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Concussions: A Growing Headache for College Athletes

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Concussions have been getting an increased amount of publicity the last few seasons of the Nation Football League (NFL). These head injuries are not limited to the NFL, however, they are a significant aspect of college sports.

Doug Padron, Head Athletic Trainer at Monmouth University, believes concussions are just as big in college sports. "They are big in all contact sports. What you're seeing now in the media has been going on for a while," said Padron.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a concussion can be caused from many things. A bump, blow, or jolt to the head can change the way your brain functions. A fall or blow to the body can even

cause the brain to move quickly back and forth.

Matt Beverin, a midfield and defensive player for the soccer team, knows that concussions are dangerous. He suffered a concussion recently while going up for a header and colliding with an opponent. Beverin said, "I think concussions are a growing concern in college athletics. There are a lot of sports with a lot of contact to the head which is scary." He continued, "In football, they have helmets which helps a bit. But in my case, it was just head on head contact which made it a lot worse."

Sports provide so many different ways for a player to suffer a head injury. In football, there is constant contact with the opposing

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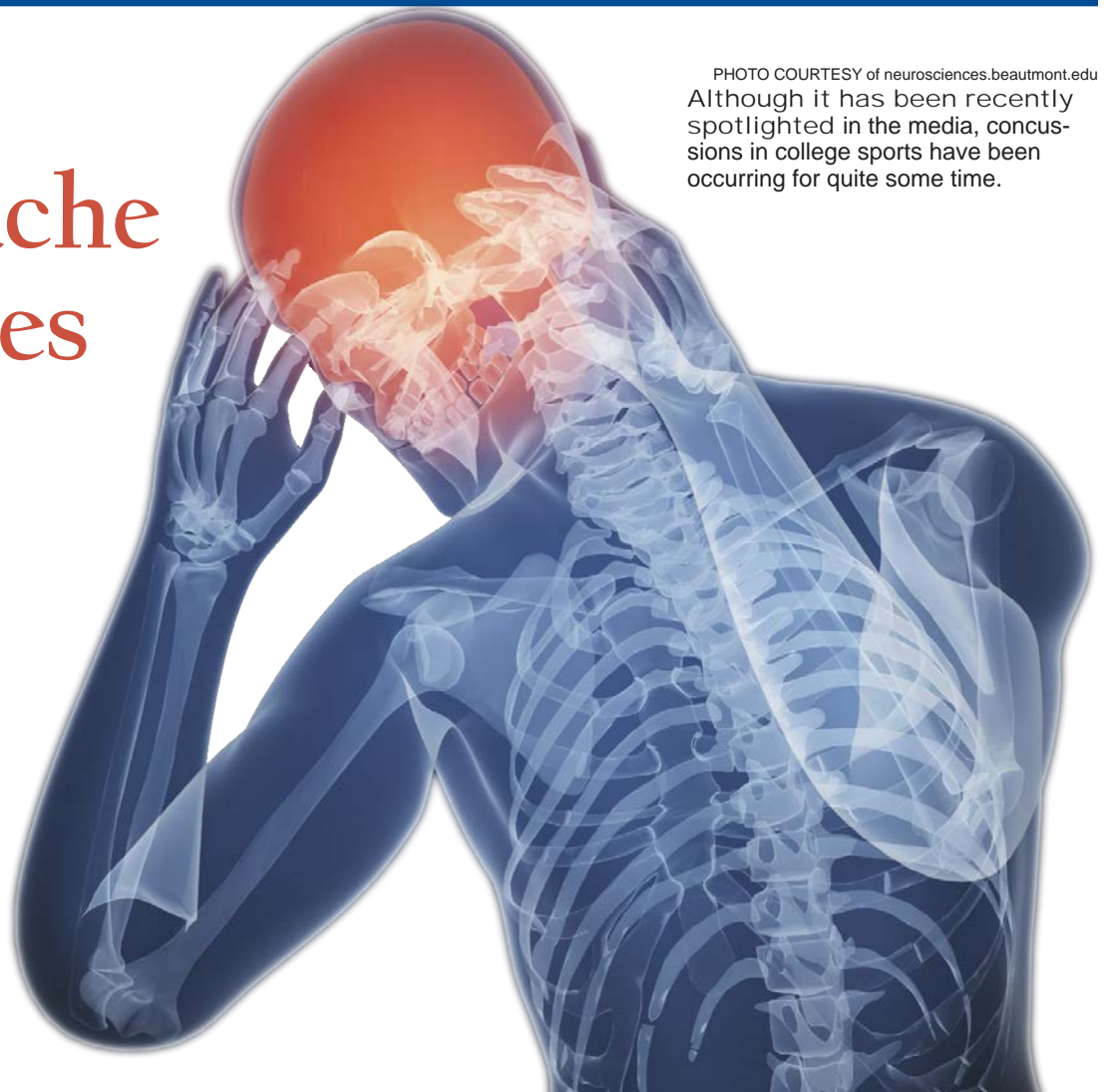


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Although it has been recently spotlighted in the media, concussions in college sports have been occurring for quite some time.

Storm Affects Homecoming Events, Plans, and Tradition

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During the annual Homecoming game just more than a week ago, the University faced Duquesne University on Kessler Field. Simultaneously, the University experienced an odd weather pattern that brought a combination of rain, snow and hail just days before Halloween.

"We have never postponed Homecoming in the past due to weather," said MaryAnn Nagy, Vice President for Student and Community Services. "I think the game goes on regardless of weather and would only be postponed if there were some severe lightening."

Nicole Levy, senior and SGA President, said that SGA did not have the power to do anything because of the strict football schedules.

However, many students said that they were disappointed with the University's decision to hold the

game given the weather. They said that they had anticipated the day in excitement, eager to celebrate and enjoy the football game. Furthermore, some seniors said that they felt the melancholic atmosphere as they were mindful of their final Homecoming current students.

Anthony Cortese, a senior, said that he was disappointed to wake up to a torrential downpour that Saturday morning.

"I waited so long for this, to actually be 21 and be able to tailgate before the game as a Hawk and celebrate our last Homecoming as the class of 2012," Cortese said. "I was extremely disappointed but there was nothing we could really do."

Some students said that they wish the University had postponed homecoming to a different date, such as Danny Pompilio, also a senior.

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Bruce Springsteen Exhibit Permanently Housed on Campus

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The University recently became home to the Bruce Springsteen Special Collection with over 15,000 items donated from fans around the world. The Collection is being held at the University's Archive Collections Building right next to the Woods Theatre.

President Paul Gaffney said in a press statement released to the public that "the University is the perfect location for this outstanding collection...students and faculty...especially our music industry students, will benefit greatly from having access to these documents."

The Collection was formerly kept at the Asbury Park Public Library, but as it has expanded over the years with a plethora of more documents from various fans and countries, the Collection needed a new home. After four years of trying to find where to

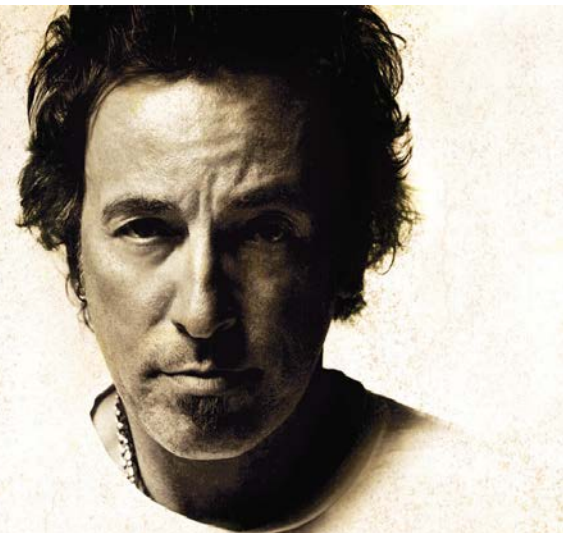


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Springsteen's exhibit, formerly displayed in Asbury Park, will now be a public fixture in the Archive Collections Building.

store the memorabilia, the University was selected as the best option to offer a public viewing of Springsteen's history.

The Collection is kept in archival boxes that have been neatly organized in four different rooms. The boxes are categorized by type of material, with each item being placed in its own labeled envelope. There are boxes with various magazine articles written about Springsteen like his first appearance in *Rolling Stone* or

articles in a Netherland magazine called *Veronica*. Other boxes hold fanzines, bumper stickers and old concert tickets.

Eileen Chapman, Assistant Director of Performing Arts at the University, said the Collection is kept this way as it "helps preserve the pieces...some of the pieces, like key documents are rare."

Chapman says people that would like to view the Collection

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University Hosts 7th Annual “Break the Cycle, Be the Change”

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In order to continue the fight against bias and effort to promote respect among all people, the University hosted the 7th annual “Break the Cycle: Be the Change” last Thursday.

As students made their entrance into Anacon Hall in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, they were greeted by representatives from First-Year Seminar, Counseling and Psychological Services, and the American Conference on Diversity. The students were then split into groups to prepare for group discussions and skits to be held after the introduction.

The introduction covered basic ideas concerning discrimination and bias, including the idea that prejudice is a learned behavior, therefore it can be unlearned.

Kalisse Richardson, a member of the American Conference on Diversity, explained how hearing something new for the first time in a conversation can be difficult at first, but working towards understanding is worthwhile.

“Being actively engaged in the community can help bring about change,” Richardson said.

Following this was the group work. Ground rules were established that can be applied in daily life, such as keeping an open mind, taking responsibility for your actions and words, and communicating honestly.

Scenarios were then laid out which pondered what a change maker or change stopper would do in this situation. A change stopper is defined as a person who looks at a problem and puts all blame on other individuals, while a change maker is a person who looks at a problem and connects it to root causes to seek understanding and promote respect.

During group discussions, participants were welcome to share their own personal experiences with cer-

tain issues and confidentiality was kept within each group. The discussions were directed by trained leaders, including Deborah Molinaro and Nicole DeFonzo.

Molinaro, Administrative Assistant at the Student Center, believes that diversity is one of the University’s values that is interwoven into the fabric of the University. According to Molinaro, there are a number of techniques to facilitate serious conversations, the most important of which are the following: create a safe, non-judgmental space for the conversation, share your own experiences and go into the conversation realizing that you can never change another person.

“The key is respect for others which is something that can be taught and learned,” Molinaro said. “I’ve seen improvement on our own campus since I’ve been here. I have great hope for future generations, especially as we move forward as a global community.”

DeFonzo, a sophomore and Peer Learning Assistant, said that she enjoyed her experience as a conversation facilitator for this event.

“I think the small groups were effective for discussing serious issues because, in these groups, the students were able to make up their own skits and role play, so they could actually feel what it was like to be a person being discriminated against,” DeFonzo said. “The small groups

allowed the students to be more comfortable in sharing their thoughts and feelings about the issues.”

“I hope the freshmen who attended understand that discrimination is a problem and that they set out to change the cycle of prejudice and discrimination so that everyone is treated equally,” DeFonzo added.

Students who attended the event, or are interested in diversity awareness, are encouraged to attend the Annual Diversity Awareness Training Program scheduled for February 29.

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DEBORAH MOLINARO
University Administrative Assistant

Homecoming Weather Leaves Some Students Bitter



PHOTO COURTESY of Blaze Nowara

Less Hawks, parents, and Monmouth fans than usual were huddled under umbrellas during the game.

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“I think it should have been postponed because, not only did no one go to tailgating, [but] no one went to the game,” Pompilio said. “You can’t even call that homecoming.”

Andrew Costa, another senior, said that he thought the decision to hold the game despite the weather only hurt the University.

“I believe that people such as myself look forward to this day all year. That fact that I was unable to tailgate due to weather upset me and a lot of other students,” Costa said. “The University would have gotten gratitude from the students if they rescheduled. Instead they basically said ‘too bad’ and now all the students are upset.”

Samantha Sexton, a first-year student, worked as a member of the event staff for the Homecoming game. She also said that the University should have canceled the game.

“I was out in that weather and it was just horrible,” Sexton said. “I had to stand outside for the football game and it was pouring and hailing. I seriously couldn’t feel any part of my body.”

Despite the weather, some students remained positive about the day and showed school spirit.

“I think it went as well as it could have gone given the circumstances that we were presented with,” said Tyler Bischoff, SGA Senior Senator and Treasurer.

Samantha Palmucci, a junior and Resident Assistant in Pinewood Hall, was content with the weather that day.

“I didn’t have to worry about students doing stupid things or issues with underage drinking,” Palmucci said. “Most of my students stayed in and watched movies. It was a relaxing day for me.”

Danny Doleh, a senior and member of Sigma Pi fraternity, said that he was not affected by the weather.

“Me and my [fraternity] brothers stayed in and celebrated, then went to the bars,” Doleh said. “I didn’t care about the weather, as long as I got to celebrate my last Homecoming with my brothers.”

One thing that the weather did not affect was the pep rally on Friday, which was successful, according to Vaughn Clay, Director of Off-Cam-

pus and Commuter Services and SGA Advisor.

“I believe we had approximately 800 students, staff, and faculty in the MAC for the event,” Clay said. “It was a great event and we were so thankful to have President Gaffney, Coach Callahan, the football team, the cheerleaders, the dance team and pep band support this annual tradition.”

As for the game, Clay said that it was upsetting to see an empty parking lot, which is an unusual sight for Homecoming. Despite the weather, Clay said that he was impressed with the school spirit and sense of humor displayed by the students that still participated in that Saturday’s Homecoming activities.

Levy, along with SGA members, is planning to have a “Homecoming” this upcoming Saturday during family weekend.

“We have tons of novelties to give out and we want to encourage everyone to come tailgate, especially if your family is visiting for family weekend and try to recreate that homecoming feel we were all looking for,” Levy said.

University’s Office of Substance Awareness Offers Free Treatment

PRESS RELEASE

The Office of Substance Awareness, located in the Health Center next to Birch Hall, provides free, confidential, short-term substance abuse treatment for all students. The Office of Substance Awareness also provides educational information and presents to first-year seminar classes.

The Office of Substance Awareness also reports substance use and abuse trends of concern to the University community. This year, a continuing trend of concern includes designer drugs such as synthetic marijuana. Synthetic marijuana is a laboratory made product attempting to simulate marijuana and its effects. Sold under names such as, K2, Spice and Revelation Ultra; These products are made in China and there is very little known about what short and long term effects these products have on the brain. There have been many health concerns from people smoking these products to get high. We have seen people become sick, lose consciousness and even experience mental health symptoms including psychotic episodes from these types of products.

In addition to synthetic forms of marijuana, another product of concern is bath salts. This was the name given to a synthetic form of methamphetamine. What sounds like an innocent bubble bath product is actually a dangerous substance already banned in many states, including New Jersey as of August 2011.

Alcohol poisoning continues to be a leading concern on campus. According to the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism website, a 2002 study estimates that more than 1,400 college students between the ages of 18 and 24 die each year from alcohol-related unintentional injuries and 500,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 sustain unintentional alcohol-related injuries each year. Many students report drinking too much, too fast and experiencing memory blackouts, vomiting, passing out and hangovers. These harmful effects are preventable.

Never leave a friend alone who is vomiting or passed out. Call 911 if there is any concern that the individual is in distress due to shallow breathing, inability to stop vomiting and/or bluish skin coloring. The Good Samaritan Policy allows students to call for help if a friend is need of medical attention with amnesty from an alcohol violation.

The Office of Substance Awareness is co- sponsoring The Great American Smoke Out on November 17 in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center. There will several exhibits on the dangers of smoking, and information and tools on smoking cessation.

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University Takes a Look Back at 9/11 After 10 Years

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The University took a look back at the tragic events of 9/11 in light of the decade that has since passed.

The Leon Hess Business School, H.R. Young Lecture Series, and the Kislak Real Estate Institute Stephen B. Siegel Lecture Series hosted “9/11 - A 10 Year Perspective” in Wilson Hall last Thursday. T h r e e guest speakers shared their personal memories followed by a question-and-answer session.

Thomas H. Kean, former Co-Chairman of the 9/11 Commission and former Governor of New Jersey, spoke about his tenure as the Commission Chair and the impact the day has had on the nation.

Virginia S. Bauer, Commissioner of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, spoke about the loss of her husband and the tax legislation she worked on to help families of victims.

Lewis Eisenberg, former Chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, gave an emotional account of what he went through on 9/11 and the following months.

A collection of original photography by photographer Joel Meyerowitz also was on display at the event. The pictures included images of Ground Zero and New York City immediately after the event, which were recently donated to the University.

“I have found it almost impossible to talk about September 11, 2001, since it happened,” Eisenberg said. He added that the Port Authority has eight to nine thousand employees

who sacrifice a lot to do their job.

“For three months, I received calls from people all over the country looking for their family members; nobody could imagine the scope of what had happened,” Eisenberg said. “For the ensuing weeks I attended 34 funerals; during that time I was never able to cry.”

