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## History Made: Barack Obama Elected First Black President

PETER TORLUCCI  
NEWS EDITOR

Amid the highest voter turn out in some years, Senator Barack Obama beat Republican candidate Senator John McCain in Tuesday's election. Right after Obama gained a significant lead in the electoral college, McCain offered his concession twenty minutes after eleven that night.

"If there is anyone out there who still doubts that America is a place where all things are possible, who still wonders if the dream of our founders is alive in our time, who still questions the power of our democracy, tonight is your answer," said Obama upon accepting the results at midnight. "Because of what we did on this date in this election at this defining moment change has come to America."

Throughout the day since polls had closed, Obama had the lead with roughly 80 more electoral votes than McCain. At about 11, California, a

deciding state, came in blue bringing the vote count to 297 for Obama and 146 in McCain's Favor. As of Wednesday morning the final results are

349 Obama, 173 McCain. In New Jersey, Obama led with 57-percent of the vote, and in Monmouth County, McCain led with 51-percent.

From his headquarters in Phoenix last night, McCain spoke about the unity of America. "Whatever our differences, we are fellow Americans," he said, "And please believe me when I say no association has ever meant more to me than that." Moments earlier he urged for his supporters to offers the next president "good will and earnest effort to find ways to come together to find the necessary compromises to bridge our differences...and leave our children and grandchildren a stronger, better country than we inherited."



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Presidential Elect Barack Obama addressing America at his acceptance speech

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## Senator Sean Kean Speaks to MU Political Science Club

TARA FANTINI  
STAFF WRITER

State Senator Sean T. Kean recently visited Monmouth University to talk to students about national as well as state-wide issues during a "Stand Up and Be Counted" event. Senator Kean represents the 11th district which consists of 25 towns in Monmouth County including Long Branch and West Long Branch. He is also the Co-Chairman of the McCain campaign in New Jersey.

Senator Kean opened the discussion by stating that politics on all levels are very interesting. In New Jersey, elections are held every year. The state legislators are up for election on years in between the presidential elections to prevent the local issues that are important to our state from getting lost in the topics that are brought to the forefront of the news during national

campaigns. He also discussed the recent corruption trials involving state senators that

power issue," said Kean.

He explained that the constitution requires a state budget



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Senator Sean Kean and the Political Science Club

have been in the news.

"This situation stems from a very fundamental balance of

to be passed by June 30th each year. Each administration over the course of history has had

"Christmas tree" items which were listed individually in the budget. These funds are generally good as they are set aside for projects such as an athletic center for a college or a roof over a local baseball field. However, this all changed after Governor Jim McGreevey created a large fund for these items instead of naming them separately. This was the origin of the corruption problems because the money was allocated at the discretion of the legislators and no one knew where it was going.

"When taxpayer dollars are being secretly distributed based on a selective group of legislators, problems arise and this is why you are reading about these issues in the news," said Kean.

Senior Eric Sedler said that

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## Where Do We Go from Here?

FRANK GOGOL  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

By the time you are reading this editorial, history will have been made and a new president will have been elected and we may have our first black President or our first female Vice President. Either way, a new chapter in American history will begin.

I've said it in weeks past, and it's no secret, that our country is in a lot of trouble. We are in an economic crisis of global proportions. Our country is involved in military operations in multiple countries. These are just a couple of the problems that our new president will have to take the reins of.

It was for these reasons that I have stressed how imperative it was to truly understand what your candidate stood for. It is too easy to align yourself with a particular party because of your family's affiliation. It is my sincerest hope that voters voted for the right reasons this time around.

Whatever the outcome of the election is, there will be people who are upset by the results. That is the way it always has been and always will be.

Whoever is elected, however, will be our president. Either candidate, I am sure, has the country's best interests in mind. Both may have their own way of approaching the problems we face, but only one of them is going to have the chance to put their plans into action.

So what do we do now?

Well, we could follow the trend of the last eight years and be a country divided because one half of us are pleased with the outcome and one half is not, or, we can do what is best for us and this country and rally behind our new leader and give whomever it is the support he will need to salvage this country.

It is with the utmost im-

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Wednesday 63°/51°

Showers



Thursday 62°/52°

Showers



Friday 65°/52°

Partly Cloudy



Saturday 57°/44°

T-Showers



Sunday 55°/39°

Partly Cloudy



Monday 54°/39°

Sunny



Tuesday 53°/39°

Partly Cloudy

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# “Thursday Nite Spotlight” Hits WMCX

GINA COLUMBUS  
STAFF WRITER

Graduate student Paul Sikora has formed a new hip-hop/urban show, “Thursday Nite Spotlight,” on WMCX-FM this year to broaden the station’s appeal.

The show is based around New York’s well-known “Z100,” and features a mixture of today’s music, entertainment and discusses sports and top news stories.

Music played on the show ranges from Beyonce, Chris Brown, and Rihanna to Britney Spears, following a similar format to that of Z100.

“Thursday Nite Spotlight” includes three members: Paul Sikora aka DJ Paulie Preset, Nestor Roldan aka Finness, and Lisa Smoltino aka Lisa the Latina.

None of the hosts go into the studio with a script to read on Thursday nights; they come up with the first thing to talk about and the topics lead on from there.

Roldan stated: “We talk about everything, there is no set format. We really talk about whatever goes on in Hollywood, sports and update people on shows that are on MTV, VH1 & HBO.”

The show, which airs Thursday nights from 8 to 10 p.m., also discusses serious issues such as the election and the economic crisis, but keeps them as simple, playful and humorous.

“We always try to be against each other so you can have both sides,” Roldan said.

Professor Aaron Furgason, Advisor of WMCX-FM, stated: “It is an entertaining commentary like you’re hanging out with friends. When I listen to it, it sounds like you’re in a club. It has



PHOTO COURTESY of Gina Columbus

Paul Sikora and Nestor Roldan, also known as DJs Finness and Paulie Preset, are the on-air personalities for the new WMCX show “Thursday Nite Spotlight.”

the Z100 mixture of personality, energetic, upbeat and mentality.”

People are able to call in during the show, and even send instant messages via the WMCX-FM website to the three members. Often, the hosts ask a code of questions to the listening viewers, and will then send the winners mix tapes that Sikora created.

“Thursday Nite Spotlight” has been receiving welcoming feedback since Sikora originated it this past summer.

Roldan stated, “People come in and say ‘you guys are hilarious.’ We have an intro to the show that everyone seems to like.”

“I think that it’s a great thing that it’s on the show,” Furgason said. “I’m a hip-hop guy on some level.”

On why it’s good to include a hip-hop show at Monmouth, sophomore Octavia Okoe-Quansah said, “It opens up the station so that it gives the station a broader audience.”

Okoe-Quansah also said that she would like to hear “old-school hip-hop” from

“Thursday Nite Spotlight,” including Run D.M.C., LL Cool J, Tupac and Notorious B.I.G.

Hip-hop radio shows have not been successful in the past, one of the reasons being due to the editing that goes into songs consisting of profanity and explicit content.

“There are standards set by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), that is the problem with hip-hop. Some things just can’t be played. That’s the main thing; and there is a tremendous amount of prep work. That is why it has not taken off.”

Sikora, Roldan and Smoltino are looking to add one more person, preferably another female, to their commentary to add another viewpoint to the canvas.

“Why not add more? The more the merrier,” Finness said.

Anyone on campus can listen in to Thursday Nite Spotlight or through streamlining on the WMCX-FM’S website, <http://www.wmcx.com/index.php>.

# Ghost Hunter in Wilson

CHRISSY MURRAY  
MANAGING EDITOR

John Zaffis, the “Godfather” of the Paranormal, took students on a ghost hunt through Wilson Hall on Saturday, November 1.

Zaffis spoke over a two hour period during a power point of 150 slides of true documented haunting. The slides included photographs taken by both him and others who have asked for his help. Pictures ranged from ghosts, haunted objects, poltergeists, extreme haunting experiences, demonic infestations, and exorcisms.

Zaffis has over thirty years of experience studying and investigating the paranormal. His interest in the subject began at age 16 when he saw an apparition of his grandfather in his bedroom. Along with his aunt and uncle, Ed and Lorraine Warren, Zaffis began to research ghost haunting, exorcisms, demonology, poltergeists, haunted houses, and demonic possessions.

He has toured the world from the United States, to Canada, England and Scotland. Through his travels, Zaffis has had the opportunity to assist Roman Catholic priests, monks, Buddhists, rabbis, and ministers. Some well-known exorcists that he has assisted are Bishop Robert McKenna, Malachi Martin and the Reverend Jun.

“The scariest thing about poltergeists is that you don’t hear or see them,” Zaffis said.

An open discussion on the

world of the supernatural followed and then the actual tour began with Zaffis leading the group around Wilson Hall to conjure up spirits. He said, “It is believed that spirits are comprised of energy. In order to speak, make a noise, or manifest in the form of an apparition, ghosts need to gather energy to do so. They use electricity to ‘build up’ energy to give them enough power to make themselves known from the other side.” He used a particular electromagnetic field detector, a K2 meter, which uses lights to indicate the energy. Zaffis told any spirits to light up the meter once for the answer “yes” and twice for the answer “no” to our respective questions.

The first room he tried didn’t work. Elizabeth Dicker, a senior, was not convinced. Senior Chris Naeder however said, “I believed many things that he was telling us but some of the experiences are hard to fathom since I have never experienced them myself.” The next two rooms changed a lot of people’s opinions though.

Junior Kate Borsuk said, “I got so excited when the stable boy came to talk to us in the master bedroom upstairs [room 203]! Everyone in the theatre department thinks he watches over us, so that was really fun.” The ghost said he worked and hung out in the stables (which

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# MUPD Crime Blotter

crime log

The Monmouth University Police Department is an armed, fully commissioned police force operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The department consists of 20 full-time officers and detectives, as well as safety officers, dispatchers, and traffic attendants. University police officers patrol the campus and off-campus residential facilities in marked patrol units, on bicycles, and on foot.

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

If you have any questions regarding the MU Police Department, or if you need any assistance, please feel free to direct any inquiries to 732-571-3472.

Monmouth University Police Department

Crimes By Location

Date	Time	Location	Crime	Preventable	Case
10/26-27/2008	1830-2145 hrs	Larchwood Ave	Criminal Mischief-To Auto	No	Active
10/28/2008	1226 hrs	Laurel Hall	Underage Possession of Alcohol/Student Misconduct	No	Arrest
10/25/2008	1130-1700 hrs	Lot #16	Underage Consumption of Alcohol/Student Misconduct	Yes	Arrest
10/29/2008	1115-1200 hrs	Magill Commons	Theft	Yes	Active
10/30/2008	0800-1700	Lot #13	Criminal Mischief-To Auto	No	Active
10/30/2008	2016 hrs	Spruce Hall	Student Misconduct	Yes	Ex-Cleared
10/31/2008	0159 hrs	Laurel Hall	Underage Consumption of Alcohol/Student Misconduct	No	Ex-Cleared
10/31/2008	1802 hrs	Lot #6	Criminal Mischief-To Auto	No	Active
11/1/2008	0024 hrs	Cedar Hall	Underage Consumption of Alcohol/Student Misconduct	No	Ex-Cleared
11/2/2008	1130-1800 hrs	Dining Hall	Theft	Yes	Active
11/3/2008	0325 hrs	Great Lawn	Criminal Mischief	No	Active

Active - Under investigation.  
Arrest - Arrest made pending court action.

Closed - Case closed.  
Referred to SS - Case referred to Student Services.

# Obama Elected President

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Support in the future is what McCain offers to Obama, and said that though they had differences, he has respect for the President-elect. McCain said that Obama did so by inspiring so many Americans who wrongly believed they had no influence, and that is something

he admires.

At midnight, President-elect Obama in Chicago offered his acceptance. He said he received a call from McCain earlier, “[He] fought long and hard in this campaign. And he’s fought even longer and harder for the country that he loves. He has endured sacrifices for America that most of us cannot begin to imagine. We are better off for the service rendered by this brave and selfless leader.”

“I will never forget who this victory truly belongs to. It belongs to you,” Obama said to the American populous. “And I know you didn’t do this just to win an election. And I know you didn’t do it for me. You did it because you understand the enormity of the task that lies ahead. For even as we celebrate tonight, we know the challenges that tomorrow will bring are the greatest of our lifetime -- two wars, a planet in peril, the worst financial crisis in a century.”

Lines of Obama’s speech reflected those of President Kennedy’s “New

Frontier” from that President’s acceptance of his nomination at the Democratic National Convention of 1960. “There’s new energy to harness, new jobs to be created, new schools to build, and threats to meet, alliances to repair. The road ahead will be long. Our climb will be steep. We may not get there in one year or even in one term.

But, America, I have never been more hopeful than I am tonight that we will get there.”

He also offered his voice to the world, saying those who are watching are singular, and a challenge to the enemies of the world. “To those who would tear down the world: we will defeat you.”

