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## University Greet 1,600 Prospective Students at Open House

GINA COLUMBUS  
STAFF WRITER

There were a significantly larger number of people on campus than usual this past Sunday, as close to 5,000 prospective students and families attended the Open House.

2200 white chairs were placed on Shadow Lawn, along with navigation signs and 1500 blue and white balloons decorated throughout the campus. Administration, faculty, staff and approximately 175 student employees, including Student Ambassadors, were setting up for the big event before 8:30 p.m.

Registration was set up between Bey Hall and the Rebecca Stafford Student Center and between the Jules L. Plangere Center and Robert E. McAllan Hall from 12 to 1 p.m. Each prospective student received a welcome packet, a Monmouth backpack and a disposable camera to take pictures of the campus.

On what the group of future students will consider when step-

ping onto Monmouth, Nicole Demmert, Assistant Director of Undergraduate Admissions, said, "We hope they will also take note of the atmosphere, environment,

be here to greet them."

The weather consisted of clear skies and a radiant sun as the Chamber Choir sang and President Paul G. Gaffney spoke to

prospective students split up to visit all of the academic departments they were interested in.

Lauren Vento Cifelli, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, stated, "We are trying to share with them that we are a university built on community and leadership, that we have an incredible faculty who is interested in helping students find the career path that is most suitable to them and support them in and out of the classroom."

Student clubs and organizations were also available in Erlanger Gardens. Some of the ones in attendance were the Outdoors Club, Political Science Club, Greek Life, Hawk TV, WMCX, Ski Club and the Bowling Club. Admissions and Financial Aid were present as well.

In addition to touring the campus, people could watch the Men's Soccer team play against Robert Morris on the Great Lawn.

Wilson Hall consisted of stu-



PHOTO COURTESY of Jim Reme  
President Gaffney addresses prospective students for the class of 2013

and the extremely welcoming students and employees that will

the crowd in front of Wilson Hall. After a welcome speech,

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## Founders' Day Ceremony 2008

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STAFF WRITER

On Wednesday, October 8, 2008, Monmouth University held a convocation ceremony awarding three honorary degree recipients during the Founder's Day celebration, the schools 75-year-anniversary.

During the convocation ceremony, Dr. Nancy Snyderman, Tim McLoone, and David J. Ennis received honorary degrees from the university for their dedication to and work in the tri-state area. The event was held at 2:15 p.m. in Pollak Theatre, which was filled with spectators consisting of students, faculty, and invited guests.

The ceremony opened with a procession of the University's faculty, administration, and others. Following the procession the University's Honor Guard performed the Posting of the Colors ceremony.

The Monmouth University Chorus and Music Ensemble then preformed their rendition of "America the Beautiful" under the direction of David Tripold, an Associate Professor of the Music and Theater Arts department

President of Monmouth University, Paul Gaffney II, lead the ceremony, which he said was dedicated to reflecting on Monmouth's 75 years of excellence in education.

Following President Gaffney's opening remarks, Alfred J. Schiavetti spoke about the history of the University.

Schiavetti was followed by Jeff Cook, the President of the Student Government Association.

The first recipient, Tim McLoone, was awarded the Maurice Pollak Award for Dis-

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## Rock the Vote in Pollak

CHRISTINE MURRAY  
MANAGING EDITOR

Pollak Theatre held MTV's Rock the Vote hosted by Shane Landrum and Rachel Robinson from season 11 of Road Rules, Campus Crawl last Wednesday, October 8.

The event was brought to campus by the Student Activities Board who researched and found Rock the Vote with MTV.

"It was perfect timing with the upcoming election," said Carolyn Bodmer, a registered voter and a representative for the SAB.

Although there was a miscommunication with the starting time, Robinson and Landrum quickly got deep into their program, trying to motivate people to vote and giving information about where to vote.

The two hosts outlined the key issues for each candidate and discussed what their party's beliefs were. "The Democrats idealize

prosperity, sustaining economic growth, progress, and paying attention to that which can't be measured in economic terms. Democrats want peace, not only lack of war, and taxation used to redistribute wealth for economic stimulation," Robinson said.

"Republicans, on the other hand, focus more on winning the war on terror, ushering in the ownership era where more people own companies, building an innovative economy, strengthening communities, and protecting their families," Landrum added.

Robinson described the audience as "McCainiacs", the largest amount of McCain supporters she has seen throughout her travels among different campuses.

The lecture quickly became a heated discussion amongst the audience when Landrum and

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## The Big Event Helps Local Community

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NEWS EDITOR

AND

PAIGE SODANO  
SENIOR EDITOR

On Saturday, the Student Government Association held its 9th annual Big Event, a day dedicated to volunteering at various places around Monmouth County. The event included over 300 participants who helped 28 local worksites from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"I was truly amazed to walk into the Student Center at 10:30 on Saturday and see the huge number of volunteers. It made me very proud. Without a doubt, the Big Event's impact was not lost on our neighbors," President Gaffney said.

Most of the students involved belong to a club or organization here at Monmouth University, but not everyone was affiliated with a group. Friends or family members of students were also invited to participate, along with alumni and Monmouth University employees.

Participants started arriving in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center at 10 a.m. where breakfast was served and T-shirts were given out, courtesy of SGA, as a thank you for everyone's dedication.

President Gaffney welcomed participants with a few words before volunteers were assigned to buses by saying most of the students are not used to seeing this time of day, and that he thinks the Big Event is a great program SGA hosts.

Sophomores and Big Event Co-Chairs, Robin Craig and Allie Briscione have been planning the Big Event since May of this year.

"We had volunteers from all areas of campus, including Greek life, clubs and organizations, individuals, and several members of the president's cabinet," noted Craig.

Some of the organizations the Big Event helped out at

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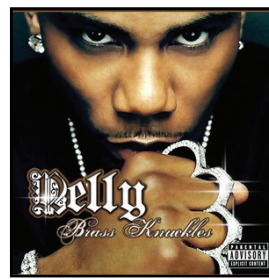
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# MU President

Dear Colleagues and Students:

The global economic situation is in turmoil. You do not need me to tell you that. We are all focused on the topsy-turvy stock market and what Washington is doing to bring back some confidence. National leaders in other countries are also addressing their own financial challenges in this global economic environment.

This University must be prepared to endure through this economic climate and carry on in, what today can only be characterized as, an uncertain near-term future.

In the first few days of October, I directed that we stop new hiring, unless an offer had been made or a vacancy would jeopardize safety or academic accreditation. Further, I directed our vice presidents to scale back spending: buy only what we absolutely need, pay bills and honor contracts for capital projects in progress. If a purchase can be put off until the next fiscal year, then we will put it off.

That describes briefly the expense side of our operation. I will watch it carefully with the intent to be quite tough on spending. Now to the revenue side. Monmouth relies almost exclusively on student generated tuition and other fees as its sources of funding. We will invest to attract students for the upcoming semester and next academic year. Within available funds, we will also focus on programs that support retention of our current students.



I am encouraged that for more than a decade Monmouth has kept tuition growth under control. That has made us one of the

most affordable full-spectrum independent colleges in our region.

These are not easy times for anyone or any organization.

When the economy settles down and finds its way, I will review these spending restrictions. Thank you for your understanding and continued strong performance in service of our students.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Gaffney II

President

It is in the long-term interest of the University and each of us individually to work together to significantly reduce costs without negatively impacting the educational and developmental experience we provide to our students.

PAUL G. GAFFNEY II  
President

# Hofstra Prepared for Final Debate

KARLA SCHUSTER  
MCT WIRE SERVICES

After investing \$3.5 million in construction and planning, Hofstra University found out there was something missing from its preparations for this week's third and final presidential debate.

Water glasses.

"We actually had to give the campaigns the exact water glass the candidates will be using during the debate," said Hofstra President Stuart Rabinowitz. "So they know the heft of it, I guess."

From the massive to the mundane, Hofstra has spent the last year getting ready for its close-up, re-tooling its David S. Mack Sports and Exhibition Complex into the venue for a debate that will be watched by millions on television worldwide.

"There are people cleaning and painting everywhere," said freshman Melissa Barnshaw, 17, of South Brunswick, N.J. "And there's so much security. But it's not that inconvenient - I mean, it's not like this happens every day."

Construction crews have laid tens of thousands feet of cable and carpet, and installed thousands of phone lines and hundreds of flat-screen televisions. A television stand-up platform was built outside the Mack sports complex, where the debate will be held.

Inside the arena, the university had to install equipment to reduce the noise from its air-conditioning system, after a sound crew from the Commission on Presidential Debates determined it ran too loudly.

Special vents were cut above the spot where each candidate will stand during the debate, to improve air flow so they won't

perspire as Richard Nixon infamously did during the first-ever televised presidential debate (and the last one held in New York) in 1960.

"They're still asking and we're still doing," Rabinowitz said on Friday of the debate preparations. "Whatever they want, we do."

Although Hofstra has played host to four former presidents, including Bill Clinton in 2005, officials say those events don't rival the work involved in preparing for the debate.

"You can't compare anything we've ever done to this," said Melissa Connolly, Hofstra's vice president for university relations. "Absolutely nothing compares to this level of attention."

More than 3,000 media are credentialed to cover the debate. MSNBC's "Hardball with Chris Matthews" and WNYC radio's Brian Lehr show will broadcast live from campus on Wednesday.

Some parking lots will be closed to house television satellite trucks, Wednesday classes are canceled, and parking will be limited to students and faculty with valid passes. Shuttles will run from four area hotels and Mitchel Field.

Resident students are being asked to "Host a Commuter" student on Tuesday night, to reduce traffic on Wednesday from commuter students eager to visit campus on debate day.

Campus security officers are working 12-hour shifts, instead of their normal eight-hour shifts, and athletic schedules have been rearranged so most teams are playing away games.

"I knew this would be a major event," Rabinowitz said, "but until you're living through it, you really have no concept of how many media are here, the excitement for the students - how big it really is."

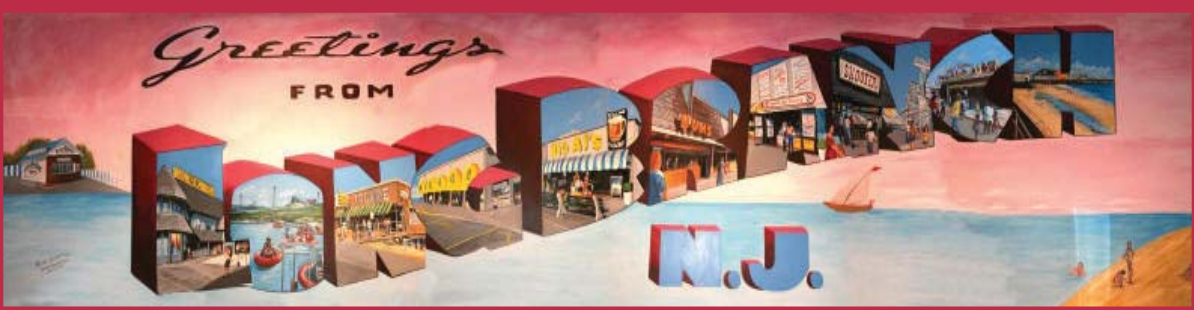


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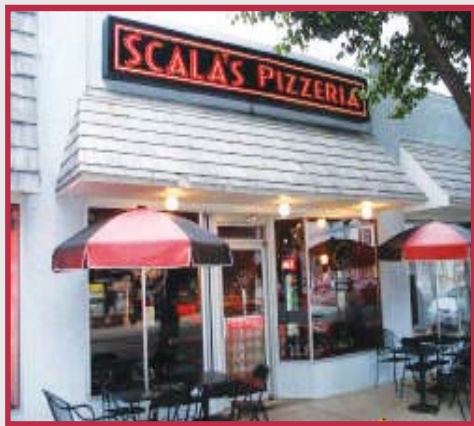


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One of the highest priorities of the Police Department is to provide a safe and secure campus, conducive to the learning environment. In keeping with this theme, all officers routinely attend training in current law enforcement concerns, first aid, and diversity training.

The Police Department offers an on-campus security escort service that is available 24 hours a day to all members of the University community. This service may be provided by a police officer or safety officer on foot, by golf cart or by police vehicle.

All members of the campus community are encouraged to take advantage of this service.

## Monmouth University Police Department Crimes By Location

Date	Time	Location	Crime
9/27-28/2008	2130-2330 hrs	Willow Hall-Outside	Theft
9/22-26/2008	1800-1830	Lot #1	Criminal Mischief
10/1/2008	0303 hrs	Lot #3	Criminal Mischief/Poss of Alcohol/Student Misc
10/1/2008	0541hrs	Lot #6	Disorderly Conduct/Student Misconduct
9/30-10/1/2008	1800-1400	Library	Theft
9/30/2008	1500-1530 hrs	Library	Theft
10/1/2008	0100-1130	Pinewood Hall-Outside	Theft
10/3/2008	0223 hrs	Laurel Hall	Possession/Consumption of Alcohol-Underage
10/5/2008	0202 hrs	Pinewood Hall	Criminal Mischief/Bias Incident
10/5/2008	0105-0430 hrs	Spruce Hall	Criminal Mischief

## Dr. Robin Mama Named Dean at New School of Social Work

### PRESS RELEASE

Monmouth University is pleased to announce the Board of Trustees approved the formation of the School of Social Work and the appointment of Dr. Robin Mama as Dean, effective July 1, 2009.