“The museum and memorial will give us an opportunity to educate those that were too young or not born before 9/11,” Bauer said.



PHOTO COURTESY of Jim Reme

There were three panelists at last week’s lecture: Virginia S. Bauer, Commissioner of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Lewis Eisenberg, former Chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, and Thomas Kean, former Governor of New Jersey.

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Former Chairman of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

Bauer said that she recognized that many widows had young children or were still pregnant.

Bauer worked to provide them with relief by working on legislation that

without Hamilton’s approval.

“As Chairman, I had to try to bring Democrats and Republicans together, that we kept the families on board [and] that we worked with the United States Congress when necessary,” Kean said. “I worked on those aspects of the Commission as Chairman and I left some of the deep expertise, particularly the intelligence area, to the others.”

Kean received criticism that he did not have enough expertise in foreign policy or national security to head the Commission, but he continuously worked to keep the Commission on point and searching for an unbiased truth.

“I was the least qualified member of the Commission,” Kean said. “I suspect the President appointed me because I had the emotional experience in this area. I was the only one who came from the area where the actual tragedy happened.”

Throughout the investigation, the 9/11 Commission realized that many of the attacks could have been prevented.

“Reading about that event and how it happened, and how these agencies failed and reading that kind of history, I think you’re best equipped to make sure it doesn’t happen

again,” Kean said.

“We could have singled out a lot of people who made bad judgments, but we didn’t think that was the idea and that wasn’t why we were set up,” he added.

Kean said that the commission was formed primarily to prevent future terrorist attacks.

Professors Trying to Stop Plagiarism

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MCT CAMPUS WIRE

In the early weeks of Katelyn Laeyt’s freshman year at Ramapo College, a professor sent her class a clear message - a classmate’s plagiarized essay, each line marked in red, posted on the professor’s door.

“You could see everything that was plagiarized,” Laeyt said. “The message was, ‘Don’t do it.’”

Professors across the region say student plagiarism is on the rise, so they must be more creative and direct about how they combat it.

Some use Internet programs like Turnitin.com, the software that flagged passages in Laeyt’s paper that may have come from other sources. Some start the term with presentations about plagiarism and its consequences. Some simply try to be extra-vigilant about changes in tone or uncharacteristic writing style in their students’ essays.

Unless they are clear and consistent about their policies against plagiarism, professors said, they have no doubt some of their students tempted by the sheer amount of information easily available on the Internet will try it.

“Everyone thinks everyone else is doing it, so they’re doing it, too,” said Don McCabe, a Professor in the Management and Global Business Department of the Rutgers Business School who has spent the past 20 years studying academic dishonesty.

“The number of students engaging in the behavior has not increased, but those who are doing it are doing it more often. They used to do it only when they were desperate. Now they do it as a matter of habit.”

McCabe’s surveys of more than 200,000 college students, 50,000 high school students and about 20,000 faculty members have found that a third to 40 percent of students admit to having done some kind of cut-and-paste plagiarism, he said.

Although there was a surge of students reporting plagiarism after the advent of the Internet, the number has gone down slightly since then, corresponding to a decline in the number of students responding to his surveys, he said.

He does not attribute the decrease in self-reported plagiarism to a rise in academic honesty, however. Rather, he thinks students who cheat

are no longer interested in responding to surveys.

McCabe’s hypothesis is supported by a Pew Research Center study released in August that reported that 55 percent of college presidents said plagiarism in students’ papers had increased over the past 10 years. Of those who thought plagiarism was on the rise, 89 percent said the Internet had played a major role.

Students randomly polled at Ramapo said the popularity of anti-plagiarism programs, and the common knowledge that their professors are watching out for plagiarism, keeps incidents of plagiarism low, although they said increased vigilance also comes with downsides.

Cristian Torres, 23, a Ramapo junior, said a professor once made him rewrite a paper that was flagged on Turnitin even though Torres insisted it was his own work.

Other students said such programs made them nervous.

“What if I’m plagiarizing?” said freshman Louis Pena, 18. “I don’t want to fail. What if I do it by accident?”

Debra Zellner, a Psychology Professor at Montclair State University, said she catches as many as five students a semester when she is teaching large seminars of about 100 students. A few students had even plagiarized from Zellner’s own published research, she said.

Signs of problems include shifts in writing styles from one sentence to the next, citations that don’t match up or the use of highly technical language. One student was exposed when she used the scientific term “allele” but could not tell Zellner what it meant.

Zellner attributed student plagiarism to a lack of writing experience in high school, combined with last-minute panic when students don’t manage their time well.

“They think there’s some trick to it, that they have to write a particular way, so they panic,” she said.

Zellner said she makes a point of telling students she will confront and report all incidents of student plagiarism according to the university’s policy; students are reported to the dean’s office the first time they’re caught intentionally plagiarizing and can be put on probation or expelled the second time. She said she had never had to make a second report.

University Delegates Attended 26th Annual National Conference on Ethics in America

PRESS RELEASE

Dr. Golam M. Mathbor, Associate Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences and a professor in the School of Social Work at the University, was selected to serve as mentor for the 26th annual National Conference on Ethics in America (NCEA).

“Dr. Golam Mathbor was selected as mentor because of his exceptional ability to facilitate discussion and promote ethical awareness,” remarked Lieutenant Colonel Michael Turner, Ph.D., Deputy Director of Simon Center for Professional Military Ethic.

The conference, held on October 16 to 20, was hosted by The Simon Center for the Professional Military Ethic and sponsored by the West Point Class of 1970 at the United States Military Academy (USMA) in West Point, New York. The NCEA is a three-day conference involving approximately 180 undergraduate students from over 90 academic institutions and the nation’s service academies. The purpose of the conference is to promote the importance of integrity and ethical conduct in our collegiate, public, and professional communities. Its theme was “Serving with Integrity.”

College student delegates, under the guidance of their group mentors, discussed topics raised by plenary speakers. Mentors guided groups in discussions encouraging a respectful exchange of ideas and their rationale. The mentors introduced delegates to the decision-making methodology while allowing them to explore ethical challenges raised by the speakers.

Mathbor selected two student delegates from the University to participate in this prestigious NCEA event at USMA in consultation with Student Services Vice President Mary-Anne Nagy. They were Aziz Mama, a junior accounting major, and Lori Mueller, another junior majoring in psychology and criminal justice.

“It was my great pleasure to be able to represent the University,” Mama said. “I would like to thank the University as well as the West Point graduating Class of 1970 for providing me with this unique experience of being able to take part in such a select conference with 180 other people from 90 different academic institutions. It was an extremely thought provoking conference which gave me greater insight into the difficult yet vitally important issue of leadership and ethics.”

“The NCEA was a once in a lifetime opportunity as well as a four day life changing experience,” Mueller said. “The number one question asked by plenary speakers, mentors, delegates and cadets was ‘What will you take away from this experience?’ In order to truly answer that question, it would take pages upon pages of discussions, opinions and questions; or, it could take one simple quote. ‘Live your life so that when your friends ever think about fairness and integrity, they think about you,’ as stated by retired Captain Mark Adamshick during his speech which opened the conference. This is just one of many memorable quotes throughout the conference that changed many delegates’ ways of thinking.”

Students Walk a Mile in Her Shoes

Event on Campus Raises Awareness About Sexual Assault

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Students gathered on the footsteps of Wilson Hall on Wednesday, November 1, to raise awareness for sexual assault against females on university campuses across the country.

The annual event “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” attracted over 300 attendees that listened to speeches from students and then walked a mile in women’s heels, to truly understand what it’s like to be in a female’s victim’s shoes.

Only a brave few dared to walk in heels for the first time, but the majority of the crowd was students, representing various organizations to support ending violence against women. The walk began at the steps of Wilson Hall went down the underpass, through the residential quad, and back.

Laurel Weber, first-year student who attended the event, said “it’s important to stop sexual assault, because nobody wants to see that happen to someone they love.”

Kyle Haggerty, senior, has been participating in this event for four years. He said “this year was the best, the weather was great. I saw some sports teams here, and some residents.”

Among the athletic teams in support of Sexual Assault Awareness was the track team with their coach, Joe Compagni.

Compagni said, “We had 40 athletes from the cross country and track team at the event. We have been involved with the “Walk a Mile in Her Shoes” campaign for the last several years. We wanted to be present to support the event itself and to help raise awareness about important

issues like domestic violence and sexual assault.”

When asked what Compagni thinks the benefits of an awareness event like this on campus are, he replied “This event helps raise awareness on campus and beyond. Every student who learns more about the issues involved can help those around them here at Monmouth and in their communities at home to manage the issues involved in a positive way.”

He stressed that “a great deal can be learned. Most students are not aware how prevalent the issue is and the steps that can be taken to prevent it. We are fortunate to be on a relatively safe campus. But everyone needs to be aware of the environment they are in, and help those around them avoid dangerous situations.

Darlene Furey, Director of Intervention Services for New Jersey Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NJCASA), was one of the speakers at the event. She said her speech was meant to “speak of prevalence of sexual assault on college campuses.” She stressed “One out of four students are subject to attack, and more than 80% of the victims will know their attacker.”

The mission of NJCASA is to “promote the compassionate and just treatment of survivors and their loved ones; foster collaborative relationships between community systems; and affect attitudinal and behavioral changes in society as we work toward the elimination of sexual violence against all people.” NJCASA of-

fers a 24-hour Statewide Hotline at (800)-601-7200.

Turning Lives Around, was at the event providing awareness pamphlets and information about her organization. She said “we’re here to raise awareness, we have a ton of events throughout the Monmouth County, but Monmouth University is the only school we visit.”

Sara Billings, a sophomore social work major interning for a non-profit organization 180

According to 180 Turning Lives Around’s website, they are “a private, non-profit organiza-

tion dedicated to ending domestic and sexual violence in our community.” They have served individuals and families for 35 years. Staff provides immediate and long term support in assisting clients with the trauma they have experienced, while supporting them in obtaining services and making decisions that will turn their lives around. To make a donation to 180, you can call the Development Office at (732) 264-4360.

The presentations went on for about 20 minutes, and the mile walk lasted about 15 minutes. Afterwards, students and faculty gathered one last time in front of Wilson Hall, and then parted ways.

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JOE COMPAGNI

Head Coach of Women’s and Men’s Track and Field Teams



PHOTO COURTESY of Kim Grier

Students wore heels to “walk in a victim’s shoes” around campus and raise awareness about sexual assault.

Hawk TV Will Launch New Website

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Hawk TV will be launching its new website on Wednesday, November 9 in hopes of promoting their programming and events.

Daniel Villanova, the Webmaster for Hawk TV, is in charge of creating the website.

“We are entering into the digital age and offering our viewers a chance to experience Hawk TV in a whole new way,” Villanova said. Hawk TV’s website in use now is “out-of-date” according

to Villanova and the new website is a project started from scratch.

“I added a few new options on the new website and made it user-friendly. Most importantly, it will be current,” Villanova said.

Villanova, who will receive his Information Technology certificate through completing the minor, has been working on the website by himself for eight months.

The website will feature online shows produced by Hawk TV members in an “Online Video Library.” There will also be a TV guide, and biographies of the

staff members.

The most important aspect of launching the site is the accessibility, according to Villanova.

“Students will be able to access our work from any computer and any location. As of now, students living on campus were the only ones able to access the channel,” Villanova said.

The website will also feature links to Hawk TV’s social media websites, such as Facebook and Twitter, and their blog on wordpress.com titled “Hawk TV Stories.”

Station Manager Kate Nawoyski is excited not only for the promotional aspect of the website and the updated look, but also for how it will benefit Hawk TV members.

“It’ll give students a way to have an online portfolio of their work to show families and future employers. I think we needed this update for a very long time and Dan’s website is exactly what Hawk TV’s website should look like,” Nawoyski said.

The current website is hosted on Monmouth’s domain at hawktv.monmouth.edu. The new

website will be hosted through godaddy.com at hawktv12.com.

Nicholas Dolphin, a sophomore Hawk TV general member, observed Villanova through the process of building the website.

“It’s excellent and much better than the last website and has more content. It will also be easier for students to use because it’s more enticing,” Dolphin said.

If everything goes according to plan, Villanova said the website should be up and running by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, November 9.

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Homecoming: ‘Weather’ it Should Have Been Rescheduled

THE OUTLOOK STAFF OPINION

Each year at the end of October, the students and alumni come together to celebrate what is one of the most anticipated events of the entire school year, Homecoming. Everyone throws on their Monmouth apparel and comes together to support the football team. The club and Greek organizations show off their floats while the communication organizations come together to report on the day's events via radio, television and news. The Homecoming

court is announced and we find out who was elected king and queen in addition to the other ranks.

Due to the weather this year, one can't help but feel shorted on the whole Homecoming experience.

Obviously the University cannot control the weather, but does anyone really know who was even elected king and queen? What about all the hard work the club and Greek organizations put into their floats? The communication branches relocated their festivities upstairs into the MAC, but

there were no e-mails or notifications sent out letting anyone know. Overall, the day's events seemed rather unorganized.

The parade was not officially cancelled until about 15 minutes prior to start time. Three floats ended up running and the prize money was split amongst them. But where does that leave the rest of the floats, will they not have an

celebrations, and nothing could have been done about the weather.

The graduating seniors on the other hand were a little upset with how events played out at this year's Homecoming and felt the students best interests were not taken into account when dealing with the weather. There were no e-mails sent out the morning of in regards to the game, the floats, the tailgating or the court. Some feel that the event should be rescheduled before the semester ends so we aren't forced to miss out on everything.

Despite all the activities failing to take place, there is a bigger picture here that needs to be addressed. Homecoming is one of six home games. Why is it that in order for the student body to be excited over a football game and get together to show school spirit for the team it has to be labeled "Homecoming?" What about the other five home games of the year? It isn't a surprise to anyone that school spirit is severely lacking here at the University. We need to take the "Homecoming mentality" and apply it to the entire season.

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opportunity to show off their hard work? All of this leads to the question of whether or not Homecoming should be rescheduled. Moreover, can Homecoming even be rescheduled?

The opinion here at *The Outlook* was split almost evenly, with the majority leaning towards the idea that you can't reschedule an event as large as Homecoming. The students who are not graduating this year were impartial to the idea of rescheduling; they figured there will be other Homecoming cel-



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Cheating is Only Bad if You Get Caught, Right?

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In a society where people are overly interested in the size of their houses, the price tag of their cars, and the lavishness of their weddings, it is only natural that that mentality would spill over into the world of academics and the way students view competition.

Most, if not all universities have policies discussing the severity and consequences of cheating, but the act still does take place. According to the Online Education Database (OED), 60.8 percent of polled college students admitted to cheating, 16.5 percent of those students did not regret their decision, and 85 percent of college students believe that cheating is a necessary part of college academics.

Not to pardon the dishonest students who cheat their way through life, but part of the reason we see such high numbers of cheaters in college is because of the academic pressure that is placed upon students. From the moment they enter high school, they are entering a world of grade point averages, a race for valedictorian, and a desire to be among the top 10 percent in order to have their choice of the best colleges out there.

In college, the race continues to be even closer to the top percentile in order to secure a useful internship, an invitation into an honor society, and eventually a job. Students graduate from one pressure cooker to another. Although the constant comparison of grades is not as blatant in college as it is in high school, the competition does still exist.

Academic dishonesty is also growing in numbers due to the numerous websites available for students to buy papers. Websites such as perfecttermpapers.com are available 24/7, and they even offer special rates for those last minute students who need a pa-

per within 12 to 24 hours. As an added bonus, the website offers to include a title and bibliography page free of charge.



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Academic pressure causes students to cheat because they feel that they need to be the best among their peers.

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Laziness and the desire for instant gratification contribute to the staggering statistics on cheating. Students are asking

sites for term papers can receive an average of 8,000 hits per day. Although some visits are from the curious public, many visits to the websites are from students who intend to cheat and do not fear the consequences. A poll by the Ad Council and Educational

Testing Service may calm the fears of cheaters even more.

According to the poll, 95 percent of cheaters do not get caught, leading more and more students to believe that they can get away with cheating. There is too much accessibility to cheat-

cannot catch everything, especially cheating on tests.

Most of the time, competition can be a good thing. It challenges students to want to do better and succeed. However, there is a fine line between healthy competition and a desire to beat all other competitors at all costs.

It is not uncommon for students under pressure to take substances they believe will help them focus. As a result of high pressure levels and a fear of being unable to handle increasing workloads, more and more college students are illegally taking prescription drugs, specifically Adderall and Ritalin to give them an extra boost, said *The Daily Sundial*.

Students fail to realize that they are putting their bodies at risk and jeopardizing their long term health by engaging in an act that they think will help them academically, but it is only hurting them. *The Daily Sundial* also reports that Adderall and Ritalin can lead to addictions, as well as severe side effects such as irregular heartbeat, fainting and hallucination. With all of the negative results that can stem from unhealthy habits due to academic pressure, one cannot help but wonder why students put so much pressure on themselves, in addition to the pressure that comes from parents, professors and sometimes peers.