Outside of the National election, the New Jersey Senate race had Frank Lautenberg win over Dick Zimmer with 56-percent of the vote. For the House of Representatives, District 12 voted Rush Holt, District 6 Frank Pallone, and District 4 Chris Smith. Overall eight Democratic seats were won in the New Jersey State and five republican. In the Nation, Democrats hold the majority in the Senate and House, with 56 over 40 in the first and 258 over 177 in the latter.

The state ballot questions were split, with the first question about state money lending and borrowing was voted yes with 57-percent of the vote. The second question about judicial appointments was opposed by 55-percent.



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The Obama family at newly Presidential elect Obama’s acceptance speech



# Business Student Wins CDW Award

**PAIGE SODANO**  
*SENIOR EDITOR*

Recognized for his academic achievements on Friday, October 24 at 2:30 p.m. in Wilson Hall, student Kenny Mundie was awarded a free laptop computer at the annual

CDW awards ceremony. The CDW Computer/Business Award was established for the 2005-2006 academic year and is awarded to a student pursuing an education within the Computer/Business field. The laptop computer is to aide in his/her learning ex-

perience while at Monmouth. Monmouth alumnus Kris-topher MacDermant, who graduated in 1998, and now a Senior Sales Director at CDW in Eatontown, is the founder of this award. He approached Monmouth University about it, and wanted this to be a continuing annual award.

President Gaffney spoke at the ceremony, talking about the success of the students and how people like Mundie are good role models for other students here at Monmouth University.

The laptop is awarded on an annual basis. Past recipients were, for 2005-2006, Kevin Scalley, for 2006-2007, Jennifer Sanpietro, for 2007-2008, Jennifer Pacetti and for and currently, 2008-2009, Kenny Mundie.

The recipient must have completed their sophomore year and entering his/her junior year in good academic

standing with a 3.0 GPA. The student must also be pursuing a degree related to Comput-ers/Business.

ery student could use,” said MacDermant. MacDermant also added, “Kenny was so grateful to have won, I’m happy CDW was able to provide him with the award this year.”

Mundie, a business account-

businesses to donate schol-arship money or awards to Monmouth and the students who go to the University.

Mundie was the only one to win a laptop, while some other students were there to re-ceive scholarship money from



PHOTO COURTESY of Kenny Mundie  
Kenneth Mundie receives a new laptop from CDW representative Kristopher MacDermant, after he was chosen for his academic achievements here at Monmouth.

“The biggest thrill that I get with this award, is seeing the student’s face light up when they remove the laptop from the box and see it for the very first time. It’s priceless.”

ANTHONY DELFRANCO  
Director of Annual Fund

“Kenny was so grateful to have won, I’m happy CDW was able to provide him with the award this year.”

KRISTOPHER MACDERMANT  
1998 Graduate

ing major and information technology minor, said, “I would like to thank Anthony Delfranco, Kris MacDermant and everyone else at CDW

various businesses, organiza-tions and other donators.

He said, “I was shocked when Anthony Delfranco called and told me that I was the winner of a laptop.” He continued by saying, “I also want to recognize Kris Mac-Dermant - without him, none of this could be possible. He initiated the program and continues to support it.”

Senior Marina Wagner at-tended the ceremony and commented, “Listening to President Gaffney’s speech about how well these students are doing and watching Kenny get the award and free com-puter made me want to work harder in school so I can be rewarded too.”

“The biggest thrill that I get with this award, is seeing the student’s face light up when they remove the laptop from the box and see it for the very first time. It’s priceless,” said Delfranco.

that was involved, I love my new laptop and will definitely be putting it to good use.”

Anthony Delfranco, Direc-tor of Annual Fund, noted, “I appreciate the partnership be-tween Monmouth and CDW, and how they have made a difference in a student’s life. They are a terrific company who happen to employ a num-ber of Monmouth grads.”

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# MU Students Ride Bikes Cross-Country for Charity

LESLIE WEINBERG  
CLUB AND GREEK EDITOR

Every find yourself thinking, hey I have some time off, why not ride my bike cross-country for charity? Well, one student has already done just that this past summer and four more will be doing that next summer.

Last summer, junior, Paul Mandala rode his bike from Providence, RI to San Francisco, CA. In two and half months, he covered 4,200 miles and crossed 15 state borders. Bike and Build offers seven cross-country routes to raise funds and awareness for affordable housing. The trips include: Central United States, Northern United States, Providence to Seattle, Providence to San Francisco, Southern United States, North Carolina to San Diego and Boston to Santa Barbara. Also, riders trade in their bikes for work tools and build affordable housing. Since its creation in 2003, 550 bikers have completed these trips. Cyclists range from beginners to experts and are between the ages of 18-25.

“My best friend from back home found out of about the trip because it was leaving from Providence, RI and he goes to Brown University, As soon as he told me it was a cross-country bike trip for charity I knew I wanted to go. What a better way to see the country right and to so some nice work along the way. I couldn’t pass it up, for me it was a trip of a lifetime,” said Paul Mandala.

Rise and shine was exceptionally early for the riders and would be between 4 a.m.-6 a.m. After eating a filling breakfast, riders hit the road by 7:30 a.m. at the latest. They had a pack with their essentials for the day and the rest of their supplies followed behind them in a trailer. Each group of 31 participants covered 47-117 miles a day and averaged 75 miles. “It was a life of freedom and adventure. Nothing to worry about ex-

cept biking from point a to point b and eating enough calories and drinking enough water. We were free to stop anywhere we wanted and go at any pace that was comfortable for us,” said Mandala. Lunch was provided around mile 40 at the trailer and Paul had to consume 8,000-10,000 calories a day. He indulged in McDonalds (when one was available) by having 3 sausage, egg, and cheese Mcgriddles and 6-8 Mc Chickens for his second breakfast and lunch. Throughout the day, he refilled his Camelpak backpack with a 100 liter bladder.

After a long day of riding, participants got a little bit of time to relaxation time before dinner at the host location. The group divided up its chores and everyone pitched in. Paul explained about bed time, “There were no set times for sleep, but after a long day no one really ever complained about going to sleep a little early.”

Many nights were spent in sleeping bags on floors of churches or YMCAs. Generous community members provided breakfast, dinners, showers, and their homes as pit stops. Some nights, riders would get back to nature and camp out under the stars (or with Paul’s luck under the rain clouds). A few nights the group even spoiled themselves by spending the night in a hotel.

The group spent several days building affordable housing for impoverished families. All of the Bike and Build groups contributed a total of 200 hours at each of their eight build sites. They took on several building tasks including: framing, applying sheath rock, painting, roofing, tar papering, and putting the shingles on. According to the Habitat for Humanity website, “over 5.1 million American families have “worst-case” housing needs in which they endure overcrowded conditions and/or live in physically deficient houses. Additionally, more than

13 million American households pay over 50% of their income for housing.”

When Paul wasn’t riding his bike or building houses, he was off exploring the great outdoors. Paul found many ways to keep busy: whether it was hiking on mountain trails, swimming in streams, climbing up boulders, hanging out of trees or kayaking through to an island at Lake Tahoe. Paul recalls one of his favorite adventures, “I will never forget Colorado, A part of me is still out there waiting for me to go back. We biked through Rocky Mountain National Park leaving from Estes Park bright and early. The route we took that day was known as Trail Ridge Road, which is the highest continuously paved road in the United States. Luke and I rode together that day and reached a peak of 12,304 ft above sea level. Although biking up that mountain was tough, especially being over 2 and a half miles above sea level, it was so beautiful that the miles we biked didn’t seem that bad at all. After that we descended on the other side and made a stop at the continental divide.”

Next summer, Paul will be exchanging his bike for Biology books but he is passing the torch onto three Monmouth students and one alumnae. Stephanie Fetchko, Ed Hollema, Heather Tyrrell, and Ruben Woolcott will be traveling from South Carolina to Santa Cruz, Ca. Stephanie Fetchko said, “I love trying new things and challenging myself. I’m a real athletic, outdoorsy person and the chance to bike cross-country excites me. Not to mention, it raises money and awareness for a great cause, helping different affordable housing organizations.”

Bike and Build provides bikers with tips and words of encourage-

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# Monmouth Review Presents Open Mic Night on Halloween

SARAH ALYSE JAMIESON  
OPINION EDITOR

The Monmouth Review hosted an annual Open Mic Night on Friday, the 31st of October, Halloween.

“The Monmouth Review has been planning this event since the spring 2008 semester,” Sara Werner, Editor of the Monmouth Review said. “We hosted an Open Mic last year, November 2007, and it was a great turn out, so we definitely decided to host another one for this year.”

The Open Mic Night was held in the dining area of the Student Center, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m.

“I am really looking forward to this night,” Luke Barber, a senior, said, before the night had begun.

“I think that tonight will be a ton of fun.”

“I have never been to an Open Mic Night held at Monmouth Uni-

ber 2nd, in New York City. Come on out and laugh a little.”

Poetry was read next by Veronica Rajadyna. “Veronica spoke very clearly,” Ashley Martin, a senior attending Brookdale, said. “She is very animated which makes her readings entertaining.”

After her act, Rajadyna stated that the night was going very well. She explained how everyone had shown up in costumes which made the event so much fun.

“This Open Mic Night is awesome,” Jamie Kinard, a Monmouth University sophomore, said. “This is a great alternative to partying on Halloween.”

‘Higher Altitudes’ a song written by Michael Dante Summonte was played at the Open Mic Night, by Summonte. As Summonte performed, Seive said, “Michael



PHOTO COURTESY OF Sarah Alyse Jamieson

Monmouth Graduate Michael Dante Summonte plays his guitar while dressed as The Joker from The Dark Knight as part of Halloween’s Open Mic Night, presented by the Monmouth Review.

versity before,” Caitlyn Clausen, a Monmouth University sophomore, said. “Hopefully tonight will be cool, and then I will continue to attend them in the future.”

The managing editor of the Monmouth Review, Jennifer Renson, a junior, stated how she was excited for the night’s event.

She explained how the Monmouth Review had been looking forward to the occasion since last spring, and they expect a big turnout. “This should be an interesting night,” Renson said.

Werner announced the awards to be won, thanked the audience for their attendance, then the night began.

The first presentation of the night was a standup comedy performed by Kyle Seive, a Monmouth University sophomore. “Kyle was so funny that my boobs were bouncing,” Sarah Freeman, a Monmouth University sophomore, excitedly said.

“Kyle was so funny,” Sarah Opatskovsky, a sophomore, said. “Kyle’s my favorite comic; he is too funny.”

“I had a fun time performing tonight,” Seive said, after he had finished his act. “This was a very intimate verve to perform in front of. I am performing next at Comics and Gotham comedy clubs on Decem-

(dressed as a zombie) was the liveliest dead person.”

After Summonte’s song, he stated how the audience was very festive tonight; they were all dressed for the Halloween season.

Barber, dressed as an East German police officer, did an impersonation of celebrities including Christopher Walker and Sean Connery.

A self written poem, “Waiting by the Sea,” was read by Renson, as the night continued.

After she had read, Renson explained how she had thought about the poem, which she had read, at the last minute. “I was inspired by my costume, a royal pirate lady,” Renson said.

As the night finished up, more self written poetry was read by other performers. Then Chelsea Palermo, a Monmouth University student, sang ‘Knocking on Heaven’s Door,’ a Bob Dylan hit. After her song, Renson stated how Palermo wrapped the night up well.

“Tonight was so much fun,” Werner said as the night came to a close. “I cannot wait for the next Open Mic Night! Everyone should come out next time and make it an even bigger turnout. Congratulations to everyone who performed; you all did a wonderful job.”

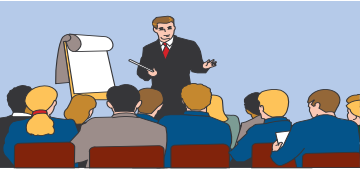
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Attention all Monmouth University graduate students. The Monmouth University Graduate Admission Office, in conjunction with the Graduate Student Advisory Committee, present:

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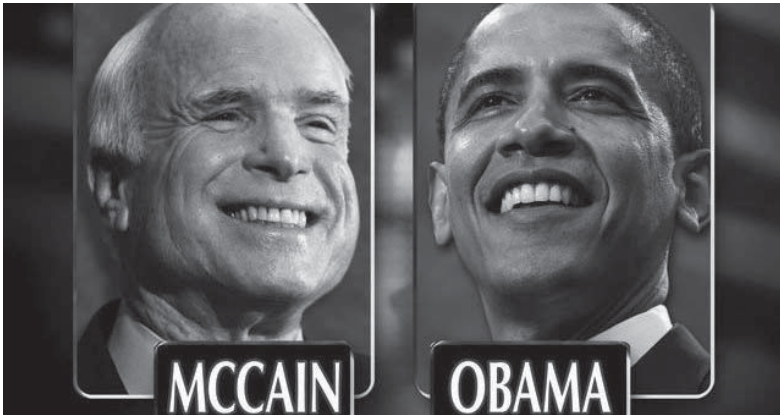
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portance that, regardless of political affiliation, we stand behind the man who is elected.