Dr. Mama received the strong recommendation of the Social Work Dean Search Committee which did its work in anticipation of Board approval of the new School. In her role as Dean she will lead all programs, personnel and operations in Social Work to even higher levels of national recognition.

Dr. Mama brings very impressive credentials as a teacher-scholar and national and campus leader to her task. She has received the Distinguished Teaching Award and the Judith Stanley Fellowship from Monmouth University in recognition of her outstanding teaching and her commitment to infuse human rights into the Social Work curriculum. She is a published scholar in the areas of Social Work field practice, Social Work education in historical and global development, and she serves as Associate Editor for North America for Social Work Education: the International Journal. Dr. Mama is a national leader in Social Work as illustrated by her service as past Chair of the Council on External Relations for the Council of Social Work Education and as representative to the International Federation of Social Workers at the United Nations. On campus her leadership record includes her service as past Chair of the Faculty Council and as Chair of the Department of Social Work from 2004-2008, where she has led the faculty in establishing new international af-

filiations for the Masters in Social Work program and the creation of new lecture and continuing education opportunities.

Dr. Thomas Pearson, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Monmouth University, stated: "We are fortunate, indeed, that Dr. Mama is ready and willing to lead the School of Social Work in its inaugural period."

The School of Social Work has been recognized by the profession's national organizations and accrediting bodies. The MSW program is ranked as one of the Best MSW programs by the 2008 US News & World Report. In addition, the MSW program has also been honored by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) with their International Commission award for advancing the internationalization of social work education; and CSWE reaccredited the department in 2007. In 2006, the National Association of Social Workers' New Jersey Chapter gave the MSW program their Trailblazer Award. The Senate and General Assembly of New Jersey recognized the "outstanding and praiseworthy program" in 2006.

The School of Social Work offers a Bachelor of Social Work degree and a Master of Social Work degree, both of which are based on a human rights and social justice framework. The Master of Social Work program offers two concentrations: Clinical Practice with Families and Children, and International and Community Development.

For more information about the School of Social Work, call 732-571-3543.

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# Rock the Vote in Pollak

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Robinson began to focus in on topics that Barack Obama and John Mc-

“Abortion, the environment, same sex marriage, health care, immigration, relations in Iraq, gun control, and social security are important issues that don’t get addressed as much as I’d like.”

SARAH GOUVEIA  
Sophomore

Cain do not touch on as much in their debates.

Sarah Gouveia, a sophomore and attendee of the event said “Abortion, the environment, same sex marriage, health care, immigration, relations in Iraq, gun control, and social security are important issues that don’t get addressed as much as I’d like.”

Audience members compared and contrasted views about each subject. “It’s more interesting to hear other people’s opinions and it gives me a new perspective with this open conversation – it’s good to get everyone’s views out there.”

Bodmer agreed, “My favorite part of the night would have to have been the interaction and the debates that took place not only between Rachel and Shane but with the audience as well.”

Landrum and Robinson continued their program by recalling the history of voting and stressing its importance.

In a power point presentation of

statistics acquired from the U.S. Census Bureau, in 1992, 51% of women aged 18-24 and only 46% of men in the same age bracket voted. Landrum and Robinson questioned why there

people don’t vote is because they are not prepared and are ill-informed.

“People also don’t like to vote because they feel like they don’t have any power behind their vote. The reality is the more you vote the more power you find in your voice and your voice is by expressing your opinion.” Landrum said. He also stressed the idea of same day registration in the future, saying a lot more people would vote because some simply don’t do it in time.

According to the Associated Press, nine million youths have registered to vote this year so far. The Rock the Vote website hit two million registration downloads last week, and are already long past that, ending last week at 2.3 million.

Bodmer explained the importance of these types of events, “I think it’s important for everyone to vote but they should be educated in the can-

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SHANE LANDRUM

members felt women wanted change since they recently got the right to vote, and that they were paying more attention and becoming more educated because it gave women a new power.

Young adults are another group that is slowly increasing in voting numbers. In 2004, 88% of college students registered to vote but only 47% actually voted. Landrum said that one of the main reasons young

didates, people shouldn’t vote just to vote.”

The night concluded with an autograph session helped by the Political Science Club.

SAB will not be hosting any more events dealing with the election but you can check out their posters for other upcoming events to get involved with.

The point to take away from this event is that Election Day is November 4.

# Open House 2008

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guished Community Service. He is the founder and president of Holiday Express, a volunteer, non-profit organization, which serves less fortunate individuals during the holidays, offering presents, music, and positive, cheerful holiday messages.

McLoone’s Holiday Express has over 600 volunteers, including 80 professional musicians. It reaches low-income areas, schools, hospi-

of the Monmouth University Real Estate Institute Advisory Committee, took part in forming New Jersey’s Farmland Preservation Program, and serves on the board of trustees for the Delaware River Greenway Partnership.

The convocation address was given by Nancy Snyderman, M.D., Department of the Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania. It was sponsored by the Jack and Lewis Rudin Distinguished Lecture Series.

She was awarded with an honor-

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TIM MCLOONE  
Holiday Express President

tals, nursing homes, soup kitchens, and shelters for the homeless. In his free time he serves the public of Long Branch, Woodbridge, and Asbury Park with his established McLoone’s Rum Runner chain restaurant.

“It’s my annual avalanche of good will...It’s all my dad’s doing, it was the way I was raised,” said McLoone.

David J. Ennis was the recipient of the 2008 Distinguished Alumni Award. The university recognized him for over 30 years of dedication to utilizing business skills to promote land conservation. He preserved over 80,000 acres of New Jersey Pine Barrens by developing real estate funding and tax settlement programs.

Ennis is also one of the founders

ary degree for outstanding medical work. In 2006, she became the Chief Medical Editor at NBC News, researching health in many areas of the world. She is recognized for her medical work in scholarly journals, published three books, and received research grants for the American Cancer Society, the Kellogg Foundation, and the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, it was expressed that this Founder’s Day was significant, a Monmouth milestone, marking 75 years of education and growth from a small, community college to a nationally ranked university with nearly 50 undergraduate and graduate degrees.

# Muslim Student Association International Club Hosts Ghandi Memorial Event

LESLIE WEINBERG  
CLUB AND GREEK EDITOR

The first of the “Global Taste and Talk Series” was Celebrating Peace-A Gandhi Memorial Event held last Friday and was led by Muslim Student Association, International Club, and the Global Service Project. Students and Professors crowded around the Turrell Board Room tables to learn about the life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. The event began with MSA members giving a glimpse into the life of Gandhi.

After learning that Gandhi was a citizen of the world, an eclectic follower of many faiths, a key player in the liberation of India, and that he created the movement of non-

ence and even took time out of his busy schedule to asked participants questions and answered some of their questions. Before MSA President Mohammed Sheikh got into character, he offered a word of warning, “Just warning you I am very theatrical. I took acting one and two before transferring to Monmouth. Plus I just love Al Pacino.” Many participants already knew many of Gandhi’s teachings including: “An eye for an eye makes the whole world blind”, “Two wrongs don’t make a right”, “Violence impedes the truth and gets more violence”, and “Be the change you wish to see in the world”.

When Gandhi was asked how he would handle today’s situations he

based on his history and what he was made into. You don’t see a man when you look at him but see a peace symbol. All he had was his mind, pen, and paper and those were his weapons.”

Gandhi’s non-violent protests were carried on even after he was assassinated on January 30, 1948. Professor Cohen said, “I think it is beautiful that his love still lives today. That a man named Mohammed from Pakistan can play him.” Mahatma Gandhi inspired Martin Luther King, the Civil Rights Movement, Women’s suffrage rights and Gay and Lesbian rights. Sophomore, Leticia Harley got involved because “The only way I heard about Gandhi was through Martin Luther King. If he found it important to value Gandhi’s principles then I think we should too.”

Gandhi participated in 17 fasts in his career that lasted up to three weeks at a time. He fasted to force the British to remove their unfair laws, remember those who were hungry and as a form of organized protest. Light snacks were served that would please Gandhi’s strict vegetarian lifestyle and included fresh fruit, nuts, Samosas (vegetarian pastries), Masala Chai tea, mango juice and coffee. However, Aramark probably did not cater to Gandhi in India in the 1800s.

“I thought it was a really good presentation. It brought to light a lot of what Gandhi represents and how we can relate it to modern day issues,” said Senior, Ashley Zozzarr.

The next of the “Global Talk and Taste Series” will be on November 7, 2008 on Global Impact of US Elections and will include a speech from US Ambassador to the UN, Dr. Zalmay Khalilzad. On December

4, 2008, Holidays around the World will be led by student organizations. These events are supported by the Institute for Global Understanding which branched off of the Global Understanding Project held in the spring. The Institute was created to get students involved in events that dealt with Global Issues throughout the entire year, are currently working on creating a Global Studies Certificate

global issues, cultural diversity, and other related matters. We are very happy with the way this event turned out, and would like everyone to join us for future events. We would love it if students came to us with ideas for future events, and if we can help in making them happen. Interested students and clubs can e-mail me (rdatta@monmouth.edu), or Dr. Nancy Mezey (nmezey@monmouth.edu).

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ASHLEY ZOZZARR.  
Senior

violent demonstrations: a short film on Gandhi was presented. It offered a very personal introspective of Gandhi through simple images of him reading, writing or meditating and showed him giving his “Spiritual Message” speech. It can be found on YouTube, just search “Gandhi” by Iyamthere.

Gandhi graced us with his pres-

replied, “Gandhi would be a delegate and go to Israel and Palestine, parts of Iraq, Kosovo, Darfur, parts that need help. He would go for the truth to see for his own eyes, not just what the media sees. He would take it all in and analyze it and with his wit and instantly know what to say. He would get attention, probably get his own TV show, people would listen

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DR. REKHA DATTA  
IGU Director

and Minor, introduce global research and scholarships opportunities, get students to participate in global and local community service and get the community outside of MU involved with global understanding.

“Our students are so creative and have tremendous potential, Institute of Global Understanding would love to work with any student or student group in raising awareness about

edu), or just stop by the Institute of Global Understanding office in BH 101A,” said IGU Director, Dr. Rekha Datta. “At the event, we were reminded of many of Gandhi’s simple and timeless thoughts, the one that I came away with is that he reminded us to be the change that we want to see in the world - what an inspirational call to public service.”



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Tradition and Legacy

FRANK GOGOL  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Last Wednesday I had the pleasure of attending the Convocation luncheon and ceremony to commemorate the University's 75th anniversary. It really got me thinking about how long seventy-five and about how much can happen in that amount of time.

I'll admit that prior to the ceremony I did not know much about the school's history. After hearing the story about how it grew into the renown university we attend I began to draw parallels the "American Dream" of starting with nothing and making it into something great.

I also surprised to learn that some of the school's early history is lost to us. We may never know the exact details about how Monmouth Junior College (as it was known as in 1933), but to me that seemed an appropriate part to such a long

and rich history. Sometimes we don't know the whole story and that's what makes us appreciate what we do know of it.

I took away from that day a great sense of tradition and pride for this school.

Something that has always bothered me is when I hear peo-

What these people have built and left for us is a legacy. It's our job to continue the tradition of making this school better than it was before.

Over the last couple of weeks I've written about change and getting involved and I think this idea of creating a legacy really ties all of that together.

The things we do as members of the Monmouth University community today will impact the way things are for the next members. If we don't do what we can and set an example with

our actions and choices we will still be creating a tradition, but it will be one that impacts the school negatively.

The cliché goes something like "if you don't know where you come from, you can't know where you are going". So now that we know where we came from, where are we going?

So, now that we know where we've been, you tell me, where is it that we are going?

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# Obama v. McCain: Let’s Get it Straight

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CONTRIBUTING WRITER

I usually like to avoid writing what may appear to be overly partisan pieces (because I like to consider myself more moderate), but there are some serious injustices going on in this year’s presidential election. The falsehoods being thrown around are just atrocious. To make it interesting, I will defend only the Republican ticket in this article.

First, the number one issue in this election is the financial meltdown (and consequently the economy). In a CNN poll 56% of Americans chose this as their number one concern. People are scared of a credit crunch, which is already underway. High oil prices (which have largely subsidized) are still at the backs of many minds. The lending practices of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac are the largest contributors to the meltdown we face. I am no economist, but being one is not crucial to support the arguments I will put forth later.

Second, foreign policy has been relegated to the number two concern of Americans. In the CNN poll 13% of Americans ranked the conflict in Iraq at number two. This was only 1 point ahead of health-care at number three. Conditions in Iraq have been improving, while still not great, they have been improving drastically. This has probably lead to less media exposure (a definite advantage for the Democrats – liberal media bias is undeniable), and consequently less interest by the American public.