Why is there such a need for students to be the best?

Do students not feel proud of climbing the success ladder one rung at a time as a result of hard work? Dishonesty as a method of success may seem like the right thing to do at the moment, but in the long run, it gets people absolutely nowhere.

Stop Cyber Bullying, Save Lives

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Tyler Clementi. Megan Meier. Phoebe Prince. Jamey Rodemeyer. These names might sound familiar, but perhaps, hard to place. Why are these names recognizable?

All four of these people have something in common: they were all regular kids before bouts of cyber bullying caused them to end their lives.

According to bullyingstatistics.org, cyber bullying is any bullying done over an electronic medium, such as cell phones and the Internet.

While it can take many forms,

the most prominent ones include the sending of mean messages, spreading rumors, hurtful or threatening messages, or even stealing someone's personal account information to break into his or her e-mail or social network account to post untrue or hurtful information.

Cyber bullying can also lead to depression, anxiety and suicide. Clementi, Meier, Prince and Rodemeyer all chose the latter because they could no longer cope with the bullying to which they were being subjected.

According to the non-profit i-SAFE Foundation, which aims to educate and empower adolescents and teens about Internet

safety and responsibility, about 50 percent of teens have been bullied online in some way. That means half of America's youth population is exposed to threats or mean-spirited actions by their peers.

Almost shockingly, the i-SAFE Foundation additionally reports that 50 percent of teens also admit to bullying others. This cyclical pattern needs to stop before these statistics get any higher.

Some states and activists are trying to get legislation passed to help end cyber bullying. Despite this being a great stepping stone for cyber bullying prevention, more has to be done.

New York Senators Jeffery D. Klein, David Carlucci and State Assembly Member William Scarborough are proposing a bill to amend New York's current cyber bullying laws. The amendment's intention is to classify all electronic bullying as a Class A misdemeanor. In addition, cyber bullying that results in the suicide of a victim would be classified as a Class C felony, according to an article in *The Epoch Times*.

For New York, the proposed legislation is warranted because current laws are not up-to-date with technology. The amount of electronic devices adolescents and teens use to bully others grow daily. With more means to bully, the act of bullying becomes easier. Stricter laws can help protect our youth, and can even, in some cases, prevent deaths.

Nationwide, some groups and individuals, like Lady Gaga, are pressing that bullying becomes illegal.

Lady Gaga, using her position of power in our culture to influence others, has met with President Obama to discuss the matter, according to an article on cambio.com. Gaga and other celebrities are doing what they can to get the word out to the public that bullying, especially cyber bullying, must be stopped.

Even with celebrities and other well-known figures demanding change, power lies within the people.

Tyler Clementi was 18-years-old when he felt so bullied and

discriminated against because of his sexual orientation that he committed suicide to escape it. Jamey Rodemeyer was just 14, and committed suicide for the same reason.

Teens should not have to die for action to be taken.

Also according to i-SAFE, more than half of kids who are cyber bullied do not tell a parent or other adult. As a society, we must make it so that these individuals feel comfortable speaking to someone who can take charge in these situations.

Perhaps if Megan Meier had told her mother or maybe a teacher about what was going on, she would not have felt the need to end her life.

Creating a calm and nonjudgmental safe haven where teens can talk openly with an authority figure may help cut down on the rate of lives lost.

Additionally, legislation must become stricter. Although Lady Gaga's idea about illegalizing bullying is radical, and maybe even impossible, she has good motives.

Many of these bullies do not think about the consequences of what they are doing. If they were fully aware that their actions have negative, legal consequences, they may stop. At the very least, they may be less harsh.

Learn the facts. Speak up. Write to someone who is in the position to make a change. Write a blog. Do something.

Stop the madness, save a life. It is as simple as that to make a big change.

Letter To The Editor

I would like to respond to a recent article in *The Outlook* stating that many students feel that the University Police are not happy with the amount of taxis entering campus. I have looked into this matter and nothing could be further from the truth.

Taxicabs provide an alternative source of transportation throughout the area, especially as it pertains to the use of alcohol. The University Police understand that all students must make individual decisions on whether or not to use alcohol. If they choose to partake in the use of alcohol, we strongly suggest that they do

so responsibly. Part of making a responsible decision about alcohol involves limiting one's intake, avoiding binge drinking and drinking type games, and planning on how students will get to and from locations where they are drinking. The last thing we want to see is anyone driving a motor vehicle after they have consumed alcohol. The consequences can be fatal.

In an effort to support the safe use of alcohol, the University Police support the HERO Campaign which encourages the use of designated drivers. We also encourage students to call private taxi companies if they have been drinking and need a ride to

campus or some other location. The Police also keep the phone numbers of local cab companies at the dispatch desk if students call the Police requesting a cab.

In closing, let me recommend that students take advantage of alternative forms of transportation, especially when consuming alcohol. Please do not put your life in danger by driving a car after you have been drinking, or after another driver has been drinking. Designate a sober driver, take a cab, but don't drive drunk or with drunks.

William McElrath
Chief of Police

How President Obama’s Withdrawal from Iraq Will Effect His Candidacy

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A few weeks ago, President Obama announced the withdrawal plans for American troops serving in Iraq. This plan states that all troops in the country will be back in the United States by Christmas of this year. Although the economy is the primary issue in American politics right now, this “promise kept” from the American President can be added to the rest of his shining accomplishments on the international stage. President Obama, in his first term, has managed to kill the single most wanted man on the globe, work with allies to pave the way for democracy in Libya, and now, if all goes accordingly, end an unpopular and financially draining war that is a thorn in the side of the United States.

Not only is this plan necessary for the US, but for the country of Iraq as well. As a sovereign nation, Iraq must take on the responsibility to protect itself from foreign threats. America does not have the ability to deal with two wars and a broken economy all at once.

While campaigning in 2008, one of the then-Senator Obama’s campaign promises was to end the War in Iraq during his first term in office. This pledge that won the support of the American people is not some hollow campaign promise, but is in fact being carried out. With the upcoming election in 2012 this should surely be an issue that will leave an impact on many American voters. The world is safer because of actions



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President Obama announced last week that the Iraq War will officially be over by Christmas.

being taken by the current administration. Soldiers that have been deployed for too long are going to be home at last. The President will have many foreign policy talking points in 2012, and they should be recognized as accomplishments that have kept the promise of ensuring national security for Americans.

“Given the partisanship that has marked Obama’s presidency, his decision to remove our troops is going to be met with both reluctance and a resounding sigh of relief,” said Steven DeCarlo, a senior.

The country of Iraq is far from being internally stable. Even with the assistance of US troops, there is still much progress to be made in increasing the level of democracy in the country. However, Iraq is a sovereign nation that needs to be making these changes for it. After about a decade of war, the Iraqi government must achieve goals that will better their condition. If the country truly wishes to see democracy then they must do it without forces from another state occupying its land. Some argue that Iran will start to meddle in occupy-

ing Iraq, but to do so would be illogical. Given what has happened in many neighboring countries, and especially Libya, Iran would not be able to carry out such a task. Pressure from NATO will act as a safeguard against foreign oppressors. Probably the most relevant issue in regards to troop withdrawal is the effect it will have on the American economy. According to Nobel Prize winning economist, Joseph Stiglitz, the true cost of the war lies somewhere between three and five trillion dollars.

Dr. Kenneth Mitchell of the Political Science Department said, “Pulling troops out of Iraq was the right decision. Arab Spring uprisings continue to showcase the desire of people in that region to shape their own destiny. With that said, the Iraq decision will have virtually no impact on the 2012 US presidential election. If foreign policy mattered to US voters, Obama’s approval rating would be in the high 60s, not the 30s. Domestic economic considerations alone will determine the next presidential contest.”

With the absence of this immense burden, the US will be able to do some much-needed damage control. With this money, the White House and Congress will be able to pursue efforts that will create jobs in infrastructure and other projects that will benefit those that are being affected by the economy. If President Obama is able to make serious strides before the election takes full swing, then he will be in a seriously advantageous position. With the awful state of the Republican field, the President will just have to make a few key decisions to show he is still the leader he promised he was in 2008.

The withdrawal from Iraq will not only benefit our nation fiscally, but it will let the sovereign state of Iraq secure its own goals. Iraq must engage in democracy by itself, not under the influence of the US. President Obama promised the end of this long war three years ago, and in 2011 he is keeping his promise, securing himself yet another victory in foreign policy.

Roll Call: Words from the SGA Senate



Last week SGA President, Nicole Levy attended the Board of Trustees meeting. The process of building a new residence hall offering 200 beds to freshmen was voted on. The hall will allow the University to guarantee housing to all freshmen students. It will be constructed in the Cedar Hall parking lot currently used for the library and commuters.

Vice President Nagy is still working on the Aramark issues.

Homecoming Chair, Samantha Schaffer said that the Senate is currently brainstorming ideas concerning what to do with extra Homecoming novelties.

“I appreciate the sense of humor and grace you all brought on Homecoming day despite the unfortunate weather,” Nagy said.

The annual auction will be team party themed and will be held in the Blue and White Club on Friday, March 30.

Campus and Safety Committee- Kathy Maloney, the Director of the Health Services, will be invited to come up sometime in the next few weeks.

Students are reminded to take the survey from the Health Center that was recent-

ly emailed.

Stefania Flecca and Academics Chair, Soraya Quezada met with Dr. Sarsar last week and discussed how the University is globally promoting and recruiting international students.

More information will be available soon.

The Spirit Initiatives Committee is working on various events for the upcoming basketball season. Vice President Nagy had a meeting with the Senate last week in which new spirit initiatives were discussed.

The intent is to make each home game themed, such as “Fiesta” themed featuring food sponsors. Students will win prizes based on how creatively they are dressed.

SGA will be hosting Basketball Eve before the first men’s home game, and will be giving out a spirit package with a shirt and novelties. The pep band and cheerleaders will be helping too.

FreshStart Committee- In regards to the Holiday Bazaar, eight vendors have signed up so far, but the Senate is still contacting others.

The Giving Tree- The Senate is still getting in touch with more families to add to the tree. The ornaments are done and the Senate will start tabling and setting up the tents soon.

Congratulations to Becca Baier for winning Senator of the Month.

There is a new recycling fundraiser currently taking place. Students are welcome to drop off old electronics to the Energy Service Corps office right next to SGA’s office.

Relay for Life- Blitz Week in preparation for Relay for Life is being planned.

Who’s Who in SGA: Kelly Craig: Sophomore Senator

Kelly Craig is a sophomore majoring in english with a minor in political science. After graduating from the University she hopes to obtain her Ph.D in English and become a professor.

Craig is a Sophomore Senator on the Student Government Association. Her responsibilities include representing the sophomore class as well as the student body as a whole. Craig is also the Senate’s Springfest Chair, which will take place the last weekend in April. She held the prior position of Freshmen Ambassador, helping first-year students make the transition into the Senate by guiding them through their committee responsibility and making sure they understand the role of SGA at the University.

Craig joined SGA as a freshman as part of the FreshStart Program because her sister, Robin Craig was a member of the Senate during all four years at the University and spoke highly of the members and experiences she had. When Kelly came to the University, she wanted a similar experience as her sister and was motivated to get involved and apply for SGA in order to meet new people and be a voice for her peers.

She held prior positions of Freshmen Senator, Giving Tree Committee Member, and Public Relations Committee Member. Craig described that the best part of SGA is the people that she has met.

“The other Senators and general members that come out to the meetings are passionate about helping the University to grow, and truly care about each other,” she said.

According to Craig, her proudest moment as a Senator was when she was asked to become the first Freshmen Ambassador. “I was honored that they thought of me to oversee and guide the new members and trusted me to create the responsi-

bilities of the position,” she said.

SGA has helped Craig to become more comfortable expressing my thoughts and opinions in a large group of people. This has helped her in various classes, especially when giving presentations.

There are many administrators and faculty members who communicate with SGA on a regular basis. This aspect of involvement has taught Craig to display a necessary level of professionalism. “I have become more secure in my own opin-

ions because of SGA,” she said.

The University currently has over eight clubs and organizations on campus. Craig advises everyone to get involved with something they love. “Joining a club allows individuals to meet others who have the same interests as them and are passionate about something. Many of my best friends are from SGA and if I had not joined the organization, I would not have met some of the people that mean the most to me,” Craig said.



PHOTO COURTESY of Kelly Craig

Kelly Craig is a Sophomore Senator in SGA. She focuses on representing and relaying information to the sophomore class.

2012 Presidential Election Heats Up

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We are now less than one year away until the next Presidential Election and the race to determine who will be our next Commander-In-Chief. With President Barack Obama seeking reelection on the Democratic ticket, the country has turned their attention towards who will be his major opponent from the Republican Party.

A recent Rasmussen poll has shown that Herman Cain, CEO of the Godfather's Pizza restaurant chain, has a three point advantage over former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney.

The 65-year-old Cain has no previous political experiences aside from his unsuccessful run for Senate in 2004.

He has skyrocketed from being an unknown candidate to the new frontrunner of the entire Republican field thanks to his 9-9-9 plan to get our economy back on track.

His plan calls for a national nine percent flat tax on all businesses, nine percent tax on individuals, and nine percent sales tax.

However his plan would actually increase taxes on 84 percent of Americans according to *The Huffington Post*.

Mitt Romney feels like 2012 is his year. Having run in 2008, Romney ran a respectable campaign finishing second to John McCain. Romney has been running for 2012 ever since, having created a super pac which can bring in unlimited funds for his Presidential Campaign, he has outraised all of his republican counterparts according to *The New York Times*.

Romney has raised \$32.6 million, which he would need to triple in able to reach President Obama's record breaking \$100 million raised so far.

Professor Claude Taylor of the Department of Communication said, "Mitt Romney has the most appeal for the broader electorate. Right now the GOP base is experimenting with candidates to test the waters. I think Romney will get the nomination because he is the most electable. Overall, polit-



Candidates for the GOP 2012 Presidential nomination are being pressed for time as campaigning heats up.

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ical moderates will win the day."

However, Romney and Cain are not the only ones jockeying to become the next Head of State. Former Governor of Texas, Rick Perry seems to have fallen from grace after entering the race on August 12.

Dr. Joseph Patten of the Political Science Department said, "Romney has been the frontrunner since the beginning, but a majority of Republicans are not ready to back him. Different candidates have tried to pose an alternative to Romney such as Michelle Bachmann, Herman Cain, and Rick Perry. The sexual harassment charges against Herman Cain will end his campaign."

According to realclearpolitics.com, Perry was the first candidate to overtake Romney in public opinion polls on August 28.

His lead would eventually rise

to him getting 32 percent of the votes from likely Republican voters, while Romney's popularity stayed at 19 percent.

He now ranks fourth in the polls due to his less than spectacular performances in the Republican debates and his awkward public appearances. In one particular speech Perry gave in New Hampshire, many said he came off as "peculiar" and "odd," prompting some people to believe he was even drunk, according to *The Huffington Post*.

Some other candidates in serious contention include Minnesota Representative Michelle Bachmann, Texas Representative Ron Paul, and former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich. Bachmann won the famed Ames straw poll in August. However due to her political positions, some people view her as too "extreme" to win

the Presidency.

Ron Paul the 76-year-old libertarian Congressman from Texas has won straw polls in California, Ohio, Iowa and Illinois. However he has been below 10 percent support from Republican voters since his campaign began. He runs a fine line between libertarianism and conservatism. He believes in the states right to legalize marijuana, is against a constitutional ban on abortion, and is an isolationist in all senses of the word.

These facts make him very unfavorable to many Republican voters across the country.

Former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich also polls at around nine percent. He is a staunch conservative best known for leading the Republican revolution of 1994 when the Republicans took control of the House of Representatives for the first time

in 40 years.

Gingrich worked with President Clinton to enact welfare reform and a balanced budget.

Many speculate as to why Gingrich is running due to the many vacations he is taking during the campaign and lack of enthusiasm.

With nine debates already contested, and eight to go until the first primary contest the Presidential race is about to gain steam.

If you haven't been following the race, now is the time to start. With a heated exchange between Romney and Perry in the last debate the Primary is quickly resembling a reality show.

Candidates are dropping out left and right in a political equivalent to "Survivor." So tune in to the next Republican debate tonight, Wednesday, November 9 to see who will be voted off the island next.

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What Not to Wear: Fashion Trends at the University

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Dictionary.com defines fashion as “a prevailing custom or style of dress, etiquette, socializing, etc.” But is it really that simple?

Fashion is more than just a definition. It shapes who we are as people. “Fads are ever changing,” says Elena Cirillo, retail sales associate at Posch Boutique in Rumson. “Fashion is when your style is everlasting and classic.”