The only way anything will ever improve is if we stand together behind our leader. If we resist the only person who has the power to bring about change and prosperity, we are not hurting anyone but ourselves.

I have been aware of who I would be voting for several months now and have cast my vote accordingly. My candidate may not be the man elected, however. If this is the case, I recognize that it is important that be supportive of the candidate that I did not vote for because my future and the future of this country are in his hands.



Presidential Candidates John McCain and Barack Obama

Now is not the time to be spiteful or resentful. Harboring such feelings will prevent any chance of progress, some-

thing we have lacked for far too long. A new day is upon us and we need to greet it with an open mind.

I am by no means advocating abandoning your personal ideals and adopting those of our new leader if they differ from you own, but I am asking that you give the victor a chance. If we do not, change and progression will be impossible. Sometimes it is the least likely person who will surprise and impress you most.

So, to answer the question posed in the title of this piece, "Where do we go from here": we move forward. We move forward with optimism and hope, supporting our leader and being united as a county

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# Be a Smart American and Read This!

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The number one challenge facing the people of the United States is not expensive healthcare, higher education, short-term economics, war, fighting drugs, crime or repairing our infrastructure. Our country is getting closer and closer to the edge of disaster. A number is our largest enemy. This number is our national debt: \$10,538,461,613,127.69. Yeah that's right, as a nation we owe 10.5 trillion dollars. Every day this number increases by 3.83 billion dollars. Everyone needs to break their minds free from the current paradigm where we rely on the government. We cannot afford our current existence with all its perks.

If you are going to be partisan and blame President George Bush, feel free, but you are assuaging only yourself and maintaining the failure of the two party system. Blaming the other party is the easy way out of acknowledging a problem and accepting responsibility for your actions as a voter. Politicians, plain and simple, lie their ways into office promising everything, and you buy it. You need to wake up American voter. As evidenced by our extreme national debt, the current spending policies and programs administered by the United

crisis. Fixing the aforementioned problems would only cut our ANNUAL DEFICIT (the amount of debt we add to the total debt every year money we spend that we don't have) in approximately

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half. Bush also is responsible for the largest increase in the debt during his term, so hooray Republicans you lose. On the other hand, Democratic leaders in the past two years have approved and passed the largest deficits in recent history (which people blame solely on Bush). Remember, the two parties will point the fingers at each other while not addressing the underlying problem – that we spend too much money. We are rotting from the inside. There is plenty of blame to go around so shut up and stop patting yourself (and your party) on the back.

Bill Clinton was no savior

ties. You will see a clear correlation between government revenues and the artificial increase in stock prices for the information technology sector. These economic gains had nothing to do with Clin-

ton spending policies (even though Al Gore likes to claim he created the internet – just kidding). Total expenditures didn't decrease over these years. Bogus, bogus, bogus. I'm not saying Clinton was a bad president; just don't buy your parties rhetoric about spending.

Republicans, listen up, your party isn't the party of fiscal responsibility! Neither party is! Stop saying this unless you can find a shred of proof. You may find one or two candidates throughout the years who can claim some semblance of fiscal responsibility, but overall, don't expect this. Stop buying the promises that politicians from both parties spew regarding fiscal responsibility and low taxes – they are all failing horribly.

Democrats, stop whining because you haven't had the presidency in 8 years. Your party has not had a good record either with spending policy. Stop proposing programs and buying the promises that politicians from both parties spew. We would all like to help people with their healthcare, education, bruised knees and blackened eyes – BUT WE SIMPLY CAN NOT AFFORD IT! We have no money as a nation. We have no money.

We are all spending more than we bring in. This is going to lead to a catastrophic economic collapse. The trade deficit is rising; entitlements in social services are rising and expected to increase more than they have ever been in history. We are on a

track where our children and grandchildren will not be able to have healthcare at all, no higher education, and no American dream. Wake up America because you are all idiots and spoiling it for the future!

You like to say in passing that our standard of living is declining. This is certain to happen with more government taxes (mainly on business'), AND spending money we don't have, AND not building a future economy based on high tech industries. Obama only has one part of this equation down, the future economy part. McCain had the taxes part down (he doesn't like business taxes, which if you think about it are counterproductive to

I wanted to write this article after the election so it doesn't come across as being a piece for one party or the other. Please view this from a neutral light, because I don't care what party you are in – your partisanship only harms the ability to reduce the 10.5 trillion dollar debt we have. This debt is owned in large part by foreign nations, which also threatens our national security.

Just remember someone will eventually call in their IOUs and we'll have to pay them. I'm no economist so I could not even extrapolate what this would mean, but I'm pretty sure it translates to meltdown and the final destruction of any value vested in the American dollar. We

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economic growth). We still lose.

There is no solution to this problem outside of a paradigm shift in how we think about what to expect from government. We have to understand as a society, and people, that the government simply cannot do everything for us. This is not a question of should, but it is one of capacity/ability. I would love to have a government that is able to pay for healthcare and higher education – but we cannot afford it. Stop expecting the entire world! What you can do as an individual

have less flexibility in global politics and we are in a very dangerous situation right now. In the future STOP voting for idiots, vote for people who you think have little chance of winning if necessary.

Carefully evaluate every candidate you vote for. Only vote for candidates who have a proven and undeniable record of fiscal responsibility. Look it up yourself and don't trust them when they tell you they have a good fiscal record because 9/10th's of the time they actually don't. This is the only way we'll be

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States federal government are unsustainable.

Like I said, Bush cannot be blamed alone for the current situation we find ourselves in and he also cannot be absolved. The total costs of war in Iraq, Afghanistan, and government revenue lost from the Bush tax cuts do not even come close to putting a dent in this fiscal

either. Everyone likes to cite the balanced budget act of the late 1990's and the budget surpluses enjoyed during the latter years of the Clinton administration. BOGUS! Clinton did little to create these surpluses. He rode on the coattails of the dot-com boom/tech-boom. Just look at the tech bubble and stock numbers from the later nine-

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is to stop buying the BS that politician's spew. They will say anything to get elected – and they just have.

able to avoid falling into the grave we are digging for ourselves. Spread the word: our stupidity is marvelous.

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# Is this the Most Anticipated Election in U.S. History?

## The Here and Now in Politics

*This is the biggest election in history*

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Looking back at the past year it is clear that the United States has gone through its most anticipated election of all time. A myriad of factors have contributed to this, none of which have anything to do with Joe the Plumber.

First before it's conclusion on Tuesday the United States was looking at broken ground on both side of the tables. On the Democratic side the first African American candidate in history, and on the Republican side the first Female Vice President

to come out of a contending party (there have been female vice presidential candidates in the past, however none of them had a real chance of being elected).

Second, before Barrack Obama was selected as the Democratic candidate, there was a very real chance that Hillary Clinton could have been the Democratic Presidential candidate, not only being the first woman Presidential candidate, but also the first time where Husband and Wife would at some point both be president. Hillary, however, would not be able to muster enough support to

to Grand Old Party Candidate, John McCain, making Sarah Palin his running mate, few truly knew the identity of the Alaskan Governor. Afterwards, the "hockey mom" would become a household name.

This election also came in the middle of an economic crisis with everyone in distress as Wall Street burned to the ground. All eyes were centered on both candidates to bring aid to the problem

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become the Democratic Party's next candidate.

Disregarding the results of this election, the glass ceiling has still been shattered for women throughout the United States, even though this election will not yield a woman president, it will never again be said that a women can not lead this country.

Whether you favored Hillary Clinton, or Sarah Palin, their appearance in this election was unexpected and controversial. Prior

with their ideas taking priority over the current President's plan of assistance. In the end, close to a trillion dollars would be given out to stop the plunging stock market.

Both gentleman are preaching very similar ideas on who should be held responsible and how the money should be given out to these companies. This proves that the attention of the American people was and still is glued to every word that said by these candidates. It was with this crisis that the United States put a help wanted ad up, the position, Hero.

The past eight years have depleted the United States strength around the world and the American people have placed a lot of the blame on the current head of

Washington D.C. It was this distrust in our leaders that made this election so anticipated, someone is soon going to step to the plate and change the way things have been working for the past eight years.

The people of the United States have made a stand and proclaimed that more of the same is unacceptable, with the next big question being; "Is this a new era," or will the streets remain the same with new names?

## A Present Bias Compared to a Historic Past

*This is not the biggest election in United States history*

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It is hard to believe that the election of 2008 is the most anticipated election in the history of the United States. Although it is true America is facing hard times and is looking for a change, the structure and lively hood of American citizens is still fully intact. By opening up a history book one would see the immense and unthinkable suffering

American's have faces were their very lives and liberties were in jeopardy, not just their economic pocketbook. It is at the roughest times when a revolutionary change is most unambiguously necessary and thus is vastly anticipated by citizens as a whole. Thus I believe the election of 1789, the countries first election was truly the most anticipated election in our history.

Let us not judge an election on its technical terms but focus on the basic concept of what an election is; the selection of a president to head the United States of America. In 1789 America had just become its own nation winning victory over a nation that threatened the very values of humanity. American citizens had just fought with their own blood, sweat and tears to reach this

heightened sense of independence and thus were now looking for a leader to protect it. This time in American history was marked by change, innovative development, and great anticipation.

America was build on the basic ideals of life, liberty and

The election of 1789 marked the greatest change in American, and world history. Citizens not only anticipated the election because they wanted a leader to protect their newly gained rights, but they also were anxious to see how the actual role of a president would

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freedom, and this election was it's citizens first chance to fully take hold of their government and put a true American at the head of their country. They no longer had to bow down to the chains of oppression the British had forced on them from afar, nor did they have to worry about their liberties being taken away. George Washington was unanimously voted into the office of president thus showing people's confidence and trust in his leadership. The founding fathers, the most brilliant and wise men of their time unanimously voted George Washington into office. Every citizen waited with enthused anticipation for his inauguration. This was a true election, one the masses waited for.

work. There were numerous kinks and holes in the description of what the President of the United States would do, how he would act, and what his role in American society would be. Many people feared the president would turn out to be a dictator, similar the King George III of England whom Americans detested.

Do not be sucked in to the stipulations that the present is always the most important time in history. One must look back to the hardships others faced, and the victories they achieved over these problems. In considering this I would like to enforce the idea that the greatest election in American history should not center around the present, but instead should look to the most import time in the history of our country; the first election. The first American citizens could do nothing but anticipate the election of the first president because without democracy they knew the values and freedoms of the United States of America would never survive.

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# THIS WEEK OVERSEAS...

## STUDENTS GET A TASTE OF THE SWEET LIFE AT THE EUROCHOCOLATE FAIR

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Now that I have found the secret bakery I was on a mission to find other delicious goodies in Italy.

I enquired about the Euro-chocolate fair that I have heard about. Someone was telling me it was Oktoberfest but with chocolate.

After hearing that statement I booked a train ticket to Perugia and headed north to find this amazing fair.

Can you say CHOCOLATE! That is all I saw for miles. This little town was covered in tents filled with different chocolate companies and museums of chocolate. I was seriously in awe.

Now I know that each week I tell you guys about my new paradise; the first week it was Florence, the next was Paris and finally the secret bakery! But this is truly paradise; this time I won't change my mind!

The biggest and best chocolate companies come to sell and have different taste testing! I got there first thing in the morning, around nine and there were



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Eurochocolate, the International Chocolate Exhibition allows chocolate companies from all over the world to gather together for one scrumptious fair.

already people there.

Every time I would turn my head I would start screaming "Oh my god there is Lindt, can we go? Oh my god there is Toblerone, can we go?" My friends started to laugh saying that I was acting like a little kid on Christmas. But for the people who know me, this was better than Christmas.

I walked around all day and

bought so much chocolate that I had to purchase two backpacks just to carry it all.

Seven hours later I headed home on a chocolate rush. I got home and immediately started studying for midterms.

This last week was quiet, everyone had their heads in their books studying for the first time in six weeks. But there was a little bit of a problem.

We all had booked vacations for fall break, so we could not get our minds off where we would be spending the next week.

The boys were so excited to spend an entire week in Spain. They were telling me about their plans to head to Barcelona and Madrid.

They already got soccer tickets, and made reservations at the famous club Pacha.

Some of the other girls had plans for Ireland, Paris and Spain. They could not wait to experience EuroDisney in Paris, and to tour the old castles of Ireland.

Carianne was telling me about all the claddagh rings she wanted to buy for her sisters and her friends back home.

My plans consisted of London and Paris then to fly home a little early to meet up with my boyfriend's dad and go to Sicily. I was so excited for my trips, that I could barely study!

Midterms ended and I headed to London! In London I went to the London Eye, Big Ben, Westminster Abby, Buckingham Palace, the Absolute ice bar, the aquarium, and every day we had fish and chips!

I loved London, I never thought I would, but it reminded me of home! Besides that fact that we could go around speaking English and everyone understood us, there were also all the American brand named products there.

They had Diet Coke, Doritos, and bagels. I went around the city staring at the amazing sites and drinking as much Diet Coke as I could!