And now: the turn. Barack Obama’s contention, in place of experience, is that he has superior judgment to his rival John McCain. His logic is inverted. The truth of the matter is that John McCain’s judgment is superior. I know, I know, you are probably completely disagreeing with me. But, for once, just listen, and don’t ignore the facts (while at the same time you probably like to criticize George Bush for ignoring “facts”). And no, I don’t like George Bush if it makes you happy.

It is a fact that John McCain was one of only three cosponsors of the Federal Housing Enterprise Regulatory Reform Act of 2005 in the Senate. What did this bill do? – Absolutely nothing because it was not passed. However, if it was passed it would have established, and I quote from the Congressional Research Service, a well-respected nonpartisan arm of the Library of Congress, “an independent Federal Housing Enterprise Regulatory Agency which shall have authority over the Federal Home Loan Bank Finance Corporation, the Federal Home Loan Banks, the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae), and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac); and (2) the Federal Housing Enterprise Board.” You can find more detail on this at the following

website: <http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?bill=s109-190>.

I’ll say it again; John McCain was one of only three cosponsors to this bill – all Republicans. Senator Obama was new to the Senate at this time, I’ll give him a little leeway, but still, if his judgment is so superior, where was it in this instance? Also, do some homework on his economic advisors. I don’t think they have the cleanest rap sheets either. Look up Jim Johnson and Franklin Raines.

Also consider this quote from the NY Times article “Fannie Mae Eases Credit to Mortgage Lending” in 1999, “Fannie Mae, the nation’s biggest underwriter of home mortgages, has been under increasing pressure from the Clinton Administration to expand mortgage loans among low and moderate income people and felt pressure from stock holders to maintain its phenomenal growth in profits.” People like to claim that “the past eight years of failed policies” have led to this crisis. Try again. A Democratic administration is responsible for starting this whole mess. John McCain tried to fix it in 2005 but no one was listening, including Senator Obama.

A quick note on taxes before I move on: If you raise taxes on businesses during the financial crisis, it may have negative impacts. Just consider that. No one likes taxes, but they are necessary to sustain government services. I understand all that, just don’t hide behind it and somehow claim it as a “judgment” argument. It would offset any new spending anyway, while still running huge deficits (just government tradition). Via Obama’s excessive earmarks, he can’t exactly claim fiscal responsibility either. John McCain has requested no earmarks.

Iraq is a tricky subject that I could write many articles about. I will try to be concise and fair (although I will fail horribly at this). President Bush led the American public (including its Senators at the time) into Iraq with poor intelligence and a very shortsighted plan for the future of that country. This led to the horrible situation Iraq fell into for some time. I recommend reading the book Imperial Life in the Emerald City by Rajiv Chandrasekaran to gain a good perspective of the failures of reconstruction and how super-privatized policies ultimately lead the Iraqi people into the arms of the insurgent groups.

The second fact is this: John McCain was the only Senator who proposed a real solution (which resembles the bi-partisan Iraq Study Group recommendations), based on what expert military generals said, to work our way out of Iraq. McCain’s surge has undoubtedly worked. While the situation is still far from being considered “chummy” in Iraq, we are much closer to leaving than ever before. As a famous Senator once said, “I think that the surge has succeeded in

ways that nobody anticipated, I’ve already said it’s succeeded beyond our wildest dreams.” That Senator’s name is Barack Obama. Senator Obama failed his judgment test when not supporting the surge.

You can make the argument that Barack Obama had better judgment when he claims that he opposed the war from the start. However, we will never really know how Barack Obama would have acted on a national stage in response to Iraq. Coming from a safe district when he was a state Senator, he made speeches to a few anti-war groups about being against Iraq. The fact of the matter is that more Democrats voted for the war in the U.S. Senate than those who voted against it. And Obama doesn’t have the most independent-minded voting record when you consider his 96% partisan record. Does that mean there is a 96% chance he would have voted with his party on the war in Iraq? Who knows? And who’s to say, as Senator, he wouldn’t have caved into the pressure of 70% of the American public who supported the war at the time? During this presidential cycle we’ve seen him change his stance on a few issues when the public wasn’t going his way (for example offshore drilling, and even repealing the Bush Tax cuts immediately). There is no definitive answer here, but it is something to consider.

The fact of the matter is that Obama opposed the current strategy that is finally bringing us out of Iraq. Obama’s alternative is to bring troops out, no matter about conditions on the ground. This strategy is shortsighted. It does not take into account the long term consequences of leaving Iraq without first obtaining further stability. By no means can one argue that Iraq is 100% able to stand on its own right now. Obama’s policy is exactly the opposite of good judgment.

McCain on the other hand, while undeniably still a politician, has placed his campaign on the line for what he sees as the correct decision. If you can access your memory you might remember that about a year and a half ago his campaign nearly ended when he backed the sponsored the infamous McCain-Kennedy immigration reform bill. He drew massive criticism from his party and lost any support he had from the Republican base. When has Barack Obama ever drawn criticism from his party, or challenged his base? From what I’ve seen, he has embraced the all out love-fest with open arms. The American public’s uncritical acceptance of the smooth tongued politician makes me fear for the future. Let’s look at the real facts, do our homework, and not buy everything the mainstream sensationalist biased media spews. Is our society about truth anymore or our own team winning?

# Are We Stalkers?

SARAH ALYSE JAMIESON  
OPINION EDITOR

In today’s world we are very internet centered. One can get anything off of the internet. If one types in a word, in the address bar or a search box, everything that has to do with that certain word will appear on the screen.

People need to be aware of this. Today, when one is trying to get a job or get into a certain university, they need to be worried about this feature, on the web. It is scary and stalker-like

about that certain person can be shown. This happens unless that person is blocked on Facebook. Anyone can be looked up, even if they are not your friend.

The plus about Facebook is that you need to confirm people as friends, before they see anything about you, unlike MySpace. Facebook is becoming more like MySpace though. Before, Facebook was only meant for College students, but now anyone can be logged onto Facebook. Facebook is becoming more of a stalker site, like

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MySpace and Facebook are other issues having to do with staking online. On the internet, when you type in somebody’s name, anything and everything

MySpace.

People can become stalkers easily, in today’s day and age, with the use of the internet. We are living in a very stalker-like world today. We need to stop stalking and look to be true friends with people, instead. This would make our stalker world a friendlier universe.

# Financial Outlook for Our Future

THERESA A. BOSCHEN  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Earlier this morning, I glanced at The *New York Times* Web site to find conclusive evidence of a bleak ongoing economic winter, convincing me that we, as fellow Monmouth University undergraduate and graduate students, might have to shovel ourselves out of drifts of hardship to gradually attain those goals we are expecting for ourselves.

The news I faced, in no subtle terms, prepared for me strategic re-organization in my post-graduate thoughts and plans, as well as they should you. The article said approximately that 1 million jobs have been lost in the U.S. during the last 12 months.

Here we are, immersed in academic holy waters, swimming against the tug of uncertain monetary tides (and tithes) as we travel through the weekly time-consuming but hopeful movements of achieving grades that meet our expectations. (I use the term, "holy waters," because we truly are privileged, in this day and age, to

be able to attend a fine university such as this.)

The same publication boldly announced the consideration by the Massachusetts State Legislature of eliminating the state income tax.

If the same political measure was enacted in New Jersey, could the surplus funds accumulated from such an occurrence be re-invested into the business community in hope of creating new jobs, thus inviting better opportunity, production and greater choice for N.J. residents?

Friday’s *USA TODAY* reported that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) recently sent 340,000 illegal immigrants back to their countries; perhaps this effort can promise at least a slight portion of the re-circulation of job openings left unfilled by those leaving the country.

But where does that leave our own ambitions to make good use

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Lauren Niglio



Heather Marte



Danielle Guagliardo



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Chelsea Plaistowe



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Ashley Bruno



Alyssa Lucia



Robin Craig



Allison Briscione



Beth Bredin

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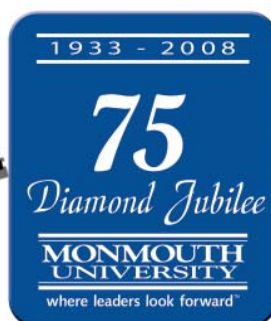
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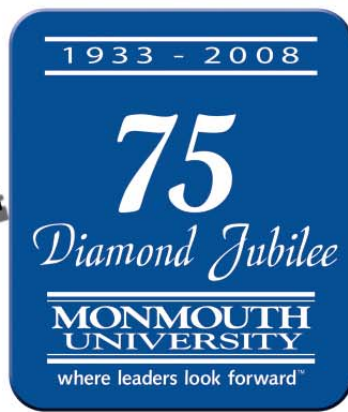
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Pete Mulroy



John Guyer



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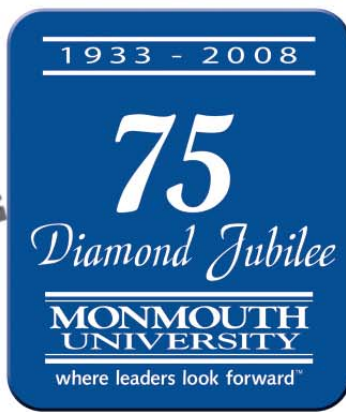
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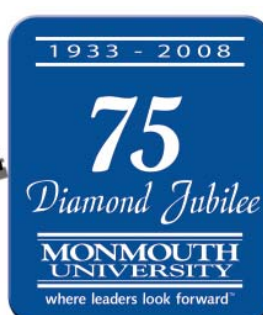
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# 2008



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Wednesday, September 24 Monday, September 29 Monday, October 6	Wednesday, October 8 Monday, October 13 Monday, October 20
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Voter Registration/Absentee Ballot Tables are sponsored by the Office of Service Learning and Community Programs and the Political Science Club. Voter registration forms are also available anytime at the Department of Political Science, located on the second floor of Bey Hall.

Tuesday, October 7	8:45 PM – 10:30 PM	DEBATE WATCH: JOHN McCAIN v BARACK OBAMA	Rebecca Stafford Student Center	Wednesday, October 22	7:30 PM- 8:45 PM	US Congressman Rush Holt Speaks on behalf of Presidential Candidate Barack Obama	Bey Hall 223
Wednesday, October 8	9:00PM	ROCK THE VOTE WITH MEMBERS OF THE REAL WORLD	Pollack Theatre			Sponsored by Public Policy Graduate Program	
Monday, October 13	2:30 PM- 4:00 PM	ROCK THE VOTE	In front of Rebecca Stafford Student Center	Tuesday, October 28		Deadline for Civilian Absentee Ballot Applications in Person	
Tuesday, October 14	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Public Leadership Series: Call to Service for New Jersey Business and Government Leaders	Wilson Auditorium	Tuesday, October 29	3:30 PM	Senator Kean Speaks on Behalf of Presidential Candidate John McCain	Bey Hall 230
		Sponsored by PRSSA and Political Science Club				Sponsored by Public Policy Graduate Program	
Tuesday, October 14	7:30 PM - 8:45 PM	SIMON ABAN DENG – Mr. Deng is a refugee from Sudan and a survivor of child slavery. Mr Deng was invited to speak before the U.N. Human Rights Commission and launched the Sudan Freedom Walk, trekking 300 miles from the UN in NYC to Washington D.C.	Rebecca Stafford Student Center Anacon Hall B	Friday, October 31	10:00 AM- 12:00 PM	POLITICAL OLYMPICS: Come fill your dream of being an Olympian and enter the Political Olympics. The event tentatively includes Hoops, Soccer Kick, Obstacle Course, and Political Trivia. The rules: 4-6 members per team, 3 members needed to participate in each event; 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , and 3 <sup>rd</sup> place prizes. Professors are encouraged to bring their classes.	Boylan Gymnasium
		Sponsored by the School of Social Work, Department of History and Anthropology, Counseling and Psychological Services, Political Science Club, and the Office of Student Activities					
Tuesday, October 14	2:30 PM- 3:45 PM	LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION	Wilson Auditorium	Monday, November 3	10:00 AM- 11:15 AM	Policy Debate: Come hear Monmouth University's Debate Team debate the pros and cons of farm subsidies	Bey Hall 228
						Sponsored by Political Science Club	
Wednesday, October 15	8:45 PM- 10:30 PM	DEBATE WATCH: LAST PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE BETWEEN JOHN McCAIN AND BARACK OBAMA	Rebecca Stafford Student Center	Tuesday, November 4	7:00 AM- 8:00 PM	ELECTION DAY!!!! GET OUT AND VOTE!!!! STAND UP AND BE COUNTED!!!!	
		Sponsored by the Department of Communication and the Department of Political Science		Tuesday, November 4	7:00 PM – 1:00 AM	POLITICAL BUS ROLLS AGAIN: Republican and Democratic Headquarters	Bus departs from the Rebecca Stafford Student Center
						Come be part of the excitement in this election by joining Dr. Joseph Patten in a bus trip to both the Republican and Democratic headquarters on election night. The bus will depart from the Student Center.	
						Sponsored by the Department of Political Science	
				Thursday, November 6	11:30 AM- 12:45 PM	Post Election Analysis	Young Auditorium
						Sponsored by Polling Institute	
				Friday, November 7	12:00 PM- 2:00 PM	Global Impact of U.S. Elections	Bey Hall 101a
						Sponsored by the Institute for Global Understanding and the Gender Studies Group	

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# The Political Bus Rolls

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ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

On November 4, the 44 President of the United States will be decided and with the help of the political science bus, Monmouth Univeristy students will be at campaign headquarters to witness the results.