The power of fashion is that you can do with it what you want. However, have you ever questioned someone in the past, thinking to yourself, “That is exactly what NOT to wear?” Students in Professor Claude Taylor’s communication theory class recently had a lively discussion about the communication concept of symbolic interactionism and related it to fashion on campus. With Taylor’s guidance and a collaboration of the students’ ideas, the class agreed that “conformity is a difficult concept. Being in style means you dress like other people in some way.” Within these parameters, however, there are personal constructs that everyone has regarding fashion do’s and donts

So what classifies an outfit a fashion no-no? Well for starters, it depends on the place, time, and situation in which the fashion crime has been committed. Let’s face it -we live in a world where we are judged on our appearance on a daily basis. Whether dressing for a professional or social occasion, what we wear makes a first impression within a matter of seconds.

Victoria Markus, IT and Compliance Team Leader at Merck Pharmaceuticals, agreed that one common mistake the majority of individuals make is dressing too casually at

work. Markus said that she is aware that some work places are more low-key and casual than others but her word of advice, “It is better to be over-dressed than under-dressed in a professional setting.”

Dr. Ravindra Sharma, professor and employee of the University Career Services Department, expresses the importance of the right interview outfit in her career search class. “The wrong outfit can make or break an interview for a potential job,” Sharma states. “If you are preparing for an interview for an internship or full-time career, the contending employer will take your outfit during the interview into consideration.”

Other professional fashion suggestions provided by Sharma include: conservative two-piece business suits (solid dark blue or grey is best), conservative long-sleeved shirts or blouses (white is best, pastel is next best), and clean, polished conservative shoes. Sharma also indicates that other factors that attribute to the professional outfit are a well-groomed hairstyle, clean trimmed fingernails, minimal cologne or perfume, and no visible piercings.

Outside of the professional atmosphere is the social-casual zone with which students are all too familiar. What do students consider “in” and “out” when it comes to dressing?

sweat shirts, and jeans.

Taylor also noted that he once counted eight consecutive students wearing North Face jackets on campus- another popular trend. So this is what the students seem to be wearing most frequently, but what advice do they have about these commonalities?

Kristen Sheddlock, a senior, states it’s a fashion no-no when “boys wear their pants too low and wear shirts with offensive pictures of girls and sayings.” Take note fellas- some of your shirts with barely covered woman or shirts with “funny” sayings may be offensive to female students.

Kara Hunt, senior, believes that wearing real fur is a major fashion “don’t.” “There are so many other

fashion trends out there that do not require the fur of an animal,” said Hunt. “Real fur can upset a lot of people, and it’s better off to stick with the faux, which is just as chic!”

Sweats and sweat pants were a re-occurring observation on campus. Is it for comfort, laziness, or just a true expression of style that students opt for sweats and a sweatshirt to go to class? “I usually just wear a sweatshirt and jeans or track pants to class after the first week because I never wake up early enough to put any-

10 Fashion No-Nos

Kevin's Fashion Disaster Picks

- ▶ Work Clothing with Sneakers
- ▶ Pajamas as Day Wear
- ▶ Fleece
- ▶ Butt Cleavage
- ▶ Mom Jeans
- ▶ See-through Clothing
- ▶ Scrunchies
- ▶ Big and Baggy Clothing
- ▶ Visible Pantylines
- ▶ Statement T-shirts

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TLC’s fashion guru Kevin Lennox shares his top 10 fashion crimes.

Taylor’s communication theory class came up with a range of styles which they consider to be the most prevalent on campus: preppy, hipster, urban/contemporary, goth, and jock. Within these styles, students have their own opinions on what works and what doesn’t.

After taking time to analyze common fashions trends within these categories on campus, my list concludes that the most popular University clothing articles are: leggings, high boots, trendy hats, sweat pants,

Prepare for Graduation With a Student Internship

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With the fall semester almost over, many seniors are beginning to fill out one of two types of applications: graduate school or employment. The thought of either one can be scary. For those looking to attend graduate school, emotions not felt in years are likely to return. We meet again with the fear and anticipation of rejection. However, for the majority nothing is probably more frightening than the idea of beginning the interview process for post-college jobs. “I think interviewing is probably the hardest part of applying for a job, and once you get that over with, everything becomes easier,” said Kim Rookwood, a senior.

The opportunity to participate in internships is disappearing quickly. But have no fear! The University offers many services that can be the key to getting your resume in the “yes” pile, as well as providing resources for helping you get an internship that will make you stand out.

Many students are unsure of where to even begin when embarking on this important process. The Career Services Center for Student Success, located in the lower level of the Student Center, is a great place to start when looking for resume and interview tips. “Career Services helped me format and organize my first resume. They also gave me tips on interview skills. They even offer coaching services for preparing for interviews,” said Amy Rodriguez, a senior. “It is a scary thought to be leaving the comforts of Monmouth so soon, but the school offers a lot to help you prepare,” Rodriguez added.

“In this competitive market, internships can make a big difference in how qualified a candidate is for a position. Internships translate into experience, and that, along with

decent grades and good skills, can mean the difference between winning or losing a job offer,” said William Hill, Assistant Dean of Career Services.

In addition to the Career Services Center, professors and faculty

the interview skills are mastered, where should you look for internship opportunities? What is all this talk about cooperative education? What is cooperative education? The Career Services Center can explain it all. “Cooperative education is a

related to your major, access the career services website at http://www.monmouth.edu/academics/CSS/career_services/default.asp.

Some may feel the time it takes to be both an intern and a student is too demanding. However, most

demands of school and work,” said Sinai.

Hill recommends the summer as the perfect time for students to intern. “The summer is an ideal time to build up internship experience, since most students don’t take classes, and most can work full-time,” said Hill. “But anytime is a good time to start, even if you can only work 10 or 12 hours a week during the semester.”

Although companies understand the demands of being a student, will students actually be benefitting from the hours spent in the office? “I’m an accounting major. I work in the financial department for CBS and assist with tax returns and other related tasks. I truly learn a lot and the experience with such a large company is so valuable,” said Sinai.

For other majors, observation hours are usually required and a great way to gain experience. Ledman said, “Observation at elementary schools is a requirement for my major. Semesters have varied between 20 and 60 hours per term. It really is an enjoyable experience similar to interning. I get to spend time in the classroom and it has really been so helpful in preparing me for my own classroom in the future.”

Whether it is for an internship, a co-op, or professional job employment, the resources and faculty available at the University can help every step of the way. Make sure to check your University e-mail for full time and part time job postings, as well as separate emails containing major specific internship and co-op information.

Hill reminds students that the Career Services Fall Career Day is on November 16 in Anacon Hall from 12:30 - 4:00 pm. “Many of the employers there will be looking for interns,” said Hill. Take advantage of the opportunities presented and begin your future career prepared.



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Gain experience with an internship before graduation and avoid the unemployment line.

also work hard at the University to prepare students for the real world. Laura Ledman, senior, said, “Many of my classes have offered or required workshop attendance where I’ve learned how to write resumes and prepare for those professional atmospheres. I feel comfortable and confident I will be prepared for interviews.”

Once the resume is written and

form of experiential education in which students work and learn in paid career-related positions in business, industry, and government,” according to the Career Services information site. The site also lists part-time and seasonal employment opportunities for those students who need real world experience but cannot afford unpaid jobs. To begin looking for co-ops and internships

companies are very flexible with their scheduling and understand time management issues. Jessie Sinai, senior, is currently interning for CBS. “I spend two days a week in New York City at the offices of CBS interning, and the other three I have scheduled classes. When my schedule changes next semester I will be able to switch the days I intern. They are very understanding of the



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Dealing With Personal Tragedy in Jericho

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Walking into the NJ Repertory Company in Long Branch, I cannot say that I knew what to expect or how I would feel about their latest production, "Jericho," by Jack Canfora.

The theater is small, quaint, and certainly "homey." With just six rows of seats, you could practically touch the stage and see the actors' mouths clearly speak such powerful and eloquent words.

"Jericho" is about a group of people desperately trying to find their way in the world, and meaning to their lives.

One woman named Beth (Corey Tazmania) is battling the confusion and depression of losing her husband in 9/11. The morning of the attacks she asked for a divorce, not knowing those would be her last words to the man Beth once loved.

She is now popping an abundance of pills, seeing a therapist regularly who she confuses for her late husband, and trying to date again. However, all she is able to think and speak about is her husband. Beth holds an immensely large amount of guilt and cannot seem to move on with her life in all complexities of living.

Ethan (Andrew Rein) is Beth's new lover, although not much love or passion has been given to him. He is bombarded with the psychological confusions of Beth, and longs to pursue a meaningful relationship with this mysterious woman who has captivated him.



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"Jericho," which runs until November 13 at the NJ Repertory Company, features characters personally affected by 9/11 that are trying to move forward with the help of family and friends.

For Jessica (Carol Todd) and Josh (Jim Shankman), a Jewish couple, their life is far more complicated than it seems. Josh is a survivor of the 9/11 attacks and has become a strict practicing Jewish man who has turned the lives of his loved ones upside down. He believes the Jewish community including his wife, his brother Ethan, and mother Rachel (Kathleen Goldpaugh) are slack-

ing in their religious duties.

He believes they should be in a complete depression over the war between the Palestinians and Israelis. Jessica wants a divorce and can no longer be treated as a child, being disciplined from the man who once made her laugh and feel like the smartest person in the world.

Lastly, Rachel, Josh and Ethan's mother, is hosting a dysfunctional

Kosher Thanksgiving dinner. In attendance are Josh and Jessica, who spend more time with the wine bottle than conversing. Ethan brings his new girlfriend Beth who is not only withdrawing from her medication, but sees her husband at the dinner table through crazed hallucinations.

After watching "Jericho" and viewing the collaboration and chemistry between the actors, it's tough not to say this production by director Evan Bergman is beautifully executed. All the actors from Tasmania to Goldpaugh were so personable and convincing.

In each family, there is dysfunction, marriages fall apart, depression takes over lives, and yet somehow we as people are expected to continue on with our "normal" daily lives. Canfora's play could not have more defined the truth in human behavior.

The emotional journeys displayed in "Jericho" were completely captivating by sharing a common thread that we as citizens have felt, the pain of 9/11 and how it changed us. This is the story of people trying to find their way after that horrific day.

Each word, each step, and each story in "Jericho" was painfully moving and truly aching.

In the play, Jericho is a town in Long Island where Josh and Ethan grew up and where their mother resides. Jericho may just represent a hometown, but in depth, it means home, fam-

ily, and where these boys grew up and became their own person. The artistic approach was simplistic, yet rich in detail and words.

As for Jessica Park's set design, the stage was a compiled disaster of chairs upside down, things and objects hanging from the ceiling, rubble, and something resembling an episode of "Hoarders." Each chair, and upside down table, represented the mess of life and dysfunctional attitude for these people.

My expectations for "Jericho" were not only fulfilled, but exceeded. Having attended a Q&A after the preview performance, this gave an inside look into the thought-process behind this creation.

The actors and Bergman all agreed that this is not one story, but a tale of pain coming from multiple people, sharing the painful thread of tragedy and disappointment. It could be the love of a mother, a wife, or a new boyfriend, but sometimes love is not enough to shadow the pain we feel inside.

"Jericho" is the reality of life and the battles found within us. Love and peace, hello and goodbye, brings the play to a conclusion with one holy word... shalom. All in all, this is exactly what "Jericho" is all about. Check it out!

This production of "Jericho" runs until November 13 at the NJ Repertory Company in Long Branch. Tickets for students cost \$25.

For more information, call 732-229-3166.

Springsteen Collection Sounds Good on Campus

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can make an appointment and are advised to make a list of the items they're interested through the Collection's main website at bruce.springsteenspecialcollection.nexxtblog.com, or through the library's website under special collections. The items will be prepared and set aside before the appointment, brought out five at a time to ensure the items "aren't stacked on top of each other."

"We put on our blue gloves, they put on their blue gloves, and go over these documents piece by piece," said Chapman. "It gives us a chance to monitor how they're treating the collection and we want to preserve the collection, that's our main purpose here."

Two authors have already visited the Archive Building to view the Collection, with another author reserving a whole day to examine the documents. Chapman said a couple fans had visited the first week, and an interested grandmother wanting to bring in her two grandchildren.

Most of the people were interested in "early 70's pieces like backstage passes, t-shirts and comic books," Chapman said, "the unique items and rare items."

Christopher Cocco of Red Bank was extremely happy to hear the collection would be kept at the University.

"Me and my family are huge

'Boss' fans, we've seen him plenty of times in concert," said Cocco. "To have old, rare photographs in one place...of this legend, that's pretty awesome."

The Bruce Springsteen Special Collection was helped secured for the University by Chapman, through talks between the Asbury Park library, the University's Board of Directors, and Bob Crane from the Friends of Bruce Springsteen whom originally started the Collection.

Chapman said there was no plan of where'd the Collection would go, just "hoping to get it here, have the Collection come together, and have it available to the professors and students for learning tools."

Robert "Bob" Santelli, Monmouth alumnus and executive director of the Grammy Museum in Los Angeles, was also a helpful contributor. Chapman said Santelli has his own collection that he will be donating, and trying to obtain items from other music industry professionals.

Brian Morelli, program director for WMCX, thinks it's incredible and loves that the University has these items, as the University "definitely takes care of things with age."

"It's a testament to Bruce's music and career that is so much appreciated at the Jersey Shore," said

Morelli. "Why not have it a mile away from the beach where people can come and visit? I think it's something very valuable."

Chapman said Springsteen had performed at the University numerous times before, being among many that believe "the Boss" will come to the campus to see the col-

lection himself.

"It's very exciting, the collection will expand, people will still donate," said Chapman. "Nils Lofgren from the E-Street band just performed here last week and he donated two autographed photos to the collection, so that's really neat."

To view the Bruce Springsteen Special Collection, appointments can be made with Chapman through email at echapman@monmouth.edu or by phone at 732-571-3512.

Appointments are made on weekdays from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.



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These buttons and this photograph featuring "the Boss" rock out over the years are part of the 15,000 plus items in the Bruce Springsteen Special Collection, which is now located on campus in the Archive Collection Building.

Joel McHale Humored MU ‘Community’ at the MAC

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Joel McHale, host of E!’s “The Soup” and star of NBC’s “Community,” served up some hot comedy when he performed his stand-up routine at the MAC on Saturday, November 5.

Trading in his “Soup” suits for a sweater and jeans, McHale stepped in the spotlight to joke around with the audience about the latest in reality TV, celebrities, his family life, and the University itself.

The event was sponsored by AEG Live and Concerts East.

Before the show, a small crowd congregated around the MAC for the doors to open. Freshman Sean Ireland, who was waiting, said, “I’m not looking for anything particular. I’m just looking to have a good time,” when asked about what he expected from the show.

Molly Mantell, a music industry major and “Soup” fan, was also waiting outside and said, “It’s been a stressful year so far. I just need something to brighten the mood.”

Josh Rabinowitz opened up for McHale and riffed about college, prank phone calls, finding women, his height, having a hairy chest, and smoking.

When he spoke about college, he mentioned one time a mugger was going after women, and said, “I wasn’t afraid of being mugged. I was terrified of being the only guy mugged.”

He continued to imagine if he was mugged, news reports would say, “Despite this, police still think he’s targeting women.” He also talked about his “awkward” orientation when his leader had students sit in a circle and say what they would do if they went back in time.

Later on, Rabinowitz said being cool is “harder as you get older” and said in elementary school to be cool, “I just needed to come to school with a Lunchables.” He also said, “Capri Sun was like the vodka of elementary school. We were so buzzed, we played tag all day.”

Rabinowitz finished by joking about soul mates. He described a romantic meeting between his grandfather and grandmother with music playing and eyes meeting.

Then he described this situation in modern terms by seeing a girl dancing alone, wearing a thong, grinding with her on the dance floor. He humorously added, “It was at this moment I said ‘she’s the one.’ Wasn’t that romantic?”

Rabinowitz then said, “You’re in for a fantastic time,” and introduced McHale to applause heard throughout the MAC.

McHale then ran on stage and got right into action. After noticing empty seats up front, he said he looked up Monmouth on Wikipedia and said, “It sounds like you are saying mammoth but it sounds like you have a mouth full of caramel.” He joked that Mike “the Situation” went here and said, “This is like Chernobyl. Did you get a discount?”

Soon, he brought up a “national tragedy,” meaning Kim Kardashian’s divorce, which was met with ovation as McHale pretended to weep. McHale said, “I have Netflix envelopes that are older than [Kim’s marriage].”

When McHale was at a photo shoot with the Kardashians, he joked, “I have never been more



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Comedian and actor Joel McHale joked about topics that ranged from celebrities and his family life when he performed a stand-up routine last Saturday at the MAC.

afraid for my life,” because of the gags on “The Soup.” He joked about Bruce Jenner being asleep, and getting confronted by matriarch Kris Jenner. He also said seeing Kourtney and Khloe together were like “Han Solo and Chewbacca” side by side. He said when he met Kim she joked about her big butt before he even had a chance to. McHale, on stage, proceeded to imitate this with his hand a foot away from his backside. “It was a terrible day,” he said.