You would be surprised how much you miss the little things at home. But you do not miss them that much, because of all the other great things around you.

Now I am back in Paris, where I have to trade my Diet Coke in for Coke Light. I am not complaining only because of all the beautiful sites I get to see and experience in Paris.

I even have plans to go to EuroDisney this week but we will see how much time I have to fit everything in. So for now I will have to say au revoir.



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Top: The Absolute Ice Bar is a definite must-see while studying abroad.

Middle: A kodak moment in front of the beautiful gates of Buckingham Palace in London, England.

Bottom: Big Ben can be seen in a breathtaking aerial view of London.



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"Hi Mom!" Making a phone call from a traditional English phone booth, bright red and all can be an exciting memory!

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# The Wildcats Final Curtain Call That Affected One Monmouth Senior

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There's a point in everyone's life when something or someone touches them and leaves a lasting impression. For this writer that moment occurred at exactly 12:01 a.m. on Friday, October 24th 2008.

Many college students including myself, are currently going through the bitter-sweet realization that one cannot stay in college forever. It might hit some harder than others but inevitably one must leave college, say goodbye, and venture into the real world. We all cherish the friends, teachers, mentors, and memories we made over the college years but for me a certain extremely popular movie made my personal realization come completely full circle.

This moment that I speak of might come as a shock to few but for me it threw my world for a loop and opened my eyes to many paths in front of me. Like I stated previously, there is that one moment in ones life that can define them as a human being or change them in a drastic way. My moment changed me as a human being and most importantly as a unique individual. At 12:01, a very well-liked and highly anticipated movie opened and it goes by the name of High School Musical 3: Senior Year.

Everyone probably either secretly or openly knows about the Disney High School Musical phenomenon. The first movie which opened on Disney Channel back in January of 2006, two years ago if you could believe it, shook the world and brought back musicals in a big way. A little made

for-television film created a buzz among children and tweens alike and soon the whole world was "Breaking Free" from the "Status Quo."

The first film follows Troy Bolton (Zac Efron) East High School's basketball star and Gabriella Montez (Vanessa Anne Hudgens) a beautiful math-wiz on their journey through high school. Troy meets Gabriella at a ski-lodge over break and a connection is created almost instantly as they sing at the karaoke party. From there Troy goes back to East High where he meets up with his best friend and fellow Wildcat teammate Chad Danforth (Corbin Bleu). Troy later finds out the Gabriella transferred to East High and their connection began to grow even more, which automatically displeased East High's Prima diva, Sharpay Evans (Ashley Tisdale) and her twin brother Ryan (Lucas Grabeel). Gabriella

wildcats as they try to find summer jobs, with the idea of college looming in their minds. Like the first film Sharpay creates a devious plan to lure Troy to her parent's country club called Lava Springs. In doing so her accomplice bundles her orders and the entire East High group gets invited to work as well. Sharpay doesn't let this get in her way of trying to win the Star Dazzle award at the summer talent show. Troy and Gabriella fight to stay together, knowing that they might have to separate in the future. With some help from the antagonist in the last film Ryan, Troy, Gabriella and the other wildcats stick together and have the summer of their lives whilst they sing the song "All For One."

The story then leads into the current film, High School Musical 3: Senior Year. This feature film, which can be seen now on the big screen, follows Troy and Gabriella on their journey as seniors at East High. Troy, Gabriella, Sharpay, Ryan, Chad and Taylor all realize that they'll each part ways after this school year and ultimately venture off to college. Through catchy tunes and even grandiose musical numbers the gang relives their past years in high school and attempts to live it up through the championship basketball game, prom, and of course graduation. Director and choreographer, Kenny Ortega tops his past movies with this one. He created a Broadway style movie with timeless characters and amazing production numbers. This rated G, 113 minute movie is perfect for musical lovers and really anyone who is in the mood for an entertaining family-fun movie. Just be forwarded if you choose to see this film get ready to hear a million shrieking girls when Zac Efron appears on the screen, which was something I definitely wasn't ready for.

Kenny raised the bar and pushed the cast even more to produce a tremendously entertaining movie for all ages. The message of how friends will always be friends and memories will last a lifetime as

All In This Together (Graduation Mix)," which was the same hit song as the first film but reprised slower as the Wildcats graduation song.

For me High School Musical is not just another Disney movie it's much, much more. While I was moving from New York to New Jersey six years ago I knew I had to find something to help make me happy on those dreary mov-

so dark, dark tunnel. I got a chance to perform, teach and share my love for theater and the movie with children and teens of all different ages. To see the smiles on their faces as they performed their little hearts out to the infectious songs just hit me like a big rock falling from a massive mountain.

This series is also very special to me because it portrayed the message that being yourself never goes out of style. Also it showed, that a person should be proud of their background and if they believe in their dreams and add a sprinkle of hard work and dedication, the stars the limit. The third installment explained that a person could have a passion for both sports and theater and actually be accepted. Many people probably expected the movie to be another Disney film with cliché songs and dialogue but the underlying messages definitely shined through and made this movie, at least for me inspirational.

Another connection that I have explicitly to this film was that I had a chance back in March to audition for the film in Salt Lake City, Utah. Even though I didn't get the chance to dance in the film, I did get an opportunity to live out one of my dreams and just take in the High School Musical air. In addition to that fact, I got to learn the finale dance choreography in the movie and hear the final song, "High School Musical" before anyone else. Therefore, I was really anticipating seeing this film to see if any the friends I made there, made it into the motion picture and of course to bring back that nostalgic feeling of dancing in front of the director, Kenny Ortega.

High School Musical 3: Senior Year is a film about friendship, dreams, teachers and memories that the HSM cast will never forget. Even though it's about a high school senior year I was able to relate to myself, because it is my senior year at Monmouth University. I saw this as the perfect opportunity to correlate the movie and my school experience. It really hit home due to the fact that the cast was finishing an epic series in their lives and I was finishing a grand step in mine.

Speaking of that precise moment at 12:01 a.m., brought up in the beginning of this story, it actually in truth occurred at the end of the feature film at 2:00 a.m. I realized that the huge one word obstacle in life that the characters had to overcome, and that I soon must achieve as well, is that dreaded by few and celebrated by many, word: GRADUATION. The exact feeling that I had was best put by Sharpay in the Spring Musical song "Just Wanna Be With You," "I got a lot of things I have to do, all these distractions, our future's coming soon. We're being pulled a hundred different directions. But whatever happens

I know I've got you. You're on my mind you're in my heart, it doesn't matter where we are, we'll be alright, even if we're miles apart."

I interpret these lyrics to mean that things are changing and there are many different paths to take to the next step in life after school, but the friends, teachers, and memories will always be there to guide you. Right now graduating and reaching the peak of my academic success, there are many different roles and decisions being thrown at me and it's very confusing. These upcoming choices I make will create my future and will set up my life. It is very frightening but what High School Musical really taught me is that it's ok to be scared and confused as long as you believe in yourself and your abilities because if you do that, then and only then will the right path find you.

I cannot accredit this feeling and message to the movie alone, it really goes back to the friends, teachers and basically mentors I made while at Monmouth University the past five years. These feelings of confidence and bravery were really created while at Monmouth. Going into college, like every student, I was nervous and eager to see what awaited me and what I could learn. I met great people and I learned something from each and every one of them which is such a remarkable feeling. It's hard to say goodbye to this place because like many it is my second home.

It is a place where I could gain knowledge, develop as a great leader and human being and really just find myself. I really want to thank Monmouth for making me the strong person I am today. Just like in the movie the characters were seen graduating with tears in their eyes and that is the feeling I am trying to currently contain. Monmouth is a place where every individual could be an individual and become successful at every task that arises. The professors taught me that, specifically the Communication department professors, which are the ones I am going to miss the most.

Professor Simoes, Novek, Morano, Scott, Hoakanson and Schmidt are all incredible professors, advisors, mentors and leaders. I learned so much from each of them and I hope to take the knowledge they passed on to me to the future and make them proud. It's going to be extremely hard to say goodbye to them and to actually say thank you for everything. So, even though I am saying goodbye to the East High Wildcats and to the Monmouth U Hawks I know that they will always be part of me and they will always have a special place in my heart.

Subsequently, it's that time to publicly say goodbye and thank you. Monmouth you are truly something special and there will always be one part of me where blue and white will always reign supreme. To end of this extremely personal and special article I just want to say, "Lookin' forward from center stage to graduation day time to get the future started. What we leave, what we take with us no matter what, it's something we're part of. We learned to fly together, side by side, I just hope the rest of my life will feel as good as my High School Musical. Who says we have to let it go, it's the best part we've ever known, step into the future, but hold onto, High School Musical. Let's celebrate where we come from, the friends who've been there all long just like...a High School...High School...Musical..."



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Check out *High School Musical 3: Senior Year* in theaters now.

*"High School Musical 3: Senior Year is a film about friendship, dreams, teachers, and memories that the HSM cast will never forget."*

also befriends another math-wiz who later becomes her best friend, Taylor McKessie (Monique Coleman) along the way. After some innovative dance scenes and fun up-tempo songs the two learn that they must believe in themselves and their dreams and never follow the status quo. The movie ends with the main group and fellow classmates singing and dancing to the extremely contagious song "Were All in This Together," a moral for life.

From there the second movie released in August of 2007 specifically for Disney Channel, called High School Musical 2 follows the

long as you remember them as you grow, is a great moral that anyone can relate to.

The costumes, scenery, and locations just added to the professional level of the film and the overall effect that High School Musical has over many. The most important and crucial aspect that made the movie a hit was the 11 new original songs all written by David Lawrence. Some songs included the high energy basketball inspired song "Now or Never" which opened the movie, "I Want It All," Sharpay's musical fantasy, "A Night To Remember," the extravagant prom number and "Were

While figuring out what show to do for the summer of 2006, High School Musical burst on the scene and the staff and I knew at that moment that that was it and the rest was history. I began my professional career as a choreographer, marketing personal, and stage manager with Disney and in reality with High School Musical.

It was a blessing and an answer to my prayers all rapped up into one famous movie and one anticipated theater production. I related to the characters almost instantaneously and I was hooked. This simple movie helped me figure out my life and find the light in the oh



# John Zaffis, Ghost Hunter, Presents in Wilson Hall Auditorium

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The next room to visit was the Chapel in the basement of Wilson Hall. Here he found Mrs. Guggenheim. Through questions the group found out that she was forced into marriage, her husband was on the Titanic with his mistress, and that she didn't want to talk about the stable boy.

Senior Chris Naeder said, "What I got out of the presentation was that there are many different spirits that call Monmouth University home."

Junior Kate Borsuk added, "It just made me think about all the history that's happened on our campus."

Zaffis has appeared on Unsolved Mysteries, Fox News Live, and many other print and news media events. John is also in the books of Ed and Lorraine Warren Graveyards and In a Dark Place.

One particular show that created a lot of buzz was the Discovery Channel's documentaries "A Haunting in Connecticut," an experience which occurred 20 years ago and was the most meaningful to Zaffis. In this file, the oldest son had cancer and the closest place for chemotherapy was in upstate New York.

The family decided to rent a house which turned out to be an old funeral home. In the basement there were still things left over from when they used to embalm the bodies. In past years, to get rid of the blood from the embalmed bodies, they would put the blood into the floor. The family began

to quickly see changes in their ill son, although they thought he was preparing for death. The mother asked the boy's niece to come over because she was her son's best friend. She looked at his journals which said he should kill his mom and dad. He got really mad at her for looking at them and put a pillow

thrown furniture, Zaffis was unsure if he wanted to continue with this career path. "I didn't want to fall victim with the family; I wanted to have a limited connection so whatever bad spirits there were, they wouldn't come after my wife and three kids...How do you fight something you can't see?" he asked.

The John Zaffis Paranormal Museum opened in 2004 and displays hundreds of artifacts collected over John's 30 years as a paranormal researcher and investigator, such as the thrown furniture. "Spirits can often become attached to objects through various rituals associated with witchcraft. Spirit can also be attached to an object that is familiar to the spirit, and may have been important to the spirit when the spirit was in human form," Zaffis said. The museum contains hundreds of supposed haunted items, many of which had to be removed from homes following many unexplained and often-negative phenomenon occurrences. Some of the objects include dolls, a wedding dress, a jewelry box, an organ, military jackets,

Also, in September 2004, Zaffis wrote his first autobiography Shadows in the Dark, co-written with Brian McIntyre. This was a documentation of his 30 year career. He is working on multiple follow-up books currently, and is lecturing all over the United States at colleges and Universities. You can visit [www.Johnzaffis.com](http://www.Johnzaffis.com) for more information.



