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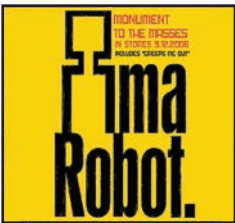
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University Celebrates 73rd Anniversary

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The Founders' Day Convocation on October 11 in Pollak Theatre celebrated the 73rd anniversary of Monmouth University. At this year's ceremony, Richard W. Benjamin was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award and Dr. Stephen L. Hoffman received an honorary degree in science.

Janet Fell, chair of the Founders' Day Committee, said that this event began in 1983 upon the celebration of the university's 50th anniversary.

"They thought it would be a good way to commemorate the 50th anniversary and then it became an annual event," said Fell. "It's a way for the University to honor the founders and the early visionaries and pioneers and to celebrate our anniversary."

The 10 members of the committee began planning early on for the event, Fell said.

President Paul Gaffney II opened the convocation and Stephen M. Parks, chairman of the Board of Trustees, said a few words about how this time is used to reflect on our role of higher education.

Brandon Bosque, president of Student Government Association, spoke next about how Founders' Day is a time to celebrate the birth of the university and look towards the future.

Bosque said that he was humbled to speak at the Founders' Day celebration and on behalf of the students.

"Being on stage surrounded by scholars and accomplished professionals was an amazing experience and allowed me to realize even more so the opportunities



PHOTO COURTESY OF Jim Reme

Dr. Stephen Hoffman (middle) was the recipient of the honorary degree at the Founder's Day Convocation.

an education can foster," he said.

Bosque added that he was inspired by Dr. Hoffman's work in science.

"Dr. Hoffman, being in the profession I'm working toward, was a huge inspiration to me and helped to prove that a boy from a small town in Jersey can accomplish so much and work toward such an important goal," he said.

Dr. Hoffman's convocation address focused on malaria, which he said kills one to three million children annually. He specializes in tropical infectious diseases and is currently serving the role of chief executive and scientific officer of Sanaria, a company he founded.

"The company's entire mission is to develop a vaccine to prevent the millions of death

caused from malaria to young infants and children in Africa," said Dr. Hoffman. In his speech, he spoke about his connection to Monmouth University, including the fact that his father graduated from Monmouth Junior College. Dr. Hoffman was also a student at one point.

"When I decided to go to medical school, which was right at the end of my junior year of college at University of Pennsylvania, I needed to take all the pre-med courses. I enrolled in a summer here that I took two semesters of biology and chemistry in the summer," he said.

"I am tremendously honored and gratified. I can't begin to tell you how great it is to receive the degree and how impressed I am with what Monmouth University has been evolving into," said Dr. Hoffman when asked about his feelings of receiving the honorary degree.

President Gaffney was happy about the speaker at this year's Founders' Day Convocation.

"World-class scientist, humanitarian, partially schooled at MU and grew up in the neighborhood. And he and I worked together in

Navy Research in the 1990s," he said. "[It is] important to stop and reflect on one's roots."

Provost Thomas Pearson, who recognized the honor school students and student leaders, said that Founders' Day was both memorable and meaningful.

"The chorus and band did an extraordinary rendition of the 'Battle Hymn of the Republic,' and it was wonderful to salute Professor Benjamin as the Distinguished Alumnus and learn of the lifegiving work of Dr. Hoffman," he said. "His speech puts our important work in education in perspective in terms of impact and challenges us to graduate more excellent scientists who can join him in the quest to eradicate devastating diseases."

Fell thought that that this year's Founders' Day was successful and was also impressed with the amount of student participation at the event.

"I always look at it as two hours of the entire 365 days of the year where we stop and we celebrate ourselves and we take time to feel good about who we are and what we are doing and what we have achieved," she said.

Big Event Draws Attention

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The sixth annual Big Event was held on Saturday, October 14th as students performed community service in and around the Monmouth University community.

The day started at 8 a.m. when Student Government senators and executive board members arrived in the student center to prepare for the event by organizing bus routes, getting the free t-shirts ready for distribution and making sure the Aramark bagels and juice were ready to enjoy upon arrival.

At approximately 10 a.m. students started arriving to check in with his or her organization.

The groups that were involved this year included: all Greek organizations, the African American Student Union, Hawk TV, the Dance Team, Community Service Club, Social Work Society, as well individual students and organized groups of students that were interested in participating. There was a total of 300 students who signed up for the day.

All of these students went to 28 sites in and around the Monmouth University community. Some of

those sites were churches, parks, beaches, schools, and various other local businesses and organizations.

Brandie Sica, a senior anthropology and special education major and IRA Vice President, said "We went to Christ Church. I helped to repair things around the church, and I had a lot of fun."

Luckily, for the first time since the Big Event was started, it did not rain this year.

According to Megan Canavan, a junior English and education major who coordinated the event, "The great weather really helped make this day wonderful."

"I thought that the sixth annual Big Event was a big success! This year we went to 28 worksites and had over 300 Monmouth University community members sign up to be volunteers," said Vaughn Clay, Director of Office of Off-Campus and Commuter Services and SGA advisor.

"The Monmouth University Big Event continues to be an important tradition and it's become a great opportunity for students and employees to give something back to the communities that surround campus," said Clay.

National Security Debated

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Students and faculty found their way to Pollak Theater on Oct. 12 to hear the stories of the prisoners at Guantánamo Prison. The presentation began at 10 a.m. and lasted until 6 p.m.

There were different sessions throughout the seminar that discussed several aspects of and raised questions about Guantánamo.

Dr. William Mitchell, Professor of Anthropology/Freed Chair Social Sciences, said some of those questions included: "Has the torture and mistreatment of detainees at Guantánamo and other secret prisons provided useful information on terrorism? Does

torture provide reliable information? What are the implications for American freedom in denying detainees the right of habeas corpus, which is the right to have your guilt or innocence be decided by an impartial court of law?"

Although answering these questions might have been a main point of this event, Dr. Mitchell said he had another goal in mind.

"The goal of the teach-in was to instruct the university, faculty, and students about what is happening in Guantánamo and to raise the issue of how we ensure our security while at the same time protect

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Second Annual Social Work Teach-In

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The Social Work Department will host a teach-in titled "Kids are People Too: Eradicating Child Poverty Across the Globe" in Anacon Hall on October 19 from 1-8 p.m.

Heather Harris, a junior social work major and a coordinator for the event, said, "It is about children who live in poverty and the working poor are kept in poverty and then can never make it ahead. We are going to try to bring it to someone's attention to help women, children, and families get out of poverty."

This is the second annual teach-in hosted by the Social Work Department. Last year's dealt with Hurricane Katrina and global disasters.

According to Abigail Reese, a junior social work major and coordinator for the teach-in, the format will remain the same as last year's.

Dr. Carol Cleaveland, the faculty advisor of the teach-in and assistant professor of social work, added that since last year this

event has become more student-driven.

"What's very different is that-in just one year- it has moved from being a faculty-facilitated event to a student-driven effort," said Cleaveland.

Reese hopes that the teach-in is just the beginning to get people more aware of this issue.

"The Social Work Society is hoping to create relationships with the community through this project, so that the work and support for this issue does not just stop at the end of the teach-in. We want to continue the work through volunteering with local organizations," Reese said.

The planning for the teach-in began during the summer months. However, Reese said the inspiration for this year's teach-in came from Social Work Day at the United Nations towards the conclusion of the spring semester.

"One of the speakers presented on childhood poverty, and it just struck a chord with us," she said.

Molly Greenberg, a junior social work major and coordinator of the teach-in, said that this topic is im-

portant for people to be aware of.

"Child poverty has always existed and instead of getting better it only seems to be getting worse," said Greenberg. "They need help and do not have a strong voice for themselves. We need to protect children and allow them to grow in a safe environment."

Dr. Robin Mama, chair of the Social Work Department, will be opening this year's teach-in. She will be welcoming and introducing the coordinators of the event.

Dr. Mama noted that she was pleased that another teach-in on social work issues will occur.

"Last year's teach-in on Global Disasters and Human Rights was quite successful and their excitement from that event spurred them to have another this year," said Dr. Mama. "The topic is also very appropriate. Hopefully, more members of the university community will participate this year as presenters or attendees."

Harris will also be speaking about the military at the teach-in.

Dr. Cleaveland said that the goal for this year's teach in is to make people more aware about the issue

of poverty.

"The goal is to raise student awareness and to bring together the university community to explore ideas as to how best we can play a role in alleviating poverty here and throughout the world," she said.

Harris added that they want to make people aware of the imbalance of wealth in the country. "There are more people poor than there are rich and most of the people who are poor are children so they do not get a fair shot at all," she said. "Eleven million children under the age of 18 are in poverty. We are trying to bring it to people's attention to spark some interest in this issue. We are trying to find a way to equal the balance of wealth in the U.S."

Greenberg added that she hopes this teach-in makes people think more about this issue.

"They need to learn about the world and the people in it. We need to know who is making these decisions and allowing the poor treatment of children to continue," she said. "We need to know how to fight against it."

Homecoming Festivities Will Bring Together Alumni and Students

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On Saturday, October 28th Monmouth University will host its annual Homecoming celebration. This year's theme is "Welcome to the Jungle."

There will be plenty of events going on throughout the day.

Students, alumni, and faculty alike have plenty to look forward to. Starting at 9 a.m., the Alumni Hospitality Tent will open, offering alumni souvenir photos and the opportunity to find old friends at the "Look Who's Here" display. Other events for alumni include the Mega Alumni Sale at the bookstore and the MBA Alumni Barbeque on Bey Hall Lawn.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., there will be games, rides, and food for kids ages 2-12 available adjacent to the commuter parking lot near the student center. Also during this time, several special guests will be on campus. Artist Luba Lukova will be present in the Ice House Gallery featuring some of his work. Over at the bookstore, author James Lincoln Turner will be signing his latest book "Seven Superstorms of the Northeast."

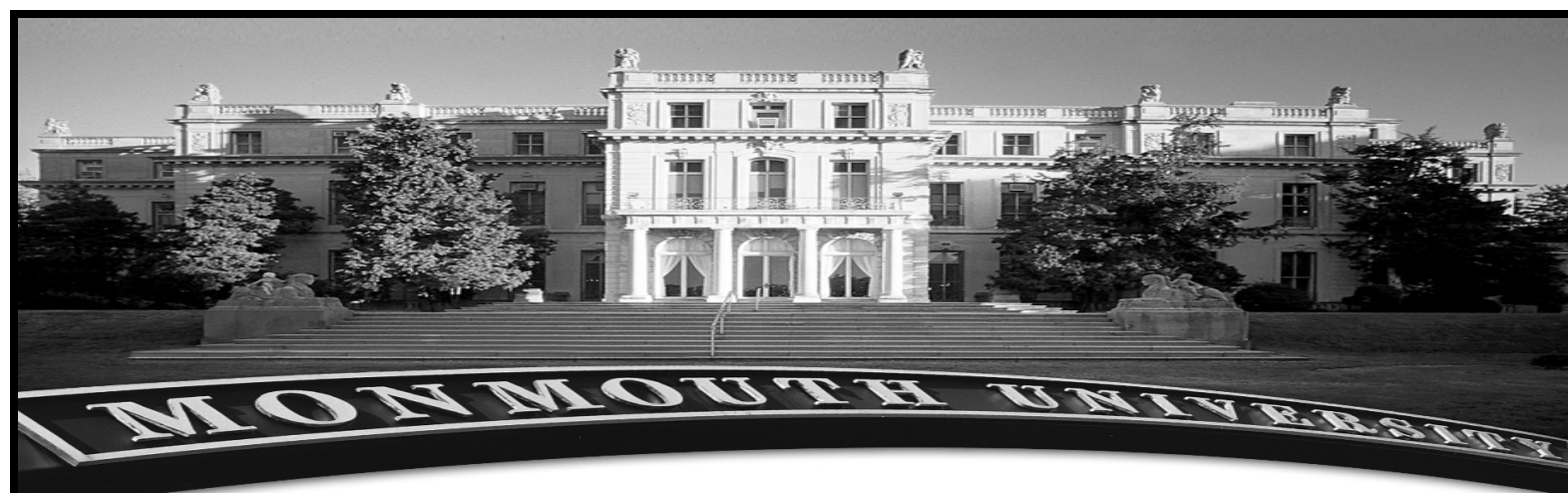
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., WMCX and Hawk TV will be serving free food, refreshments, and prizes in front of Boylan Gym and inside the Plangere Center. Hawk TV will be doing a live pre-game simulcast, and will be airing the game at noon.

As far as the students are concerned, many already have their own plans underway. Theta Phi Alpha and Sigma Pi say they will be tailgating together and jointly working on their float. "We're really excited to have the Sigma Pi alumni come to Monmouth and hang out with us," said Joe Rossi, a brother of Sigma Pi. "It's a chance for the new brothers to get to know the guys who came before us."

Tailgating setup will begin at 9 a.m., and participants must meet specific guidelines and regulations throughout the day. Glass bottles and containers, kegs, beer balls, or any similar products are prohibited in the tailgating area. Likewise, any drinking games or paraphernalia that promotes binge drinking are not allowed. Vehicles will not be permitted to enter the tailgating section of the commuter parking lot after 11 a.m. For more information regarding tailgating policies, visit www.monmouth.edu/homecoming/tailgate.asp.

The "Welcome to the Jungle" parade will start at 11 a.m. and proceed through the parking lot led by Grand Marshal Stephenie La-Grossa, a Monmouth alumni and a two-time contestant on "Survivor." The parade will be made up of student-built floats centered on the Jungle theme.

The main event of the day will take place at noon when the Monmouth Hawks take on the Blue Devils of Central Connecticut State at Kessler Field. During the halftime event, the 2006 Homecoming King, Queen, and court will be crowned, the winners of the "Best Float" in the parade will be announced, and the 2006 Alumni Service Award will be presented to Jeffrey Cross of the class of '68.



Graduate Information Session

When:

Wednesday, October 25, 2006, 7:00 p.m.

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Voting Campaign Progressing

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Two years after initially expressing his desire to see 100 percent voter registration amongst Monmouth University students, Monmouth President Paul Gaffney feels that his campaign is making progress.