The bus is organized by the political science club, but passengers on the bus are not required to be club members. Dr. Joseph Patten the faculty advisor of the political science club explains how to be a passenger on election night, saying, “Students can just come see me or come to the political science club meeting which are held on Tuesday afternoons at 3:45 in Bey Hall.”

The bus will depart at 7:00 p.m. and return around 1:00 a.m. and is free to all students who sign up. Once the bus departs students will travel to local campaign headquarters for both parties. Based on the national polls, the bus will try to reach the losing camp first, and then go to the winning headquarters to experience the celebration. “The idea is to go from the funeral to the wedding,” described Dr. Patten with a grin.

The bus also does not discriminate based on party lines. Dr. Patten summed it up, saying, “Both parties go on the

same bus because they have the common ground of love of country. In the end, parties have to work together in our democratic government to accomplish anything. The united bus reinforces that ideal.”

Students were able to register to vote any day in Bey Hall up until New Jersey’s last registering day on October 14. Students had the opportunity to register at the Rock the Vote rally on October 8. This rally was co-sponsored by the Student Activity Board and the Political Science Department, and featured former members of MTV’s reality shows the Real World Austin, and Road Rules Campus Crawl, Rachael Robinson and Shane Landrum. This event was the last Rock the Vote rally held on campus prior to the close of registration.

Buzz around the bus has already begun on campus as Ryan Keough, a junior Psychology major, said, “I plan on going and I am not a member

of the political science department. I think the bus is a great idea and I’m looking forward to seeing what goes on at campaign headquarters on election night. It is one of those things I do not expect to be able to

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DR. JOSEPH PATTEN  
Faculty Advisor of the Policital Science Club

experience later in life, so why not take advantage of the opportunity?”

Dante Barry, member of the political science club, shares his excitement saying, “The youth of America will have a huge roll in this presidential election. Senator Barack Obama has rallied and registered thousands of young people in the primaries and in the general election. Also, because this November will be a historic win for either the Democrat-

ic or Republican Party, I want to be a part of that history.”

Barry believes the bus is a great tool to experience the excitement of election night. He holds firm beliefs that this campaign will shape his future saying, “The most important issue to me that it is at stake in this election is the economy. Considering that I will be in the process of looking for employment after I graduate in 2010, the possibility of millions of Americans losing their jobs due to this economic crisis is not satisfying. That is why the anticipation of the bus ride and election night has me so excited.”

This year young voters are projected to have a record impact. Dr. Patten said, “The voting trend is that youth voting is up. This started in 2004 when it went up nine percentage points. 2008 will set record numbers. The young people are more targeted then ever before. They will play their biggest role in U.S. history. In this year’s election we have race and gender, but I believe this election will come down to the generation gap in American politics. Youth vs. seniors will play the biggest role in determining who wins this elec-

tion.”

This is not the first time the political bus has rallied students on campus. Last year Dr. Patten took 35 students to the primaries in New Hampshire. Dr. Patten advised his first presidential trip while he was a professor in Iowa in 2000. This was the night of the famous confusion over the vote tabulations in Florida. That night he described, “Students witnessed two funerals because we went to each headquarters when they were told that they lost the election.”

The bus is used as a finale for the events leading up to the election. The events include debate watches in Wilson Auditorium and the Rebecca Stafford Student Center for every presidential debate.

Boylan gym will also host the Political Olympics where teams of 4-6 will compete in events such as hoops, soccer kick, and political trivia. The Political Olympics will be held on Halloween morning at 10:00 a.m. and prizes will be awarded for the winners.

At the end of the events, a tug of war will be held between Democratic and Republican supporters. According to Dr. Patten, the winning tug of war team has won the election in each year of the Olympics. A smiling Dr. Patten described, “All the more reason for Obama and McCain supporters to get involved in the Olympics and the bus. This way they can know the results a few days early.”

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10/15 Spanish Alborada Dance Theater  
11:30 am to 12:30 pm Student Center, Anacon Hall

11/5 Truth about Hate & Bias  
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# The Story Behind a Local Legend

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Students at Monmouth University have been talking about the local legend seen around some of Long Branch and Belmar’s hot spots. No, it’s not a celebrity, or a superstar. This legend has been seen around bars such as Jack’s Rib and Ale and Stingers in Long Branch, as well as Bar Anticipation in Belmar. He is a favorite of the entire 21 year old and older Monmouth University crowd.

Standing at about five foot nine inches tall, half balding with crazy, out of control white hair and a thick white moustache, this character is known as Einstein. Einstein is infamous for being around every college bar night wearing his favorite slacks, a t-shirt, and his black suspenders.

Einstein, or more formally known as Steve, is habitually seen with a drink in hand dancing the night away mixed in with all of Monmouth University’s finest. When asked, students were quick to tell stories about this Monmouth

County legend. Monmouth students do not really know any serious information about Steve. Maria Mereos, a Senior Psych major and the Presi-

ed, “Yea, I see him all the time when I’m out. He just likes to go out and have a good time like the rest of us. I actually took a picture with him last time I saw him.”

Einstein has touched the lives of people outside of Monmouth County as well. One of R a n a h a n ’ s friends from North Jersey named Elvis stated, “He is where all the chicks are at. Any good parties...he likes getting drunk.”

Aside from these stories about his personality, some students shared some rumors they have heard about Einstein. Some of the stories were ridiculous, such as, “Oh, Einstein...yeah I know him – I’d say more like Bozo mixed with Einstein. I heard his real profession is clown by day, bar hopper by night,” said Heather Engelken, a senior History and Education major. Former Monmouth University

student Vinny Sapienza said, “My friends joke about him being an overprotective father watching his daughter out at bars to make sure she is ok. Every time we wanna get

ence...but he makes better bagels and you still see him hanging around the local Monmouth bars.”

So all over Monmouth County, this local legend has been spot-

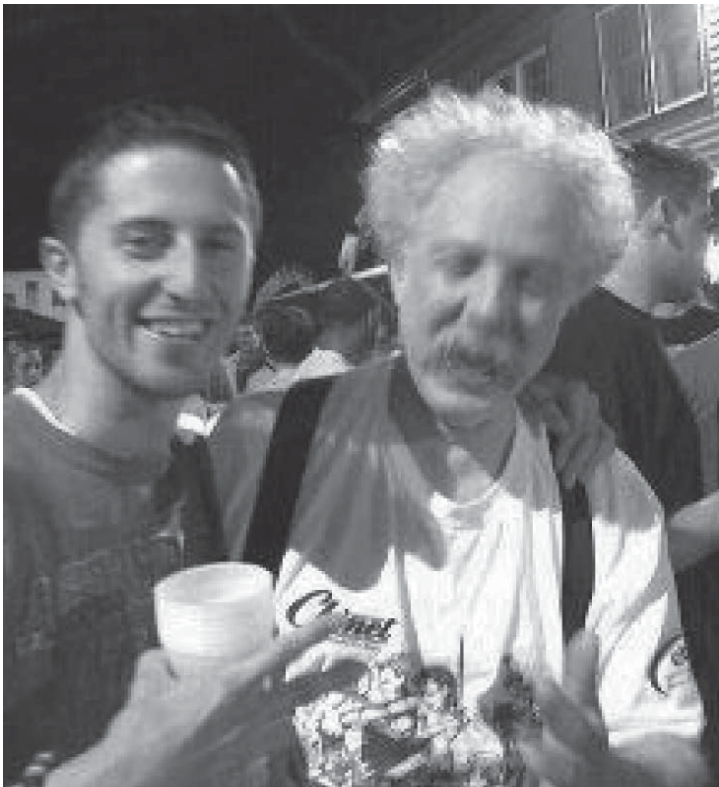


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Ranahan and “Einstein” at Bar Anticipation in Belmar.



PHOTO COURTESY of Ryan Ranahan  
Steve “Einstein” spotted at Bar Anticipation in Belmar..

with a girl one of our friends will be like ‘Einstein’s watching’.”

Einstein is so popular around Monmouth University, he was mentioned on the Senior class of 2008 t-shirt saying, “You know you’re a Monmouth Alum when... you know that Einstein may have made leaps and bounds in sci-

ted getting his groove on and enjoying life. Maybe he just wants to relive his college days, maybe the rumors are true, or maybe he is just a great guy looking for a great time. Either way, he can be spotted every Tuesday and Thursday sporting the same black suspenders and crazy hair.

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# THE GROUND FLOOR VOLUME III

## “Get off your feet and make this count”

**FRANKIE MORALES**  
STAFF WRITER

Although we’ve been trained to stand on the rooftops and sing our hearts out, it’s that time of the week again where you have to jump back in the elevator and take it down to *The Ground Floor*.

Welcome back for another edition of a growing Outlook tradition, that delivers breaking music news, up and coming artists and gap-filling commentary designed to keep you in the know.

This week, we take a look at man with a plan to change this land with the help of his back-up band (rhyming is fun).

At the age of 12, Texas’ own, Bryce Avary began his career in music performing at local venues in Dallas-Fort Worth.

By the age of 16, he was the most requested local act in the area and got to work releasing an EP.

Today, Avary has developed a clothing line, gained the support of the pop-punk/indie/power-pop music community, and has begun a campaign for change (a popular thing to do nowadays) among his listeners under the moniker, The Rocket Summer.

Equipped with piano-driven melodies, drum-heavy tempos, harmonic guitar and energy-bursting vocals, all performed by Avary himself, The Rocket Summer is an infectious disease of the ears and mind.

The sound created by Avary, and replicated by the band he tours with relentlessly,



PHOTO COURTESY of [www.rollingstone.com](http://www.rollingstone.com)  
Bryce Avary of The Rocket Summer recently created the clothing line “Call It Captivate” in hopes of expressing art through fashion. You can check out the clothing line at [www.callitcaptivate.com](http://www.callitcaptivate.com).

is reminiscent of the stylings of Something Corporate while dabbling in a red-bull and pixie-stix cocktail.

Don’t believe me? Try listening to “High Life Scenery” off the 2007 release, *Do You Feel?*, and tell me that you aren’t sucked in from the opening seconds let alone the song itself.

Touching upon a number of subjects, Avary is using his music to better the world one listener at a time. Be it displeasure with overly serious “scene” concert-goers (“High Life Scenery”) to his message to record companies to stop taking the originality and passion out of music (“A Song Is Not a Business Plan”).

He’s already done a great job recruiting musicians such as Alex Gaskarth (All Time Low), Josh Farro and Jeremy Davis (Paramore), Forest Kline (Hello Goodbye) and Andrew McMahon (Something Corporate and now Jack’s Mannequin) to the cause with cameos in the video for the album’s title track “Do You Feel?”

In the video, drawing upon the phenomena Avary himself created via his album art, the artists all wrote several phrases on their hands pertaining to the lyrics of the song and the underlying message of the video “I want to impact the world, but can’t do it alone.”

The song itself is a message about how often we as a society are vocal about the things that should be done to improve any situation.

However, when it comes down to actually being the change we wish to be, we all tend to get preoccupied with “our own things.” Which prompts Avary to launch a battle cry, asking “Do You Feel” all the world’s problems adding up and simply being too apathetic to stop it?

In a year such as this, it’s probably a very good question for listeners to ask and answer.

Avary preceded this call to action of the viewers of this video by creating his own clothing line, this past September, called “Call It Captivate.”

With it, Avary wishes, in his own words to “express relevant art through fashion, to inspire, to educate, and most importantly, be used as an outlet to encourage people to give to those in need.”

The idea is to take at the very least, 20% of the proceeds garnered from clothing sales and donate it to the charity of the buyer’s choice.

Effectively, the revolutionary idea causes people to not only indulge in the worlds of music, entertainment and fashion as they already do, but get them directly responsible for helping to improve situations all over.

However, The Rocket Summer has done a lot themselves to improve the situation of music, which is what the core of this article is all about.

Be it songs that have stood the test of time with his fan base as



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The Rocket Summer’s third full length album *Do You Feel?* was released in July 2007 under Island Def Jam Records.

“Brat Pack,” off his first EP, to chilling renditions of such songs as Colin Hay’s (You know, he sung that song “I Come From a Land Down Under!”) No? Maybe you know him as that guy that follows J.D. with a guitar on *Scrubs*, then?) “I Just Don’t Think I’ll Get Over You.”

The Rocket Summer has a catalogue that will tug on every emotion with great detail and passion, from happy and joyous to inspired and hopeful to motivating and energetic, it’s all covered.

For a short range of all those emotions, check out MySpace.Com/TheRocketSummer and give it a listen. If you like what you hear and want to hear more, then you’ll be happy to learn that once the band finishes their current headlining tour, they will head back into the studio to record their next full length.