McHale then quipped about Ryan Seacrest with nicknames about his height like “Little Ellen” and “Frodo,” adjusting the microphone stand and imitating him holding a microphone high up to celebrities on the red carpet.

As for TV, McHale said, “TV is way better than it was seven years before ‘The Soup.’” He then listed cancelled shows like “A Shot of Love with Tila Tequila,” “My Super Sweet Sixteen,” “Date My Mom,” and shows starring Flavor Flav, which were all met with groans.

McHale also took time to riff on MTV’s “The Hills” as well as “Rock of Love” and “Rock of Love Bus” with Brett Michaels.

He later returned to reality TV by talking about obesity and shows like “Dancing Your Ass Off” and “More To Love,” which McHale described as “The Fatchlorette.”

He also went on about “I Didn’t Know I Was Pregnant,” where McHale acted out the pitch for the show and said he “loves the reenactments” of these births by pretending to have one in the process.

The audience also laughed when McHale talked about Tyra Banks and her fear of dolphins. He talked about an episode she

did about this and imitated her by saying, “I have a fear...and my fear has a blowhole.” He joked about her phobia and said, “It’s like being afraid of a glacier. They are so easy to avoid.” However, he ended by saying, “We want you back, Tyra.”

Considering all the shows and people “The Soup” lampoons, McHale said there have been five instances when the program offended people. They include Hugh Hefner, Paula Abdul and Britney Spears. McHale also mentioned hosting the Independent Spirit Awards (“It has films no one sees”), where he poked fun at the sex scene between Natalie Portman and Mila Kunis in *Black Swan*.

McHale said the last person he offended was his grandmother. He discussed how “The Soup” showed a clip from “The Tyra

equipment”), there was silence again and he asked humorously, “What excites you at all?” Saying Bon Jovi got applause and more erupted when McHale mentioned “Community.”

When it came to past venues, McHale joked about performing in Alaska and how people were so drunk at the bar where he was that they “walked up on stage.” McHale imitated a drunkard talking to him and peeing in a corner.

He joked about Las Vegas and staying at a resort called “The Hotel” and added “the” to everything there like “the front door” and “the toilet paper.” He joked about how there was no coffee machine because the concierge said “they start fires.”

He also talked about an adult pool at “The Hotel” or “as they call it in Europe, the pool.” How-

“I lived in New Jersey for two years, so I can make fun of you,” he said. He joked about Snooki and said, “She’s the Macarena of punch lines” and that “‘Jersey Shore’ is a bigger disservice to Italians than the mafia and Olive Garden combined.”

After this, McHale focused on past gigs and his family. He thanked Rabinowitz for a great opening act and chatted about a former miserable opening act that ended with a joke about Anne Frank. McHale recreated his stone-cold expression and said he was thinking, “Danger Will Robinson!” He then joked that when he went on, “I ... slipped on tears coming up on the stage” as he tried to save the crowd.

The funniest moment was when McHale talked about the University. He described the school mascot and said the Hawk holding a wing under its face appeared as if it had something to hide. When McHale asked who the University’s rivals were, he was met with silence. “You don’t play anyone or you don’t beat anyone?” he said before someone shouted, “The Statue of Connecticut!” When he asked if anyone was a Nets fan (“We’re named after

Sheen, he was saying, ‘I’m winning’ everywhere.” McHale humorously said he would “get a Costco coffin... and return it to Costco” after his father is placed in the ground.

As for his mother, McHale joked that “she sounds like a gay designer” and that his mother-in-law has a “deep voice...like Buffalo Bill.”

With the night coming to an end, McHale told stories about his children, especially his young son Eddie. He joked about Eddie solving a puzzle in two minutes and then standing in the corner trying to keep drool in his mouth, or dressing Eddie as a light switch for Halloween, which ended up being inappropriate.

He also said Eddie wanted to put up a Christmas tree and his parents said after Thanksgiving, McHale, acting like his son, said, “We’ll have Thanksgiving after our nap.” McHale also said his wife would play a joke on him by asking who Ryan Seacrest was on “American Idol” and Eddie replying “dad.”

McHale added, “Eddie loves the older ladies” and joked about him going into a hot tub with a woman and asking her where she was from. He also told a story of Eddie interrupting a house guest’s bath by jumping in with her and “playing with her boobs.”

McHale concluded with a story about a family vacation. Upon stopping at an In-n-Out Burger, Eddie saw a small person and screamed, “What is that?!” McHale said he tried to stay calm as his wife laughed and his son continued to scream this question loudly while exiting the place.

As McHale was showered with applause, he said, “This is the most attractive University I’ve played in New Jersey” and to watch “Community” before he left.

Kelly Hughes, freshman said she liked the show, especially the stuff about the Kardashians, and how “[McHale] wasn’t afraid to make fun of anything.” Rachel Fox, an English major, also mentioned she liked McHale talking about his family and “kids being inappropriate,” but added that she liked Rabinowitz’s opening act and how he had a tough time getting girls.

Senior Jon McNamara liked how McHale joked about the University. “I thought he was hilarious. He could relate to us and had stuff to say even about rivals and the campus.” Shelby Sopkin, communication major, also said McHale “shows he cares about his audience. He took time to know where he’s performing.”

Kae Crede, junior, said the show was better than she expected. She said, “I didn’t think he’d be that funny but he was. It was awesome. I cried with laughter.”

As for “Soup” fan, Rachel Coffey, a music performance major, she enjoyed how McHale mixed up his routine by saying, “I liked how it wasn’t just pop culture and he talked about his family. I thought he was pretty funny about the teams and who our rival was.”

Coffey said she’d hope McHale’s stand-up at the MAC might open the door for other entertainers. “[McHale] is a big name. Hopefully, it’s going to encourage more artists to come here,” she said.

Soon he brought up a “national tragedy,” meaning Kim Kardashian’s divorce, which was met with ovation as McHale pretended to weep. McHale said, “I have Netflix envelopes that are older than [Kim’s marriage].”

Banks Show” of a girl who ate cigarette ashes and then cut to him eating ashes and saying, “I miss you grandpa!” It turns out McHale’s grandfather was cremated. He jokingly added, “When you explain a joke about your dead husband several times, it gets funnier.”

It wasn’t long before McHale discussed New Jersey reality shows like “Jerseylicious” and “The Real Housewives of New Jersey.”

ever, there was \$50 admission and when he went to the pool, “there were 60 naked dudes and eight boobs total,” which had terrible plastic surgery he added.

McHale discussed his parents and talked about his father likes to save money. He described stories such when his dad “returned a coat to Nordstrom’s and got his money back” after he bought it eight years ago. McHale pretending to be him shouted, “Winning,” adding, “Before Charlie

Around the World in 18 Years

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To some, travel is a leisure experience, but one University student uses her opportunities to travel to perform humanitarian work.

Stephanie Hrdy, a first-year student, began her travels a part of her mother's love of travel and desire to visit other countries. As a child, Hrdy traveled to Cyprus, London, Canada, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Bahamas, Las Vegas, and Paris.

Through teen travel and tour groups, Rustic Pathways and

West Coast Connections, Hrdy was also able to travel to Spain, Laos, Cambodia, and Australia. High school students from all over the world enrolled in the program to travel different places as a group.

In the summer of 2010, Hrdy attended a pre-college enrichment program in Spain where she took a Spanish class and a cultural class.

"During the cultural class, we took tours all over the city and went to a lot of the tourist attractions, such as the Gaudi Museum and the Picasso Museum," she said.

That same summer, Hrdy also

went to Laos, where she stayed in huts at elephant conservations and cared for the elephants.

Hrdy's love for animals and her desire to visit a place where she could help them encouraged her to volunteer one week of her time at the Steve Irwin Zoo in Australia. Because of the short length of stay, each day she volunteered in a different section of the zoo.

While in Australia, Hrdy and the other volunteers stayed in one of the many estates of the wealthy owner of the Rustic Pathways teen travel program.

Despite all of her travels to some of the world's most exotic and sought after locations, Hrdy considers her visit to Cambodia and her volunteer work in an orphanage last summer as the most enriching and meaningful experience she has had thus far.

"While at the orphanage, I played games with the children, taught them basic English, visited temples, and was able to interact with monks," Hrdy said. "I even went to the school at the orphanage and taught a class of upcoming monks about American culture."

Hrdy was surprised by how attached she became to the Cambodian children. According to Hrdy, despite having next to nothing, the children always had smiles on their faces, and they were always willing to learn new things, which she found to be a refreshing change of pace.

She entered the country planning to volunteer, meet new people, and explore the country, but she never expected to fall in love with all the country had to offer.

Her trip was also a moving visit. She learned about the Khmer Rouge, visited

one of the many fields used for genocides, and met with a survivor who shared his touching story.

Hrdy was moved by the survivor's story, and she truly appreciated being given the chance to hear about his experiences in person.

Hrdy has met many people during her travels, and she has also made many friends. Apart from the "friendly locals in Southeast Asia," Hrdy also keeps in touch with the people she met in Spain who were also from her native New York City.

She has hopes to visit Fiji next summer, as well as China to take part in the Giant Panda Conservation Project, but her next venture could also be back to the country that taught her so much, and motivated her to continue her humanitarian work. She also wants the opportunity to reunite with the inspiring people she met this past summer.

"I plan on going back to Cambodia and volunteering at the orphanage again. I grew so attached to the children there, the people who were so friendly, and the country itself that is so beautiful," she said.

"Interacting with the monks was an amazing experience. I never thought that I would be able to say that I taught a class of monks about my life and what it is like to live in America."

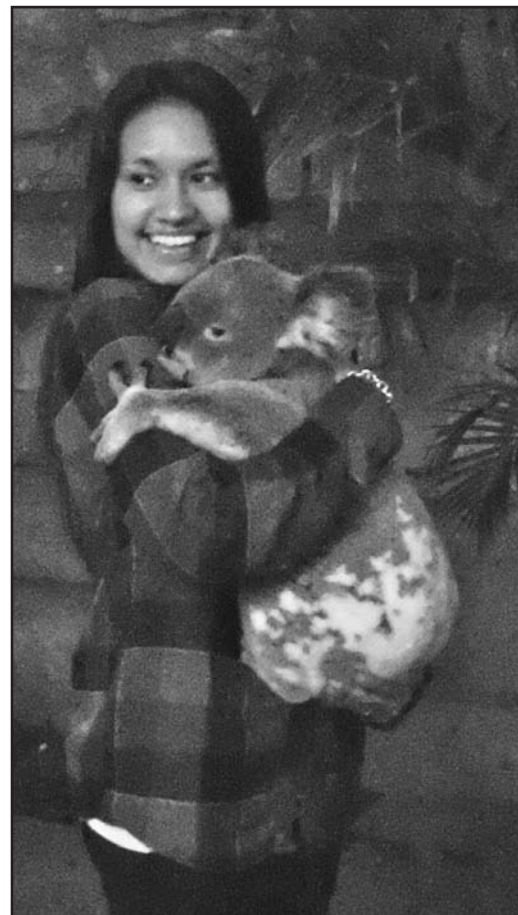


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Stephanie Hrdy has been to Australia as one of her travels.

Along with new experiences and lifelong friendships, Hrdy's expeditions have taught her valuable lessons, such as the importance of appreciating her life and all she has. Visits to third world countries and underprivileged areas made her cherish the simple things she has in her life, such as air conditioning, indoor plumbing, and water from the tap that is safe to drink.

Hrdy's travels and volunteerism leave something to be admired because people do not realize the value of the things in their lives until they have walked a mile in another person's shoes.

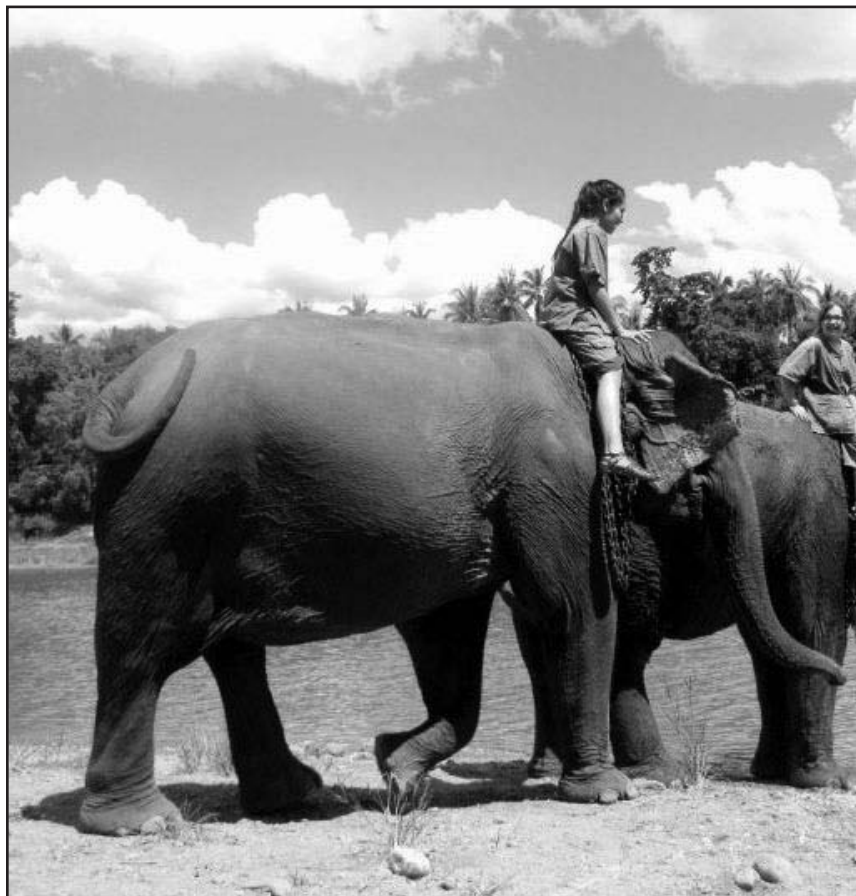


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Stephanie Hrdy incorporates her love of travel with her love of volunteering and helping others.

How to Land Your Dream Job

Proper Interview Etiquette for the Graduating Student

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In their final years of education, students will be finding themselves in formal interview settings. Whether going on an interview for an internship or an entry-level job after college, having the skills to land the position is essential. Interview etiquette, however, is not a major subject taught in schools.

William Hill, Assistant Dean of Career Services, said, "Doing a good job preparing for the interview will help you feel confident and relaxed. Get a good night's sleep, and no partying the night before. Eat a good breakfast the morning of your interview to give you energy."

Preparation is a fair judge on how professional an applicant will serve as an employee. Punctuality, appearance and confidence are all major factors in determining a person's ability to be professional. Always assume "formal."

Dan Villanova, a senior communication major, said, "Of the two interviews I have been on, one was very formal and one was pretty casual. At the first one they referred to me as Mr. Villanova. The other was casual to a point. They were expecting me in a suit, and we had a formal interview stage, but after we got through all of the hardball ques-

tions, they showed me around and even gave me a nickname. To be fair, I did hang around all day, and it was a small operation."

To further prepare for a job interview, learn about the company for which you wish to work. Hill suggests that an applicant study the company's website and be able to ask good questions. Knowledge of the business proves initiative and desire to work for that business. Villanova also suggests doing some research. "I always research the company via Google. I figure if they are going to do it to me, I may as well return the favor, and it gives me great talking points in the interview."

"Dress for success" is a term often used in the business world. Aimee Parks, Director of Human Resources for Student Employment, emphasizes appropriate attire. For both part-time entry-level jobs and formal post-graduate jobs, dressing appropriately is a key factor in getting a job. She also advises applicants to be confident and speak up as well as be prepared to elaborate. Lastly, her strongest advisement is this: do not chew gum.

Many people would agree that finding a job straight out of college is rather difficult because they do not have experience. For those worried about the competition, Hill offers a consoling

opinion in regard to education versus experience.

"For entry level jobs, education is key. As one gets older, it is often experience that becomes more important."

He also believes that standards for job interviews have not become higher due to the economy, only the competition has. To stand out amongst the masses of applicants, an applicant should not lie or imply that they are different people than who they actually are.

"Manners and a pleasant disposition are great ways to show people good qualities that they look for. Always be yourself. If you claim to be someone you aren't, it makes the work environment and job requirements difficult," said Villanova.

The University provides many resources to help students in job searches and interviews. Career Services aids students in their career endeavors and development as well as directing them to employers in their ideal profession. On their University web page, applicants can find tips on interviews,

resume writing, job listings, and career day listings.