The campaign, which began in 2004 and coincided with that year’s presidential election, has received mixed reviews from the Monmouth University community – many of whom question just how feasible the 100 percent goal is.

“I think (100 percent student voter registration) is reasonably attainable,” says Gaffney, who admits that keeping tabs on the matter in an official capacity would be quite difficult. “The thing is you really can’t measure it. You can’t line up every student that’s an American citizen who’s (of voting age) and say, ‘Did you register?’”

Despite the inexact nature of the process, Gaffney feels it worth-

home to me,” he notes. “I believe having a polling place on campus would be very efficient for myself and all politically active students, faculty, and employees.”

“I think it’d be great,” adds political science professor Joseph Patten, one of the organizers of Monmouth’s “Stand Up and Be Counted” campaign for student voting. “I think it’s something we should move toward trying to make happen.”

For this accommodation to be made, President Gaffney states that Monmouth University students would first have to show commitment to voting. In doing so, they would be following a statewide trend. According to New Jersey Public Interest Research Group (www.njpirg.org) statistics, the New Jersey youth vote – defined as the number of votes cast by people in the 18-24 age bracket – has increased by nearly 20 percent over the past four years.

In the meantime, a shuttle will

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BRIAN MADDEN
MU Senior

while, and expresses the importance not only of registering to vote, but actually going out and voting in November elections. “All of the people who have been determining our course, and the course you’re going to be on for the next 25 years – they’re not you,” Gaffney explains. “You should at least be listened to. And I don’t think you are.”

Not everyone is as optimistic about the campaign as Gaffney. “The thing is, only about 30 percent of the student body actually cares,” remarks Alex Lombardo, a 2006 Monmouth graduate. “... (Gaffney) will be lucky to get 50 percent (voter registration).”

“I don’t think it is an attainable goal,” adds Brian Madden, a senior business finance major. “One hundred percent perfection is hard to come by. ... I find many students disinterested in politics and voting in that manner.”

Gaffney is aware of some of the extenuating circumstances that hinder or preclude Monmouth University students from being able to cast their ballots on Election Day – be it the proximity to campus of polling places, or classes getting in the way – but is open to making changes to better accommodate students who wish to vote. One such accommodation could be an on-campus polling place.

“If I knew (that Monmouth students would vote on-campus),” Gaffney begins, “then I would go to the Freeholders and say, ‘Hey, how about setting up a polling station?’”

One Monmouth student who would take advantage of such an arrangement is Madden. “Monmouth University is like a second

be available to students who wish to vote in November. “Some students don’t have cars,” Dr. Patten explains. “We recognize that, and one of the things that we’re doing with ‘Stand Up and Be Counted’ is, we will provide transportation to and from the polls.”

Positive voting trends notwithstanding, there remains room for voter turnout to increase. It is Gaffney’s belief that a key to continuing an upward trend in youth voting is to simply have politicians acknowledge young voters. Gaffney was quick to point out that Monmouth University had reached out to United States Senator candidates Republican Tom Kean Jr. and Democrat Robert Menendez to come to the Monmouth campus prior to November’s election. Gaffney also explained that, during his gubernatorial campaign, New Jersey Governor Jon Corzine held a rally at Monmouth University that attracted several thousand people.

“I think if you can do those things on campus, you get some interest,” Gaffney said. “It’s a little bit of fun. It’s a little bit of noise and hoopla. People say, ‘What’s going on?’ They walk over, and they get interested.”

Recognition from candidates in the form of a rally is one thing, but to have them address the issues which are important to Monmouth University students is another. Issues such as local noise ordinances, the building of new dorms, and the building of the new Monmouth Athletic Center are just a few of the matters which could have a direct effect on Monmouth University students this November and beyond.

World According to MU: *North Korea Security Sanction*

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The United States and nations of the U.N. Security Council, including China, have passed a resolution that has put economic sanctions on the communist nation of North Korea, CNN.com sources stated in an Oct. 15 article.

The resolution, known as Resolution 1718, was passed with a vote of 15-0 in order to keep the increasingly hostile nation of North Korea from continuing with many of their threatening actions.

According to CNN.com, these actions include missile testing, nuclear weapon detonations and the furthering of their nuclear weapon and energy production. Also included with the new restrictions is a ban on trade of luxury goods and a freezing of North Korea’s assets by all members of United Nations.

These sanctions are a result of the July testing of the long-range Taepo-Dong One missile and were imposed after the North Korean military allegedly conducted an underground nuclear weapons test. Members of the Security Council, including China, which has been a longtime ally to the North Korean regime, voted unanimously on the new sanctions and have put future events in the hands of the tyrannical regime.

According to CNN.com, the council hopes that the Koreans will see that all of their neighbors, allies, and other nations of the world are in strong protest of their continuously provocative actions. The consensus of the leadership of the United States has stayed the same throughout each occurrence, but the Bush administration has moved towards putting more pressure on the Koreans.

As tensions rise on the Korean peninsula, South Korean troops based deep in South Korea and the DMZ (demilitarized zone - the border between North and South Korea) have maintained their ever-constant alert status and, according to an Associated Press article, have had recent preparations for possible atomic warfare.

President Bush, along with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, has adopted the new strategy of putting pressure on North Korea dictator Kim Jong-il while trying to keep diplomatic methods

in order. According to CNN.com, the Bush administration wants to leave all options on the table but the United States’ policy, along with the United Nations, is to continue to work diplomatically to cease North Korea’s nuclear programs.

An MSNBC.com article stated that the fears that exist concerning the North Korean nuclear program include numerous problems that can affect the United States along with the rest of the Asian continent.

Washington fears that the Korean nuclear programs will incite an Asian arms race and further damage the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons Act that was put into policy in 1970 and made an indefinite policy for the world in 1995. Another fear amongst the administration and other democratic nations, according to MSNBC.com, is terrorist organizations trading with North Korea to obtain nuclear weapons. Washington has continuously expressed deep concerns over rogue nations and terrorist organizations like Al-Qaeda gaining nuclear weapons.

Students and faculty around Monmouth University have also expressed their concern about the rising tensions in the Far East. To some, the situation in North Korea is separate from their everyday lives. But many have been following the events occurring thousands of miles away.

SGA President Brandon Bosque voiced his concerns over the issues in North Korea and related his thoughts to the US led war in Iraq. “It brings national attention to the country we should have recognized as being the primary danger over Iraq,” Bosque said. “I just don’t understand how we could invade a country without finding weapons of mass destruction, but overlook a country blatantly flashing their catastrophic weapons.”

Other students offered opinions that draw out a darker picture of how they feel about the tensions in Southeast Asia. Sophomore William Reilly stated, “By North Korea testing their nuclear arms, it puts the United States and United Nations in vulnerable positions, which is making the world worry about what will happen next... or who will strike first.”

Assistant Professor Juyan Zhang, a native of China, a country heavily involved in the happenings on the Korean peninsula, offered a different perspective on the situation and made sense out of the provocative actions of Kim Jong-il. He explained, “Sooner or later, North Korea will start to talk to the six party nations because they want to end the deadlock that exists now.”

Professor Zhang continued, “The reason they tested the bomb was to gain security in their area and the second reason was to gain leverage towards talk with the United Nations and the United States. They would never use the bomb.”

Still, other students on campus voiced their concerns over a situation they feel may be a threat to both world and United States security.

Senior Christina Trischetti was one of those students who felt threatened by what has been happening overseas. “I think it’s a scary situation considering all the problems going on in the Middle East, with the Iraq war and all,” Trischetti said. “It’s just one more country the United States has to worry about.”

As Washington stated soon after the tests were conducted by the Koreans, the United States and the United Nations both want to bring this situation to a conclusion using peaceful diplomacy. Neither the United States nor the world want to bring military action against North Korea, which boasts the fourth largest army in the world, with millions of troops ready to serve. Many around the world have felt threatened by Kim Jong-il’s provocative actions, but hope the war of words and nuclear tensions cease through peaceful processes.

The sanctions put on the North Koreans is yet another tool the United States and the world are using to diffuse the situation on the peninsula and hope the Koreans respond positively and cease further testing. While some feel the Koreans are simply flexing their military muscles in order to establish their security and be heard by the rest of the world, many feel this situation is one that makes the world an even more dangerous place.

SGA President’s Corner

How goes it, Monmouth?

The calendar pages are flying off and the semester is halfway through. This past Saturday we held our 6th Annual Big Event. The traditional community service project was a great success and you should know that all the sites were eternally grateful for our work and had nothing but nice things to say about Monmouth students.

The morning was a little stressful as the senators, led by SGA Parliamentarian/Wonder Woman Megan Canavan, scrambled to adjust our plans at the last minute to make up for the no-shows, but we pulled it together, made due with what we had, and made it all work. I understand that some organizations were a little frustrated, but try to understand that when a worksite asks for 20 people and we match them up with an organization that promises 20 people, but only shows up with 5; we have to fix the situation last minute and unfortunately sacrifice convenience for our responsible volunteers in the process.

Overall, many many thanks to those who came and spent their sunny breezy Saturday afternoon making a difference in the community and making a great name for Monmouth University students and a special thanks to Megan Canavan for being the epitome of a reliable student leader.

This Saturday, October 21, is the second installment of the shuttle rides from campus to various hot spots in the Long Branch area. The working name is *Night Flight* and the shuttles leave from the front of the Health Center attached to Birch Hall starting at 6pm and go to Pier Village, Shop Rite, and Monmouth Mall. The shuttles leave hourly with the last shuttle being at 1am. This new program is a great way for resident students without a car to get off campus and enjoy a few spots Long Branch has to offer or for students with a car to save money on gas, but still get to where they want to go on a Saturday night. The shuttles will be every other Saturday on a trial basis, but if the program gains momentum and popularity the shuttles could be every Saturday and may even expand to Fridays or Sundays. Let me know what you think about the shuttle ideas, comments from the Big Event if you were a volunteer, or as usual anything else that plagues the mind of the Monmouth student. Have fun, be safe. This is Brandon Bosque signing off.

SAB Halloween Concert Preview

An Alternative to Midterm Blues

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Need a break from studying? Then why not celebrate Halloween with a few good local bands at the SAB Halloween Concert, being held on Tuesday October 24th at 8 p.m. The bands Paulson, BUBBLE/GUM, and Racing Kites are coming out to Anacon Hall on the second floor of the Student Center.

Monmouth senior Dave Ruda and the Student Activities Board set up the concert to celebrate not only the holiday, but to give students a chance to dress up and listen to independent rock and have a good time. “I started looking for bands that I thought would have some appeal to those that go to Monmouth, and a little bit of flavor that most people wouldn’t know about ... a little bit of something you know, and a little bit of something else. It gives the crowd the great chance to see something new,” Ruda commented.

As a former Rutgers student, Ruda had helped organize Halloween shows through Livingston’s Own Concert Organization, and the Rutgers College Programming Council, which then gave him the idea for a similar show to be

held at Monmouth. “We used to have an annual Halloween show. A ton of people would come out and it was always a good time. So why not bring a little bit of that to Monmouth?” Ruda said.

According to Ruda, Monmouth has not celebrated Halloween on campus, and he is hopeful that this year will begin an annual tradition. A reason for coordinating this event with music is to bring a similar community to the campus.

“At Rutgers, you have bands like Paulson, or similar style,” Ruda stated. “They have a communal bond with music, and that’s something we [at Monmouth] don’t really have”.

Monmouth senior, Jason Montagna, is the guitarist for the band BUBBLE/GUM that will be playing the show. The band has been compared to the styling of Modest Mouse and Dinosaur Jr., whose indie rock sound was ideal for this concert. Ruda choose them for this reason, allowing the Monmouth community to listen to a different type of music.

“I am a longtime Monmouth student and this is a big gig for us,” Montagna said. “It’s going to be nice to play for my friends. We’re going to play a full set, which is about 45 min-

utes.” Not only does Jason play for BUBBLE/GUM, but he also hosts a weekly radio show with Monmouth senior Katie Meeker, called Electro Sexy Magnetic on WMCX on Sunday nights from 9 p.m. to midnight. Along with the radio, the concert gives good exposure to the independent rock scene, giving students the chance to hear new bands in the area.

Headlining band Paulson has played a few Halloween shows at Rutgers, and have toured nationally for the past couple years. Members of the band were former students at Rutgers, and developed a loyal following, playing basement shows and local venues in the area. The band Racing Kites was a local band suggested to be booked by Dan Ste. Marie at WMCX, and also have been on Ruda’s radio show “The Afternoon Riot.” WMCX will have a promotions table at the Halloween show.

The doors will open for the show at 7:30 p.m. with the first band going on at 8 p.m. Admission is free with a Monmouth ID and a Halloween costume, and \$5 admission without a costume. Prizes will be given out at the end of the night to whoever has the most creative costume. The event is also posted on the Facebook Event page, so invite your friends!

Six Flags’ Fright Fest Will Give You Chills

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How about being chased by a creepy-looking guy with a chainsaw? Or a werewolf sneaking up behind you and grunting in your ear? There was this and much more at Six Flags’ annual “Chills and Thrills” Fright Fest. Minus the 40-degree temperature that night, and some long lines, people appeared to be enjoying themselves.

The newest rollercoaster, El Toro, will definitely get your heart racing. As sophomore Rebecca Tyson said, “It was unbelievable, definitely worth the hour wait.” This ride is the second-tallest and fastest wooden rollercoaster in the U.S., not to mention it has the second-longest drop at 76 degrees, which breaks the world record for the steepest wooden coaster.

Medusa was another rollercoaster, which is the first floorless coaster in the world. You are strapped into a chair, while your feet dangle, and plunge 13 stories, through more than 10 twists and turns. Medusa soars at a top speed of 61 mph for over three minutes.

If the extreme rides are too much for you, there are less intense ones. A few calmer rides include Runaway Train, Skull Mountain, and Enchanted Teacups. Skull Mountain is an indoor, in-the-dark rollercoaster, which swerves through hidden tunnels and has a few unexpected twists. And then there’s Kingda Ka, which is the tallest and fastest roller coaster in the world. On this Friday the 13th, some people didn’t make it on the ride because of “technical difficulties.”

