled start time.



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# SPORTS

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### FANTASTIC FOURTH OVERTIME



**The Women's Lacrosse team, led by Megan Brennan, defeated Villanova 12 – 11 in quadruple overtime on April 4.**

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