The Office of Student Employment will help students find part-time jobs on or off-campus while going to school. Students can see Parks for available jobs and a list of upcoming career days and workshops, courtesy

of Career Services. Parks also reminds junior and senior students of the one-credit career search class available to them at the University. There are resources available to every student for finding part-time jobs, internships and full-time jobs after they graduate.

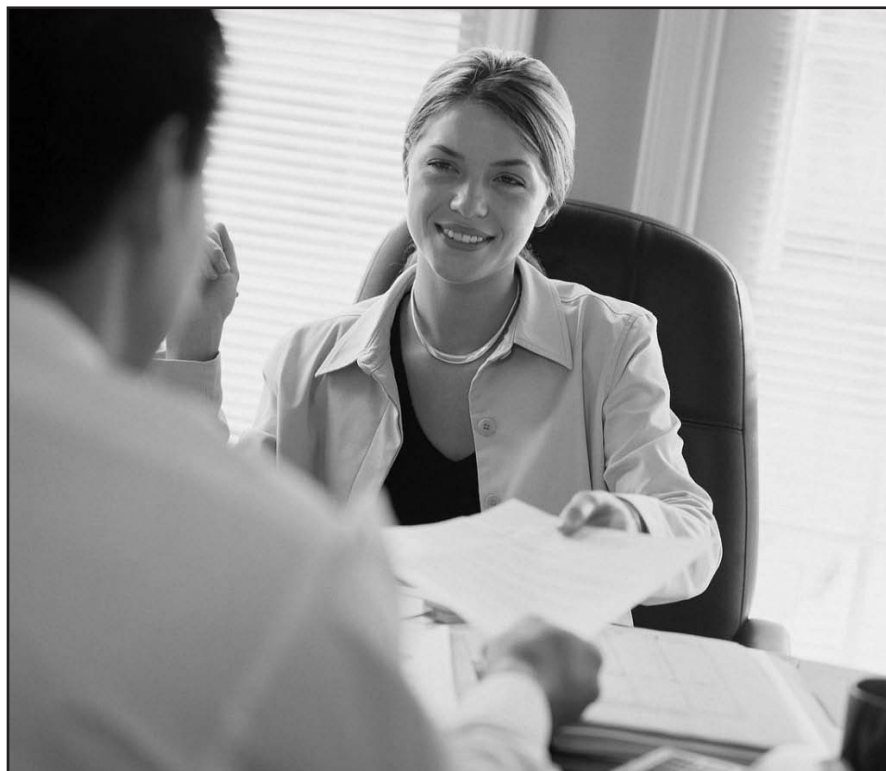


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Punctuality, appearance and confidence are all factors that employers look for when interviewing candidates.

The Next Billion

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SCIENCE EDITOR

Planet Earth yet again established a new threshold for its global populace with the addition of the seven billionth human being on October 31. With the forthcoming of this new addendum, a question must be asked. Are our socioeconomic and natural resources truly capable of sustaining yet another billion people, when, according to the Population Reference Bureau (PRB), more than half the world lives on less than two dollars a day?

A recent report in *The Economist* analyzed human population growth in the billions of people. For the human population to reach the first billion, it took roughly 250 million years. More than a century passed before the second billion could be reached. The third billion took only half as long as the second. The following two billions took 13 and 12 years, respectively. And the most recent billion took only another 12 years.

Therefore, before the twentieth century, no person had lived through a “doubling period” of the human population. However, today, there are people that are alive who have seen the world population actually triple.

As the global population grows by about 77 million each year, it becomes a formidable task to remain calm. From common observation, soil is eroding, desertification is looming, glaciers are melting, the fish supply is lessening and millions of people are starving-every single day. Fifty years from now, according to the PRB, there will be two billion more mouths to feed, a great majority of whom will reside in developing countries.

Should the next generation “follow the path blazed by wealthy countries by clearing forests, burning coal and oil, freely scattering fertilizers and pesticides? They too will be stepping hard on the planet’s natural resources. How exactly is this going to work?” asked Robert Kuznig from National Geographic.

Despite the new conflagrations of alarm aroused by these sentiments, a fair amount of hope re-

significant hurdles for the next few generations.

Joe Ghanem, a sophomore business major, said “The world’s population hitting seven billion overshadows the ecological issue of the world’s population outgrowing the readily available supplies to feed the ever growing human civilization.”

The theoretical consequences of the exponential population growth we have experienced over the past

And third, the average marriage age was rising. Consequentially, the demographic transition (a forecast of economic development on population growth) had been compressed, according to Murphy, from an entire century to a single generation in some developing states.

The life expectancy of the average American has, according to The World Bank, risen from 69.8 years in 1960 to 79.8 in 2011. This

titis A and B, among others), it is no wonder that the aging population is not sustaining, but attenuating the number of antagonists to their health, ultimately resulting in even longer projected lifespans than that of its predecessors.

Professor Vincent Joyce, geography professor, sees the acclimation of the seven billion humans now cohabiting Earth as “both a little scary and also exciting because another billion people have been added in such a short amount of time. It might reach 9.6 billion in the course of my life as every 20 years, another billion is added. It provides a real challenge. However, if we educate more and better control the birth rate, there is hope for the future. Each new person could be the next Einstein. It is also something we have to watch as this finite amount of space could eventually lead to a clash over diminishing resources.”

From a superficial glance, 7,000,000,000 does look like a lot of people. However, if all seven billion stood shoulder to shoulder, they would only occupy an area the size of Los Angeles. The notion that “habitable space is extremely limited” has been denounced by skeptics time and again that roughly seven billion people could comfortably live in an area the size of Texas.

Dividing the landmass of Texas (7,494,271,488,000 sq ft) by 7,000,000,000 people gives 1070.61 sq ft/person – an approximate of a 33 x 33 plot of land for every person on the planet which is enough for a medium sized house for every human being. Even though the cohabitation of the world’s populace in such a contained area is mathematically “possible,” the nature of humanity far transcends such spatial borders.



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sides in the accumulation of education and new knowledge over the past few decades. For starters, the actual rate of population growth (as such was the case in the time before national censuses). Over time, this has led to the establishment of many statutes, such as China’s “One Child Policy,” which is aimed at controlling the population crisis which poses among the most

few decades have yet to be realized. Elaine Murphy from the PRB cited that following the “population explosion” after World War II, three interrelated trends had appeared in many developing countries.

First, fertility had overall dropped further and faster than had been predicted 25 years earlier. Second, contraceptive acceptance and use had increased markedly.

shift can be attributed to a consortium of advances in medicine, living standards, and sanitation. However, the primary contributor of this upward shift remains as the aging population of the baby boomers.

With vaccinations spanning myriad sorts of ailments (influenza, chicken pox, measles, mumps, HPV, smallpox, Polio, and Hepa-

The Life of a Scam Artist

MICHELLE GILMAN
STAFF WRITER

For most people, Christmas is the most exciting holiday of the year. But for Richie Sorrento (his real name has been changed to protect his identity), Black Friday is like Christmas on steroids. All of the stores open at midnight and everything from DVDs to snow blowers are on sale. Richie Sorrento, 39, your typical scam artist, has been taking part in Black Friday festivities since he turned 23.

The 5’6 black haired Italian works as a real estate agent making anywhere from \$70,000 to \$100,000 a year in Marlboro, NJ. He has been married for 17 years and has three young boys who are too young to take part in the “real” family business yet. Sorrento plans to introduce his boys to his hobby once they reach the age of 16.

The night before Thanksgiving, Sorrento always makes sure to get plenty of sleep. He fills his body with hazelnut coffee, carbohydrates and five-hour energy drinks anticipating the lack of sleep. “At around 7:00 pm on Thanksgiving, I get in line at the Manalapan Best Buy. When they open the doors I am in with my plan already orchestrated perfectly. I find the items that have the best deals running and purchase them as quickly as possible before the line accumu-

lates,” said Sorrento.

Next, he heads to Target. Target always has ridiculously low prices on Black Friday, and he always manages to fill two carts with computer printers, cameras, laptops, toys, and more while he is there. After Target his next stop is Staples, where he buys almost everything advertised on the front page of the flyer.

“I don’t just buy this stuff be-

the form of a gift card. Last year I turned my \$2,000 purchases into \$4,500,” said Richie.

Sorrento’s favorite scam of all time is his restaurant scam. Sorrento is known by his friends as the one with a complimentary gift card every time he goes out to eat. This is because he contacts restaurants and writes long complaints about “experiences” he has had at their location. Richie has found that he

said Richie’s wife, Lisa Sorrento.

Richie’s most recent scam consisted of buying a black pair of Hugo Boss Oxfords from Nordstrom. He already owned a pair in size 11 that were pretty beat up, but since they cost \$225 a pair, he was reluctant to buy another. Instead, he purchased a new pair online in the same size, replaced the new ones with his old beat up pair, and went to Nordstrom complain-

but I benefit so much from it that it makes me feel great,” said Richie. Sorrento used to participate in many high performance sports such as white water rafting and skiing, but no longer does so because he has three young children. “My scams are my rush now, the feeling I get when I’m buying the good deals, knowing that I’m going to make a profit. That provides me with a rush like I used to get from extreme sports,” said Richie.

Richie knows that his scams are not exactly on the moral side, but he benefits so greatly from the profit that he casts that feeling aside. “I figure, these big businesses won’t feel the affect of a hundred dollars missing here or there, so I don’t think I’m really hurting anyone,” says Richie.

Richie’s children are not aware of what he does when he partakes in his scams. He believes they are too young and impressionable; he would not want them to think what he does is particularly unethical. “I am a responsible man, I work hard, provide for my family, and support them in every way possible,” says Richie.

Richie’s wife is somewhat aloof about her husband’s conning ways. She doesn’t exactly support Richie, but she doesn’t direct him the other way either. “What am I supposed to do? He is a grown man, and he puts food on the table,” said Lisa.

“I am able to return all of my Black Friday purchases that cost me almost nothing, for the full price in the form of a gift card. Last year I turned my \$2,000 purchases into \$4,500.”

RICHIE SORRENTO
Scam Artist

cause I like sales or have a shopping addiction, I do it to make money. This might make you think to yourself that I am crazy,” said Sorrento. He then takes everything from Best Buy that he purchased on sale, and lists it on Craigslist for the full price. “I made a point to familiarize myself with Target and Staples’ return policy, and noted that neither of them requires a receipt for returns. As a result, I am able to return all of my Black Friday purchases that cost me almost nothing, for the full price in

will always get a gift card in the mail promptly after sending his letter if he states that the hostess was rude. Sorrento has received complimentary gift cards from over 25 different restaurants such as \$50 to Olive Garden, \$40 to Longhorn Steakhouse, \$50 to Cheesecake Factory, and \$40 plus a free appetizer to P.F. Chang’s.

“I swear, every time we go out to eat Richie whips out one of his 200 gift cards no matter where we are because he has written some form of a complaint to the manager,”

ing that the company had sent him a “used pair” of oxfords. Sorrento received a full refund, and got to keep the new shoes.

“My eyes lit up when the sales associate asked me to swipe my credit card to receive my refund. This was the first time I had tried something along these lines and all I kept thinking to myself how this is a great success,” said Richie.

The feeling of triumph that Richie feels when completing a scam provides him with a rush. “I know what I’m doing is risky,

Take a Hike with the Outdoors Club

Club Hosts Trip to Cheesequake State Park

NICK HODGINS
CLUB AND GREEK EDITOR

After the Outdoors Club had their weekend camping trip to Worthington cancelled last minute, a few of the members decided not to let a nice weekend go to waste, and instead planned a day trip to Cheesequake State Park for Saturday, November 5.

The storm the previous weekend left the campsite of the initial trip powerless and inaccessible from the road due to fallen trees and power lines. The club was able to provide a full refund for all the students who had paid.

Greg Cenicola, Club Secretary, said, "It was great that we were able to give everyone a full refund for the trip, but we still wanted to take advantage of the

weather while it was still nice."

Club President Kyle Reinhardt and Club Vice President Leona Mostowski decided last minute to put a trip together to Cheesequake State Park.

The group of nine took their own cars to the State Park located about 25 minutes from the University. They arrived around noon with plenty of granola bars and water for the two mile hike.

Carolyn Taylor, a junior, said, "I had such a great time on the hike, we had a beautiful day and lots of laughs. I was glad we were able to make it out despite the actual trip being cancelled."

The trail was littered with the orange and yellow leaves of the autumn trees. One of the things that really stood out to Cenicola

was the wooden bridges and stairways along the hike. "I noticed at some of the steeper parts of the trail there were wooden stairways built. Also over some of the streams were wooden bridges."

Cenicola explained how they later learned from a fellow hiker that all the wooden bridges and stairways were built by local boy scout and eagle scout troops as a community service project.

The cost to get into the park is five dollars during the week and 10 dollars on the weekends. A unique attribute of Cheesequake State Park is the fact that it is surrounded by so many different ecosystems.

The park's website explains how open fields, saltwater and

freshwater marshes, a white cedar swamp, Pine Barrens, and a northeastern hardwood forest are all main characteristics of the park.

The 386 acre State Park is open daily from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. The park has five designated trails; the red, yellow, green and blue trails are strictly designated to hiking. There is also a multi-purpose white trail open to mountain biking as well as hiking. The trail lengths range from 1.5 to 3.5 miles.

In addition to hiking trails, the park is open to activities such as camping, fishing, picnicking, boating, canoeing, swimming and winter activities such as cross country skiing and sledding.

Reinhardt said, "It was definitely a nice a day trip we would love to do again. The proximity to the University made it easy to get to and it was only 10 dollars for the day."

The Outdoors Club has two major trips a year in addition to smaller trips such as the one to Cheesequake State Park and the overnight trip to Worthington that was cancelled.

The club also has a line dancing trip planned for this Thursday at Sportszone in Matawan New Jersey off of route 34.

The Outdoors Club meets on pre-determined Wednesdays at 3:30 pm on the third floor of the Student Center. For more information check out the club's Facebook page at MU Outdoor Club.



PHOTO COURTESY of Greg Cenicola

The Outdoors Club refused to let a good weekend go to waste. Despite their initial trip being cancelled last minute, they still put a trip together for Saturday.

Latin American Student Organization Holding Jeopardy Event



PRESS RELEASE

WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ- The Latin American Student Organization (LASO) invites Monmouth University students to test their knowledge of Latin American culture by participating in a game of Jeopardy on Wednesday, November 9, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. The game will be held in Trailer A1.

Participants do not have to be experts in Latin American culture in order to take part in the game. The event is designed for participants to learn something new about Latin American culture in an entertaining atmosphere. Members of the winning team will receive prizes varying from gift cards to declining dollars.

The Latin American Student Organization encourages and initiates relationships between Hispanic and non-Hispanic students through multicultural awareness, promotes the need for pursuing a higher education within minority communities, and allows a forum in which potential members can work toward common goals. The organization's goals are to be recognized as fundamental leaders in the University community, serve in numerous ways, and reach out to members of all communities, especially to those of Latin and minority backgrounds, advocating that there is strength in numbers.

For more information about the Jeopardy event or LASO, please contact LASO president, Alexandra Casares, at s0747579@monmouth.edu, or Tess LaFear, LASO secretary, at s0779102@monmouth.edu.

Faculty Artists Series

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Wilson Hall Auditorium
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Richard Paris

teaches Creative Writing and Rhetoric at Monmouth University. He is the author of two books of poetry, Last Covenant and Walt's Place, a novel Prophecies of Yesterday and 23 plays (3 shamelessly revising the Theban plays, 3 on Iago after Othello, 3 on a rich guy who just wants to hang out with his old buddies, 3 on family life including Happy Marriage and Friendly Divorce, plus plays on evolution, psychosis, betrayal and the academy – not necessarily in that order)..



A Foot in the Door will be presented as a stage reading. The actors will read their parts, and since some of them play multiple parts, will use hats to identify the characters they are playing at that moment.

The play is about the last rehearsal for a play in an underfinanced, marginally disreputable theater located on the outskirts of a New England forest. The play within the play is about a grumpy business man who has retired to a New England farm (on the outskirts of a forest), seeking peace and quiet with the usual interventions.

Educated at Cal, Berkeley (back in the day), he has worked as a groundskeeper, firefighter, union negotiator, and, briefly, a state bureaucrat. Kept sane (mostly) by his psychologist wife Amira, Paris can often be found muttering lines while walking on the beach.

Free to the Public

Professional Marketing and Branding Session Presented at Speaker Series



PRESS RELEASE

WEST LONG BRANCH, NJ - - Specialist marketing and branding professional, Austin Rotter, is set to speak November 16 at 3:00 pm in Plangere, room 234 as part of PRSSA's Speaker Series. With three years of experience, Rotter has gained knowledge in media relations, corporate communications industries, public relations campaigns and advertising.

Rotter currently serves as an account executive for 5W Public Relations. His clientele include Hanft Partners, Meteor Games, DLB Group and others in the industries of sports and technology. Through his experience he has gained ample contacts resulting in features for his clients in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, Mashable, New BusinessWeek, CNN and many more.