If you’re not into the rides scene at all, there are tons of games to play. Games include water gun races and shooting basketball. Prizes for the games ranged from toys such as: blow-up Yankees baseball bats, stuffed animals, and blow-up Batman figurines. There were, of course, funny Halloween-

related things you could buy, such as light-up devil ears for \$5.

Along with the werewolves and chainsaw freaks, there were zombies walking around with baby carriages and creepy-looking babies (if that’s what you even want to call them) popping out at you unexpectedly.

“I’ve never been to Fright Fest before, so I didn’t know what to expect,” said sophomore Jackie Canali. “Within the first minute of getting there, I was chased by the guy with a chainsaw, ran into a store and wouldn’t leave for five minutes. But by the end of the night, I thought it was funny when he ran up to me.”

One last ride, which is in “Houdini’s House,” is Houdini’s Great Escape. It’s hard to explain this ride if you’ve never been on it. It has pew-like wooden seats, held in by a safety bar. It sways back and forth, while the walls move so it feels like you are spinning upside-down.

All the attractions around the park were turned into a Halloween theme. For example, the fountain that’s in the front when you first walk in was turned into a “blood bath” with skeletons and dead-like bodies surrounding it. Food around the park included Papa John’s pizza, hot chocolate, churros, and soft pretzels, to name a few.

If you’re planning to go, make sure you wear layers and bring gloves. It gets really cold up on the rides at night. Be prepared to pay \$15 to park, and bring a Coke can or get discount coupons at Dunkin’ Donuts to get Buy One Get One Free tickets.

Tickets were available only on October 13th through Monmouth for \$25, but if you get the discount tickets or Coke can, they’re \$32. So if you’re looking for something to do with your friends, Fright Fest continues up until October 29th, Friday through Sunday from 5-11 p.m.

National Security

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our freedoms.”

Many students and staff frequented the seminars throughout the day. In fact, more than 100 people attended the presentation.

“Many hundreds of students came to portions of the event, some accompanied by professors who thought the issue important enough to bring their classes,” Dr. Mitchell commented.

Many of the students thought that the seminar was well worth going to see.

“I thought it was really neat to go to something on campus I never thought I would see myself at, and in the process I ended up learning a lot about an issue I might have never paid attention to before,” freshman Lexy Tomlin stated.

“This is the first time a teach-in on Guantánamo has been held at Monmouth or elsewhere,” Dr. Mitchell added. “Teach-ins, however, were common during the Vietnam war; one of the ways in which faculties across the country provided information on the

war and raised moral, ethical, and practical issues that were not being discussed in the national media.”

Overall, Teach-in seems to be getting more and more popular, including at Monmouth University. They are beginning to present issues to the public that have been kept behind closed doors before.

“For the first time, however, the moral and ethical issues of our detention policies on detainees have been raised in a national forum. More than 500 schools participated in the teach-in,” Dr. Mitchell stated.

Seton Hall Law School has organized the teach-ins, and they have been sending out national figures who are actually involved first-hand with detention policies.

“To me, the most interesting part of the whole event was listening to people who were actually involved in the whole Guantánamo scene first hand. It’s a lot more interesting to hear from them, rather than people who speculate on what is really going on over there,” said freshman Amber Casey.

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Editorial

SAMANTHA YOUNG
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As I sit here at my desk on a Tuesday, I am forced to contemplate a topic for my editorial. Why? Because that's what an editorial is, a reflection on news events.

First up, I would like to talk a little bit about the Big Event, then we'll segue into a little Founder's Day, and finally end up in a little place I like to call Iraq. It's going to be a rollercoaster of emotions, so strap in and enjoy the ride.

The Big Event is a day on which students from all organizations get together and do community service work for the surrounding towns. I couldn't be there because of work, but I have gone the past two years and loved it.

My freshman year, Ali McSherry, Jenna Amore, and myself went to Big Brothers, Big Sisters and stuffed envelopes all day. While we got lost in transit, it wasn't long before we reached our destination - mind you after two wrong buildings. The lady, whose name escapes me, was so appreciative of the time we spent there. Plus, on a Saturday afternoon, I couldn't think of anything I'd rather do than help someone who genuinely needed it.

Sophomore year brought quite a debacle. A group of us wound up at an apartment complex for the older community to clean. It would have been nice if there was someone there to let us in, supplies for us to use, or a way in which to contact someone. Nevertheless, The Outlook staff wouldn't be stopped. We were resourceful and ended up making that place look spotless!

An added bonus to The Big Event is that the wonderful Student Government Association not only gives you a hearty breakfast, but apparel as well.

Speaking of which, by the time I graduate I will have more school-sponsored t-shirts than anyone. At last count, I believe it was about 11. If anyone can top that -other

than those in SAB - I would like to hear about it. Because then, we'll have to have some words, mainly, "How can I get more t-shirts?"

Thinking about the SGA and all the work they do makes me think of the SGAs of yore. I know, at least for myself, it is hard to imagine a time when we don't have the luxuries bestowed upon us today.

As a way of celebrating all the years of MU, or MC as the case may have been, we have Founder's Day. As an attendee, I must say it was quite the spectacle. All of the professors in robes, speeches by President Gaffney and Brandon Bosque, all in juxtaposition with the angelic voices of the choir was just too much for me. I would like to take this time now to point out that, as I watched the choir sing such songs as "America the Beautiful" and the "Battle Hymn," some of you weren't singing! I'll let it go for now, but come on. Don't think you could fool me with the lip syncing.

After the ceremony in Pollak, everyone was invited into the historic Wilson Hall to nibble on some delectable goodies. Absorbing all the events and comments made by the speakers, it is pretty unbelievable how far we've come, and how far we still have to go.

Although this is my last year at Monmouth, I like to think I have created somewhat of a niche to be remembered. One day, when future staff of The Outlook come into the office and glance at the wall, they might read my name on the plaque of editors and wonder, "What was she like?"

As I ponder this particular question, the idea of legacies comes to mind. Most apparent is a recent graduate of Monmouth, who was remembered and honored on campus. His name was Christopher Cosgrove. His bravery fighting in Iraq, as well as his congenial personality will not go unnoticed, now or ever. From what I've read and been told, he was a man who loved life and everything in it. His life was cut short all too soon.

However, those closest to him can find solace that he died living his dream of being a marine.

I first heard of this tragedy at my work, when my boss left out the article for me to see. I was shocked and then saddened when I saw his age. Perhaps what most upset me was that his dream of fighting for his country sealed his fate.

To be honest, I have always been pro-war. I am not very political, nor can I tell you every statistic surrounding the current situation in Iraq. But based on the information I've ascertained, I've always been of the belief, "We have to fight, get them back for what they've done." Does this sound perposterous? Maybe. I know they didn't find WMDs and all that but I guess the idea of retribution, blaming someone for taking away the loved ones of so many on 9/11 was my driving factor.

Before those of you who may be reading this and seething at my view of the world, let me say this. I have family in Iraq. My uncle was there for almost three years, only sent home as a result of an explosion. His humvee was blown up by insurgents. He was not seriously hurt, but that is the only reason he was able to come back to the states.

I say this not for pity or any sort of sympathy but simply as a way of validating my once-thought viewpoint. However, after hearing about someone my age dying for a cause they had nothing to do with makes me think. I am all for unity and putting forth a strong front. But, after five years, it might be time to think about the benefit/deficit ratio and ask, "Are we still there because there is a legitimate reason or because we'll look bad by leaving?"

I don't know the right answer to this question. What I am saying, however, is that the words and thoughts of those so vehemently opposed to the war are now becoming a bit more clearer, a little more logical, and even a tiny bit louder in my mind.

Photo of the Week



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BY SUZANNE GUARINO

Madonna’s “mock crucifixion” planned to air on NBC in November as part of her live concert is stirring up controversy already. NBC is torn over whether or not to air the stunt. Religious groups claim that there’s a double standard in the fact that NBC cut Veggie Tales, a children’s show teaching good morals based on Biblical ideas, yet, they may air this public display of mockery of the Bible. I was compelled to ask students if they thought this was right or wrong. Here’s what I found:



Christian
sophomore

“As a Catholic, I think disrespecting the church is never a good idea; however, if Madonna wants to do it, she’s free to do it. But, freedom is a privilege, it’s a burden meant to be used to make sure the people who are in charge are honest. I do not think that Veggie Tales relates to Madonna’s stunt because that show was on a long time ago and different people run the station now.”



Mary
senior

“I’m Catholic and I don’t think it’s a good idea. She should do what she’s got to do for her music, but she shouldn’t involve anything else.”



Mike
junior

“They should air it to show that she’s an idiot.”



Eric
sophomore

“It’s obvious that it’s a publicity stunt because they could easily cut out this small scene and avoid insulting hundreds of thousands of people. It hasn’t even aired yet, and already there’s a lot of controversy from religious people. So, they have to expect that there’s going to be a lot if/when it does air.”



George
sophomore

“For publicity, this is amazing. She’s going to be the cause of so much controversy and she’ll be all over the news; but, morally it’s incorrect. She is desecrating a religious symbol. She’s out of her mind. What’s next?”

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Remembering Christopher Cosgrove

On Monday, October 1st, Monmouth University lost our own American Hero, Marine Lance Corporal Christopher Cosgrove was killed in Iraq.

Chris graduated in May, 2005, and was one of my majors in the Dept. of History and Anthropology. I vividly remember Chris, it is hard not to, even now I half expect to see him turning the corner on his way to my office or one of my colleagues.

During his first year here as a freshman, Chris was in my Cultural Anthropology course. As he began to understand the principles of anthropology he stopped by my office one day and said, “I am blown away, this stuff actually makes sense, I think it helps me understand people.” After that, Chris was a frequent visitor to my office. He would come by every time, or what felt like every time he learned something new or met a faculty member that he thought was just great. “Hey professor, guess what I found out about today? Do you know Prof. Adukunle? Prof. Douglas? Prof. DeRosa? I know you know Dr. Veit! The list was endless, as was his enthusiasm.

On Wednesday, MU faculty, administration, students, and staff attended Chris’ funeral in Madison,



NJ– it was difficult for all of us. One symbol that brought a great sense of comfort for me and Koorleen Minton was to see uniformed members of the Monmouth University Police Department and our own MU police vehicle. The words often associated with police departments, to Serve and Protect, were launched into action that day. Just to see our vehicle with members of our community accompany Chris on his “Last Patrol” meant so much to us. You protected him here on campus and you helped bring him to his final destination, that image still leaves me speechless.

Interestingly, one of Chris’ favorite charities was Toys for Tots. Since the MU Police Department has always been involved with this charity, I hope we can all rise to the occasion and make this the best year Toys for Tots has ever seen from the MU community.

God speed my young one, I know I should send you off quietly into the good night but wait...just one more assignment. Before you go, please wrap your spirit around this campus with your relentless curiosity of life and then we will do the rest...KSW

Kathleen Smith Wenning
M.U. Professor

More Action, Less Talking

SEAN QUINN
STAFF WRITER

After more than a decade of talks, debates, negotiations, bribes, concessions, begging and some “strongly worded letters” from the international community, North Korea has metaphorically slapped the world in the face.

When the communist nation under the inept and megalomaniacal leadership of Kim Jong-Il, (the pot-bellied, 5 foot 2 inch dictator) announced that it had detonated its first nuclear weapon, the entire world was made to look like a fool.

While the world offered concessions and the “carrot” like more food for the starving peasants of the nation (Kim apparently hasn’t had problems finding enough to

eat) and offered light water nuclear reactors from the U.S. (each costing billions) and not nearly enough of the “stick”, the nation bided its time and developed its nuclear program to what we have today: a new nuclear power in the world and one more nut job with his finger on the button.

While I applaud the President and other world leaders who decried that this is unacceptable, just what are they going to do about it? Is Kim going to get a letter from the U.N. saying that they are very disappointed in him, as was prophetically seen in the awesome movie Team America: World Police? Or is something going to be done about it this time?

Every day that this maniac stays in power, three things happen.



Stephanie
freshman

“If they are going to take a show that had good morals for children off the air, it makes no sense to put something that trashes these same values on the air. It affects not only Catholics, but Christians in general. Theres enough garbage on TV already.”



Rich
freshman

“She can do what she wants if that’s what she wants to do, but it’s a sad attempt for publicity when you are at the point in your career where you have to do outrageous things like that for people to pay attention to you.”



Sarah
sophomore

“I personally love Madonna, and she always does stuff for attention, but this is something she doesn’t need to do. She’s asking for attention in a bad way; she’s getting the wrong kind of attention.”



D
senior

“If Madonna didn’t piss people off she wouldn’t have a career. It makes me want to see it. Madonna always makes me curious.”

“I Never Thought it Could Happen to Me”

MICHAEL TYLKA
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

When you walk into a bar or restaurant, do you check to see where all the exits are? Do you give the crowd of people you just submersed yourself in a once over to look for possible threats? Do you think I’m paranoid for even asking those questions because this is America and it’s 2006 for crying out loud?!?... Maybe I am... Maybe I’m not.

I bet if you asked anyone who has been through a traumatic encounter; which could be anything from getting hurt in a bar fight, getting mugged in a train station, even getting sexually assaulted (or worse), they would all agree hands down that they would rather be able to say “I’m glad I was prepared” and avoided the issue than, “I never thought this could happen to me” and have to deal with the permanent scars both physical and mental.

safety and security. A focused mind in a whirlwind-type event is a powerful tool.

Second, like I mentioned above, when you enter a place make sure to take notice of your surroundings. That doesn’t mean you have to scope out every possible detail, but be aware what is going on in different areas. For example if you enter a bar, see what type of crowd is there and how much they are drinking. If you’re going into a parking lot or garage late at night or walking down a lonely street, check to see where, if any, lights are on and stay in them, avoiding the shadows. Also, do your best to avoid areas where people can easily conceal themselves to you as you walk by (for example, behind dumpsters or sharp corners). Always try to give yourself the most reaction time, the most visibility, and the least amount of vulnerability.

Don’t get me wrong I don’t expect you to frisk every person you meet and carry a 120kw stun gun while wearing full body armor. However there are some simple things you can do to prevent that you ever get into a bad situation in the first place. All of which have nothing to do with physical self defense (which, by the way, I strongly recommend to both sexes!).