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John Zaffis with one of his many haunted objects.

low over her face in her sleep, yet she escaped. His family called an ambulance to take him away and as he left he said, "It will get all of you." This really scared the mother and she decided to call Zaffis for help. After hearing and seeing strange things around the house like pulsing mattresses and

# MU Students Ride Bikes Cross-Country for Charity

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ment on proper training and fundraising prior to the trip. A total of \$391,327 was donated during the summer of 2007 and each participant is required to raise a minimum \$4,000. "My main strategy so far has been to tell EVERYONE, through Facebook groups and just word of mouth. It's super easy to donate online at [bikeandbuild.org](http://bikeandbuild.org), just select the rider you want to donate to, pick an amount and you're good to go. Another idea we had is to have a fundraising party with all proceeds going to the ride. I'm also trying to look for businesses that would be willing to do gift matching," said Ruben Woolcott. "An important point is that although we're not riding until May it is important to get donations in sooner rather than later so that we can train and so that money can be sent to needy recipients that we will be helping on the trip." The team has created a group of Facebook entitled, "Bike and Build 2009-MU Students", to gain financial support and gather fundraising ideas.

Bike and Build requires a minimum of 500 training miles and at least one trip has to be over 65 miles. The team has already begun training by going on weekly bike rides and is storing up on winter gear for colder rides. "Although I have about as much biking experience as your average 10 year old, I'm planning to work really hard from now until spring to be as fit as possible for the trip. Bike and Build helps you along the way by giving you alumni contacts for advice and other people in the area who will help you train. I am really excited to transform myself into a true cyclist," explained one future rider, Heather Tyrrell. "I graduate this Spring with a Bachelors in Biology with a concentration in Marine and Environmental

Biology. After all that hard work, I really want to go on an adventure and be able to help others as I go. Bike and Build is the perfect opportunity to do both! If I can do this, the real world will be a piece of cake!" Also, some members have joined the MU Cycling Club to train this winter and in the spring do road racing.

"The whole experience was a learning process for me: from learning about the other volunteers we met along the way, and to actually talking and working with the families that were eventually moving into the houses. All shared one thing in common, a love for life and sharing that love with other people. My perspective of people has changed for the better. There are so many good people willing to help one another. It made me want to do more and be a better person in general," said Paul Mandala.

Each rider had their own set of motivations: personal challenge, love for cycling and the outdoors, training for the real world or just experiencing something new. Ed Hollema is looking forward to the trip, "I love to be challenged in any way possible and I love the outdoors. I thought that joining the Bike & Build cause would be a great challenge, cycling across the country, and a great education in an area that I do not know much about as well as a way to give back to the community." But all the MU riders believe it is an important cause and it is their part to help those who are less fortunate. Preparing for an experience of this magnitude takes a lot of determination, discipline, dedication, and strength and is something that will last a lifetime. The group is looking for more students to share this amazing experience with them. There are still stops available for various trips but hurry, they are filling up fast.

# Senator Sean Kean Speaks on Campus

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the issues that are most important to him are, "government spending and making sure we reduce the debt and deficit."

On a positive note, Senator Kean said that the state of New Jersey makes a conscious effort to prosecute any public officials who are involved in these scandals and that accounts for the reason we see these situations arise more often in our state than others.

Senator Kean has been working with Senator John McCain since his campaign in 2000. He personally became a strong supporter of McCain after having met him many times over the years. He explained that Senator McCain spent 8 years coming back from the ashes after the last campaign. He added that a year ago no one thought he would even run and that there is an amazing story behind how he became the candidate that he is today.

"McCain was the right guy for the job in 2000 and he will be the right guy for the job in 2008," said Kean.

He said that he feels the polling data showing McCain behind is directly related to the financial collapse because

money issues are the most important to people. Kean also stated that this election will give political scientists and students a lot of new data to dissect when figuring out what happened in the election.

Liana Nobile, junior and Secretary of the Political Science Club said, "I really enjoyed Senator Kean's presentation. It was interesting that he talked about state issues because they play more to things that directly affect us."

The event with Senator Sean Kean was hosted by the Monmouth University Political Science Club.

Political Science Club President and Junior, Bryan Tiscia, said, "As a club we explain the main issues for both sides to give people the best information available." He added that the club's main goal is to raise awareness and encourage students to vote based on educated decisions and not just looks.

On November 4th, the Political Science Club will have a "Political Bus" that will go to the Republican and Democrat headquarters in New Jersey for their election night campaign parties. For more information on this event or the club please contact Dr. Joseph Patten at [jpatten@monmouth.edu](mailto:jpatten@monmouth.edu).

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Contact Marilyn Ward

#### Classroom Assistant-Tutor

Local school is looking for students who can work with children in grades K-8 during class time or after school. Opportunities include working with ESL students. Great for Education, Math, History, Spanish and English majors. Located in West Long Branch, NJ  
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# END OF AN ERA TO PLAY FREE SHOW MONDAY ON M2 LIVE

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M squared Live will be kicking off this year with New Jersey based band End of An Era, performing live Monday November 10 in the Plangere TV studio. For those of you who do not know what M squared live is then you are in for a treat!

The live music show is part of the Hawk TV original programming. It showcases bands from New Jersey as well as other surrounding states for you, the student's, viewing pleasure.

In previous years, the show has filmed the musical talent of

such bands as Valencia, Dive, Bedlight For Blue Eyes, Inanmere, as well as former bands including The High Court and

Hometown Anthem.

The show is bi-weekly and plays live Monday nights from 8-9 pm on channel 12 as well as being simulcast on WMCX 88.9fm.

The Plangere TV studio opens its doors to Monmouth students as well as friends to come out and experience this free event. With awesome live music, free food and door prizes, how could you go wrong?

This semester's premiere episode of M squared Live, the industrial alternative rock band will be playing songs off of their past album *The War Against*,

released last December as well as tracks off of their newest CD, *Strikes Back*, to be released mid November.

End of An Era has spent this last year touring and playing at popular music festivals such as Bamboozle and Hoodwink as well as Maquinaria Rock Fest in Brazil.

To get a taste of the musical mayhem that is End of An Era, visit their webpage at [www.myspace.com/endofanera01](http://www.myspace.com/endofanera01).

And be sure to learn the songs, so come Monday, you can be right there singing along with the band as they perform live right here at M.U. in the Plangere TV studio Nov. 10 at 8pm.



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M2 Live is Monmouth's live music show which in the past has featured such bands as Valencia, Bedlight For Blue Eyes, and Article A, to name just a few.

Doors open at 7:30pm, but if you can't make it in the studio, be sure to catch the show playing on Hawk TV channel 12 and WMCX 88.9fm.



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End of An Era will be here at M.U. performing in front of a live studio audience for the fall premiere of M2 Live November 10. Doors open at 7:30pm and the show begins at 8pm.

## CHECK OUT WHAT'S COOKING ON WHAT'S THE DISH

Monmouth's own Lauren Costello hosts the show *What's The Dish*, on Hawk TV, which provides students with fast and easy recipes for dorm life cooking. This autumn, the show will be featuring such quick and delicious dishes as Chicken Casserole, Cavatelli and Broccoli, and Chicken Teriyaki. Listed below are the recipes for the following dishes, so you at home can follow along with Lauren weekdays at noon and 5pm as she prepares the meals on her show. Bon Appetite!

### CHICKEN CASSEROLE

Place cooked chicken strips in a ceramic bowl, pour on top of that a can of Cream of Chicken soup, above that, layer boxed stuffing with a very small amount of water ( The usual amount of water will be replaced with the moisture from the soup below). Cover with plastic wrap and place in the microwave for at least 3 minutes. Check occasionally to determine appropriate temperature.

### CAVATELLI AND BROCCOLI

Place a few pieces of fresh broccoli or the contents of a can of broccoli in a bowl, microwave for at least 1 minute, checking the broccoli to add time if necessary. Remove from microwave carefully and place on the counter. Put the contents of a defrosted bag of Cavatelli pasta ( found in the freezer section) into a ( separate) appropriately sized bowl. Fill with just enough water to submerge all of the pasta and one teaspoon of Olive Oil. This will keep the starch from the pasta clumping and making your pasta mushy. Microwave for at least 3 minutes, adding more time for varying wattage of microwaves. Drain water from the pasta but DO NOT rinse the pasta. Add 4 tablespoons of olive oil, 3 cloves of finely minced garlic, and the broccoli to the pasta and top with a sprinkling of Parmesaen cheese.

### CHICKEN TERIYAKI

Place rice that is "boil in a bag" into a microwavable bowl with the appropriate amount of water listed on the box. Microwave for listed time. Remove from microwave. Place chicken strips that have been coated in Terriaki sauce ( in a separate bowl) in the microwave for one minute. Remove chicken from microwave and place on top of rice which has been poured out of its packet into a bowl.

\* Costello does not take credit for all recipes featured on this show. Many recipes have been taught to her by family and friends or found on the internet.

## PINK OPENS UP ON FUNHOUSE

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With the release of her fifth studio album, Pink is showing off a part of her personality that many fans are not used to seeing; her vulnerable side. Most of the songs on *Funhouse* deal with her recent divorce from motocross rider Carey Hart.

Even though Pink exposes her sensitive side on this new release, the first single *So What* proves that Pink hasn't forgotten how to rock out. *So What* is her first number-one solo hit single in the United States on both the Billboard Hot and Pop 100 charts.

The song takes a more positive look at her divorce and actually celebrates her freedom from marriage with a whole new attitude. In the song, Pink declares that she's just fine and is having more fun being on her own. As the album opener, it prefaces the rest of the album by showing that although the divorce was a difficult step in her life, she is stronger because of it.

Pink is also still close with Carey Hart, because their divorce was amicable. The next single, *Sober*, is a mid-tempo track that is worth a listen, but it is certainly not the strongest track on the album.

The vulnerability sets in with *I Don't Believe You*, which is a ballad that deals with the ups and downs of a troubled relationship. This song may be one of the most helpless tracks on the entire album, along with *Please Don't Leave Me*, which is another ballad that puts all of her feelings on the forefront.

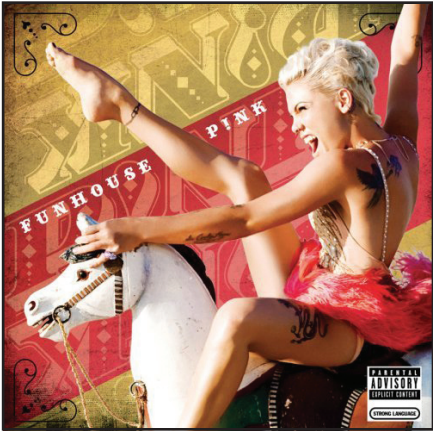


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Pink lets all her emotions out on her newest CD *Funhouse*.

The title track, *Funhouse*, is more upbeat and relates a relationship that has ended to an actual Funhouse by using many metaphors. This includes describing someone who was once enjoyable to be with, as becoming an evil clown.

Another ballad that shows off her defenseless side is *Crystal Ball*. It's a very simple track where Pink, accompanied by a lone guitar, sings about her troubles. *It's All Your Fault* is the most guiltless song on the album, where Pink puts everything on his shoulders and does all of the finger pointing. *Ave Mary* A addresses Pink's frustration with the world around her.

The rest of the songs are good, but fairly forgettable. Overall, the album is much more than a typical "break-up album". It is an insight into a woman who is dealing with the sad and painful reality of a marriage that has ended, and how she must sort through all of the debris of what is left of it to end on the right foot. Luckily for her, their marriage ended well, with Carey Hart even making a cameo appearance in her video for *So What*.

Her message will reach out to many people who may find themselves stuck at a crossroad in their relationship. Everyone can relate to the frustration of being around someone or a group of individuals who are not benefitting their well-being.

Sometimes moving on and starting over is the best decision to make in those kinds of situations; with *Funhouse* Pink is closing one door and opening another.



# Saw V Barely Makes The Cut

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The *Saw* sequels keep arriving each year prior to Halloween, and continue to become less impressive. Although the fifth installment of the thriller franchise once again brings the endless, torture-filled mind games, it lacks creativity and the ability to bring something new to the table. It carries the average amount of gore and the typical “I want to play a game” lines, while trying to put another piece of history into the jigsaw puzzle.

*Saw V* begins where *Saw IV* left off, and includes a mixture of new and returning characters.

Detective Mark Hoffman (Costas Mandylor) and Agent Peter Strohm (Scott Patterson) come back to work against each other, as Strohm digs through the past to unveil Hoffman’s secrets as Jigsaw’s newest apprentice. Tobin Marshall as the infamous Jigsaw returns to the canvas once more, even after dying of cancer in *Saw III*, to further elaborate on his story and to teach Hoffman about his methods of rehabilitation.

His ex-wife, Jill Tuck, also makes a few minor appearances to add to the story. There are enough

flashbacks from previous films to remind the audience which character is who, and what their role

was in the third or fourth film.

Moreover, another game is simultaneously being played out as five people are put together by the new Jigsaw to go through the brutal, twisted games that will end in life or death. However, the group of people may all be from different backgrounds, but they all have one thing in common, which is the reason for their abnormal situation in the first place.

As this new team works together to reach the next level to escape, one cannot help but compare this storyline to that of *Saw II*, where Jigsaw puts a group of ex-convicts through a trial of steps in an abandoned house and must do the inevitable to survive. This is a ma-

jor component of the film, when Strohm is not going after Hoffman to uncover his deadly lies.