In the meantime, let’s all take a page out of Bryce’s playbook and “Get off your feet and make it count.”

Also, as a quick follow up to issue one, Fall Out Boy’s upcoming album *Folie à Deux*, has been pushed back from its original Election Day release to an unknown date to be decided on by the label.

The band promises to build upon the release, however, with more exclusives, songs and even small club shows for loyal fans.

The reason for the push is to not draw attention away from one of the most important elections in this nation’s history, giving you all the opportunity to follow the advice of this column and get hands-on with your future.

More updates on the release will follow, which are sure to leave you the same way I hope you leave this column: floored.

# Top Downloads on iTunes This Week

Songs	New Releases	Albums	Movies	TV Shows
1. “Womanizer” Britney Spears	1. <i>Dig Out Your Soul (Delux Edition)</i> Oasis	1. <i>Appeal to Reason</i> Rise Against	1. Iron Man	1. “I Dream of Jesus” <i>Family Guy</i>
2. “Live Your Life” T.I. featuring Rihanna	2. <i>Life Is Not A Waiting Room</i> Senses Fail	2. <i>Paper Trail</i> T.I.	2. You Don’t Mess With the Zohan	2. “Formally Yours” <i>Greek</i>
3. “So What” P!nk	3. <i>Dig Out Your Soul</i> Oasis	3. <i>Dig Out Your Soul</i> Oasis	3. Forgetting Sarah Mashall	3. “I Am Become Death” <i>Heroes</i>
4. “Let it Rock” Kevin Rudolf and Lil Wayne	4. <i>The Bootleg Series Vol. 8</i> Bob Dylan	4. <i>Death Magnetic</i> Metallica	4. The Happening	4. “Love Blactually” <i>Family Guy</i>
5. “Hot N Cold” Katy Perry	5. <i>Break Up The Concrete</i> The Pretenders	5. <i>OK Now</i> Jon		5. “The He Is In The She” <i>Bones</i>





# NELLY RETURNS WITH *BRASS KNUCKLES*

LISA PIKAARD  
GRADUATE ASSISTANT

Best known for his hits from the early part of the decade, Nelly finally released a new album, *Brass Knuckles*. Selling over 30 million albums to date, it was about time for him to put his name back in the game after taking a hiatus to do a bit of acting, start multiple charities, and do work on his clothing line.

Nelly's most recent release is the follow up to his releasing of *Sweat and Suit*. Prior to his 2004 double release; Nelly released an album of remixes in 2003 based on his first two albums: *Nellyville* and *Country Grammar*.

Although *Brass Knuckles* was released later than anticipated, it features many artists and is totally stacked with talent. Featured on the album were Rick Ross, LL Cool J, Snoop Dogg, T.I., Nate Dogg, Ciara, Jermaine Dupri, Pharrell, the St. Lunatics, Avery Storm, Gucci Mane, Fergie, and R. Kelly.

The album's various versions have a total of five bonus tracks. Not counting the bonus tracks, there is just one track that does not have a featured guest musician: "One & Only."

The song is very reflective of his duet with Kelly Rowlands, "Dilemma," a ballad that led Nelly to one of his multiple Grammy awards. The track is an R&B power ballad and one of the only serious emotionally charged tracks on the album.

If you're looking for the Nelly that released party tracks like "Ride Wit Me," *Country Grammar*, "Hot in Herre," and "#1," you found him. Although the rock

out tracks on this album are not quite as powerful as some of the big hits of his past, there is definitely a few tracks that are party worthy. "Party People," the first song to really hit the charts from this album features Fergie.

So far it has hit number 37 on the Billboard Pop 100 chart and is

and nonfans in his music. "Hold Up" featuring LL Cool J and T.I. is a fun song that talks up Nelly and puts down the wannabes. He calls everyone out to step up their game or sit down. Although it could be looked at as a cocky song boasting about Nelly's successes, it really is just a fun song.

about a girl calling out her boyfriend for potentially cheating by checking her MySpace amongst other things.

It tells men what to do if they get caught or called out for cheating. In the end, the lyrics are actually quite funny as long as you aren't looking at the song as a serious emotional track.

Debating which version of the album to purchase because of the five potential bonus tracks spread amongst the multiple versions of the album? "Warrior" is debatably the best track on any version of the album. Included in the iTunes version of the album, "Warrior," is the typical upbeat anthem Nelly track.

In typical Nelly fashion, there is a song about shoes on the album. Already released as a single with a music video already completed, "Stepped on My J's" featuring two big name musicians, Ciara and Jermaine Dupri, is an upbeat fun song without much meaning, similar to *Nellyville*'s "Air Force Ones."

Overall, Nelly does not come out swinging on the newest album but he does not fall flat either. *Brass Knuckles* is stacked with talent and fun tracks but Nelly's long hiatus from the music scene, with his mediocre track, "Grillz" being his last Billboard chart hit, may have something to do with his lack of publicity and chatter for the new release.

The album contains what the public has come to expect from Nelly: a little bit of everything, a lot of fun, and a few party songs that hopefully will get spins in the clubs.



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Nelly released his Fifth album *Brass Knuckles* in September of this year.

still hanging on. Unfortunately, without good publicity the song seems to be floundering lower on the chart than it should be.

Nelly has always been thankful to his fans but has no problem challenging naysayers, copycats

The least serious song on the album is "Lie." The song appears to be the weakest track on the album but if you don't take it seriously it is one of the funniest. Nelly goes back to his roots and rejoins with the St. Lunatics to write a song

## Best New Music Presents TV On The Radio

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After the manic-brilliance of *Return To Cookie Mountain*, Brooklyn's indie art-rock crew clean up their sound for the catchier and sonically more explosive *Dear Science*. The jams are densely-layered as usual, but with more focus and with an unexpected shine - all without losing their stylistic, art-house musicality.



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The guys of TV on the Radio clean up their sound for their new catchy album *Dear Science*.

"Halfway Home" sets the tone mixing doo-wop style pop vocal melodies, reverb-drums, and hand claps that explode all over this song and the rest of the album. Along with laser-like production, the albums lyrics are inspiring, no matter how austere they may be. "The blood on the cradle/And the ashes you wade through/Got you callin' God's name in vain," sings lead singer Tunde Adebimpe on the dance-y, horn heavy, "Crying."

On the stand out track "Dancing Choose," double-time verses with ascending, bright horns brings tension to the song until the big synth chorus releases that tension and then elevates it to the breaking point.

Even with slick production, the most uplifting pop song on the album - "Golden Age" - lyrically sits uneasy with its ultimate message. While strutting through the clouds on this track, TV On The Radio don't sound optimistic or rebellious but more uncertain of the impending future. Kyp Malone, multi-instrumentalist and dual-singer along with Adebimpe, has said that the song is about "utopia," which in its broadest definition means, "no place." The way *Dear Science* balance



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Members of the band are originally from Brooklyn, N.Y.

es its pop aspirations and multi-layered melting-pot mix of styles, with a lyrical landscape of self-conscious doubt, politico-hate, and fear of the future, makes it an ever-engaging concoction.

The captivating compositions with fascinating, albeit bleak, poetry soar in a dualistic nature that makes this album an almost instant classic.

## CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS THIS WEEK:

### STUDENT/ CLUB EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY

Comedian:  
**Rob O' Reilly**

The Underground  
Time: 9pm

**HAWK TV-**  
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episode of  
**...More Like  
Awesomevision**

Audience Needed  
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Time: 8:30pm

### FRIDAY

Movie:  
**Step Brothers**

The Underground  
Time: 7 & 11pm

### SATURDAY

Movie: **Batman**  
**The Dark Knight**  
The Underground  
Time: 7 & 11pm

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featuring:

Blast Rock Midtown  
**Bryce Larson of  
Stealing Jane  
and More!!**  
Anacon  
Time: 6pm





Students Volunteer for Annual Big Event

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include Camp Oakhurst, Long Branch Beach, Shore Regional High School, Wolf Hill Elementary School, First Baptist Church, Deal Lake Cleanup, Stella Marris Retreat Center, Boys and Girls Club of Monmouth County, and Reformation Lutheran Church.

“This year we tried to make the event more personal, so some volunteers will be going to the homes of local families who could benefit from our help,” said Briscione.

SGA organized the transportation for the day, which cost the organization a fee of \$3,000 for the school buses which made various stops to save money so T-shirts were able to be distributed.

“We had an amazing turnout this year. It looked great for our school as a community! The

around us and those who live within them. This community is our home, and it is important that we give back to it in some way, shape, or form. The Big Event gives us the opportunity to show the locals what Monmouth students are all about - working together and helping each other. Hopefully the actions of MU students will encourage others around the area to get involved with the community and lend a few helping hands,” said Briscione.

In accordance to the beach cleanup that was part of the big event in which many students took part in this past Saturday, the 18, there is a statewide annual Beach Sweeps through Clean Ocean Action which will be going on this weekend. For more information on that, the link is <http://www.cleanocean->

es and leave. We need to leave a footprint. It is imperative we get out there on a regular basis and show we care about the community – give back whatever thing, big or small.”

Craig described the event by saying that the community was extremely appreciative for all the hard work the volunteers put in. “Some of the worksites have already asked us to contact them when we start working on next year's event. Those types of responses to the Big Event are the reason that we continue to do it year after year. It is great to see that we are positively affecting and helping our community. I personally think the day went extremely well, and after much time spent planning, it was great to see so many people getting involved,” she added.

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of the diplomas we one day hope to proudly grasp in our hands? Flexibility, determination, wise choices, but most importantly, optimistic attitudes and enduring input and output of scholastic goals should be the ultimate objective shadowing us against these worrisome statistics that create within us a heated response and fog for the vision of our future. Hard work, good study habits, withstanding test-taking jitters, and going the "extra mile" by extracurricular on-campus activity might shuffle the cards in our favor.

flow on hold.

Shoving Americans with higher and additional taxes does not feed our families and clothe our children. Directing necessary domestic funds into the pockets of some global competitors will not fill our gas tanks, provide for improved transportation systems, or afford us better healthcare. Though Monmouth University primarily is a very youthful community, we need to be looking ahead, making plans for ways that we can impact our nation by learning the statistics, promoting the qualities of the business commu-

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With the upcoming election at hand, it might be advantageous if we students got more involved these next few weeks in seeking ways to unite.

By sending messages through word of mouth, letter-writing, e-mails and other forms of communications, we can let our candidates and legislative leaders become more aware of our needs as individuals who have devoted much time, energy and money -- not to mention hope -- in preparing for our lives.

The answers to solving the economic problems our nation has accumulated is not to incur greater debt; somehow our priorities need to be re-examined. We need cash, not the effects of inflated costs that delay our spending habits by putting our cash

nity that can help to facilitate our inter-relational existence, and learning through involvement in local, state and federal government, corporate activities and educational.

Use your brains while and after you're here, a lesson that years later you'll wish you had learned if you do not now. Life will bring many chances, but each chance counts. So make each moment here count, too.

Because after that cap and gown is discarded, the honesty of the job search outlook could slap us right in the face with a big fat snowball. I'd much rather be basking in the warmth of a camaraderie of communal co-workers and a substantially rewarding paycheck. Wouldn't you?



PHOTO COURTESY of Nicole Levy

Students pose for a picture before contributing their time to help volunteer around the community during Saturday's 9th annual Big Event.

worksites were so appreciative of the work the volunteers did. I got so many phone calls from the organizations thanking us for what we did over the weekend!" said Briscione. "We ran out of T-shirts we had so many volunteers this year!" she also exclaimed.

Last year there were about 250 volunteers and around 20 local organizations, compared to this year with over 300 volunteers and 28 different orga-

action.org/index.php?id=634.

Going in line with additional community service events happening now, the CROP WALK is in Long Branch and Red Bank, happening this Sunday, the 19th. This event is where neighbors get together and walk in order to raise money to fight hunger across the world. For more information in getting involved with this, the link is <http://www.cropwalkon->

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**ALLIE BRISCIONE**  
Big Event Co-Chair

nizations.

“I think it was close to the most successful year as well,” said senior and SGA President, Jeff Cook.

“All of the senators on Student Government also played a roll in helping Allie and Rob-in out as much as they could. Most senators were either site captains or bus coordinators on the day off, but also helped as much as they could before to get ready for the day,” added Cook.

“It is extremely important that we, as students of Monmouth University, make an attempt to acknowledge the communities

[line.org/site/TR/CropWalks/General?pg=entry&fr\\_id=1448&JServSessionIda011=xjh4kivjb1.app11d](http://line.org/site/TR/CropWalks/General?pg=entry&fr_id=1448&JServSessionIda011=xjh4kivjb1.app11d).

Stella Maris Retreat House Administrator, Sister Clare McNerney said, “I am most grateful that your students came here. I am sure everyone will send good reports if they worked the way our boys did.”

Vaughn Clay, Director of Off Campus and Community Services, commented, “We are not an island. We as an institution and community interact and live in the community. It is important not to just go to businesses, rent houses, go to class-

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# THIS WEEK OVERSEAS...