Prior to his position with 5W, Rotter held internships with Howard Stern Radio Show on Sirius XM, MGH Inc., and IMRE Communications. Rotter graduated from Towson University with a B.S. in Mass Communications.

The PRSSA bio-monthly Speaker Series was instituted in 2009 to provide networking opportunities for public relations students and professionals. To stay up to date about who is speaking on what dates, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/speakerseries . For more information about the speaker series or Monmouth's PRSSA Chapter go to www.monmouth.edu/prssa or contact Amanda Erdmann, Communication Director, at s0756510@monmouth.edu, or Dr. Shelia McAllister-Spooner, Faculty Advisor, at smcallis@monmouth.edu.

Club and Greek Announcements

Italian Club

The Italian Club will be hosting their second bake sale on Tuesday, November 15 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Student Center!

Spread the word!

If interested contact Ottaviana De Ruvo at s0737400@monmouth.edu.

Economics and Finance Club

The Economics and Finance Club will be meeting every Wednesday at 2:30 pm in Bey Hall, room 231.

Students can check out our website for further information as well as our calendar of events at muefc.wordpress.com.

Relay for Life

Relay for Life is excited to announce the upcoming events for Blitz Week, November 14-18.

Monday- Pie A student leader

Tuesday- Basket Auction

Wednesday- Basket Auction

Thursday- Decorating Lumina Bags, Buffalo Wild Wings (Dine and Donate) Fundraiser, and the Great American Smoke Out (GASO).

Alpha Kappa Alpha

On November 16 Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority will be conducting a seminar on Distracted Driving in Bey Hall room 130 from 2:30 pm -3:30 pm.

This event will feature various speakers, including victims of distracted driving and law enforcement officers.

The purpose of this event is to stress to students, faculty, and all who drive the importance of being a focused driver and why not to engage in other activities while driving.

Light Refreshments will be served.

Monmouth Review

The Monmouth Review is going to the NY Public Library December 3. We are leaving by bus at 9:00 am outside of the Student Center and will leave NYC for our return trip home at 5:00 pm.

If you want to visit the NY Public Library with us and check out its current exhibitions and collections, as well as all the holiday fun that is 42 Street and NYC in December, all you have to do is:

Place your five dollar deposit in an envelope with your name and student ID number. You will receive your money back on the day of the trip- don't worry, this is just a way for us to ensure your seat.

Place your deposit in the Monmouth Review mailbox located just outside of the Monmouth Review Office (RM 303 of the Student Center).

We will also be setting up sign-up tables in the Student Center next week.

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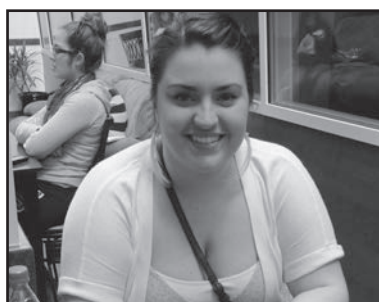
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freshman

"A bird, because you can go anywhere in the world."



Neal
sophomore

"A baboon, so I can moon people."



Jessica
freshman

"A cat, so I can sleep all day."



Mel
sophomore

"An eagle, because I think the greatest experience would be to fly."



Sherri
sophomore

"A dolphin, because I love to swim and I love the water."



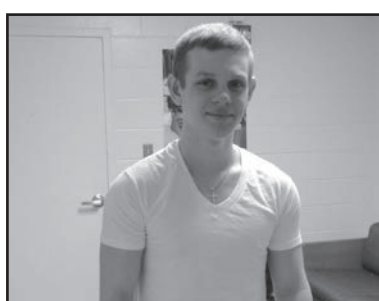
Brian
junior

"An iguana, because it blends in everywhere and I can live wherever I wanted."



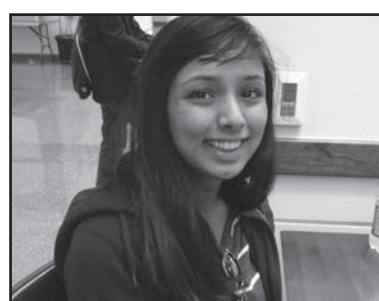
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"A bird, so I can fly anywhere I want."



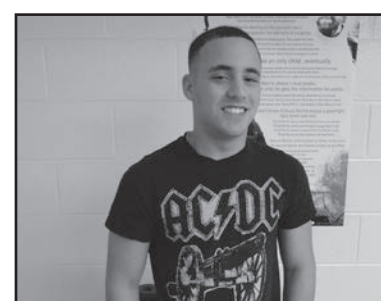
Blake
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"A puma, because they're sick."



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"A giraffe, because I want to be tall."



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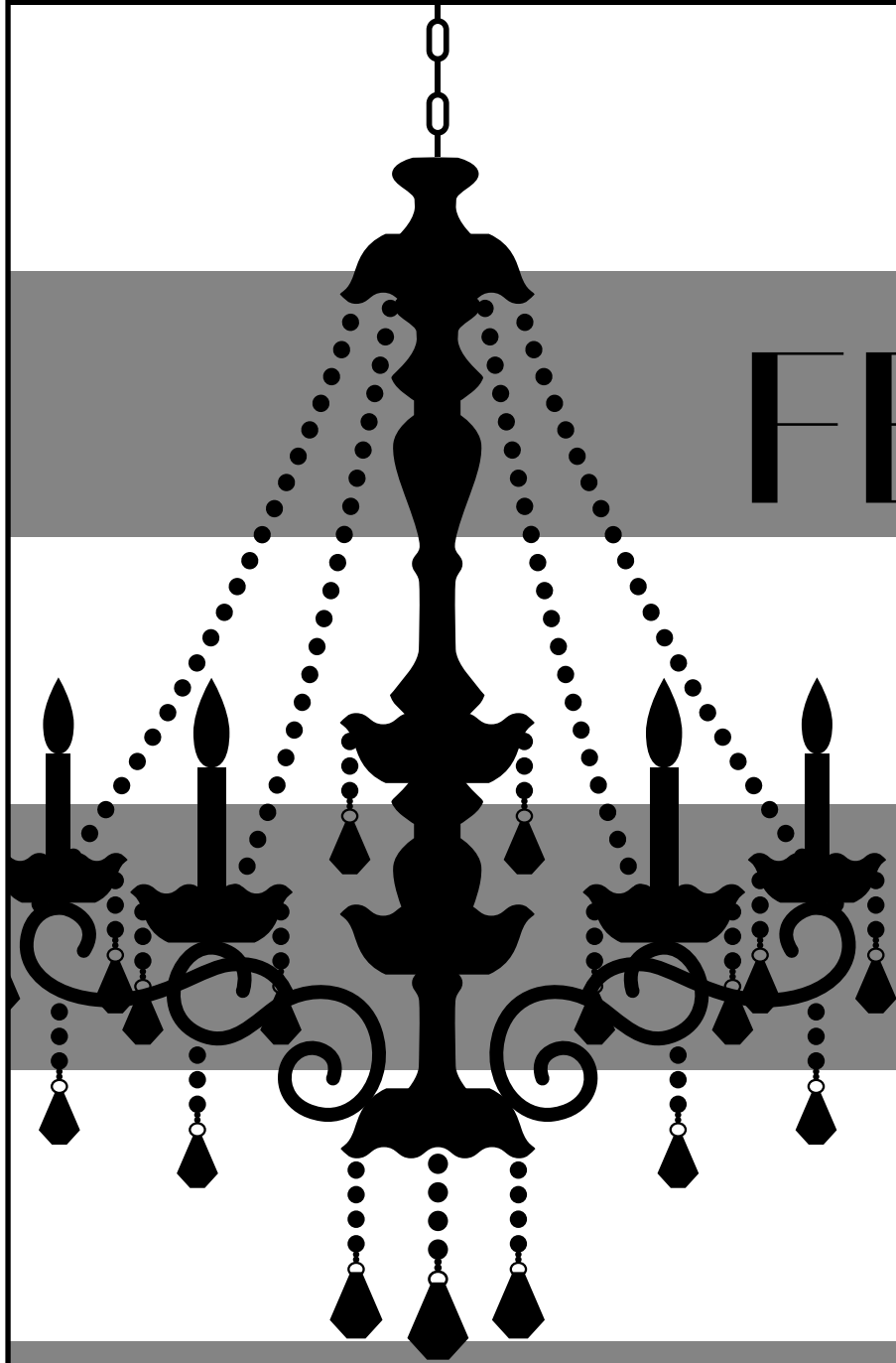
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Norman Osborn Gathers New Dark Avengers

MATTHEW FISHER
COMICS EDITOR

In the Marvel Universe, the Avengers team is composed of superheroes who work together in order to save the world from dire threats. Although this group has been comprised of heroes over the years, some villains have entered into the fold, too, only to come out as heroes in the end. Some examples include Hawkeye, Quicksilver, the Scarlet Witch, and most recently, Red Hulk (or Rulk).

However, for a time in the Marvel Universe, there was a team of Avengers who looked like heroes but were really evildoers in the series, “Dark Avengers.” While this team was broken up following “Siege,” it appears a new group of Dark Avengers are forming to wreak havoc for the Marvel heroes and will be revealed in “New Avengers” Vol. 2 #18.

For those unfamiliar with “Dark Avengers,” this was the series following “Secret Invasion,” where Norman Osborn was in charge of global security along with his H.A.M.M.E.R. division replacing S.H.I.E.L.D.

At the same time, he was also gathering villains to pose as heroes for his own Avengers team led by himself as the Iron Patriot. They included Wolverine (Daken), Spider-Man (Marc Gargan), Ms. Marvel (Moonstone), Hawkeye (Bullseye), the Sentry, Captain Marvel (Noh-Var), and Ares.

In an interview with comic-bookresources.com, series writer Brian Michael Bendis explained what the idea was for Dark Avengers as the first issue was approaching. “Norman feels the Avengers need to be a team of unapologetic ass-kicker-y. Plus his team serves a dual purpose: he gets to have these colorful mascots of freedom, but at the same time -- whew! Is he pissing off all the right people! He gets to mock Spider-Man. And if God forbid Mac Gargan does something stupid, Osborn can

blame it on Spider-Man,” he said. The team offered the guise of heroism but underneath still acted like villains with double-crosses, selflessness, and conflict as they dealt with issues like Morganne Le Fay’s magic and the San Francisco mutant crisis in the crossover tale, “Utopia.” They were the main focal point of the Marvel Universe during the Dark Reign storyline that ran in most of the House of Ideas series. “Dark Avengers” ran for 16 issues with one annual included.

Since the “Siege” aftermath, the team dispersed through the Marvel Universe or to the great beyond. Ares and the Sentry both died in the “Siege” miniseries while Bullseye met his end from Daredevil in “Shadowland” #1.

Noh-Var joined the newly established main Avengers team, Daken went off on his own journey, Marc Gargan became the Scorpion again, and Moonstone went back to the Thunderbolts.

As for Osborn, he went to a super maximum security prison where he slowly worked his way out. Now, it seems like he has a new mission to accomplish with the help of a new Dark Avengers team.

The synopsis for “New Avengers” #18 on comixology.com leaves much to the imagination with a tagline that reads: “Norman Osborn and H.A.M.M.E.R. return! Witness the new Avengers line-up in action!” It is being written by Bendis (who has written “New Avengers” since Volume 1 and drawn by his “Dark Avengers” artist, Mike Deodato, Jr).

In addition to some preview pages for the issue with what seems to be Osborn in the Savage Land looking for something, the cover pays homage to the famous Uncle Sam poster as he points his index finger to the reader saying, “I want you!” as individuals covered in shadows stand in the distance.

While talking to *USA Today* at

the time about “New Avengers” 16.1, which led into #18, Bendis explained what makes this team of Dark Avengers as justified and interesting as their predecessors. “...the Dark Avengers are not villainous in that they rob banks, Bendis says. “They have a very specific worldview like Magneto or Doctor Doom.”

Even though the issue arrives in stores today, looking at the cover just leads to more fan speculation. However, if one of the new Dark Avengers is easy to spot it would have to be the tall, muscular character that looks like the Hulk’s son, Skaar.

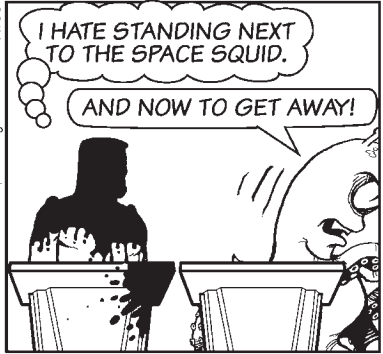
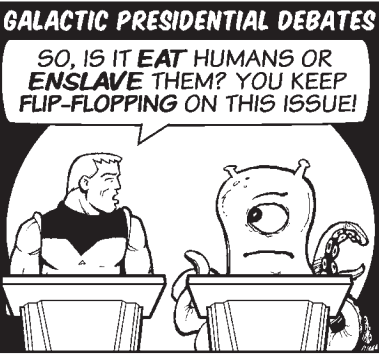
This idea becomes a bit more concrete by looking at the preview pages for “New Avengers” #18 and seeing the pale green Skaar in the same area that Norman is encountering dinosaurs.

Now, when it comes to fan commentary on the introduction of a new team of Dark Avengers, some have allowed their mind to ponder what this will not only be like, but mean for the Marvel Universe.

In a post on ifanboy.com, Josh Flanagan wrote, “...it looks like they’re dipping a toe back into the world of Dark Reign. This is interesting, because while there was certainly a Norman Osborn overload, with him being the antagonist in a lot of comics, it also felt like there was some more closure to be explored by the end. Maybe this will be that? Maybe it will be fun?”

Osborn doesn’t return to his old ways just to get some fresh air or take a break from work. He’s all about having a mission and doing whatever possible to make that happen even if it means disregarding his sanity. Well, it seems that fans won’t have to wait much longer as they get to see what else this madman has up his Green Goblin sleeve as he sets his sights on the Avengers. New Dark Avengers assemble!

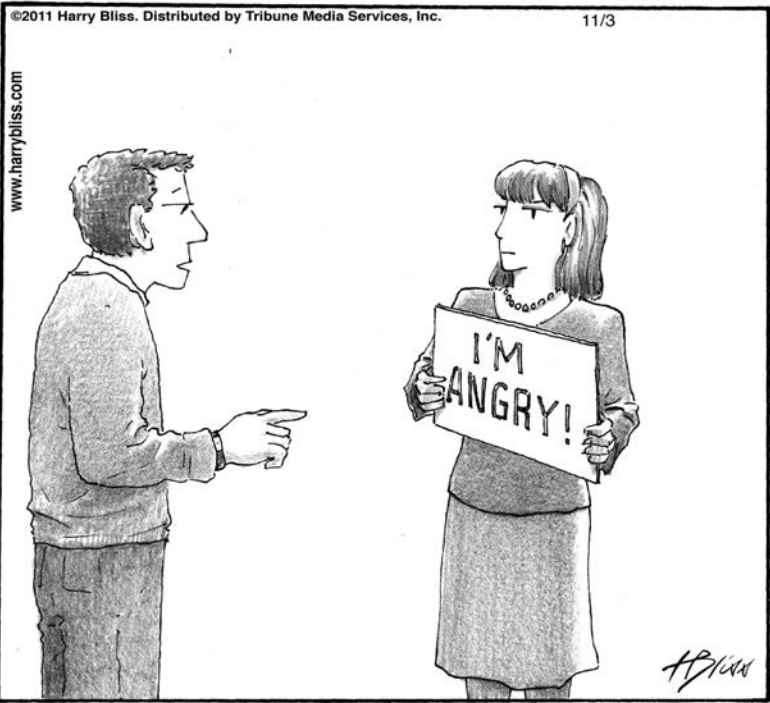
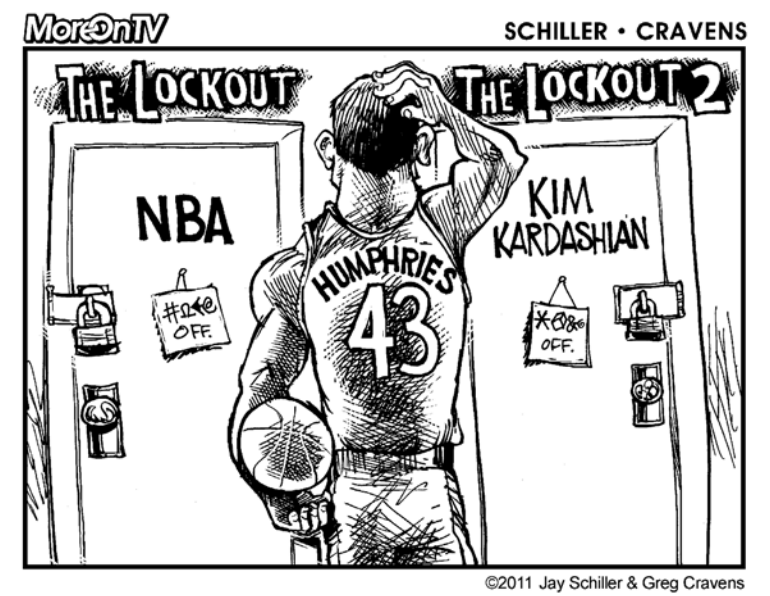
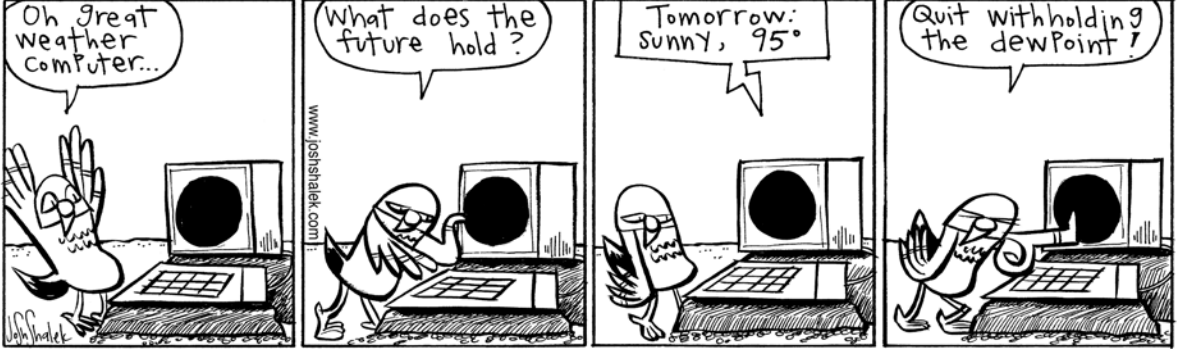
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Cross Country Team Finishes Third in NEC Tournament