Now there are some common knowledge strategies that are usually overlooked due to being over preached, yet none the less retain there importance without fail. First is when you go to your car/door, especially at night, please have your keys ready in your hand. Not only does this save time by not fumbling through your purse or pockets and then trying to find the right darn key, it actually gives you two very important weapons. When held in between your fingers while making a fist it will do significant damage, and it gives your mind a razor-sharp purpose, especially when you will be feeling the panic effects of a confrontational situation. “Put the key in the hole” that is your mantra for

The third is to keep your wits about you at all times. This is especially important for people our age and even more so for college students. We all like to go out, have a good time and tie one on. However, please, for your safety make sure you have thought out how exactly the mechanics of the night will go. I’m talking about the basics of HOW you will get there and then get home safely. Will you be alone? If so, you might not want to tie it on quite so hard because you will have to rely only on yourself. Don’t misunderstand that however, because you’re in a group doesn’t mean you’re completely safe either. We have all heard the horror stories on the news where cab drivers kid nap and rape people, or where a simple routine walk home turned into a crime scene.

If you take nothing else from this article, please take this. You can never be too careful and when you weigh the costs of your personal wellbeing against taking a couple extra steps to ensure that your well-being actually stays well. The caution will clearly win every time. So don’t ever let yourself get caught saying, “I can’t believe that it happened to me”.

One: more of Kim’s countrymen will die from starvation and squalid conditions while he gets fatter and crazier. Two: the world and the U.N. appear weak and unwilling to do what it takes to ensure compliance. Three: the other member of the Axis of Evil, Iran and its equally nutty, Holocaust denying president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad is watching to see just how far the world is going to let Kim go, and folks, believe me when I say that this man is taking notes.

“Quotes”

of the week

You cannot shake hands with a clenched fist. -Indira Gandhi
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 -Indira Gandhi

“It takes less time to do a thing right than to explain why you did it wrong.”
 -Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

“Communication leads to community, that is, to understanding, intimacy and mutual valuing.”
 -Rollo May

“The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don’t want, drink what you don’t like, and do what you’d rather not.”
 -Mark Twain

“Man stands in his own shadow and wonders why it’s dark.”
 -Zen saying

“None of us is as smart as all of us.”
 -Ken Blanchard

“When health is absent, wisdom cannot reveal itself, art cannot manifest, strength cannot fight, wealth becomes useless, and intelligence cannot be applied.”
 -Herophilus

“Truth fears no trial.”
 -Proverb

“It is no measure of health to be well adjusted to a profoundly sick society.”
 -Krishnamurti

“I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant.”
 -Martin Luther King

“Truth springs from argument amongst friends.”
 -David Hume

“Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I’m not sure about the the universe.”
 -Albert Einstein

“There cannot be a stressful crisis next week. My schedule is already full.”
 -Henry Kissinger

“If you think you’re too small to have an impact, try going to bed with a mosquito in the room.”
 -Anita Roddick

“We become what we think about all day long.”
 -Ralph Waldo Emerson

“It requires more courage to suffer than to die.”
 -Napoleon Bonaparte

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Queens



Alyce Quinlan, Alyx Kostiuk, Amy Gough, Ariel LoGrasso, Caitlin Carroll, Charisse Johnson



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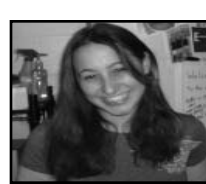


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THIS WEEK OVERSEAS...

Edinburgh, Scotland

ERIN LUCAS
STAFF WRITER

Hey everyone, hope all is well. I went to Edinburgh, Scotland this weekend and man am I exhausted. During the week I was trying to figure out what an ideal time would be to catch a flight. Thursday nights, as I mentioned before, are tricky because getting dropped off in the middle of the night can be a little overwhelming.

Due to this, Liz and I decided to try a different approach. Both of our flights departed at 6:20 a.m. We were excited we didn't have to rush around after class on Thursday and could relax. Well, let's just say we weren't excited to wake up at quarter to four in the morning to catch a cab to the airport. So here I am trying to figure out what would be the best flight arrangements. When I figure that out I will get back to you for those who are going abroad.

Although we were extremely exhausted when we arrived in Scotland, we couldn't deny the downright beauty of the city. The sun was rising as we arrived and it cast a gorgeous light over all the ancient-looking buildings. As much as we wanted to start exploring, we knew a nap was necessary if we wanted to see everything. You have to know your limit because if you're too tired, you won't enjoy things as much.

So when we woke up we headed to the castle (yes, they have

an actual castle in Edinburgh just like in the movies). It was a hike with a lot of stairs, but when we got there we went from being out of breath to having our breath taken away. The castle itself was huge and we had a great view of the whole city. It was really expensive to go in so we choose not to, but took enough pictures to last us forever.

After that we grabbed lunch and started shopping. It's so hard not to buy souvenirs from all the places you travel to. It's hard to explain; I know that I want, with all my might, to never forget anything about this trip, so I try to buy things that will make me remember. When my friends and I go a little overboard with the shopping we have a motto, "It's all about the memories."

By the time we were done shopping, it was getting late so we went and booked two bus tours for the next morning. After we went to our hostel, which, by the way, was one of the best rooms we've had since we began travelling. We re-

laxed for a bit, got some dinner, and went to a local place that had a really great band playing.

[You] couldn't deny the downright beauty of the city.

We had a blast, we were the only ones dancing but we did not care, we'll never see any of the people again. After that we just walked around to different places until we were ready to call it a night.

The next morning, we had to wake up for our tour. My advice is to go on city bus tours. This way you don't need to wake up really early because they run about every twenty minutes. So we woke up around eleven, ate breakfast,

and boarded the bus. We got headphones and as we drove past every street we were told the history of every beautiful place we passed. After that tour concluded, we went on the next bus that would bring us to the Botanical Gardens.

There are no words to explain how captivating the gardens were. There were waterfalls, flowers of all different colors, and actual green houses we were allowed to go in. Each greenhouse was a different atmosphere. One was a rain forest and by the time we left, we were practically dripping because it was so hot. We stayed in the gardens for about an hour just exploring and taking pictures. After that we knew we had to get back to the bus if we wanted to return to our hostel. I highly recommend going on one of these tours because you get a chance to see so many things that you wouldn't see if you were on foot. They aren't boring at all, just extremely interesting.

After the tour was over, we

went to the Hard Rock Cafe for our last dinner before our flight. It was awesome and, with our tour ticket, we got a free ice cream sundae. Over dinner, Liz and I talked about how much we really loved Edinburgh and made a pact. If things are going great in ten years, and we need a change, we're going to move there together.

Before I left for London, I thought I would have a great time, but would be excited to get home. However, a month and a half has passed already and I wish time would slow down. Places I have travelled to have had a large impact on me and there have been cities I have loved so much that I could see myself settling there one day. It's hard to imagine what your life is going to be like before you leave for the semester. There's so many feelings running through you, fear, excitement, anxiousness. Yet, when you get there everything falls into place as you find a place to call your own.

For anyone who is definitely going abroad or thinking about it, I'm going to give you my e-mail again, elucas6200@yahoo.com. If you have questions about travelling, hostels, or anything at all, I would love to help you guys out.

In five days I leave for my break, and I literally cannot wait. See you next week!



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From Left to Right: A bagpiper playing the streets of Scotland. Edinburg Castle. Erin Lucas and Liz Wright taking in the sights during a bus tour.

Sydney, Australia

KELLI ARRUZZO
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

G'day from Down Under! It's taken a while to write in from all the way over here, almost half-way across the world, as it seems my life since coming to Australia has been one adventure after another. It's hard to put into words how exciting and fascinating this country can be, so I hope that I can do it justice in this update.

Australia, at times, tends to feel very similar to the States, especially if one spends too long in the village, where we live, as it houses many American students. Therefore, as the eight of us Monmouth students here in Oz - John, Jon, Pete, Chris, Krystina, Sara, Jackie, and I - have come to realize, to get out and explore is the only way to experience the country.

Our adventure began back in the end of June, when we travelled almost 24 hours to get here. From that point on, we were accosted with phrases such as "g'day" and "how you going." That first week was spent settling into our houses, then visiting Sydney to get a glimpse of the famous Opera House and Harbour Bridge, and to a zoo where we got to pet kangaroos and koalas, among other animals.

School began on the 31st of June, while most of you were lounging out on the beach. Classes here generally consist of big lecture halls and then small group

tutorials where a discussion of the lectures takes place. As the classes tend to be a lot larger than those at Monmouth, assessment and grades come through a few major papers and tests that are worth big chunks of our grades, rather than small tests and homework assignments.

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To stray away from the school aspect, as I know at least for me it wasn't the main reason for coming to Australia, I would like to share a couple of places that I have visited that anyone coming to Australia should definitely check out:

If someone came to Australia and didn't visit the Opera House, I'd liken that to a person visiting NYC and not visiting the Empire State Building.

It is an iconic landmark, and after visiting it, I understand why.

Located on the Harbour, the building is absolutely amazing and its shape is unlike any I've ever seen before. The inside has a few different venues, and I was lucky enough to see Ben Folds play with the Sydney Symphony in the

concert hall. There doesn't seem to be a bad seat in the house, the acoustics are absolutely amazing, and the architecture and lighting bring about an aura of comfort, while also maintaining the beauty of the structure.

The next place I would recommend to visit would be one of Australia's many beaches. A personal favorite of mine is Manly Beach, which is a half hour ferry ride from Sydney Harbour. When we first got here, it was winter in Australia, about 60 degrees, but we were able to put our feet in the water, which was actually warmer than the air - I'd guess it was somewhere in the 70s. Manly is also a big surfer's beach, and it isn't surprising to see a dozen or so surfer's out on any given day.

Probably the biggest highlight of my trip so far would be our Spring Break adventure. The last week of September and the first week of October, the university was closed for spring recess, and this gives many students the opportunity to visit far parts of Australia and the islands surrounding it. For my Spring Break, I went on a trip called One Fish/Two Fish, which takes a bus full of students up the East Coast from Brisbane to Cairns.

This nine day trip consists of doing many "extreme adventures" - which is the name of the tour company - with about fifty other university students.

We travelled on a big blue bus and stayed in hostels and hotels

along the way. It was a great way to see many different aspects of Australia, from the rugged landscape of Fraiser Island, to the sunken cruise ship, Maheno, the crystal blue waters and white sand of the Whitsunday Islands, the corals of the Great Barrier Reef, and the city of Cairns, which has amazing shopping and nightlife. Some of the major highlights included: ocean rafting, sailing on a maxi yacht, beach bumming it at a private resort in the Whitsunday Islands, white water rafting along the Tully Rlver, snorkelling and scuba diving in the Great Barrier Reef, pub crawls, cliff diving,

skydiving, and bungee jumping.

My adventure here in Australia is over halfway done, and there is still so much left to see. There is no other place in the world like Australia, and without studying abroad, I probably would not have experienced this country - at least not for a five and a half month period. Being halfway around the world, at a 14 hour time difference from the States, was an adjustment at first, but one well worth it and that I would recommend to everyone. For anyone interested in studying abroad, feel free to contact me with any questions at s0626966@monmouth.edu.

Orthodox Christian Fellowship

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

Father Ephraem can be found on campus, or he can be reached by calling: 732-671-5932





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Rock the Right Way

TARAH ORTLEY
STAFF WRITER

Too many rock bands tend to come up short, by either infusing too much pop, copying specific elements from other bands, or creating a hollow sound. Fortunately, Nickelback is the kind of band that brings rock back home to where it should be with their fourth album, *All the Right Reasons*. With its balanced blend of driving electric guitars, a new drummer, and raspy vocals in the first track to a more acoustic and heartfelt sound in the latest single, "Far Away," the album has a song for just about everyone.

Although a lot of bands tend to take a generic melody or beat and recreate it in just about every song, Nickelback steers clear of repetition on this CD. Each of the 11 power-driven tracks has its own story and sound, making the album worthy of any road trip. Another feature of this album is its "hit worthiness." While each song is unique, each also has the potential to be a single, like many of the band's songs on previous albums. What I believe will draw listeners in is the intensity of the music, along with narrative lyrics that seem to depict a definite time and place.

But unlike the previous Nickelback efforts, this one is less driven by anger, and more driven by plain old sentiment. In *Photograph*, the massive first single off of the CD, lead singer/songwriter Chad Kroeger takes a look back at

his high school days, "We used to listen to the radio / and sing along with every song we'd know / we said someday we'd find out how it feels / to sing to more than just the steering wheel." And in *If Everyone Cared*, we find out what would happen "if everyone cared and nobody cried / if everyone loved and nobody lied / if everyone shared and swallowed their pride," proving that the world can be a better place.

Not the typical anthem of hard rockers you say? Rest assured, this track is just a short break in between other songs laced with themes of revenge, betrayal, and heartache. Kroeger even shows a sense of humor in *Rockstar*, poking fun at celebrities who are just in the industry for the fame and money, "I want a brand new house on an episode of *Cribs* / and a bathroom I can play baseball in / and a king size tub big enough for ten plus me."

Continuing to improve on this album, the band includes more keyboards, pianos, and acoustic guitars for a fuller sound not only on ballads, but also on some of the bigger, more dramatic songs. Though not everyone can be convinced that Nickelback is a true hard rock band, there is no denying that *All the Right Reasons* is a hard-hitting power trip, filled with a road trip of emotion and balanced melodies.

Best songs: *Fight for All the Wrong Reasons*, *Far Away*, and *If Everyone Cared*

DANIEL ROTH
EDITOR AT LARGE

Devoid of any function or meaning other than to gross out audiences with more blood than a vampire would consume in its entire lifetime, *Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning* more closely resembles an unwelcome ending.

Directed by Jonathan Liebesman (*Darkness Falls*, *Rings*), TCM seems to pull out every trick in the book in order to justify this third installment.

The cast, which featured Jordana Brewster (*Fast and the Furious*, *D.E.B.S.*) and Taylor Handly (*The O.C.*, *Dawson's Creek*), was fairly insignificant. The majority of the writing was focused on the massive amount of gore it would take to appease fans.