There is nothing surprising or creative in this film, being that the audience already knows Hoffman is the villain from the last sequel; this one simply gives further detail on how he creates the “games.”

Do not expect any new twists or shocking characters, it is basically another unimpressive installment filled with bloodshed and the sick minds of Jigsaw and his accomplice.

Furthermore, imagination diminished when it came to the actual executions; for the most part, the viewer could see when and how it was coming, lacking an overall suspense in the film. It is very predictable but still enjoyable, unless you are easily squeamish.

If you happen to miss the latest of the *Saw* collection, there is no need to worry. It only further ties up loose ends that were not crucial to the overall storyline.

It is not as impressive as the past few films, but it does end with the notion of yet another sequel to possibly come out next year. On the bright side, it is always a good flick to get people into the post Halloween festive spirit.

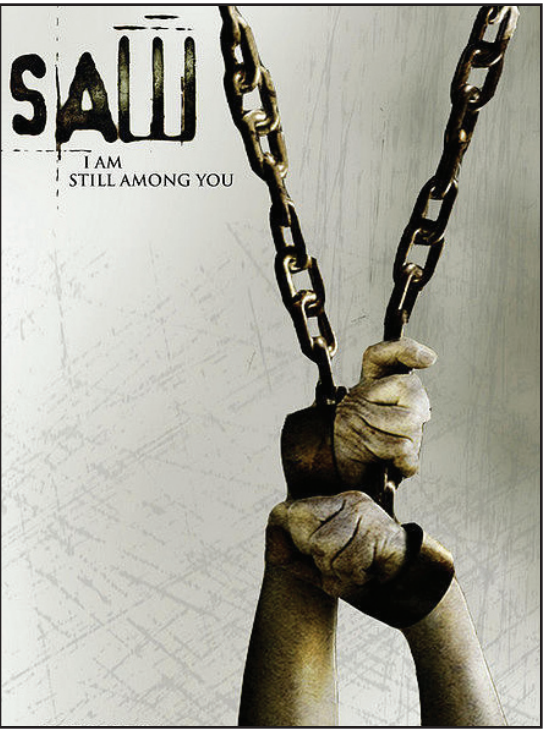


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*Saw V* hit theaters this Halloween, but **the film didn’t do much to scare audiences into wanting to see the sixth edition to the series.**

## THE GROUND FLOOR

**“Close up, Camera One, the Hero sings in this scene”**

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In a week where choices really do matter, I’m glad you made the choice to open right up to the middle of the paper and check out the candidate who supports your right to live in a true De-ROCK-crazy. Welcome back to The Ground Floor, where you get change in the musical landscape, all the juicy propaganda of existing stars, and new music mavericks who surface on the scene, some of which who can see Russia from their house!

However, this week’s new find might have to squint to check out Russia, considering that they are based right out of Tallahassee, Florida. Then again, keeping with the theme of this article, today’s band has had their share of hitting the trail in support of their cause. Forming from the remnants of bands A Kid Named Chicago and Defining Moment, the quintet produced a set of demos and followed the 2006 Vans Warped Tour from town to town toting their first EP, *Tales Told By Dead Friends*. By the end of the tour, thousands of kids knew the name Mayday Parade without ever witnessing them play a single set.

Named after lead singer’s, Derek Sanders, love of the word “Mayday” and as a nod to how the band members ritually watched Tallahassee parades from rooftops, the band’s perseverance of overcoming sweltering heat and endless waits to promote themselves paid off. Their first EP sold 20,000 copies without any advertisement or label support, just their ability to connect with fans. Soon the band was invited to the 2007 version of the same tour they stalked the year prior and began gaining recognition in the scene, including headlining a tour with New Jersey-based, *Bedlight for Blue Eyes*. However, that wasn’t the only attention the band caught.

Fearless Records, based out of California, saw the surge that the band obtained from their self-promotion and signed the band to their label. Soon after, Mayday Parade went right into the studio to work on their first full-length album. Working with such producers as Zack Odom and

Kenneth Mount, who worked with Cartel and All Time Low, and mixer Mark Needham, who worked with My Chemical Romance and The Academy is... , *A Lesson in Romanticism* was released in July 2007.

From the opening track, and the

helps build images of the lyrics being sung, and that is a sign of a well-written song.

However, before others write off the band for providing a “softer” song, many of the albums tracks are much more hard hitting, including



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**Mayday Parade consists of Derek Sanders, Jeremy Lenzo, Alex Garcia, Brooks Betts, and Jake Bundrick.**

second single from the album, “Jamie All Over” where Sanders bels out the lyric “I had a dream last night...” the catchiness and passion of the band towards their songs is instantly felt. However, if one continues to listen through the album, one might pick up different voices and get instantly confused. That’s because it is a different voice, as Mayday Parade uses two vocalists, Sanders and now Jeremy Lenzo, formerly Jason Lancaster who is most prominent on the track “Miserable at Best,” the album’s ballad which doesn’t live up to the name. The song itself is a brilliant use of layered vocal tracks telling the love story of a guy who fears losing his love to another and stating that although he can move on without her, he would be only “miserable at best.” It’s one thing to have a song get stuck in your head, however, the haunting piano work of Sanders on the song and the beautiful pace really

the lead single “When I Get Home, You’re So Dead,” which is much harsher song in terms of its content referring a overly friendly girl, but is a good indication of the band’s sound. Other songs use that sound and find the metaphoric approach to tell cryptic stories of bitter romances, such as in a personal favorite of mine, “Black Cat,” which uses the world of cinema. The song itself is a mix bag of explosiveness and calming vocals with staccato bass strums and drumming that should have any listener keeping time with their feet. They further the eclectic mix of styles with the closing song “You’ll Be the Anchor That Keeps My Feet on the Ground, I’ll Be the Wings That Keep Your Heart in the Clouds,” once again taking the slower route and doing the very classy a cappella ending.

The band has built up a much stronger follow since the release of their full-length, especially from the

music community. On a stop in August at the 2008 installment of the Vans Warped Tour, Derek Sanders fell ill and could not sing with the band. Wanting not to disappoint the paying customers, other lead singers from various bands filled in including All Time Low, Four Year Strong, and The Color Fred. Then again, even if you aren’t a paying customer, the boys don’t like to alienate their fan base at all. They have even made themselves available on instant messenger services and voicemails around the clock which can be accessed simply by going to the band’s My Space at MySpace.Com/MaydayParade, where a small sampling of the album can be found as well.

If you like what you hear, then you can definitely check the band out when they come to New Jersey’s Starland Ballroom in Sayreville in support of All Time Low, The Maine, and label mates Every Avenue, on the “Compromising Integrity, Morality and Principles in Exchange for Money” Tour on November 28th. Sound afterwards, the band is expected to hit the studio once again to start working on their follow up to *A Lesson in Romanticism*.

Also in an update, Fall Out Boy’s *Folie á Deux* which was originally anticipated to drop this past week, will now come out worldwide on December 15 and 16th, just in time to provide that special someone a sure-fire stocking stuffer. Judging by the singles already released (“I Don’t Care,” “Head First Slide into Cooperstown on a Bad Bet,” “What a Catch, Donnie,” and the upcoming “America’s Suitehearts”) the album will be the most mature, captivating and evolving records done by the band.

All songs are currently available on iTunes, while the band itself is providing a three choice pre-sale on their website, which includes plenty of other goodies. Those of you who buy songs on iTunes, will have the opportunity to pay less for the rest of the album when it drops using the “Complete My Album” option. For those of you who want more music happenings, new guilty pleasures, and the line, you’ll just have to wait one more week for the option that leaves you floored.

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# What is your Most Memorable College Moment

COMPILED BY: SARAH ALYSE JAMIESON



*Shawna  
freshman*

"My first day of classes."



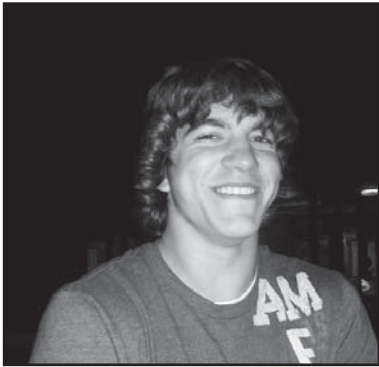
*Sarah  
sophomore*

"The time that I scaled Wilson Hall by hand"



*Tyler  
freshman*

"The time that there was a fire alarm in the library and an old lady fell down the stairs."



*Jake  
freshman*

"I woke up in some girls laundry."



*Devin  
freshman*

"Seeing my horrible Midterm grades."



*Cynthia  
sophomore*

"Meeting my great girlfriends."



*Esteem  
freshman*

"The first trip to the mall with my new friends and meeting our cab driver, Arty."



*Adeshola  
sophomore*

"Singing Karaoke with my girls."



*Samantha  
sophomore*

"Going to the beach with my girls."



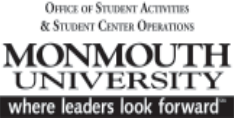
*Octavia  
sophomore*

"Going to NYC with my girls to see MTV's Day 26."



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Avenue Q Tickets for 11/14 • On sale now •Student Activities Office, 2nd floor, Student Center  
\$35 Students, \$45 Guests, Employees (on sale after 11/10) \$45

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Flu Immunization Clinic • 1:00-7:00 PM • Anacon  
The Truth About Hate & Bias • 2:30 PM • Young Auditorium  
Lip Sync • 10:00 PM • Pollak

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

"What Happened in NJ?" Post-Election Panel Discussion• 11:30 – 12:45pm• Young Aud., Bey Hall  
Outreach Program with Soul Street Dance • 1pm • Pollak Theatre  
APA...The Right Way!" •12:00-12:30 pm & 6:00-6:30 pm• Writing Center  
"See the Photos Hitler Never Wanted You to See" • 7:30-9:00pm• Wilson Auditorium  
Kelly McFarland Comedian • 9:00 PM • Underground

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Family Weekend Begins  
Murder Mystery Night • 7:00 PM • Anacon  
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#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

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Social Work Teach-In The Rights of the Child • 11:00 AM -4:00 PM • Anacon

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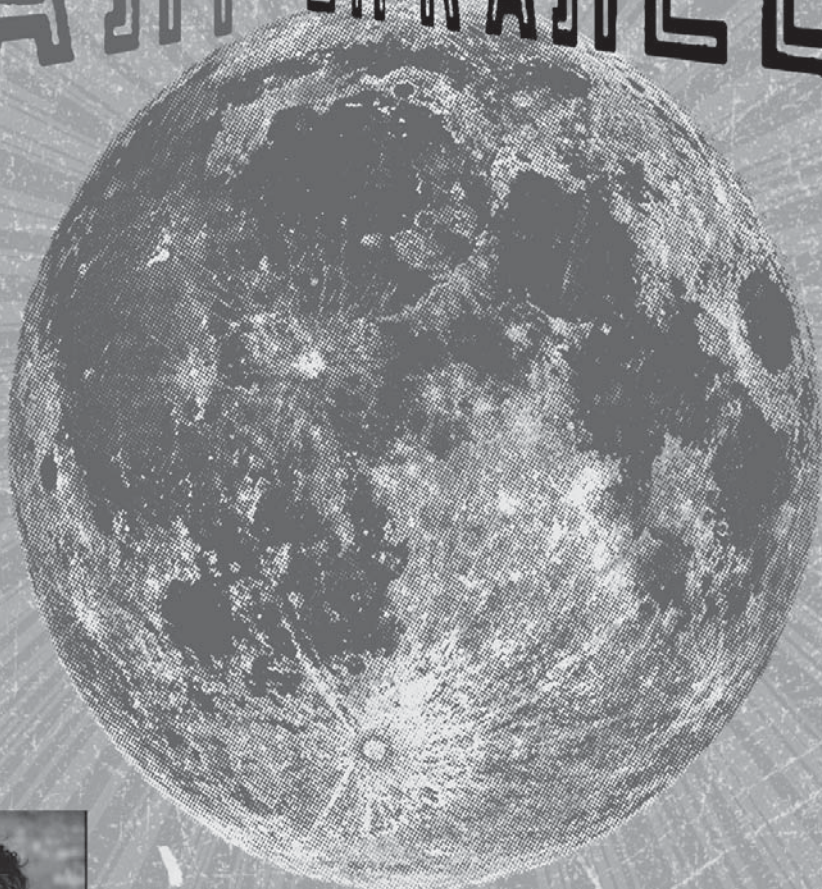
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**Social Work Teach-In:** November 11<sup>th</sup> from 11am-6pm. This year's topic is "The Rights of the Child." Learn about the Disability Rights Movement, AIDS orphans in Africa, portrayals of children in mass media, etc. For information, please contact Dr. Rosemary Barbera ([rbarbera@monmouth.edu](mailto:rbarbera@monmouth.edu))

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**- Tom Brokaw**





COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB

STUDY ABROAD CLUB

We are collecting non-perishable foods and canned foods for local food shelters who are running short this season. We are planning upcoming events for the Thanksgiving season and Holiday season so stay tuned! For any questions or ideas on events, please contact muscs@monmouth.edu! The CSA is sponsoring a Labyrinth Walk this Wednesday, November 5th, from 12:00 P.M. until 5:00 P.M. The location is the patio outside The Student Center. It's free to all. The walk can take just a few minutes or longer, depending on your own pace.