*A FEW MONTHS OF ADVENTURE, COUNTLESS MEMORIES FOREVER*

LESLIE WEINBERG  
CLUB AND GREEK EDITOR

A well rounded education is more than just taking a class outside your major, in fact, one needs to leave the classroom to do so.

It is about doing something completely out of your element and viewing life from a completely new perspective. I wanted a change of scenery, pace, and an adventure, that is why I chose to study abroad.

I still find it hard to believe that one year ago, I was smack dab in the middle of London, England.

While I was there I took on the attitude of “I am here for only five months, I need to take in as much culture as possible.”

Every week I went to a new museum, show, section of town, tried lots of new foods and spent each weekend in a different country.

All the museums were free and with the help of Londonfreelist.com, I found great finds, like free shows at the Royal Academy of Music (it was right next to our school) or a taping of a popular BBC comedy “Not Going Out”.

London is very much like New York, it is made up of different neighborhoods and you turn the corner and it is completely different from where you were just standing.

I visited 9 countries-Ireland, Switzerland, Belgium, Greece, Italy, Germany, France, Wales (more a province then a country) and obviously Britain.

Each country was a new experience, like skydiving over the Swiss Alps to ancient sites to see like the Coliseum or Pantheon.

I met some interesting characters from all over the world. From a Canadian kid in Brussels

who was traveling alone and had his passport stolen to an artist in London who hoped one day he would have enough money to get to America to visit Utah because he heard it was nice.

Transportation around Europe was so much cheaper and easier compared to the US. All of our flights were under \$200, even if we only booked it a month in advance.

Sometimes the planes would have a few extra bumps then normal but that just added excitement to our experience.

One week, a group of my friends who had the same free weekend sat down and cruised the Ryanair website (the Southwest/ Jetblue of Europe).

We saw a flight to Brussels was only a pence (about 2 cents) with 40 pounds in taxes (90 bucks) and before we knew it we were off to Brussels.

We were in the lobby of our hostel in Brussels and saw they were offering a day trip to Brugge, so we signed up.

For those who haven’t seen *In Brugge*, Brugge is a beautiful medieval town with lots of canals, bikes, cobblestone roads and old city charm. This whim weekend was one of my favorite trips.

I am what you would call a food lover/connoisseur/ fanatic/ etc and having authentic world cuisine was definitely a highlight of my study abroad adventures.

I loved eating Belgian Waffles while staring up at the Grand Place, having Swiss cheese and chocolate on the steps on a town square in Geneva, enjoying pasta along the canals of Venice, local pistachios and Moussaka from the beautiful Greek Island, Aegina.

Enjoying High Tea with scones



PHOTO COURTESY of Leslie Weinberg

Leslie Weinberg, Dana Page, Aimee Savoth, and Erin Sullivan take some time out to capture a breathtaking kodak moment in front of the Parthenon in Athens, Greece.

filled with custard cream and jam in a Royal Park and having a pint of Guinness straight from the factory (clover on top and everything) were all amazing. I would go back to Europe just for the food.

When I studied abroad, I completely felt in my element. While everyone else was experience culture shock and homesickness, I was ready to make this amazing city my own.

London gave me the confidence to stand up for myself and be more assertive than I am in the states.

Instead of sitting around talking about something, I would go out and make sure it happened.

For the first time in college, I felt like I was on my own and could do anything and I was solely responsible for my own actions. No one set a budget for me, planned and booked my trips, researched the areas or took my hand to lead me around.

Studying abroad gives a person the extra edge to do something that scares them and disrupts their daily behavior. This attitude is something people should have all the time, not just while they are on vacation or studying abroad.

Studying abroad really set me apart from other MU students and helped shape me into a stronger person.

College is about growing, changing to become a better person, not leaving as mature as you entered. Studying abroad helped me to discover the person who I truly want to be (as cheesy as it sounds).

The only way people can fully grow is by challenging themselves, breaking away from the norm and trying something new.

While it may be too late to sign up to study abroad for next semester, it is never to late for the future to discover something new.

Give it a try, the study abroad

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Leslie stands in front of the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France. The lovely city was just one of the many countries she visited during her semester abroad.



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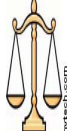
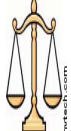
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*Lyndsi  
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"I perfer Obama."



*Josh  
senior*

"I think that the candidates switched up on their views in the debate."



*Veronica  
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"The candidate performances have shown how important they feel the debates are to the public opinion."



*Joe  
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"The Democrates look better than the Repulicans, at this point."



*Lauren  
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*Lauren  
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*Jessica  
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"I'm very undecided."



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10/15 & 16 • Disability Awareness Information Table • Student Center  
Flamenco Dance Performance and Lessons (bring your own lunch) • 11:30 AM-12:30 PM • Anacon B  
Alcohol Screening Day • 12:00-4:00 OM • Health Center  
Pre-Professional Health Careers • 2:30 PM • Wilson Auditorium  
Rob O'Reilly, Comedian • 9:00 PM • Underground  
Debate Watch: Last Presidential Debate btw McCain & Obama • 8:45 PM • Student Center Cafeteria  
Wear Silver to Show your Support for those with Disabilities • All Day

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

East Village Opera Company • 8:00 PM • Pollak

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Leadership Conference • 3:00 PM • Anacon  
Women's Soccer vs. St. Francis (PA) • 3:00 PM • Great Lawn  
Field Hockey vs. Robert Morris • 4:00 PM • So Sweet a Cat Field  
Free Movie: Step Brothers • 7:00 PM & 11:00 PM • Underground  
Ice Hawks vs. Penn State Brandywine • 8:00 PM • Wall Sports

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Eastern State Penitentiary Trip • Departs at 12:00 PM  
Rock Out Concert • 6:00 PM • Anacon  
Free Movie: Tropic Thunder • 7:00 PM & 11:00 PM • Underground

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Field Hockey vs. St. Francis (PA) • 12:00 PM • So Sweet a Cat Field  
Women's Soccer vs. Robert Morris • 1:00 PM • Great Lawn  
Billy Bragg • 7:00 PM • Pollak

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

You the Man • 2:30 OM • Pollak

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Panel: It's about Ability- Not Disability • 2:30- 4pm • Young Aud.  
Karaoke Night • 8:00 PM • Underground  
Dance Off • 10:00pm • Pollak

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TUESDAY OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup>

ALCOHOL SCREENING DAY

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup>

• Brief Questionnaire

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INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION

International Reading Association was glad to lend a hand over the weekend for the Big Event. We will be hosting our first meeting on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 in the Magill Commons Room. We will be wrapping books for preschoolers at Headstart in Red Bank during the meeting. IRA is open to all students and not just for Education majors. The purpose of the IRA is to provide an opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students to become part of the leading advocacy group for worldwide literacy, to facilitate literacy connections with Monmouth University’s greater community, to foster lifelong reading, and to reach out and support literacy development initiatives for children of any age. For more information, contact Professor Mary Lee Bass at 732-571-4490.

PHI SIGMA KAPPA

Well it’s been a while since the last time we filled everyone in about the fraternity, so there’s a lot to talk about but we’ll try to keep it short. Most recently we participated in the Big Event and everyone did a great job helping out the community. We haven’t written a report since before our new class got in, so a big congrats is due to those little love bugs. Rumor has it you can find Yoshi in Mt. Laurel on his hands and knees. And if you’re looking for Turtle, West Morgan is a great place to start. Dud on the other hand has wised up and doubled his pleasure AND his fun. But he’s not the only one getting smarter! Oprah can tie his own shoes now. Thanks Michelle! However not all of our brothers have gone the sensitive route, Sloth and Toodles are regretfully still on the market. Although Toodles thought he was sold, his buyer found a better deal. Maybe he should look to Beowulf to be his shoulder to cry on, he seems to be pretty good at that these days. Until next time this is Blanche, signing off.

THE OUTLOOK

Are you interested in writing about current events here on campus, a CD or movie review, have an opinion to voice, or simply enjoy writing or taking pictures? Looking for a place to share all of your creative ideas? If you answered yes, or have any other ideas, come and be part of The Outlook.

The Outlook, Monmouth University’s student-run newspaper, is looking for anyone who is interested in submitting entries to be published. Without the voices of Monmouth University students, the paper would not be a success. The meetings are held in Plan-gere, room 260, every Monday at 5:00 and again at 9:00. If you can’t make the meetings, don’t worry - send us an e-mail at outlook@monmouth.edu and let us know what you would be interested in contributing. Thank you!

OUTDOORS CLUB

The Outdoors Club started off the semester with a big splash, going white water rafting down the Lehigh Gorge on October 5th. We stayed close to home on Friday with a hike and Barbecue at Sandy Hook. For the Big Event we cleaned up Deal Lake and found some obscure objects-a boat, bicycle, a doll and lots of trash. The group scaled the walls of the Garen State Rocks last Thursday. A weekend camping trip and a spelunking through the caves of Pennsylvania are in the works for November. Have old ink cartridges and don’t want to throw them away? Outdoors club is collecting them and they can be dropped off in front of the info booth. For more information on any of the trips, email paul.n.mandala@Monmouth.edu or stop by the general meetings at 3:30 at in Bey Hall Rm 126. Look forward to seeing you at our next adventure!

ZETA TAU ALPHA

Zeta Tau Alpha would like to thank all participants in last week’s Think Pink volleyball Tournament on Friday October 10. It was a great success! We raised over \$500 for breast cancer awareness and education. So thank you again to everyone who played and contributed. Congratulations to the winning team and for all of those who won prizes, it was a great time all around. Upcoming events for ZTA include Making Strides in Point Pleasant on Sunday October 19 and a bake sale on Wednesday October 29. Also, don’t forget about the collection bins around campus. Pull off a pink lid from your Yoplait yogurt, put it in the bin, and help raise money for breast cancer research. Ali you are the best! Etaki!

DELTA PHI EPSILON

Delta Phi Epsilon will be holding their annual Lip Sync event on November 5th this year for cystic fibrosis. If anyone is interested in performing please contact any sister for more information!

I want to congratulate StarDust\* for going strong day 1! XStatic::Can't wait to show off the new letters Glissade! Love you VEGAS! dolce:: So proud of everyone's reports at the meetings and thanks for coming to the Big Event and being such a great support group xo VEGAS:: Love my gorgeous Deephers. 'ello Little! love uToPia:: Bombshells-love you girls! Jewelz you're hot so put ya numba in my phone haha<3 fabuloUS:: little, I love you. TLC you my girls you my girls<3 glitZ:: love my sistas! Hellay Big!<3 Euphoria:: oasis i absolutely adore you, I love our painting therapy session, and your amazing sister thank you for what you did for me!<3 lushious::

HOCKEY TEAM

The next home game is this Friday, October 17, 2008 at 9pm at the Wall Sports Arena. The Hawks will be taking on Penn State University, Brandywine campus, who leads the Delaware Valley Collegiate Hockey Conference (DVCHC) with a 4-0 record. With the Hawks conference record 2-0, this one is sure to be a thriller! Come out and support your Ice Hawks team this Friday!

If any parents are willing to be security for attendees and the purchasing of tickets, please respond to this e-mail stating your availability. We look forward to a great game on Friday and to the continuing excitement of the Hawks 2008-2009 season. The Hawks would ld like to thank Mr. Joseph Sirianni, who is the Lead General Manager of the Wall Courtyard by Marriott and of the Neptune Residence Inn, for his very generous donation to the Hawks team this season. Thank you so much for your support!

Best regards,  
John and Mike Bermingham (The announcer dudes for the Hawks)

Pep Band,

Great job performing at the Columbus Day Parade! We more than satisfied our goal to have fun, and the crowd loved us. Also, big thanks to Jesse and Hunter for adding to our performing forces, and thanks to Susette for inviting them. More thanks to the friends and parents who helped us out with rides, marching, and setting up. We have rehearsals on Wednesday, Oct. 15 from 7:30-9:30, Thursday, Oct. 16 from 7:30-9:00, and on Wednesday, Oct. 22, we will have a t-shirt painting party for homecoming. Don’t forget, homecoming week is NEXT week!

Interested in being part of our performances? New members are always welcome; if you’re interested in joining, please stop by at any of our rehearsals!

SIGMA TAU GAMMA

“Sigma Tau Gamma would like to congratulate the Theta class of the Epsilon Omicron Chapter for receiving bids and being associated into the fraternity. Theta class consists of Greg Kammerer, Dave Gramlich, Brian Brooks, Brandon Sheard, Anthony Chiappetta, and Bill Taylor. We wish them the best of luck as they work through the education process towards becoming brothers of Sigma Tau Gamma. For the next 3 Sundays (October 12, 19, and 26), brothers of Sigma Tau Gamma will be working as employees of 6 Flags Great Adventure, during Fright Fest, to raise money for the fraternity. Be sure to keep an eye out for them if you plan to be visiting the park!”