This lack of concern about the plotline was self-evident in the amount of mistakes that were made throughout the film. In one sequence, Dean, Taylor Handley's character, gets his leg caught in a bear trap. Not ten minutes later, Dean is running full speed in an attempt to save his brother from his impending fate.

In another situation, Jordana Brewster's character Chrissie runs into the Hewitt's house with no weapon but her unabashed beauty and charm.

With the plotline being as thin as a post-*Simple Life* Nicole Richie, TCM barely justifies its already meager running time of 84 minutes.

A True Massacre

While much of the film is an utter disappointment, the film does achieve some level of success. For all the die hard TCM fans that waited three years to see how many times that Leatherface can cut someone up, you are in for quite a treat. This film is so hardcore that you can barely go a minute without turning your head or shuddering in absolute terror. The blood gushing scenes are done in such a way, it makes you almost comfortable watching the murder and cannibalism that is going on in front of you. By the end of the picture, you want to see Leatherface walk away victoriously.

The only other bright spot in this otherwise dismal manifestation of the silver screen is the portrayal of Sheriff Hoyt, played by R. Lee Ermey (*Dead Man Walking*, *Murder in the First*). The conviction and emotion he showed in this role makes you truly believe that he was actually the leader of this group of heartless bandits. When he proclaimed, "People may not remember what we say here tonight, but by God they'll remember what we did!" every moviegoer in the theater had to clutch their chairs in panic.

Fans of *Texas Chainsaw Massacre* who go to the theater thinking they are going to gain some more insight into the head and history of Leatherface will be saddened by the lack of depth. The ten

minutes of extra information you gain leaves you wanting.

As a fan of the *Texas Chainsaw Massacre*, I came to the theater expecting to be wowed by the in-depth storyline and additional information on one of my favorite bad guys. After the film, all I was left with was a sick feeling in my stomach and a hatred of meat. Halfway through the flick, Sheriff Hoyt said, "My money says you're going anywhere." Had this been a truthful statement, he might have put his money in a savings account because TCM wasn't worth the price of admission.



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Taylor Handly and Matthew Bomer in the new thriller, *Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Beginning*

IMA Robot is on Their Way

LISA PIKAARD
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Tonight the All-American Rejects are taking on Boylan, but they are not the only ones. Ima Robot is opening for the tour and are definitely an original, out there, rocking band that Monmouth is lucky to get to see. I am even luckier because I got to spend some time talking to the guitarist of the band, Timmy Anderson, about the tour, the music, and the upcoming trip to Monmouth University.

Q: Hey Timmy, are you guys excited about touring with the All American Rejects?

T: It's really good. As far as touring with big name bands our music is a little bit odd compared to some of these bands so it's not always an easy fit.

Q: How'd you guys end up pairing up with the All-American Rejects?

T: It just worked out, the agents started talking we got brought up and someone liked the idea and that was it!

Q: How did IMA Robot form?

T: We started about eight years ago when the singer and I met. We were 19. We met at a club in Hollywood where we had been hanging out and we had a mutual friend who suggested that I produce a demo for him and then we were off to the races.

Q: *Monument to the Masses* is your second album. Your music seemed to be ahead of its time with the first, now with bands emerging like Panic! At the Disco, do you feel like the time is right this time around?

T: I hope so, I really do. I mean I think that we didn't even know what we were doing on the first record and there were a lot of tracks and a lot of people saying they just didn't get it. This band is just confused now they say it's legendary and it was so ahead of its time. It's just like you never know if you're ahead of your time. It's not something you can try to be but it seems like we're always just a little bit forward thinking. I think it's catching on this time though.

Q: "Pouring Pain" is my personal favorite track on the album, what is your favorite track and what is your favorite song to perform live?

T: That's a good one; I think my favorite right now is "Lovers in Captivity," and to perform, "Cool

Cool Universe."

Q: How responsive has the audience been so far on the AAR tour?

T: It's been good to great - there hasn't been any weak shows. Actually, the very first show - we've done about six now - the first show at UConn, for some reason the audience was all seated and that doesn't really work for us because our music is for dancing and jumping around. If everyone is sitting down and not giving anything back to us, we have a hard time taking it over the top and we end up being a little flat footed because performing live is a group effort and the crowd is included in that and we need to learn to rock the arena stages because that's where we want to end up. But we're a club band. We like being with the audience, sweating with them, feeding off of them. Every show is phenomenal now.

Q: I hear you have a song on ATV Off-Road Fury 4. How did that happen?

T: We have an old friend who works for Sony, and he became a huge fan of us. We had a song on a snowboarding game SXX Tricky too. We're pretty excited.

Q: How's being on the east coast being that you're a west coast band?

T: It is fun; it's definitely like

we spent so much time over there (west coast) because it's so easy for us. We have tons of fans in the big cities on the west coast. It's pretty much a little easy for us. We need to be over here, especially in New York and the other big cities. We were there playing a few shows a few weeks ago and we feel like there was this whispering going on the streets. We were this new out of town band and coming in kicking ass. People were talking and getting to our shows being excited about us. We really need to expose (the music to) these people because I am not so sure about colleges in particular but east coast people in general. Our music works well; it's really different. There is something about hardcore loyalty about the east coast... They are really loyal and pretty intense.

Q: If you could send out one message about IMA robot to potential fans what would it be?

T: Set yourself free!

I highly recommend giving them a listen. To check out IMA Robot, be sure to be at the AAR concert tonight! You can also go to www.imarobot.com and myspace.com/imarobot. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and tickets are only \$10.00 in the student center. Show your support for IMA Robot and The All-American Rejects. See you all there!



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IMA Robot will be performing at Monmouth University tonight, opening for the All-American Rejects



Television Trash

JASON MORLEY
STAFF WRITER

Today’s television programming has become as shameful as it is entertaining. I am the first to admit that much of what I criticize and loathe, I still watch. However, I despise it as much as I enjoy it. With every click of the remote, television allows us to view the most offensive aspects of society from a safe distance, peer into the “reality” of others only after it is carefully edited and manipulated, wow us with glamorous lifestyles and ridiculously dramatic plotlines, and push advertising down our throats with well-placed anticlimactic commercials and a proverbial deluge of product placement.

It would be cliché to point the finger at daytime television. From talk shows to arbitrations guised as simulated courtroom proceedings, only the most ridiculous of our species is represented. How does any woman engage in so much unprotected sex during conception that there are eight possible men who may be the father? Does anyone else see a problem with this? Oh, and one word: soaps! Come



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Maury Povich brings paternity tests to television.

on. Reality television has been exposed as a scam in the past decade, and still draws viewers; but at least they know that what they are watching is a complete scam. Yet, the tequila body shots and backstabbing gossip that packs every episode of MTV’s *The Real World*, *Road Rules*, and the challenge shows between the two combined with the unrealistic components of nauseating shows like *My Super Sweet 16*, seem to skew society just a bit for today’s youth. Anyone given a \$300,000 car at age sixteen ought to be knocked in the head with a brick if they even consider complaining that it isn’t the exact shade of silver they demanded. Oh, and forget the spring break coverage; I’ll leave that one alone.

Ironically, some newer types of reality shows that are aimed at helping people be successful as families do exactly the opposite. Shows like *Wife Swap* allow families to switch matriarchs for a week in exchange for a large check. Producers essentially find the most unrealistic families to represent as “typical”.

For example, a recent episode exchanged one mother with obsessive-compulsive mannerisms who worked as a professional organizer, with another who lived under the delusion she and her family were pirates. In the second family’s living quarters, they regularly crossed swords on the living room couch, dealt with constant fleabites from a rampant infestation, ate off of the floor at times, and were a better candidate for an investigation by

Child Services than a TV show.

On a partner show called *Supernanny*, we get an inside look at a generation that looks to have a bleak future facilitated by atrocious parenting and extreme laziness substituting for discipline. This show was highlighted in recent weeks by a seven-year-old who screamed and cursed like a sailor until his mother came in to “wipe his bum,” as it was eloquently phrased by the overseeing nanny.

Even places where television seems safe, it is very far from it. Cable news channels provide us with only the most extreme biases associated with partisan politics, peppered with the occasional human interest story or piece of celebrity gossip wrapped neatly in a box of sensationalism, packed with colorful graphics, and gifted to us by obnoxious so-called news anchors. Since local news can’t compete with around the clock coverage, they focus only on the most inane occurrences in “a neighborhood near you.”

After all of this, I still didn’t even touch on some of the worst things out there: obnoxious primetime dramas, annoying specialized networks that advertise for their own programming constantly, paparazzi-driven gossip news, violence and bathroom humor in children’s shows, an infinite supply of on-screen plastic surgery, and many more. There’s too many to even list.

I truly hope that somehow people, not all individuals, but the masses of viewers nationwide that may never read above a fifth grade level, will find a way to differentiate between entertainment and what the colored-screen implies are acceptable ways of living, normal people, and plausible methods of human interaction.

Nearing Grace

JENNY GOLDEN
STAFF WRITER

Based on a novel by Scott Sommer, *Nearing Grace* is a coming-of-age drama set in May 1979 that follows a teenager’s struggles to survive both the loss of his mother, Rose, and his final year of high school. Set in South Orange, New Jersey, the film is a cliché yet compelling story about a smart-aleck lost young man who walks around unaware of exactly what he wants out of life. His father quits his job as a teacher, grows out his hair, and rides his bike through town while his brother leaves with a hippie girlfriend in search of acid.

Despite seeming to manage much better than his father and older brother who escape their pain through alcohol and drugs, seventeen-year-old Henry Nearing (Gregory Smith, from *Everwood*) develops an infatuation with an attractive and sexually aggressive student Grace. She serves as a predictable distraction from the romance he is obviously destined to have with his best friend Merna, who secretly yearns for him. Henry and Merna are both still virgins, yet when she proposes that they experiment sexually with the Kama Sutra, he does not accept the suggestion. She wants to have intercourse with a friend that she trusts, but Henry doesn’t know what he wants. He is clearly obsessed with Grace, who is dating the school’s lacrosse champion, Lance. When she notices Henry’s attraction to her, she decides to fool around behind her boyfriend’s back. Henry is simply her latest victim while she strings him along with a sequence of dates and flirtations, but never seems to have serious feelings for him. They eventually engage in sex, yet this naturally doesn’t erase Henry’s depression, which results

in his decision to drop out of school just before graduation and withdraw to the basement, informing his father he’s not coming out until he discovers the meaning of life. Meanwhile, Merna attempts to conceal her affections for Henry by dating a college student, Tripp. Watching *Nearing Grace* slowly develops into a game of wondering if Henry and Merna will finally come together. The acting is outstanding, especially Smith who establishes a relationship with the viewers, exposing his character’s raw thoughts and feelings even as he conceals them from other characters behind a wall of sarcasm. Jordana Brewster’s remarkable portrayal of a potential vixen transforms into a complicated and damaged young girl who uses her powerful sexuality as a strong defense against true intimacy. Saturated with hormones, angst, wittiness, and heartbreak, *Nearing Grace*’s combination of nostalgia, disdain for growing up, and emotional energy is an effective one.



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Nearing Grace’s star, Gregory Smith

What’s New in the Music Scene?

LINDSEY STEINWAND
STAFF WRITER

How creative to use an old children’s tune to co-write a song for your solo album? Former Black Eyed Peas singer, Fergie, recently released her solo album *The Dutchess* (2006) and shocked all her aspiring fans. Each song on the album is definitely catchy and fun, but serious depth is lacking in almost every song. Her single, “London Bridge” keeps us all guessing about what the hell she is talking about, and each track seems to get more and more perplexing. With lyrics like, “Cause you be a hanger on,” and “I be the crawlin’ in your skin/ I be the reason for your sin,” she definitely leaves room for question. Even though it may be obvious to some that she clearly wrote the same song to thirteen different beats, it is easy to see why every socially-normal Monmouth girl is blasting this on her laptop. It’s catchy. It’s simple. It’s definitely dance-worthy. Make sure you eat a lot before the next time you go out to a party; this CD will be on all night and you will definitely need to be intoxicated to get the full Fergie experience.

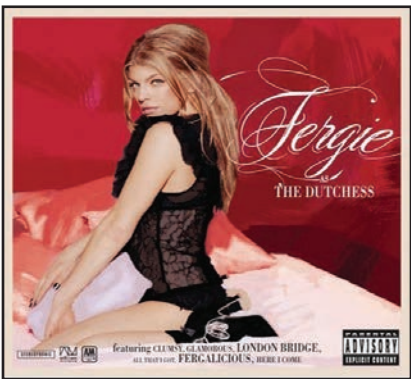


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Fergie
The Dutchess
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It’s been two years since “Somebody Told Me” and “Mr. Brightside” began their airtime hourly on radio stations across the country. Last week, The Killers finally dropped their new album “Sam’s Town,” prepared for the unexpected. It seems that fans honestly have mixed reviews of the whole situation. The lead singer’s whiny-synthesized voice is back for more, and the band is carrying even more of an electronic sound than before. Personally, I need a lonesome rainy day to really get into this album. It does seem to be as fun as *Hot Fuss* (2004). Their old dance-rock sound has since faded and they seem to have picked up a new electronic-indie sound. Don’t get me wrong, The Killers are definitely one of the most talented and original bands in the pop scene today; however, their older fans may not be so ready to accept their new sound. Bottom line: this review is up for grabs: some days its “Uncle Johnny,” and some days it’s “Mr. Brightside.” At least they finally put a hit back into the MTV2 circuit, right?