ALPHA XI DELTA

A lot has happened this semester. A Xi D and STG took first place in the Homecoming Float competition. Everyone's float looked amaXing! Great job! We will be hosting our first philanthropy event, Monmouth's Next Top Model on Wednesday November 12, 2008. It will be held in Pollak Theater. Doors will open at 9:30, if you would like to participate please contact Lauren at, s0585199@monmouth.edu. Tickets will be \$5 in advance, and \$7 at the door. All proceeds will be donated to the Make A Wish Foundation. Congrats to our 8 new sisters! Lauren Acquaviva, Holly Cannon, Sally Castellano, Ashley Cheeseman, Elba Cruz, Stephanie Dib, Olivia Hanson, and Mallory Rapisarda.

THETA PHI ALPHA

Congratulations Tressa Von Huizenga, now as TPA pres, our only hope is to not drive you crazy. This week was very eventful for our lovely Tau babies. Meadow has formally set up residency at Darlington. Her SP boys love chillen in a light bulb. Her new home was the place to be on Thurs where Tara looked white trash fine. This Halloween weekend went by too fast and concluded with a shocking surprise that Avril punkd' us! But all is still well and the Bivona hand lives on. This week can only conclude to the question where has Theo gone? Federico the Squirrel, peacin' out.

COUNCIL FOR EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN

We hosted our Halloween Event this past Friday (Halloween) for 45 third graders from Aubrey W. Clark Elementary school in Long Branch. The day was great success and the students exhibited great enthusiasm and interest in our activities, games and relay races. After the students ate lunch they participated in a dance party or completed group tasks such as coloring, drawing, and age-appropriate activity sheets. Monmouth University's CEC members volunteered and ran the event so that the visiting teachers and field trip aides had a chance to relax and unwind from the

Does TRAVELING interest you? Do you feel it's impossible to travel because you are still in school?? It is quite possible and the Study Abroad Program at Monmouth University is an awesome opportunity to travel while pursuing your education. Have you had the pleasure of experiencing study abroad and want to find a way to share it with others? The Study Abroad Club is now an official club and looking for you! The first Club Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 p.m., Fireside by Java City. The Study Abroad Club is looking for new members who have studied abroad, want to study abroad or are interested in doing domestic traveling. If you are interested in becoming a Charter Member of the Study Abroad Club, come meet some World Travelers who share your interest on Wednesday!! We are really excited to get the ball rolling for this club and to open more students up to the wonderful study abroad experience. Don't wait for the last minute to start thinking about studying abroad. For more information, email rasaro@monmouth.edu. We look forward to traveling with you very soon!

PRSSA

The Public Relations Student Society of America chapter at Monmouth University will be sponsoring it's annual coat drive along with a food drive starting Monday November 10, 2008 through Friday November 15, 2008. Clothing donations should consist of clean winter coats and accessories. The food donations are to be non-perishable or canned items. Collection boxes for both clothing and food will located in Monmouth's academic buildings and student center. The clothing and food items will be donated to the local community for this upcoming holiday.

It is important that Monmouth University, especially during this particular economically troubled time and holiday season that we give back to the community. PRSSA asks that students and faculty participate generously towards the two drives so that all can have an enjoyable winter season.

SIGMA TAU GAMMA

We would like to congratulate Sigma Tau Gamma and Alpha Xi Delta for winning Best Float for Homecoming 2008. Winning this year's homecoming win makes AXiD back-to-back-to-back Homecoming Champs, and makes Sig Tau 3 for 4 in Homecoming Championships. Both organizations worked very hard on building this year's float which celebrated Monmouth's 75thAnniversary. In the month of November, brothers of Sigma Tau Gamma have plans to give back to the community by working each weekend in a soup kitchen. There is not a better time with Thanksgiving and the Christmas season approaching to give our time and service to help make other's holiday-season a little bit better. Sig Tau would also like to remind everyone that our 2nd annual Comedy Show is coming up as soon as we return from winter break in January 2009. More information will follow as to the date and time.

## SAB EVENTS

We have some exciting events coming up this week!!

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> we are having comedian Kelly McFland come to campus. She was on the show "The Biggest Loser" and her comedic style always guarantees a great time. She will be performing in the Underground at 9:00 p.m.

As part of Monmouth's Family Weekend, SAB is hosting our annual Casino Night! This year's theme is 1950's Rock n' Roll all night. There will be over \$1,000 in prizes given out at the end of the night, after Monmouth students and their families enjoy a night of gambling.

All of these events are free and we encourage you to come and enjoy!

Any questions or concerns? Email us back or give us a call at 732-923-4707 or sab@monmouth.edu. Feel free to stop by our meetings every Thursday at 4 p.m. in the Carol Afflito room, located on the third floor of the Student Center.

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



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# Horoscopes

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

**♈ Aries** • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - This week is a 6  
Stop giving out advice to everyone else so you can neglect your own issues. You do not know everything so you cannot comment on everyone elses issues. By this weekend you are more focused on emotions as you rightfully should be. Emotions matter too!

**♉ Taurus** • (April 20 - May 20) - This week is a 10  
You are having some fun and enjoying yourself. Good for you! You realize your priorities in life have been a bit off and fun should be moving up on your list. This weekend you get to ride the waves of emotions without the undertoe. Enjoy it.

**♊ Gemini** • (May 21 - June 21) - This week is a 9  
You are realizing what you want and are capable of this week. Now that you have your boundaries established you are moving forward and getting where you need to go. Now that you've stopped worrying things are taking shape. This weekend, take some time to think about what's really going on.

**♋ Cancer** • (June 22 - July 22) - This week is a 7  
I hope you haven't been doing things halfway. The more effort you've been giving the more you'll be getting back this week. Creativity and hard work actually keeps you smiling as the week ends.

**♌ Leo** • (July 23- Aug. 22) - This week is a 7  
You love to analyze everyone else so you don't have time to take a closer look at your own life. You need to examine what is going on in your life before you lose control. You may exhaust yourself but it feels good.

**♍ Virgo** • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - This week is a 6  
Yes, everyone goes to you for advice but this week, you are looking for people to advice. Think about what you're telling everyone else to do. Now, think about it, how much of that advice can you take? Step up, do good for yourself and for other people. This weekend, don't worry about everyone else; it's time to worry about you.

**♎ Libra** • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - This week is a 6  
Stop looking at where your life is going and look where it is now. It's important to not spend all your time living in the future and neglecting the present. You can do both without wearing yourself to thin. Emotions may run you a bit crazy this weekend but focus on what is causing them so you can better deal with them.

**♏ Scorpio** • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - This week is a 8  
Stop worrying about what you want and be happy with what you have. Pay attention to what you have and you will see a lot of good that you never even noticed. Help others as the week ends and by the time you reach the weekend you want to relax and spend some time by yourself. You deserve it.

**♐ Sagittarius** • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) -This week is an 8  
By this weekend you realize that since you backed down earlier this week, you feel refreshed. Because of this time off you realized the shortest way from point a to point b. Congrats, but be careful that you don't try to shine and try too hard. Do what you're comfortable with. Next week is the time for new projects.

**♑ Capricorn** • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - This week is a 7  
As this week goes on you realize that your money situation isn't good or bad; it is simply your own and you know how to work it to your advantage. Make it work. This weekend, get lost in a dream world. Your heart and mind lead you where you need to go.

**♒ Aquarius** • (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) - This week is an 8  
Patience is a virtue. If you can take a step back and look at everything from a new angle you may just realize what is best for you. By this weekend you are ready to move on. It's all about emotions and the people you care about this weekend. Enjoy your time together.

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  - 27 Art stands
  - 28 On a single occasion
  - 30 Collects bit by bit
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  - 39 Makes beloved
  - 42 Amount of ooze
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  - 49 Swear, casually
  - 50 Musical compositions
  - 54 Hardy's pal
  - 56 Cedar \_\_, IA
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  - 58 Santa \_\_, CA
  - 61 Guitar adjuncts, briefly
  - 62 College credit
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  - 67 Lion's pride
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- 24 Samples
- 26 Fill an empty flat
- 28 Is in debt to
- 29 \_\_ of the above
- 31 DDE's rival
- 33 Applied by pats
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# THE END ZONE

## Hawks Lose a Heartbreaker on the Road to Albany

ANDREW SCHETTER  
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

In a game for first place in the Northeast Conference the Hawks carried a 14 point lead into the locker room at half time. The Hawks allowed 35 second half points to Albany who took the win 35-17. The loss for the Blue and White moved their record to 5-4 overall and 4-1 in the conference. With the victory Albany is now 6-3 overall with a perfect 5-0 record in the NEC.

This game featured the two best running backs in the Northeast Conference. David Sinisi has been named the NEC player of the week twice this season, and David McCarty of the Great Danes was named ALL-NEC back after last season. The key to the game for both defenses was containing these men. In the first half the Monmouth defense did an amazing job of allowing McCarty to just 23 yards rushing. However, it was a tale of two half's as McCarty finished the day with 208 rushing yards from scrimmage and a touchdown.

The game began with the Great Danes winning the toss and deferring possession to the second half. The Blue and White offense started with great field possession as the Albany kicker Herbert Glass illegally kicked the ball out of bounds, and gave the Hawks the ball at the 40 yard line. With 60 yards to pay dirt Quarterback Brett Burke led Monmouth onto the field. Burke came out on fire as he led his offense on a 10 play 60 yard scoring drive that culminated in a 21 yard pass to wide receiver Nick Romeo for the touchdown.

The score took the wind out of the home crowd and the Hawk defense looked to keep it that way on the ensuing drive. The drive began with a pass interference call on cornerback Ayo Falae. Led by Quarterback Vinny Esposito the home team moved steadily down the field until they reached the MU 37 yard line. The Hawk defense stiffened and forced them back to the 42 yard line where they were forced to punt.

The Hawks were pinned down on their 2 yard line after a beautiful

32 yard punt by Jack Daniels to the Monmouth 42 yard line. Albany was caught for an illegal block in the back and were moved back an additional ten yards. The Monmouth defense once again halted the Albany attack led by Esposito and forced a quick three and out. Lynch was unable to pin the Hawks inside the 20 again as the ball sailed into the end zone for a touchback.

Monmouth opened up the second quarter already methodically driving down the field. A frustrated

of the heavy lifting on the drive, Burke once again came through in the red zone with a 15 yard touchdown pass to tight end Jon Nalbhone. After another successful extra point attempt by Fred Weingart the Hawks had a 14-0 lead on the road.

The Great Danes once again drove down the field but were stopped short of the goal line. Monmouth's defense forced a 38 yard field goal attempt by Glass. The special teams for the Blue and White came up huge with a Garrett Culloo block which put the MU offense back on the field with their 14 point lead intact.

The teams then traded offensive possessions but neither could muster any points before the first half came to an end. At this point the Hawks had to be feeling good about their odds of leaving University Field with a perfect record in the NEC to their credit.

However, the second half proved to be as scary 30 minutes of football for Hawks fans on the day after Halloween. In a matter of minutes to open the half the Great Danes marched down the field, and with a six yard touchdown pass from Esposito to Tim Bush cut the Albany deficit in half. The score was now 14-7 and it was up to the Monmouth offense to respond. The offense stumbled out of the locker room and was forced into a punting situation after just three plays.

After the Hawk defense halted the Albany attack once more, the offense came back onto the field

but could not find the rhythm they had in the first half of play. Albany was now winning the game of field position and on their next drive had to travel only 52 yards to pay dirt. The home team capitalized on this opportunity and with a 17 yard touchdown run by Bush the game was now all square at 14. On the next two offensive possessions for both teams it looked like a defensive battle was unfolding as both teams forced fumbles.

Monmouth had another chance to regain momentum in the contest, as they began their next drive on Albany's 20 yard line. However, they could only muster a successful Weingart field goal to give them a 17-14 advantage with just over four minutes to go in the third quarter. The fourth quarter began with the Great Danes driving down the field. The first play of the quarter saw Albany with 3rd and goal on the one yard line. Esposito went for the sneak and was successful putting the home team up four, and swinging the momentum completely in their favor.

The story of the fourth quarter was the Blue and Whites inability to put together scoring drives. Albany capitalized on the possessions their defense gave them with both McCarty and Esposito rushing for touchdowns on the next two drives. The score now stood at 35-17 in favor of Albany and the Hawks were left with a bus ride home to put the game behind them, and get back on track for Sacred Heart next week.

The game next week against Sacred Heart will be an emotional contest for the seniors on the team as the Hawks celebrate senior day. The contest is set to take place at 1 p.m. on Kessler field.