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STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

SAB has had a few exciting events so far this semester, and we are looking forward to many more. Dippin Dots and Photos were a big hit at “Up Til Dawn” and both ran out fast. We enjoyed the awareness event of ‘Rock the Vote’ last night; it was very informative and had a good turn out, and we got to meet Rachel and Shane from Road Rules! This week we are having comedian Rob O’Reilly come to campus on Wednesday Oct 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 pm in the Underground, which is located in Elmwood Hall. Rob uses raunchy humor which would appeal to a broad audience. We look forward to the students coming to this event and having a great time. Is there a better way to destress from midterms than laughing it away?This weekend we are taking a trip to the Eastern State Penitentiary, for a scary and amusing tour of the former maximum security prison. Next Wednesday the 22<sup>nd</sup>, there will be a karaoke night, also held in the Underground. If you like to sing karaoke and want to bring your friends, we encourage you to come and join in the fun! Also on the 22nd, from 2-4 in the Student Center will be decorate your own cakes. Bring some friends and creativity and get your sweet reward. There are only 9 spots left on the Disney trip, so stop by the Office of Student Activities to have a magical time over winter break. If there are any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the Student Activities Board at 732-923-4704 or email us at sab@monmouth.edu. We hope to see you at our upcoming events!

ATTENTION CLUB AND GREEKS!!! GOT ANY NEWS ABOUT YOUR ORGANIZATION THAT YOU WANT TO SHARE WITH THE REST OF CAMPUS? EMAIL OUTLOOK@MONMOUTH.EDU WITH SUBMISSIONS BY MONDAY NIGHTS. THANK YOU!



# Horoscopes

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**♈ Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - This week is a 6**

Trying to figure out how to sort out your life? Wait till the weekend comes to figure out exactly what you want to do but while you're sorting it all out, be careful not to push it all on everyone else.

**♉ Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - This week is a 7**

So you were worrying about the wrong thing? That's okay; take some time to figure out how to deal with what you now see as the issues. You have plenty of ideas that will work, just figure out which one will work best!

**♊ Gemini • (May 21 - June 21) - This week is a 6**

You had your hopes up but things just are not panning out as you would have liked. Things happen but do not dwell on what cannot be fixed. Spend time with loved ones while you can. They always help straighten things out for you.

**♋ Cancer • (June 22 - July 22) - This week is a 7**

Why is it you cannot figure out what you want? Well over the next few days you are finally figuring just that out but keep it to yourself until you're 100 percent sure. You will figure it out. Just breathe.

**♌ Leo • (July 23 - Aug. 22) - This week is a 9**

Smile! The fog is clearing and you can finally see the way. The best part of starting something is finishing it. Once you get that satisfaction you see a few options. Do not go down one path or the other until the end of the week when you know for sure what you want because, for once, it's all about you!

**♍ Virgo • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - This week is an 8**

Virgos everywhere are going to cringe midweek this week because they cannot control everything. Look around you and see what the world is telling you! By Sunday you will finally understand.

**♎ Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - This week is a 10**

You are stepping up, taking charge and paying close attention. It does not seem like a hassle and it is totally worth it. By this weekend you are the center of attention and you love every minute of it. Be social, have a blast, and the week will end better than you could have even hoped for.

**♏ Scorpio • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - This week is a 9**

Things are definitely still going right for you. Work now and play all weekend. It's tough to buckle down and get things done when everyone is out having fun but if you can get it done now, this weekend is the perfect time for you to shine.

**♐ Sagittarius • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) - This week is an 8**

The week started off okay but now you are not sure what to do, where to go, or how to get moving. Relax! You have great ideas and are getting things done so take a step back. By the end of the week-end, you realize you have accomplished so much. Enjoy yourself!

**♑ Capricorn • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - This week is a 6**

Stressing out does not help. Have fun! The only way to make it out of life alive (yes out of life) is to enjoy yourself. Gather the troops and live! Do not let impending midterms get you down.

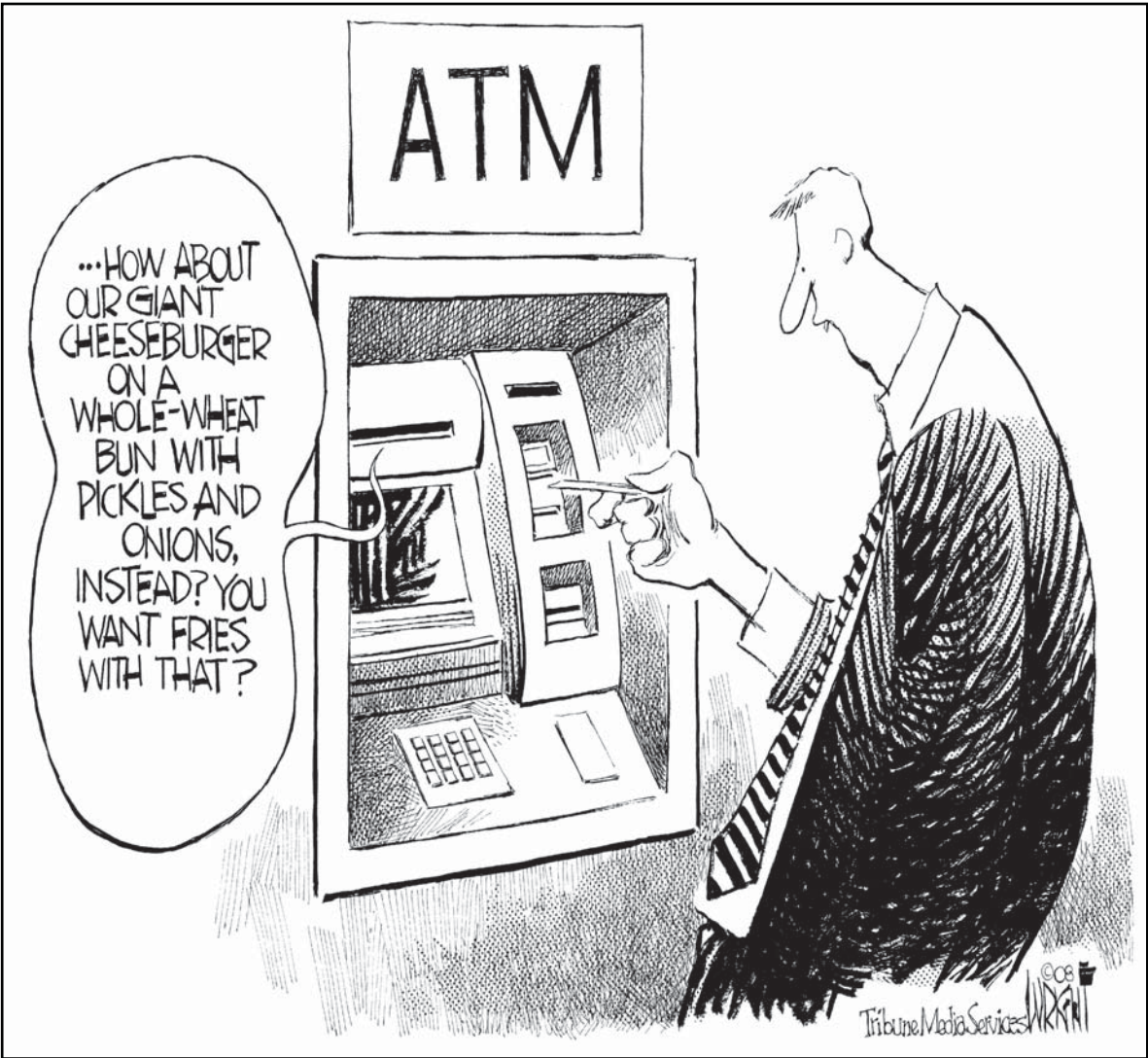
**♒ Aquarius • (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) - This week is a 6**

Feeling like some things are going perfect while other aspects of your life are crashing down? Well figure out why some things succeeded and others are falling flat. Once you make that realization you can kick it in to high gear and bring everything up to that higher level. By the time you are done doing all of that, take a break. You may need it.

**♓ Pisces • (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) This week is an 8**

Well, it happened. You decided you need a change. Take it one step at a time or else you are bound to fall. If you start changing the revolution will begin! Go out, have some fun, and get others excited about life. Your emotional wellbeing is as important as your scholastic and mental.

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# Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Scarlett's last name
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  - 9 Oregon capital
  - 14 Indian princes
  - 15 Old card game
  - 16 Worship
  - 17 Squeals
  - 18 "\_\_\_ the land of the free..."
  - 19 Pentium makers
  - 20 Stories in installments
  - 22 Forum attire
  - 24 Club fee
  - 25 Of one's mate
  - 29 Bossy's bellow
  - 32 Weaver's need
  - 34 Boot cushion
  - 35 German playwright Toller
  - 37 Flower holder
  - 39 Agatha's contemporary
  - 40 Wet sprays
  - 41 Lilly or Wallach
  - 42 Cavalry sword
  - 43 Max or Buddy
  - 44 Engendered
  - 45 Greek letter
  - 46 All in one piece
  - 48 Crystal gazer
  - 50 Asian holiday
  - 51 Scamps
  - 53 Poet Teasdale
  - 55 Cash drawer
  - 56 Neptune's spear
  - 60 Promotes heavily
  - 63 "\_\_\_ Maria"
  - 65 Macabre
  - 66 \_\_\_ Jaw, Saskatchewan
  - 67 Dance type
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  - 69 Businessmen, informally
  - 70 Aliens, briefly
  - 71 Flat-head nails
- DOWN**
- 1 Eyes, in poems
  - 2 Patriot Nathan
  - 3 Not quite closed
  - 4 Fanatical
  - 5 Onslaughts
  - 6 Trivialize
  - 7 Eerie author
  - 8 Alphabetizes
  - 9 Ho Chi Minh City, formerly
  - 10 To a sickening degree
  - 11 Destiny
  - 12 Before, poetically
  - 13 Gibson of "Hamlet"
  - 21 Sayer the singer
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- 61 Mirror image?
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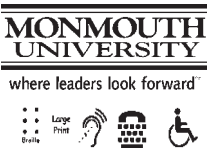


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# THE END ZONE

## Hawks Go Streaking With Fourth Straight Win

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ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Monmouth Hawks went on the road on Saturday, October 11, and defeated the Wagner Seahawks 31-17. The win gave the Blue and White their fourth straight victory and moved them to 3-0 in Northeast Conference play. The loss put the Seahawks at 2-4 on the season and 0-4 in the NEC. This game was a real test for the Hawks heading into their bye week. The game was tied at 17 heading into the fourth quarter and the next fifteen minutes decided whether the Hawks three wins or three losses were more telling.

Quarterback Brett Burke answered the call as he led his team down the field and connected with John Nalbone on a 16 yard touchdown pass with 6:48 to go in the game, putting the Hawks ahead 24-17. The defense stepped up big on the following Wagner possession as T.J. Cerezo sacked Wagner Quarterback Matt Abbey who fumbled on the play. Mr. Johnny on the spot Joe Valenti recovered and gave the Hawks first and ten on the Wagner 22 yard line with just over four minutes to go in the game. On the first offensive play for the Hawks following the fumble recovery star running back David Sinisi closed the door on any chance the Seahawks had of making a come back as he took it the entire 22 yards on the touchdown scamper.

The game opened up with Monmouth winning the toss and choosing to defer and receive the opening possession in the 2nd half. After the special teams pinned the Seahawks at their own 9 yard line to start the game they quickly forced a three and out.

However, on the Kyle Muir punt, penalty flags littered the field as a roughing the kicker penalty was issued. The 15 yard penalty gave the Wagner offense new life on the drive and they capitalized on their opportunity. Abbey looked sharp on the drive as he led his team down the field and hit Tyrone Collins on a 22 yard touchdown pass. Eric Ortiz connected on the extra point and the home team had a 7-0 lead with 7:37 to go in the opening quarter.

The Hawk offense was eager to get on the field and the offensive line came out in a bad mood pushing the defensive line back and providing great protection for Burke along with large holes for

Sinisi. On first and ten from the Wagner 15, Sinisi got the carry and punched it into the end zone. After a Fred Weingart extra point was good the game was all square at seven with just over three minutes to play in the first quarter.

This time the defense came out and forced another three and out with no penalty on the punt giving the Hawks back the ball at their 28 yard line. After a nine play 23 yard drive that brought the game into the second quarter, the Hawks were forced to settle for a Jack Daniels punt, which gave the Seahawks the ball back at their 15 yard line. After two impressive runs by Ryan Middleton, Abbey dropped back and was picked off

by Jon Stolarz giving Monmouth the ball back at the Hawk 42 yard line.

Burke and company then orchestrated a ten play 34 yard drive that resulted in a Weingart 42 yard field goal attempt that sailed through the uprights.

After a beautiful kick by Weingart, Jake Delvento had a costly kickoff that went out of bounds and gave Wagner great field position at the 40 yard line. The Seahawks, after turning the ball over on an interception their last drive, came out running the football as Middleton took five straight carries to start the drive. This brought the Seahawks to the Monmouth 16 yard line. Abbey took advantage of the opportunity for redemption with a beautiful touchdown pass to Tyrone Collins giving the home team the 14-10 advantage heading into halftime.