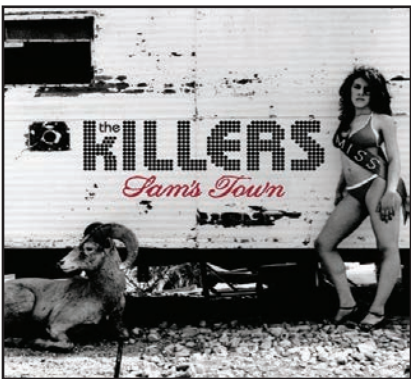


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Diggin’ in the Crate

JASON MORLEY
STAFF WRITER

The new reign of punk rock pop bands and emo ensembles is often credited to the SoCal constituencies of guitar strumming, jilted lovers and skateboarding, anti-mainstream babies of the ‘80s (ironically Something Corporate did a song by the same name). However, many of us in the tri-state triumvirate know that NJ, NY, & PA produced many of today’s punk bands. Here’s a few of the guys who grew up right next to you:

- Starting Line – “Making Love to the Camera”
*originally formed in Churchill, PA
- Thursday – “Paris in Flames”
*originally from New Brunswick, NJ
- Socratic – “Funeral Masses”
*originally from Cranford, NJ...founding member (Kevin Bryant) attended Monmouth as a freshman in 2002
- Senses Fail – “Rum is for Drinking, Not for Burning”
*originally from Ridgewood, NJ
- Taking Back Sunday – “Error Operator”
*originally from Amityville, NY

Plus, a few mainstream club tracks from recent years...

- Plummet – “Cherish the Day”
- Amuka – “Appreciate Me”
- Jessy – “Look @ Me Now”
- Jason Nevins pres. Holly James – “I’m in Heaven”

Next Week: Tracks that will guarantee to get your party started!!!

All Lifestyles Included Celebrates “Coming Out Day”

PAUL BAKER
STAFF WRITER

The All Lifestyles Included (ALI) club proudly celebrated “Coming Out Day” on Wednesday, October 11, in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center. Coming Out Day is a time to publicly display gay pride. Many choose this day to come out to their parents, friends, co-workers, and themselves.

National Coming Out Day was founded by Robert Eichberg and Jean O’Leary on October 11, 1988, in celebration of the first gay march on Washington D.C. a year earlier. The main purpose of Coming Out

Day is to promote public awareness of gay, bisexual, lesbian, and transgender rights and also to celebrate homosexuality.

Coming Out Day at MU was a day of stories, laughter, intrigue, and compassion. While most students saw the rainbow flagged table and quickly scurried by, other students and faculty stopped to show their support for the gay community.

The table included packets of information regarding homosexuality and homophobia, ALI rainbow Slinkies, and rainbow ribbon pins to wear for the day. ALI also played a television reel of “coming out” stories from all around

the nation.

Several students were surprised and comforted by the friendly support available for the gay community. One anonymous student

GLBT community, it was cool to see the campus-wide acceptance of the whole day.” Many were unaware that the ALI club existed and is open and amiable towards

“Coming Out Day is a day to celebrate the Individual as a whole.”

ANGELA SWERCHECK
ALI President

said, “It was an interesting experience for me because, coming from a predominantly straight high school with little tolerance for the

everyone.

This year’s theme was “Talk About It.” Talk About It was provided by the Human Rights Campaign, which works for equal rights for lesbians, gays, bisexuals, and transgenders. This organization works hard to provide an equal voice for the gay community in the United States. They produce flyers with shocking statistics such as “the federal government could save more than \$1 billion a year by allowing same sex couples to marry” and “84 percent of GLBT students report being verbally harassed—name-calling, threats, etc.—at school.”

“Coming Out Day is the best national holiday because everyone, no matter race etc., can cel-

brate something that bonds the nation together and offer support to all those out and proud,” said club member Andrea Johnson, a junior who has been “out” for about a year. She added, “I’m out and proud! Booyah I’m a happy Lesbian!”

Monmouth is proud to have such a diverse group of students and was happy to allow them the time and space to express themselves and increase awareness throughout campus.

Coming Out Day was a constructive day for the gay community at Monmouth. Names and e-mails were shared, friendships were started, and awareness and support was spread through the community.

“Coming Out Day is a day to celebrate the Individual as a whole,” said ALI president Angela Swercheck. “ALI was pleased to have the support of the entire campus.”

Future ALI activities include a much anticipated trip to the Museum of Sex in New York, which will be open to the whole student body.

The ALI club reminds students that meetings are held on Thursdays at 4 p.m. in room 202C of the student center and welcomes all who are interested in joining.

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CLUB and GREEK

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Phi Sigma Sigma

The theme this week seems to be BAD LUCK: Amore starts the week off with a bang by actually making it out on a Thursday night. Although she manages to keep her sexy body off of the Internet, we feel her luck is quickly running out when the youtube video is discovered by more and more people. Not so lucky this week was Caliente, who now knows that Helen Keller actually is a better driver than Graziella. But wait, we thought Graziella was still in hiding since last Thursday night? I guess she's out thanks to 3 team playas SunSet, Juicy, and Glamour. Bad luck strikes again when Jacinta and CaPri battle over something other than boys; hospital hours. I'll see your three-car pile up and raise you an infected gal bladder. This just in: VirtuouS receives the Phi Sig Bra because only her boobs can fit into it! Unfortunately for us, Luna-belle went missing yet again, but she's back in action making her roommates pee in their pants. Phi Sig Question of the week: What's a PhiCycle? A) a 5 wheeled bicycle B) A Phi that you ride C) Phi Sig's goals D) The Asian's pledge name. The answer would be D, congratz! SunSet adopts a new nickname as well, just call her Adolph. Bad luck hits Parisa hard when she decides to drink more than everyone at the PSU tailgate combined & is stuck in traffic, topping out at 11 miles in 2 hours, true story. Divine tests the sound barriers at 215 and luckily for us, we learn that the walls are paper-thin! Can you two keep it down please? Just remember Luminous, if you ever run into bad luck, just call on the 3 sisters. The only sister who steers clear of bad luck this week is RoXXXstar, the officer noticed the sexiness in the backseat and lets all laws slide. Good thing Blahnixx wasn't aware that she slept in 215 alone on Friday the 13th. "May good luck be with you.... And also with you." AimHigh

Delta Phi Epsilon

Sisters- Thank you all so much for coming to the Big Event and the Breast Cancer Walk, it was great that so many of us participated! Also can't wait for Homecoming with Theta Xi!-- I love you all- Honey! I miss my Ponda, Vagina and Pookie Bear- DESTINi I love 249 Holly, Christen, Michelle, Jackie, Angela, cieLo and nevAeh- love us! Whats up 246 Garfield! Love my Deeppers! 646 Hoey I love you girls! Twinny I love you and I am here for you always- Love sParkles. Linds Roomie I love you and you can be my new boyfriend! Xoxo Straight up shoot that tonight sen! CHEPA!! HOLLYWOOD *48* 2nd Ave- What goes on?? Lap Dance cieLo! Happy 22nd Extreme xoxo #3 DaZZle Hey Dazzle, what are you next to my big? Hey Vegas, you still sore, you can do it!-- Sheera Only you and I can turn anything into a sitcom!- Love u dolce- We take it to a whole new level GLISSAdE! I love Vegas!<3 Riley! Love you too Riley and Sheera I am so sore, damn Lucille!! Love Vegas- One and only true wifey, yay originals! Someone needs to grow a set. Well until Thursday- CALIENTE- I love HEAVENLi...we are bringing second back, yup Luckie, Martini, Harmoni, SunSet, Wish I love Thursdays & eh of course twinny Love always- SunSet- I missed you all this weekend! Happy 22nd Extreme!-Love Wish- nevAeh, I love you, don't know what I'd do without you! SINplicity- thank you for everything you did for me today! Slurpees solve everything! SC- buying fish was fun<3- Cara, Me, Ali, Stef, crazy birthdays coming up! cieLo Twin baby, find me at the bar! Love Starlet! Awliee...so glad to have you back. We're back in action. Wassup Kel wassup Court. Holla! Thanks sisters I love you all! Happy to be back in the Jungle with KCos, Kell, Court and Bobby! Holler Holler! <3 Awliee Alpha Nu's my world SunSet!

Alpha Sigma Tau

Stitch , Pearl, and Luna, you gave me a new love for random car rides. Matey, you rock and I love you. Daddy long legs are scary! I never want to sweep a five-story stair well ever again! Love always, Cyprus. Shimmer and Spice go on adventures in Asbury..WOO! Vogue-go cook for real this time. Glamour and Matey are so excited!!! I love you Honey...love Glamour. Shimmer and Spice get lost in Asbury, Love ya! Sorry about the cell Luckystar, I'm here for you...Love Shimmer. Gia and Matey got the ARRGH out of here and headed to shop rite... WOO! Pirates' life for me! Stitch, Gia, and Glamour love each other. Our Mirrors look Fab! TURN THE LIGHT OFF! Gia and Glamour have sweet new beds. Gia loves Vogue! Tons! Love you smalls! You're the one and only- no worries- Gia. Pearl I'm nervous about Fall '07! :O(-Gia Lady, Stitch, and Riff rock! Alpha Moooo! Glamour, Matey Destiny and Serenity celebrate one year! Love you girls!- Serenity Biggie, couldn't imagine any other Big but you!!! Love ya!-Vogue Fiona and Kaprice- you two are the best littles a big could ask for! I love you both like whoa!-Stitch Glamour- you are the best!-love Honey Lady, Stitch, and Glamour good times at U-Subs...love you girls. Thank you Riff for listening to me at two am. It really helped. Love Honey. Big, thank you for saving my life and my sanity at dawn on Saturday, that's to you too Twinnie! Kozmic thanks for returning my food in the pouring rain Monday night. Kozmis and Riff- you guys can steal my "table" legs anytime, just make sure I get them back! Love you all! You're the reason my mind is somewhat normal! Love Kaprice. Stitch, capes are on back order but know that you deserve one, a really, really sparkly one! Love Matey The Lovely Ladies do the Big Event up... Conga Style... Fiona, Luna, and Honey all get new boyfriends... who cares if they're in their 70s. Harmony is stalking the article from red bank and severely misses her little and secrets and the Ernie which makes her Bert. Blaze and Lucky Star reunite after what seems like years of separation and live it up crafty style... whoever would've thought you can't play jump rope with garland. Lucky Star and Shimmer now have matching minty lips Shimmer-Thanks for going stalking with me, Love you~ Lucky Star

Big Event Fall 06'!

Phi Sigma Kappa Volunteers at SPCA



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(From Left) Sean Kenny, Bobby the Dog



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(From Left) John DePinto, Billy Sciarappa, Sean Kenny, Mark Mezynski, Erin Schiavo, George Roa

Phi Sigma Kappa

Hioo Brothers! Been a great week, alot of BIG news. Tweakhead listens to us and finally cheats on his girlfriend. Hurley hits the Mixx and picks up everything but chicks. Soo da odda night... Scott finally beats lou in the battle of the bots. Shine finds out he's adopted and thinks it's a joke at first. Message from the PRES.."When I was 16 I was ranked 6th in the state for bellydance". Farvas new hairplugs scare both parents and children at fright fest...Launchpad finds out he has ADD, ciggarettes couldn't cure it, now hes on the hard stuff... Scrotum spends more money on rings then he does on his rent-a-center TV. Attention Greasehead..penalty on your game..TH'ing.. hairline moved back 2 inches. In other breaking news...PSK Scandal, Krusty caught paying off clinic for negative test results... Gump and Honky form a band named Montley Jew... And last but not least, my favorite, quotes of the week. Fival "Condoms are for sailors" and Pugsley "If cheating on your gf was a class in college I'd get an A." This is Jihad signing off saying you dummys shouldn't have let me write this. DAMN PROUD

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By Linda C. Black,
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Today's Birthday (Oct. 18th)

Re-evaluate old decisions about what you cannot do. Your capabilities have increased, as have the possibilities. Try and try again.

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

♈

Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - Today is an 7

You're doing well but it certainly is not by luck alone. Obey the rules and practice more than anybody thinks necessary. Talent isn't enough.

♉

Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - Today is a 8

Somebody you know well and love deeply is a bit concerned. Reassure that person your priorities are in the right order. If they're not, you won't have a clue what that means.

♊

Gemini • (May 21 - June 21) - Today is a 6

Make sure everybody understands the objective. They're not cooperating very well, and if they're confused, it's even worse.

♋

Cancer • (June 22 - July 22) - Today is a 7

Use your talents to get other people to help, by using theirs. In this manner, you greatly magnify everyone's effectiveness.

♌

Leo • (July 23- Aug. 22) - Today is a 6

You're doing well, although you may not know yet what you have. Don't assume you can afford anything. That's not the case.

♍

Virgo • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - Today is a 6

You're the one who can figure out what's really going on. Listen to others but never forget, you're the one who understands the numbers.

♎

Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - Today is a 6

As you get the icky stuff out of the way, you'll realize you're much stronger than you thought. This is a wonderful thing.

♏

Scorpio • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - Today is a 6

You're solving the riddle and finding the prize. Let the others figure it out for themselves; don't tell them.

♐

Sagittarius • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is an 5

Don't get into telling stories, even if you've got a good one. Keep a straight face and do what's expected, quickly.

♑

Capricorn • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - Today is a 8

You're stuck where you are for a little while longer. You can't go yet, but you can pack. You'll have more traveling money after the 20th.

♒

Aquarius • (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is a 6

You like to think carefully about things, before taking action. This is very important now. Don't keep all those thoughts to yourself.

♓

Pisces • (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) Today is a 8

You can advance in your career, and you don't have to do it all by yourself. Watch, look and listen, so you don't make every mistake.

SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES

By Michael Mephram

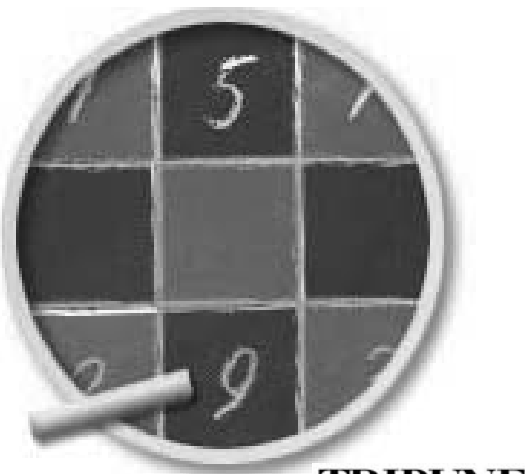
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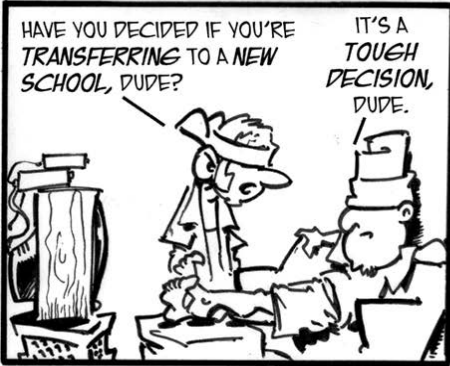
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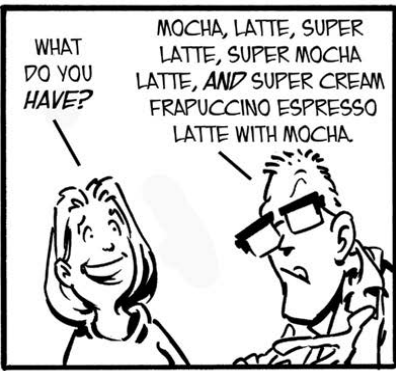
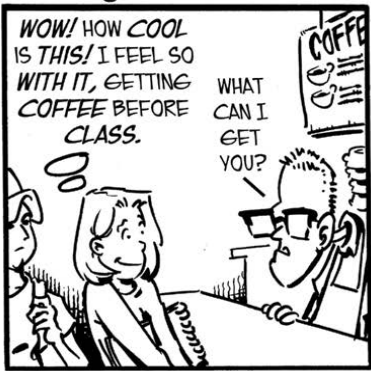


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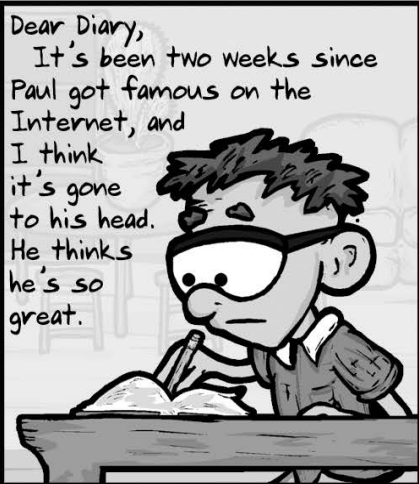
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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

PAUL

Dear Diary,
It's been two weeks since Paul got famous on the Internet, and I think it's gone to his head. He thinks he's so great.



But you know what, he's not. Not even close! Anyway, went to the Waffle House today. I got blueberry waffles. They tasted good but I think I'll get regular ones next time.



BY BILLY O'KEEFE MRBILLY.COM/PAUL

"THE BLUEBERRIES MADE THE WAFFLES SOGGY..." WOW, GRIPPING STUFF. HA, "DEAR DIARY." AWW.



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Friday, October 20th
Ross Allison – ghost hunter
Wilson Auditorium, 8pm
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Tuesday, October 24th
Halloween Concert
Anacon Hall, 8:00 PM
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Wednesday, October 25th
Homecoming Event
Look for details coming soon!

NOVEMBER

Wednesday, November 1st
Caramel Apples
RSSC Lobby, 12-4pm
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Saturday, November 4th
Casino Night
Anacon Hall, 7pm
Bring your friends and family for this annual family weekend event! Come try your luck at Monmouth's casino and play blackjack, poker, craps, and roulette. Win great prizes.

Wednesday, November 8th
Bridget Gray – Slam Poet
Java City Cafe, 8pm
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Friday, November 10th
Boston Overnight
Depart from SC Lot, 1pm Departure
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Thursday, November 16th
Pete Lee
Java City Cafe, 7pm
Pete Lee is an adorable smart mouth with a 12th grade vocabulary. Mixing strong punch lines with a juvenile perspective, he's proof that you can be smart, sound dumb and use cuteness to get away with it.

Friday, November 17th
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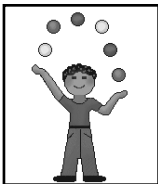
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“How do you balance all of your responsibilities as a college student and still do well in school and have a social life?”



BY: SUZANNE GUARINO



Nicole
sophomore

“I make a schedule in my planner and I make sure that I can do my school work and still make time for family, boyfriend & friends.”



Casey
junior

“Between working 20 hours a week, volunteer work, and school, it's very difficult to find any balance.”



Tyrone
super senior

“I used to be poor at it, but I learned to make sacrifices and I got used to making them, and the people that I cut out of my schedule got used to being cut out. I keep it real.”



Mia
freshman

“A lot of late nights! Besides classes, I have student government, work, and a boyfriend.”



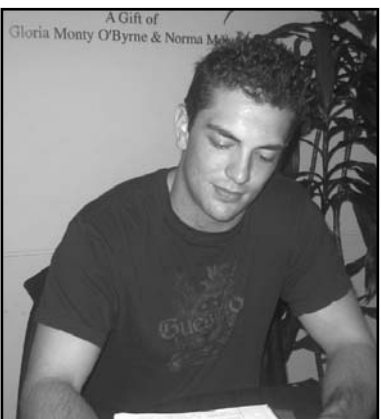
Ruth
sophomore

“I work three jobs, I'm taking 18 credits, and I'm a Bio major. I'm very unhealthy; I don't have time to eat or sleep. But I like to keep busy, so it works for me!”



Jenna & Diane
freshmen

“We do our homework together! Sports does take up a lot of our time, but it's worth it in the long run.”



Joe
senior

“I do put family and friends above schoolwork, but I still do good.”



Libby, Megan & Jessica
freshmen

“We don't sleep and were stressed out, but we're trying not to save things 'til the last minute and space things out (i.e. time management).”



Korin & Matt
senior & junior

“It's tough balancing everything. We leave everything until the last minute and we'd like to change that because cramming isn't always good.”



Candice
sophomore

“It's hard because when I'm not playing softball for Monmouth, I'm doing homework. When I'm not doing homework, I'm with friends. I see family when they visit me.”

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This Weeks Campus Events

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2006

Project Linus
Bey Hall 129, 2:30 PM

Verizon Wireless Campus Tour 2006 with All American Rejects
Boylan, 7:15 - 11:00 PM

Tickets- \$10 @ Student Center Information Desk

Photo Exhibit: Through the Eyes of Children: The Rwanda Project
University Library Thru November 8

Two River Film Festival HOLOCAUST/GENOCIDE FILM & SYMPOSIA DAY
Pollak Theatre, Events All Day

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2006

A Look at China in Transition
Magill Club 107, 11:30 AM

Shadows of Shadow Lawn
Wilson Aud., 8:00 PM

Octoberfest
Catholic Centre, 8:30 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2006

Intramural Texas Hold 'Em
RSSC Fireplace, 5:00 PM

Ross Allison- Ghost Hunter
Wilson Aud., 8:00 PM

MU Ice Hawks vs. Hofstra
Wall Sports Arena, 9 PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2006

Second City Comedy
Pollak Theatre, 8:00 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2006

Heartwalk
Belmar, NJ

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2006

Halloween Conert
Anacon Hall, 8:00 PM (Doors open at 7:30 PM)

Homecoming Elections on WebAdvisor
Starts at 12:00PM (thru Wed. @ 12:00 PM)

Ladies Night
Magill Club 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2006

Homecoming Event - Exotic Animal Show (tentative)
Student Center Lobby, 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Thinking it Through
Anacon Hall, 1:00 PM

PreProfessional Health
Advisory Committee Meeting
Young Aud., 2:30 PM

Monmouth Review Literary
Submissions Due, 4:00 PM

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GOAL
SETTING

Thursday, October 26 @ 12:00 PM
Carol Afflitto Conference Room
Rebecca Stafford Student Center

Students who attend a minimum of seven workshops over the course of the 2006-2007 academic year will be recognized with the LEAD (Leadership Education Achievement Doctrine) by the Office of Student Activities.

Weekend Movie Series
Students Choice Vote

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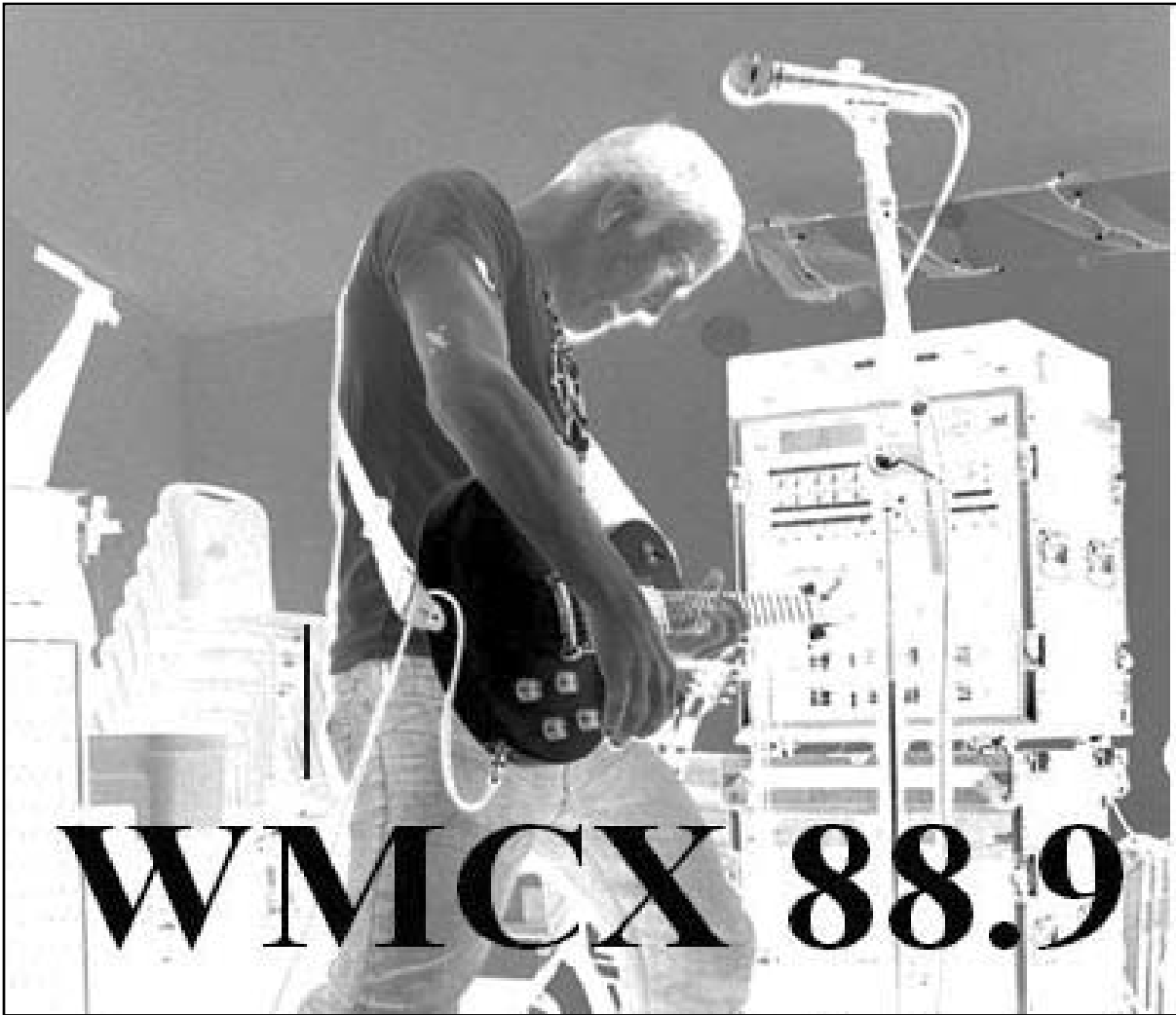


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Rank ARTIST Album (Label)

- 1 PARKWAY DRIVE Killing with a Smile (Epitaph)
- 2 TENACIOUS D The Pick of Destiny (Epic)
- 3 BLOOD BROTHERS Young Machetes (V2)
- 4 SAOSIN Saosin (Capitol)
- 5 OUIJA RADIO Oh No...Yes! Yes! (Crustacean)
- 6 MORELLO Twelve Ways to Breathe XXX
- 7 RODEO CARBURETOR Rodeo Carburetor (Denko Secca)
- 8 BLACK KEYS Magic Potion (Nonesuch)
- 9 NORTH ATLANTIC Wires in the Walls (We Put Out)
- 10 SPITAFIELD Better Than Knowing Where You Are (Victory)
- 11 MOROS EROS I Saw the Devil Last Night and Now the Sun Shines Bright (Victory)
- 12 BLACK MARIA A Shared History of Tragedy (Victory)
- 13 SUFJAN STEVENS The Avalanche: Outtakes and Extras from the Illinois Album (Asthmatic Kitty)
- 14 ALEXISONFIRE Crisis (Vagrant)
- 15 OXFORD COLLAPSE Remember the Night Parties (Sub Pop)
- 16 PROPHET OMEGA The Natural World (Astralwerks)
- 17 IN REVERENT FEAR Stomacher (Anxiety)
- 18 CORDALENE The Star Ledger (Dalloway)
- 19 STRAYS Le Futur Noir (TVT)
- 20 ELLEGARDEN Riot on the Grill (Denko Secca)
- 21 BRIGGS Back to Higher Ground (Side One Dummy)
- 22 MUSE Black Holes and Revelations (Warner Bros.)
- 23 LUCKY BOYS CONFUSION How to Get Out Alive (Reincarnate)
- 24 WESTBOUND TRAIN Transitions (Hellcat)
- 25 SUPERHOPPER Party Killers (Guilt Ridden Pop)
- 26 DECEMBERISTS The Crane Wife (Capitol)

- 27 SAMIAM Whatever's Got You Down (Hopeless)
- 28 MARS VOLTA Amputechture (Universal/Strummer)
- 29 SIERRA LEONE'S REFUGEE ALL STARS Living Like a Refugee (Anti)
- 30 1986 Nihilism is Nothing to Worry About (Self-Released)

This Week's Giveaways

Listen to The X 88.9 this week for your chance to win tickets to see The Dresden Dolls with the Red Paintings at the Starland Ballroom in Sayreville on Sunday, October 29th.

Listen to The X 88.9 on Mondays for your chance to win two-day passes to the Saints And Sinners Festival at Convention Hall in Asbury Park on Friday, October 28 and Saturday, October 29th.