PHOTO COURTESY of MU Sports Information  
Jon Stolarz had a career-high 13 tackles in the 35-17 loss to the NEC leading Albany Great Danes.

ful punt by Chris Lynch. The offense leaned on Sinisi to get something going but on a 3rd and one carry he was dropped by the Great Dane offense for a loss of two. After

ed Great Dane offense looked on as the Hawks in 13 plays took just about seven minutes off the game clock in an 80 yard touchdown drive. Although Sinisi, did most

## Outlook's Weekly NFL Picks - Week 9

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# Women’s Soccer Earns Third Seed in NEC Tournament

CHARLES KRUZITS  
STAFF WRITER

Over the Halloween weekend the women of Monmouth had plenty at stake during their trip to New York to take on conference foes Wagner and first-place Long Island University. With a win against Long Island the Hawks could win the Northeast Conference and take



PHOTO COURTESY OF MU Sports Information  
Andrea Lopez provided the only offense for the Blue and White over the weekend, recording her fifth and sixth goals of the season.

the number one spot in the NEC postseason tournament. On Friday, the Hawks traveled to Staten Island to take on Wagner which ended up being a Halloween thriller that lasted two overtimes. It took 109 minutes in the match for a goal to be scored which ended up being the game winner. An-

dreia Lopez, a junior forward from Oakhurst, notched the game winning goal for the Blue and White to give Lopez her sixth goal of the season and Monmouth their 14th win of the season. This marks the seventh game of the season in which sophomore Lia Fierro recorded a shutout. The MU goalkeeper stopped nine shots in the contest.

first place Long Island. A win against LIU would give Monmouth their second straight Northeast Conference regular season championship. MU started off fast with a goal two minutes into the match from Lopez which was unassisted; however, this was the lone goal for the hawks in the meeting. Twenty minutes later LIU registered their first goal of the game from freshman forward Ariana Calderon which was unassisted. At the end of the first half the score remained 1-1.

Twelve minutes into the second half LIU posted another goal on the scoreboard when junior midfielder Neddie King scored off a close range shot which was assisted by sophomore forward Samantha Post. Five minutes before the end of the game LIU registered an insurance goal when Calderon scored her second goal of the game which was unassisted.

“It was a hard fought game in which we played fairly well,” stated head coach Krissy Turner. “We created a lot of great chances and their goalkeeper played extremely well.”

With the loss to LIU, Monmouth will garner the third seed in the NEC Postseason Tournament and will face the second seeded Central Connecticut State, who defeated the Hawks 3-2 on October 12th. The tournament will be held at Aviator Field in Brooklyn, N.Y., hosted by top-seeded Long Island University, with the semifinals taking place on Friday, November 7th beginning at 11 a.m. and the championship being held on Sunday, November 9th at 12 p.m.

# Men’s Soccer Seizes First Place in NEC With Huge Weekend

ERIC WALSH  
SPORTS EDITOR

Coming into this past weekend, the men’s soccer team found itself behind NEC leader Fairleigh Dickinson with four games left in the regular season. However, with two huge matchups against NEC foes Sacred Heart and FDU, Monmouth had the opportunity to slingshot itself passed the Knights into sole possession of the top spot. In their first game on Halloween, Monmouth defeated Sacred Heart 2-0. The Hawks improve to 10-3-2 on the season and 4-1-1 in league play while the Pioneers drop to 5-7-2 and 2-3-1 in the conference. “It wasn’t pretty, but getting a conference win is the most important thing as we move towards our ultimate goal of winning the conference,” said Monmouth head coach Robert McCourt.

Monmouth controlled the action and the lion’s share of the possession in the first half as they built their early one goal lead. After pressing the action, Monmouth’s Rob LaRocca was brought down in the box and the Hawks were awarded a penalty kick. Sophomore Ryan Kinne took the penalty kick and beat the keeper to the left to put MU up 1-0 three minutes before intermission. Kinne struck again in the second half when he stole the ball on the SHU side of the field and created a break the other way for Monmouth, finding Andreas Klang for the goal in the 50th minute. The marker was Klang’s first of the season, with Kinne registering his fifth assist of the year, tying him for the team lead. From there, MU hung on and played tough defense to blank SHU. “The sun was very tough going to-

wards their goal in the second half,” said Kinne. “I saw Klang make his run and noticed he had a better angle at goal and found him. Getting that second goal was huge for us.” MU keeper Bryan Meredith made a career-high nine saves to log his seventh shutout of the season, upping his record to 10-3-2. The Pioneers outshot Monmouth 16-7 and held a 6-0 advantage on corner kicks in the match. The victory over SHU set up a tremendous match for the Hawks, as they hosted FDU in a game that would determine the league-leader. Monmouth was also celebrating Senior Day before the contest, honoring seniors Angelo Amato, Rich Baker, Dan Haydu, Klang, LaRocca, Michael Pereira and Chris Riordan before they played in their last game on The Great Lawn. In the pivotal matchup, Amato’s first career goal paced the Hawks to a 1-0 victory. The win, which was on Senior Day, improves MU’s mark to 11-3-2 on the season, including a 5-1-1 record in league play, while the Knights fall to 9-5-2 and 4-2-1 in the conference. “This was a match between two good teams that try and play soccer the right way,” said Monmouth head coach Robert McCourt. “I thought this was as close to a complete game as we’ve played all season. We possessed the ball well and created a lot of good scoring chances today and I think we got what we deserved with this result.” After 87 minutes of well-played, scoreless soccer, Amato was fouled inside the box, setting up a penalty kick with 2:50 left in the second half. The senior stepped to the ball and beat FDU keeper Majdi Zaineh to the left side for his first career and game-winning goal. “This is a dream come true, this is what you want,” said Amato. “It feels

good to finally get a goal, especially today.” The Hawks outshot the Knights 8-3 in the match and held a 7-1 advantage on corner kicks. Monmouth keeper Bryan Meredith didn’t have to make a save to record his eighth shutout of the season as the MU defense locked down the Fairleigh Dickinson attack. The Hawks now prepare for their final weekend of the regular season when they visit Quinnipiac this coming Friday and Central Connecticut State this coming Sunday. “We are taking it one game at a time and we know if we do our part, things will work out,” said Amato. With their success over the weekend, the Blue and White are back in the NSCAA/adidas® National Rankings this week, as they are receiving 12 votes in the national poll that was released Tuesday. The Hawks, who are effectively ranked 33rd in the country, are also ranked third in the NSCAA/adidas® North Atlantic Regional Rankings. The team ranked first in the North Atlantic region is Loyola (Md.), who is also ranked sixth in the nation, while the Hawks are actually receiving more national votes than the second place team in the region, Niagara (12-7). The Hawks are also well represented in this week’s NCAA National Ranking Report. According to the weekly statistical report, the Hawks rank 11th in the country in team goals-against-average, allowing 0.6 goals per match. MU also ranks 15th in the nation in team save percentage, stopping 84.8% of the opposition’s shots. The team has two games remaining in the regular season, with trips to Quinnipiac on Friday, November 7th and Central Connecticut State on Sunday, November 9th.

# Monmouth Softball Hires First Full-Time Assistant

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CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It’s been a decade since the Monmouth University Hawks reigned as NEC champions. After posting a sub-.500 record last season, the Hawks decided to hire the first ever full-time assistant softball coach, in hopes of bringing the program back to the top. In previous years, the MU softball program has operated with funding for two part-time assistants with out health benefits. Having been approved for more salary dollars and a benefitted position, the Head Coach, Carol Sullivan, as well as the athletic administration including the Director of Athletics, Dr. Marilyn McNeil, decided not renew the contracts of the two former part-time assistants and to conduct a search for a full-time assistant coach this past summer. “We have been trying to upgrade all assistant coaches to full-time. It is a long term strategic plan and it was softball’s time. I believe that full-time coaches are really important for student-athlete welfare and success. I believe that coaching is teaching, and teaching needs full-time attention,” said McNeil. After the processes of searching for and interviewing the candidates, the decision was made to hire Courtney Oliver, a recent graduate of Hofstra University, where she excelled in the sport. “I decided to take this job because I knew it would be a great opportunity to get into coaching. After I graduated in May I wasn’t ready to walk away from the game yet,” Oliver explained. As a player, Oliver appeared in four straight NCAA Regionals, reaching the Regional Finals in three of the four years. She was also a member of four Colonial Athletic Association Conference Championship teams from 2005-08. She was a two-time first team all-league selection as a pitcher and designated player, and was named to the 2008 All-CAA Tournament Team.

She has also been on the winning end for much of her collegiate career. After registering 166 wins in four seasons (166-64) she became a part of the winningest class in Hofstra history. She wants to bring that excitement back to the Monmouth softball program. She said, “I believe that I was chosen because of my competitive spirit. I want to make a difference in this program. I want these girls to know what it feels like to get to the next level, and I strongly believe I can help them get there.” Oliver’s main job is to focus on her expertise, pitching. She is expected to identify and develop the mechanics for each of the five pitchers on the staff as well as create short and long-term plans for instruction and improvement. She will also be involved with hitting, defensive work, physical and mental conditioning, and practice planning. Off the field she will assist in the academic tracking and player-coaching staff relations and communications and recruitment. The players are excited to have Coach Oliver on board. Among them, senior phenom, Nicole Alvarez says, “Our team has adapted very quickly to having a new coach and although we miss our old coaches we like the change of our new assistant coach because she has a great understanding of the game and loves it as much as we do.” Oliver has enjoyed her transition from an athlete to a coach, although she is still struggling with the realization that she cannot play anymore. She explained that at times she finds herself itching to get in there and practice. However, she is starting to find more joy out of coaching. She is starting to realize that this profession is a perfect fit for her. “I expect this team to have a very successful year. Every one of these girls wants to get better. So far, they have done everything the coaching staff has asked of them. As long as this team has the attitude that they have, Coach Sullivan and I are going to have high expectations for this season.”

# Four XC Athletes Earn All-League Honors

PRESS RELEASE  
The Monmouth University women’s and men’s cross country teams finished third and fourth, respectively, in a 12-team field at the 2008 Northeast Conference Championships at Holmdel Park. In all, four Hawks, including two men and women, earned all-league honors for Monmouth. Cailin Lynam and Christine Altland earned All-NEC (top-14) honors for the women, while Ben Hutterer and Peter Forgach claimed all-conference accolades for the MU men. The Monmouth women had a top-5 average time of 19:39, almost 20 seconds better than the previous team record at Holmdel Park, and finished 3rd after finishing 2nd last season. Lynam, a junior, finished third in a time of 18:46, breaking her own school record on the well-know Holmdel course. Altland, a sophomore, came in 10th in a time of 19:21 on the famous 5K course at Holmdel. “Cailin from the back and ran like a veteran today to finish strong,” said Monmouth head coach Joe Compagni. “Christine ran a courageous race. She was very aggressive early in the race running with the leaders and paid for that a little bit, but really did a great job to stay in the top 10 in the conference.” On the hilly and challenging men’s 5 mile course, Hutterer, a sophomore who finished 26th in the NEC last year, took 8th overall for the men in a time of 27:09. Forgach, a junior who has led the team most of the season, finished 10th, running 27:11. “Ben had a tremendous race and made up his mind last year that he wanted to be one of the best runners in the NEC,” said Compagni. “Pete had a tough day but has been a great leader for us all season and has two championship meets left to do some big things.” Jessica Jones, the lone senior among

the Hawks’ top 10, just missed out on All-NEC honors, finishing 16th in a time of 19:49. Sophomore Courtney Spratford was right behind Jones, coming in 18th running 19:52.5. Sophomore Tiffany McKenna finished as MU’s crucial 5th runner in 29th overall in a time of 20:27 for Monmouth. Freshman Deanna Bishop and junior Sarah Frenette, finished 6th and 7th for Monmouth in 40th and 41st place overall. Bishop ran 20:44 while Frenette finished in 20:51. “We are a little disappointed and a few things could have gone differently for the women,” said Compagni, as one of the Hawks normal top five did not finish. “We were hoping to at least match our 2nd place effort from last year but came up one more big race short of getting that goal. They ran with a lot of heart and raced tough together, though.” For the men, sophomore Bill Dowd just missed out on all-league honors, finishing 16th in a time of 27:32. He was followed by four freshmen for MU. Alec Richardson finished 4th for MU and 31st overall in 28:06; Dan Collura came in 5th for MU and 39th overall in a time of 28:15; Mike Bertocchi came in 52nd in a time of 28:41; and Garth DeBlasio finished 58th in 28:55. “We were hoping for more on the men’s side after finishing 2nd last year. But we had a number of great races, and for Ben and Billy to move up so much from where they were last year (Dowd was 65th as a freshman) is impressive,” Compagni said. “We also had five freshmen among our top ten going after it today in their first collegiate championship meet, which is great experience,” said Compagni. Quinnipiac claimed both the women’s (fourth straight title) and men’s (third straight) championships. Next up for Monmouth are the NCAA Division I Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships on Sat., Nov. 15 at Princeton University.





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**The men's soccer team defeated league-leader FDU 1-0 off of senior defender Angelo Amato's first goal of his career.**

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