The decision to defer after winning the coin toss paid off as Monmouth on only four plays from scrimmage went 61 yards for a touchdown. Rushing the football once again proved beneficial to the Hawks as Sinisi ended the drive with a 32 yard touchdown gallop putting his team in the lead by a score of 17-14.

To their credit the Seahawks did not back down at any point during the game. After the defense gave up the lead yet again, the offense marched back down the field. On a ten play, 52

yard drive, Ortiz connected on a 34 yard field goal to even the score once again.

The teams then traded possessions with either team unable to muster a whole lot of offense. The game remained in a 17-17 stalemate going into the fourth quarter. Finally with just over ten minutes to go in the game the Monmouth offense broke through.

Through a balanced attack of Sinisi rushes and Burke passes the Hawks struck on a 16 yard scoring pass from Burke to his tight end John Nalbone. After another successful Weingart extra point the Hawks were ahead 24-17 with just over six minutes to go in the game.

It was now up to the defense to hold the lead for the Blue and White and they got the job done and then some. On second and ten from the Wagner 41 yard line T.J. Cerezo forced another Matt Abbey fumble ,and if you were wondering why I called Joe Valenti Mr. Johnny on the spot earlier it is because he not only recovered one loose ball but two as he jumped on the Seahawk fumble.

The Hawk offense then came out and it was more of the same from as Sinisi got the first carry and took the ball 22 yards to pay dirt. This sealed the victory for the Blue and White giving them a 14 point advantage with just over four minutes to play. The Seahawks failed to put anything together offensively for the rest of the game and the away team could look forward to a pleasant trip home.

Monmouth will have their bye week this week and then will return to Kessler field for Homecoming on the 25th of October against Central Connecticut State.



PHOTO COURTESY of MU Sports Information  
Brett Burke went 23-28 for 152 yards and one touchdown in the 31-17 MU victory as the Hawks avenged last season's homecoming loss to Wagner.

## Outlook's Weekly NFL Picks - Week 6

	Away	San Francisco 49ers	San Diego Chargers	New York Jets	Pittsburgh Steelers	Minnesota Vikings	Indianapolis Colts	Dallas Cowboys	Cleveland Browns
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# Women’s Soccer Splits Games, Win Streak Ends

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The women’s soccer team took on Quinnipiac on Friday and Central Connecticut State on Sunday; both of these clubs have a very strong lineup and are in the top five in the Northeast Conference. Unfortunately for the Hawks both of these games were on the road in which they are 3-1-1 during the year.

Monmouth took on Quinnipiac on Friday with both teams coming in with winning streaks. Monmouth was on an eight game winning streak while Quinnipiac won four in a row leading up to the game. The first half between the two was a defensive stalemate while the score remained 0-0 until five minutes into the second half.

The Blue and White’s first score came off an own goal from a Quinnipiac player who knocked the ball in from a corner pass. In the 71st minute, Quinnipiac netted their first goal off a header from Meagan McLoughlin which was assisted from Chelsea Smith. In the 88th minute of the game freshman midfielder Jennie

Vatebedian assisted on the goal from junior forward Andrea Lopez. The goal was Lopez’s third of the season, which sealed the 2-1 victory for the Hawks.

On Sunday the Hawks took on the Blue Devils of Central Connecticut State. The game took place on the Blue Devils’ turf. For the Hawks there was a 9 game

utes in from Rachel Caneen. It was Caneen’s fourth goal in her last two games. Shortly after, the Blue Devils took a 2-0 lead on the Hawks with a goal from Karise Hilt in the 24th minute. The first half was all CCSU leaving MU baffled by the opposing defense.

Five minutes into the second half the Blue Devils went up 3-0 with a goal from Brittany Jackson. In the 64th minute the Hawks registered their first goal of the game from senior forward Joanna DeMoor which was assisted by Lopez. With a minute left in the game DeMoor registered her second goal of the game and ninth of the season. DeMoor’s goal was assisted by junior midfielder BrieAnne Nomejko to cut the Blue Devils’ lead to 3-2. The comeback from the Blue and White came up just a goal short; however, it was a good sign to see the women strive while down.

The Blue and White return to action on Friday, October 17th, against St. Francis (Pa.) at 3 p.m. on The Great Lawn. For opposing teams, coming to The Great Lawn is not a friendly place, where the Hawks are 6-0 at home.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MU Sports Information  
Joanna DeMoor scored two goals in a losing effort against CCSU.

winning streak at stake and it seemed like it had been forever since the women last suffered a loss. Unfortunately they did lose today. The Blue Devils scored the first goal of the game 17 min-

## A Word on Sports *Miles Away From Home*

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What are the odds of an athlete picking up football for the first time in high school, getting recruited, and accepting a scholarship, to play for a division I-AA school, and then getting signed by an NFL team as an undrafted free agent? Just ask Dallas Cowboy wide receiver, and Monmouth University Alum, Miles Austin. Austin may not be as convinced at the unlikelihood of the previous events, probably because he has done it all.

Born June 30, 1984 in Summit, New Jersey, Austin was a letterman in track and field, basketball and football at Garfield High School. He was garnered with All-Bergen County and All-State honors as a wide receiver and defensive back his senior year. He was also named All-Bergen County in basketball. In high school, Austin was most accomplished in track and field. He recorded the second longest javelin throw of 214 feet 8 inches. At the New Jersey Meet of Champions, Miles Austin finished third in the long jump and the triple jump. Little did he know, by accepting a scholarship to play football for Monmouth, Austin was on the fast track to super stardom.

In his freshman season at MU, recording 10 catches for 208 yards (20.8 yards per catch) and a trip to the end zone, it seemed as if Miles was accustomed to making big plays right off the bat. Austin’s stats steadily increased by year. He accumulated 44, 47 and 49 receptions, over his next three years at Monmouth, for a total of 2,659 yards from sophomore through his senior year. Austin made himself a fixture in the end zone as well, scoring 33 TDs throughout his career. He also got the chance to show off his ball-handling skills (on the gridiron). He

ran the ball 15 times for 147 yards and another score. To round out Austin’s stellar resume, he electrified crowds with 2 touchdowns on kick returns and also completed 2 passes, giving him a passer rating of almost 500.

The history major finished his college career as the school record holder for catches, with 150, and receiving yards, with 2,867. He also holds the single-season mark for receiving touchdowns with 12.

Even though he had the size of a prototypical NFL wide receiver at 6-3, 216 pounds, and the speed (ran a 4.41 40 yard dash) he went undrafted in the 2006 NFL Draft. He was later picked up by the Dallas Cowboys, who utilized him first as purely a special teams player. Austin played in nine games his rookie season, recording five tackles on special teams. However, he also became the Cowboys’ premier return man. He had 29 kickoff returns for 753 yards, for an average of 26 yards a return. His highlight that year came in Dallas’ playoff game against the Seattle Seahawks. He had 3 kickoff returns for 136 yards, including a game-changing 93 yard kickoff return for a touchdown. That alone was history-making for the Cowboys. In the franchise’s 55 postseason games it was the first ever kickoff return for a TD. In a replay of the return the camera caught Austin smiling as he made his way down the sideline for the score. This would not be the last time Austin flashed that smile though, as he would find the end zone again soon.

In just his second season, the Garfield native played in all 16 regular season games. Once again he was a feature return man, accumulating 612 yards on 24 returns. However, Austin also had a breakthrough on the offensive side of the ball. In the eleventh game of the season, against none other than the New York Jets, he caught the first pass of his career. Although he only snagged five balls in 2007, Austin found pay dirt once. In the final game of the 2007 regular season, number 19 pulled in the first

touchdown catch of his short NFL career. Even though it was in a losing effort against their NFC East rival Washington Redskins, Austin showed that he could be a reliable target for Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo.

This season, Cowboys coaches have utilized Austin as a compliment to playmaker Terrell Owens. Missing only the first game of the 2008 season due to a knee injury, Austin has appeared in every game for Dallas at wide receiver, catching a ball in each contest except for one.

The former Hawk saved his best performance of his career for the biggest stage. On the Monday night football telecast on September 21 against the Green Bay Packers, Austin put on a show. His first catch went for 63 yards down the middle of the field, as he beat the Green Bay secondary. He looked like he was about to score, but he was caught at the three yard line, setting up a Dallas score. Austin got another chance though, as he again ran right by the Packers secondary and made a great over-the-shoulder catch and bounded into the end zone. The 52-yard TD catch was the first of the season for Austin and just the second of his career. For his performance in the Cowboys’ 27-16 victory, Austin was interviewed after the game on national television, with Al Michaels mentioning the small private school in New Jersey that he came from. His photo was also featured on ESPN.com.

With his performance under the bright lights at Lambeau Field, many fantasy football players have added Austin to their team (my writing partner Brian picked him up right away). To their delight he has not disappointed, pulling in four more catches for two touchdowns in just two games. Just as Austin has defied the odds and proved all the doubters wrong, there is no telling how high this former Hawk will soar. Something tells me we will certainly be hearing from him.

# Tahj Holden Named Director of Basketball Operations

### PRESS RELEASE

Former University of Maryland basketball standout, and Red Bank-native, Tahj Holden has been named the Director of Basketball Operations at Monmouth University. The former Red Bank Regional star was a four-year player for Gary Williams at Maryland, and played in all 36 games in the Terrapins’ 2002 NCAA National Championship season.

“I am happy to be back home, with this great opportunity to be part of a solid program.”

**TAHJ HOLDEN**  
Director of Basketball Operations

“We are excited to have Tahj join our staff,” said head coach Dave Calloway. “He was a terrific player, who came out of the Shore, and went on to win a national championship. I think he is someone our younger players will be able to look up to for guidance and support.”

“I am happy to be back home, with this great opportunity to be part of a solid program,” added Holden. “I look forward to helping this program continue its winning tradition, in any way I can.”

Prior to joining Monmouth, Holden was the Assistant Varsity Coach, as well as eighth grade basketball coach at La Jolla Country Day School in San Diego, California. While at La Jolla, Holden also served as the junior varsity coach in 2006-07.

Holden, who played in 128 career games for the Terrapins, made four NCAA Tournament appearances while in College Park, including two Final Fours. After his playing

career at Maryland, Holden played professionally in Istanbul, Turkey. A leader both on and off the court, Holden also served as President of the Student-Athlete Advisory Council for Maryland, as well as Vice-President for the ACC (Atlantic Coast Conference) Student-Athlete Advisory Council.

Holden, who was an all-state selection by the Associated Press while at Red Bank Regional High School, won a gold medal with the U.S. U-17 National Team at the World Youth Games in 1998.

## Men’s, Women’s Tennis Competes Over Weekend

### PRESS RELEASE

Three of Monmouth’s best represented the MU men’s tennis team this past weekend as the Blue and White competed at the Columbia Classic at the Dick Savitt Tennis Center in New York. Of the top 10 teams in the region, six of them competed in this tournament including powerhouse Penn, Columbia, Cornell, and Princeton.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MU Sports Information  
Diane Washer was named NEC Player of the week after her win at the NJIAW Tournament.

“Having six of the top teams on the east coast in the tournament provided great competition,” said Coach Cook. “This tournament was one of the strongest we’ve ever played in.”

Representing Monmouth, Junior Corey Forrest faired best for the Hawks as he reached the second round of the consolation bracket for the C Flight of the tournament. Forrest fell to Princeton’s Shoji, 6-1, 6-1 but than bounced back in the first round of the consolation bracket beating Sacred Heart’s Syer, 6-4, 6-3. In consolation quarterfinal action, Marist’s Himmelsbach defeated Forrest in

straight sets, 6-3, 6-1 to end his tournament. In the B Flight of the tournament, senior Benjamin Evenden lost in the first round of action to St. John’s Kosut 6-3, 7-6 and lost in a tough first round consolation bracket battle with Princeton’s Preyer, 0-6, 6-1, 1-0.

The Hawk’s lone doubles team of Evenden and Ian Terpilowski fell in the first round of A Flight action to host Columbia’s Nichifor/Schneiderman team, 8-6.

The women’s tennis team also competed over the weekend with Diane Washer being named Northeast Conference Women’s Tennis Player of the Week, as announced by league officials. Washer led the Hawks this past weekend winning the D Flight singles bracket in the NJIAW Tournament at Madison, N.J., going 4-0 in the process.

The junior from Ogdensburg, N.J opened up the NJIAW Tournament defeating Drew University’s Olderman, 8-1 and downing Ramapo College’s Albright, 8-4. Washer beat teammate Kristen Hoffmann 6-4, 6-1 in the semifinals and finished the tournament with a championship win over Ramapo College’s Lapsley in straight sets, 6-4, 6-0.

Washer is currently on a five-game winning streak in singles matches, tied for third best record on the Hawks’ squad. She also owns a 2-6 record in doubles, teaming up with Kelly Friedrich, Katie Tierney, and Jessica Slinger in matches this season.

The Blue and White are now 3-7 in dual matches this fall, including a 3-1 dual record over NEC teams.





**Monmouth, led by quarterback Brett Bruke, was the sole survivor in Staten Island, defeating Wagner 31 – 17.**

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