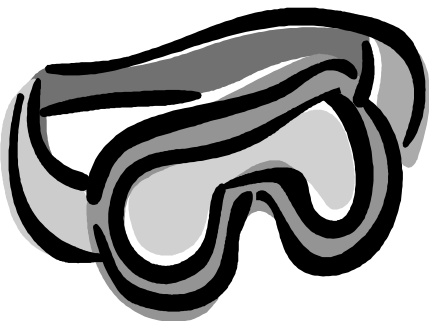
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THE END ZONE

Monmouth Takes Annual “Battle of the Hawks”

Boland Ties School TD Pass Record in 28-7 Victory Over Wagner

CRAIG D'AMICO
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Behind a career day from running back David Sinisi, a game for the record books from quarterback Brian Boland, and another solid performance from a suffocating defense, the Hawks rolled into Staten Island on Saturday and came away with a 28-7 victory.

After starting the season 4-0 in non-conference play, Wagner was coming in following two tough luck conference losses, both in the final seconds. Two weeks ago against Sacred Heart, a Matt Abbey pass was intercepted in the

In a struggle for field position, Sean Dennis booted a 62 yard punt that was downed at the Wagner one yard line.

Unable to get anything going on the ensuing possession, the Seahawks were forced to punt it away from their own end zone, but punter Piotr Czech unloaded a 65 yard punt backing Monmouth up to their own 29.

The Seahawks defense, now playing in their seventh game, has not allowed a first quarter point all season, a streak that continued on Saturday. But the Hawks didn't wait until that far past the first stanza to crack the scoreboard.

and again Boland's receiver did the rest, streaking the rest of the way down the far sideline for the score and a 14-0 Monmouth lead at the break.

The touchdown pass was the 52nd of Boland's career, tying him with Dan Sabella for the all-time Monmouth record for career touchdown passes.

On the Seahawks' first drive of the second half, David Jiles tied the all-time Monmouth interception record with his third interception of the season.

The turning point in the game was midway through the third quarter. As Sean Dennis punted the ball away to Seahawks return man Al Phillips, Phillips muffed the catch and the ball bounced through his legs. The Hawks immediately pounced on the loose ball and took over with a new set of downs at the Wagner 10.

Monmouth took advantage of the costly Wagner mistake, with Boland calling his own number on third and one from the two for the touchdown. The score put the Hawks up three scores and was the first rushing touchdown given up by Wagner all season.

By the time Wagner got the offense going, it was too little, too late. Driving down the field early in the fourth quarter, Abbey was intercepted in the end zone by Matt Hill.

Midway through the fourth quarter, Wagner finally found the end zone as Jason Butler ran in a score from 22 yards out. The touchdown ended a run of seven shutout quarters of football for the Hawks defense.

After a failed onside kick by Wagner gave the Hawks the football at the Seahawks 46 yard line, there was still one more order of business to take care of, get Sinisi into the end zone.

Sinisi, who had scored a touchdown in every game, was shut-out of the end zone at this point. Driven to keep the scoring streak alive, Sinisi carried the ball five straight times for 40 yards on the last Hawks drive, and kept the streak alive with a three yard touchdown run with just 1:42 left in the game.

Sinisi finished with a career high 23 carries and 107 yards with the touchdown. Boland completed 15 passes on the day in 23 attempts, for 163 yards and two touchdown passes in addition to his touchdown run.

On defense, Matt Hill led the team with seven tackles and a pick. Jiles caught a pick as well, and Kevin Walsh and Vinny Fonti added sacks. The team forced three turnovers, avoided committing any turnovers themselves, and only was penalized twice.

This Saturday, Monmouth will take its two game win streak back on the road to Moon Township, PA when they take on the Robert Morris Colonials. The Colonials have yet to lose in conference play this year, with their last win coming in double overtime against NEC foe Central Connecticut State on October 14.



PHOTO COURTESY of David Beales

Brian Boland had two touchdown passes in the Hawks 28-7 win over Wagner. He needs just one more to break the Monmouth career record.

end zone as time expired to give the Pioneers a 25-17 win.

Last week, the Seahawks had first and goal from the one yard line with under a minute to go against Robert Morris and couldn't get it in. The Colonials came away with a 14-10 victory.

This meeting figured to be just as tight, as the Hawks held a slim 7-6 series lead over Wagner dating back to their first meeting in 1993. Eight of the previous 13 meetings were decided by one possession. In addition, this game featured a battle between the top two defenses in the NEC in points allowed, so one would figure points would be at a premium.

The defensive battle lived up to its billing early on, as in the first quarter the punters were the stars.



PHOTO COURTESY of David Beales

Chris Kelly helped lead the Hawks' offensive attack against Wagner.

Dennis Earns Two NEC Special Teams Player of the Week Honors

PRESS RELEASE
MUATHLETICS

For the second straight week, Monmouth punter Sean Dennis was named Northeast Conference Special Teams Player of the Week, league officials announced Monday.

"Sean has consistently done a fine job for us," said head coach Kevin Callahan. "His ability to punt the ball, and pin our opponents deep in their own territory has been a great weapon for us."

The senior picks up his second Special Teams Player of the Week award this season after punting seven times for 288 yards, for a 41.1 average, in Monmouth's 28-7 win over Wagner on Saturday. Dennis' best punt of the day was a 62-yarder that was downed on Wagner's one yard line. Dennis' kicking efforts was one of the major components that had the Hawks starting with an advantage in field position throughout the game. Three of his seven punts were downed inside the 20, including one at the 17, 12 and one yard lines. Dennis has had 10 of his 24 punts land inside op-

ponent's redzones this season

Last week, Dennis punted six times in MU's Saturday's 24-0 win over Sacred Heart, five of which were inside the Pioneer 20 yard line. The senior's punts was a big reason for Sacred Heart owning a starting field position of their own 23, despite boasting one of the best punt and kick return teams in the conference.



PHOTO COURTESY of MU Athletics

Sean Dennis earned his second straight NEC Special teams player of the week honor.

Women's Soccer Defeats St. Francis 2-0, Improves to 5-0-1 in the NEC

Lopez Leads the Way with Goal, Assist

ERIC M. WALSH
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Monmouth University women's soccer team went into Sunday's contest versus St. Francis undefeated at home on The Great Lawn. After it was all said and done, the Hawks remained undefeated with a perfect 8-0 record at home after beating the Red Flash 2-0.

The Hawks got off to a fast start when Andrea Lopez dribbled along the end line and beat the double team to find senior Kate

post. With the goal, Lopez added to her goals total which stands at eight and her total points total which stands at 26. In the game, the Hawks outshot the Red Flash 17-4 and had a 7-2 advantage in corner kicks. Sophomore goalie Katie Buffa earned her 10th win of the year, not having to make a single save in the game.

"This was a great team effort today," stated head coach Krissy Turner. "Our goal all season was to be dominant at home, and I think we achieved that today. We are looking forward to the remainder



PHOTO COURTESY of David Beales
Andrea Lopez had a goal and an assist in Monmouth's 2-0 win over St. Francis.

"Our goal all season was to be dominant at home, and I think we achieved that today. We are looking forward to the remainder of our games and making it back to the tournament."

KRISSY TURNER
Women's Soccer Head Coach

Fogler in front of the net for the first Monmouth goal in the 5th minute. The assist helped Lopez improve her team leading assists tally to 10 for the season. The goal for Fogler was her first of the year and a fitting one, at that, coming on senior day.

Monmouth scored again late in the second half with Lopez burying a loose ball in at the near

of our games and making it back to the tournament."

The Hawks improved to 10-2-2 overall and finish their home slate of the 2006 season 8-0 on The Great Lawn. This marks the first time since 2002 that the Hawks finished a season undefeated on home soil. Monmouth returns to action on October 19 at NJIT in a non-conference matchup.

Women's Soccer Schedule

10/19 at NJIT 7:00
10/22 at Mount St. Mary's 12:00
10/27 at LIU 6:00
10/29 at Wagner 1:00

Men's Soccer Team Defeats Mount St. Mary's 3-0

Steven Holloway Posts Two Goals in the Victory

ALEXANDER TRUNCALE
SPORTS EDITOR

The Monmouth University men's soccer team extended their unbeaten streak in North-east Conference play this week with a 3-0 victory over Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The Hawks opened the scoring in the 14th minute, when Tom Gray scored from thirty yards out to give Monmouth the lead early. The scored remained 1-0 throughout the game, as the Mount tried to even the score, but could not capitalize on three separate scoring chances, Monmouth goalkeeper Daniel Schenkel recorded three saves to earn the shutout.

Steven Holloway would cap the scoring with two goals, one in the 88th minute on a feed from Damon Wilson, and one on a restart with just 15 seconds left in the game. Holloway now

has 13 goals this season, which leads the NEC, and puts him in the top ten in Division 1.

With the victory, the Hawks extended their NEC unbeaten streak to 15 games, dating back to 2004, and have gone unbeaten in their last seven games. They are 4-0-1 in the conference and 9-3-2 overall on the season.

"I'm definitely pleased with the way we responded," said head coach Robert McCourt. "Road wins in the conference are difficult to come by."

Monmouth will look to extend their conference unbeaten streak as they go on the road to take on Long Island University on Friday and Fairleigh Dickinson on Sunday. The Hawks have just four more games before the NEC Tournament begins on November 3rd.

"Our goal is to win the conference," McCourt remarked. He knows that if his team is going to meet their goal, they must take it one match at a time.


















































HAWK ZONE HOME GAME OF THE WEEK

Friday
October 27
Men's Soccer vs.
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Outlook's Weekly NFL Picks - Week 7

	Away	Carolina Panthers	Detroit Lions	Green Bay Packers	Pittsburgh Steelers	Philadelphia Eagles	Minnesota Vikings	Washington Redskins	New England Patriots
	Home	Cincinnati Bengals	New York Jets	Miami Dolphins	Atlanta Falcons	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	Seattle Seahawks	Indianapolis Colts	Buffalo Bills
Alex (3-5 Last Wk) (31-17 Overall)									
Craig (3-5 Last Wk) (29-19 Overall)									
Jacqueline (3-5 Last Wk) (29-19 Overall)									
Lisa (5-3 Last Wk) (29-19 Overall)									
Samantha (3-5 Last Wk) (21-27 Overall)									
Wes (3-5 Last Wk) (30-18 Overall)									

Field Hockey

Monmouth Posts Two More Conference Victories

ALEXANDER TRUNCALE
SPORTS EDITOR

Coming off their win against Fairfield, the Monmouth field hockey team defeated two more Northeast Conference foes last week, beating Siena 5-1 and shutting out Robert Morris 2-0. Against Siena, the Hawks

“It was great to see the team come out strong and get on top quickly,” said head coach Monica Morgan-Levy. “Our forwards did a great job and Molly (Passarella) played great defense on one of their strongest players.”

With the momentum from their 5-1 victory, the Hawks focused their attention on Robert Morris.

The Hawks will play their final four regular season games on the road, including two this week. They will take on Lafayette on Wednesday night before returning to their conference schedule with a Friday meeting at Rider.

Field Hockey Schedule

10/18
at Lafayette 7:00

10/20
at Rider 4:00

10/27
at Lock Haven 6:30

10/29
at St. Francis (Pa.)
12:00

Hawks Post Solid Showing in Albany

JACQUELYN BODMER
STAFF WRITER

Last Saturday the Monmouth Hawks competed in the 40th Annual Albany Cross Country Invitational. Competing against 27 teams, the women finished in 14th place and the men finished in 10th.

Running the 5K course, senior Malia Lyles and freshman Cailin Lynam ran a time of 19:02 and 19:04, coming in at 43rd and 44th places respectively. Sophomore Jessica Jones led the next race. She ran 19:51 to come in 93rd place. Following Jones were Jennifer Oprysko with her personal best of 20:14 in 102nd place, Corinne LaChac in 105th place with a time of 20:16, in 111th place with her time of 20:27, Laura Embrey, and Sarah Frenette finished out the Hawks in 134th place in 20:59.

“Most of our women ran their best time of the year on a fast but challenging course,” said head coach Joe Compagni. “Our freshmen are learning how to compete in big collegiate meets and getting better from week to week.”

Leading the men Hawks was Craig Segal. He came in 44th place with a time of 26:02 on the 5-mile course. Coming in 46th place with his time of 26:06, and his best time ever was Junior Dustin Coleman. Senior captain Martin Suarez III was 59th in a time of 26:21, and with his best time ever, junior Randy Hadzor came in 64th place in 26:26.

Finishing in 67th was Larry Schau in 26:27, 83rd place was Matt Caporaso in 26:53, and 114th place

was Jeff Coady in 27:51. “Our men’s 1-5 split of 25 seconds was tremendous, but we simply need to move this group up closer to the front of the race,” said Compagni.

Cross Country Schedule

10/21
at 3rd Annual Nevins Invitational

10/27
at NEC Championships
12:45

11/11 at NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regional 12:15

11/18 at ECAC/IC4A Championships

11/20 at NCAA Championships

“It was great to see the team come out strong and get on top quickly.”

MONICA MORGAN-LEVY
Field Hockey Head Coach

opened the scoring early. Just two minutes into the game, junior Hollee Hoooven found the back of the net on a reverse stick goal. Then, Kelly Crist scored to give the Hawks a 2-0 lead less than four minutes into the game. They would not look back. Monmouth went up 3-0 when Annie LoPresti scored on a penalty stroke, and then went up 4-0 just before the end of the first half after Hoooven notched her second goal of the game. After Siena closed the gap to 4-1 in the second half, Monmouth’s Janine Rini responded with a goal, giving Monmouth a 5-1 lead and capping the scoring.

It was Senior Day for the team, as Bridget Greene, Annie Welsh, and Maeve Hagen were honored before the game.

Much of the game was a defensive battle. But in the 25th minute, Annie LoPresti took a pass from Courtney Stetson and broke the scoreless tie, giving the Hawks a 1-0 lead. LoPresti would add another goal in the second half on a cross from Enza Mazza to give Monmouth a 2-0 lead.

With the victories, Monica Morgan-Levy’s squad is now over the .500 mark in NEC play, posting a 3-2 record in the conference on the season.



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The Hawks, led by their defense and another solid performance from Quarterback Brian Boland and Running Back David Sinisi, beat Wagner 28-7 on Saturday.

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