MAGGIE ZELINKA
STAFF WRITER

An even balance of endurance and pace make up a winning cross country team. Thankfully, the University is able to say they house two winning cross country teams. The women's and men's teams this year were consistent in each of

their seasons. They began their season on September 3 by participating in the Monmouth XC Kick-Off event in which they were able to get second place out of four teams, an improvement from last year's fourth place out of seven teams. Part of the team traveled to Bronx, New York to compete in the Fordham

Invitational on September 10. Most runners used the race as their first 8k for the men and the first 5k for the women of the season, but others used it as a workout week. That following Saturday, the team hosted the 17th Annual Monmouth Invitational. The men were able to secure a fourth place title out of 14 teams while the women achieved third place out of 10 teams where they gained a fourth place title out of a total of 14 teams.

On September 30, the team took on the challenge of facing a vast number of competitors in the Paul Short Run at Lehigh University. Unlike the previous year, the men's team did not fare so well. In 2010, they were able to finish fifth out of 40 teams. This year, they finished 24 out of 46 teams while the women finished tenth out of 41 teams. When asked what the main difference in these two races was, senior Evan Mydlowski stated, "The conditions compared to last year were a little more difficult to run through. For instance, one of the runner's shoes came off due to the muddy terrain. Even though the conditions were rough, we should have scored higher because we have a great amount of talent this year."

After the devastating loss, the Hawks took a two week vacation trip and simply practiced for the upcoming race: the Princeton Invitational. This race has never been an easy one for the Hawks. Last season, the men finished tenth out of thirteenth. Two seasons ago, they finished eleventh out of thirteenth. This year was no different. The men finished fourteenth out of fifteenth. On the other hand, the women were fierce competitors in the meet; they managed to get third place out of fourteen teams.

On October 29, the Hawks hosted the Northeast Conference Championship meet at the famous



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Jennifer Nelson stands with NEC Commissioner Noreen Morris after being named to the Women's Cross Country All-Conference team following the NEC Tournament.

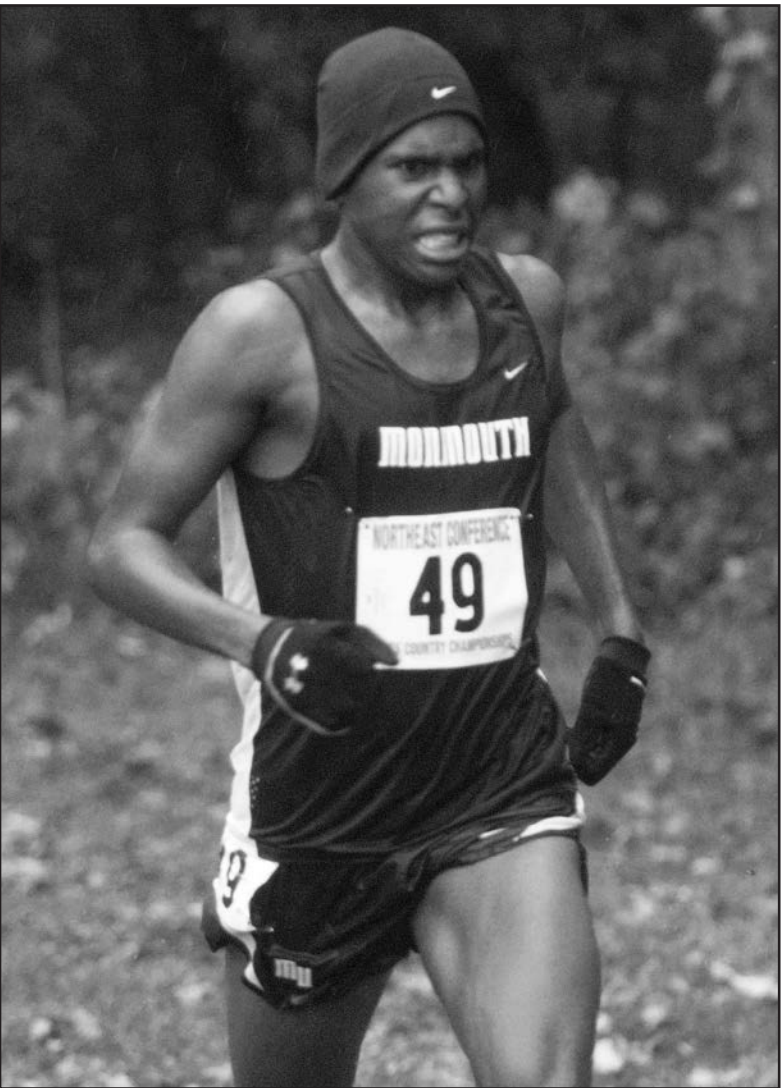


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Khari Bowen claimed All-NEC honors in the NEC Tournament, missing the title of top freshman by one spot.

Football Team Improves to 5-0 on the Road

ED MORLOCK
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Hawks stayed perfect on the road (5-0) this season, defeating Saint Francis 48-45. This win improves their record to 5-4, 4-2 in the Northeast Conference (NEC).

The offense scored the most points they had in a single game all season. MU found many different ways to score in this one. The offense moved the ball effectively on the ground and through the air. They racked up 466 total yards. The rushing attack accounted for 150 yards. Quarterback Craig Peterson threw for 316 yards.

"It was an incredible effort by our offense, they just wouldn't be denied. They retook the lead every time we relinquished it," said Head Coach Kevin Callahan. "It was an outstanding effort by Craig Peterson and our receivers did a nice job. I really liked the way Julian Hayes carried the ball and how hard he ran."

Peterson completed 20 of 29 passing attempts. He threw two touchdowns and was intercepted once. Both touchdown passes came in the second quarter, hitting Tristan Roberts for 12 yards and Neal Sterling for 58.

Julian Hayes continued his strong freshman campaign. He carried the ball 26 times for 128

yards and four touchdowns. That brings his season total to 654 yards and 13 touchdowns.

Halfway through the third quarter, wide receiver Mitchell Pollard made a game-changing play on special teams. He fielded a punt, crossed the field, and raced 52 yards for a touchdown. This was the first punt return touchdown by a Monmouth Hawk since 2002 against Robert Morris. For his effort, Pollard was named the College Football Performance Award's National Punt Returner of the Week.

Pollard also made some plays as a wide receiver. Peterson found Pollard five times for 53 yards. Pollard also got a chance on a rushing play, but only gained three yards.

The Hawks' defense did not play their best in this game. They weren't able to put much fear into the Red Flash passing attack. John Kelly, Saint Francis quarterback, wasn't sacked all game.

The defense was able to create a turnover from Kelly. Patrick Gray continued his impressive freshman season, tallying his fourth interception of the season and returning it 19 yards. Gray made six tackles in addition to his interception.

Jose Gumbs led the defense in tackles, bringing down the opponent 11 times. Gumbs also forced a fumble and recorded one-and-

a-half tackles for loss.

Saint Francis running back Kyle Harbridge was a nightmare for the Blue and White defense. Harbridge carried the ball 29 times for 197 yards and three touchdowns. He also grabbed three receptions for 25 yards to help the passing game. Harbridge helped the Red Flash even more as a kick returner, catching two kicks and gaining 42 yards.

Terrace Bourne applied pressure for the Red Flash on Saturday. Bourne was able to get after Peterson for two sacks to go along with his eight tackles.

Monmouth is tied, with Bryant, for third in the NEC. Albany and Duquesne sit atop the conference, tied at 5-1. Monmouth hosts Albany this week and has a chance to catch them in the standings with a victory. The first nine games of this season, however, do not show the Hawks having much of a home field advantage. To go along with their perfect 5-0 record on the road, MU is win less at home with an 0-4 record.

Duquesne travels to Sacred Heart to battle the fifth placed Pioneers in an important NEC game. A Duquesne loss would keep the Hawks' chances alive for a conference championship.

The Albany game on Saturday is set for a 12:00 pm kickoff at Kessler Field.

brought it to the heads of the NEC. The results were changed and the men tied for third with Mount St. Mary's.

The Hawks have two more races to complete before the season is over. They will be traveling to Maryland for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships where they hope to place in the top 15. The following week, they will travel back to the Bronx to compete at Van Cortlandt Park. The women will take part in the ECAC race while the men will run in the IC4A race to finish up their season.

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Field Hockey Team Falls to Rider 2-1 in the NEC Finals

GAVIN MAZZAGLIA
STAFF WRITER

The field hockey team made it all the way to the NEC Championship game. Unfortunately, Coach Carli Figlio and the girls fell to Rider University in the championship on Saturday.

The second seeded Hawks faced Quinnipiac University, the third seed, in the semi-final on Friday. The only goal for either team was scored by sophomore Patricia O'Dwyer, who found the back of the net at the 36th minute in the second half on a rebound putback. It was her 15th goal of the season. The score remained 1-0 until the final whistle, and the Hawk's 1-0 win was good enough to advance to the NEC championship game.

MU's defense as well as the goal-keeping was solid. Goalkeeper Teresa Mathews recorded seven saves in the victory. Defender Nicole Manziano also recorded a defensive save.

The Hawks and Quinnipiac each won 11 penalty corners while Monmouth led in shots 16-12. The first half of the game was quite slow, as Monmouth and Quinnipiac combined for only seven shots. They had a total of 21 shots in the second half.

The victory marked the Hawks 15th win of the season, tying a program record.

Now MU would have to face the number one seed Rider on Saturday, who was 18-1, at their own field in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. It was the third straight NEC championship game that the Hawks have reached, and was a rematch of the 2010 championship game. Monmouth was still looking for their first NEC Tournament title.

Rider defeated St. Francis in the other semifinal game 2-0. The championship matchup is what most fans expected to see, the top two seeds



PHOTO COURTESY of MU Photography

Teresa Mathews made seven saves in the Hawks 1-0 semi-final victory over Quinnipiac.

squaring off.

Rider got on the board first in the 23rd minute in the first half. The next goal from either team didn't occur until the 55th minute, when Rider struck again. Now with a 2-0 deficit with only 15 minutes left in the season, Monmouth was more than determined to turn up their attack. In the 68th minute, Patricia O'Dwyer received a pass from Michelle Pieczynski, which she turned and fired in the back of the net. Despite only a one goal deficit now with two minutes left in the game, Monmouth was unable to put one last goal on the board.

"Rider's attack was very good. Their forwards and midfielders were phenomenal. We just didn't execute our chances," said Coach Figlio.

MU was dominated in shots, 21-8

and in penalty corner 10-4. Teresa Mathews had 10 saves for the Hawks.

"Our preseason expectations were high, and we by far had the hardest schedule that we have ever played. We are still extremely happy with what we've done this season, and we are graduating some talented individuals," Coach Figlio explained.

MU leading scorer Michelle Pieczynski was shut down throughout the entire game, despite having a couple of good opportunities to score.

Morganne Firmstone and Alex Carroll were both named to the All-Tournament Team.

"As the season progressed, we played fluid hockey. We improved on keeping possession as well as passing. We grew and bonded as a team," Coach Figlio stated.

Concussions Quickly Become a Headache in Sports

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team throughout the game. Soccer players collide while jumping to strike the ball with their head. Basketball players are playing on an unforgiving floor that they can fall to on any given play, without any protective gear.

Considering all the different ways a player can suffer a concussion, they are not easy to avoid. There's really nothing a player can do off the field to help avoid a concussion. Padron said, "It's just being as fit as you can, putting yourself in good positions on the field whenever you play. It's the awkward positions you find yourself in or falling on the court because you're not as quick."

The fear of concussions doesn't lead players to change the way they play. "I wouldn't say players change their playing style per se, but they are much more aware of their surroundings on the field," said Beverin. "I know for me, it's going to be very difficult to start going up for headers again, but eventually I'll get past it and it will be normal again."

While concussions are getting a lot of media attention now, they are not new. Professional sports caster and radio professor, Matthew Harmon, a former running back for the University football team in 1993,

believes times have changed. "It was not discussed the same way back then that it is today," Harmon said. "Players didn't report it, it was just a headache."

Padron backs up the sentiment that concussions aren't new, they are just becoming more prominent. "There were a lot of veteran NFL players who played in the 70's and 80's that have now passed away for one reason or another and we've been able to study their brains," said

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MATT BEVERIN
MEN'S SOCCER TEAM MIDFIELDER

Padron. He continued to say that damage could be seen on an area of the brain and that it's becoming very common among NFL players.

The media attention may even be a reason for the concussions. Entertainment and Sports Programming Network (ESPN) featured a show in the past called "Jacked Up!" This program had the biggest hits from the NFL week featured on Monday nights.

Harmon believes attention like this contributes to concussions today. He said, "The media give so much attention to big hits. Players want to be on the highlight reel, and

the media feeds into it."

Harmon has another theory as to why concussions are occurring so often. "Poor tackling technique is to blame for some of it," he said. "Doesn't seem like players think as much about the proper form and you see so many players leading with their heads down or trying to deliver a big blow with a forearm or elbow to an opposing player's head."

Concussions will either remain a problem or be resolved. Getting rid of head injuries in a contact sport will not be an easy task.

Padron suggests that the helmets could help prevent concussions. "There is a better fit with the helmets (compared to previous helmets). The structure of the helmet is basically

the same...it's about getting a better fit on the athlete. Everyone's head is shaped a little bit differently, so these different helmet models are allowing a better fit."

The NFL and college football have also been throwing more penalty flags for blows to the head. Penalties like "defenseless receiver" and "unnecessary roughness" help keep players safe and avoid injuries. Harmon thinks these penalties could help prevent concussions. He said, "Players will think twice if they know a big but perhaps dangerous or illegal hit will cost their team."



Should College Athletes Be Paid?

DAN GUNDERMAN
STAFF WRITER

As we close in on Thanksgiving and closer to the end in the NCAA football season, one issue has seemed to become prominent. This issue is responded to left and right in the online blogs and even major media outlets. It has brought legal analysts, head coaches, agents, players and fans into questioning and siding on the issue and has a substantial two-sided approach now.

This issue is "pay-for-play" college wages; or simply just salaries to NCAA athletes who partake in a sport for their university. I have formed a pretty decisive stance on the issue, of which you will gather as you read. But proponents of both sides have seemed to develop valid stances, as groups studying the issue have compiled studies and are seeking legal action.

The "pay-for-play" tactic has not been concretely committed to its terms, as the arguments are in the beginning stages. But proponents have laid out suggestions that would revolutionize the sport and change the NCAA into a profit-maximizing corporation. Suggestions include playing players their "worth" to their universities, which panels have suggested could be as much as \$120,000 for the average NCAA football player and \$265,000 for the NCAA basketball player.

These figures were put together by a group representing college athletes, who later stated that the change for salaries is necessary because these players generate so much revenue for their school, but cannot reap the benefits. Also, these millions of dollars generated cycle through school structures but do not get felt by the players, who may be living below the federal poverty line. Revenues for the players have been said to boost morale, help the school, aid the athlete and his family and without the wages, more harm is brought about. Because the players in the current system do not see any of the money they indirectly bring the school, it has led to instances where they accept money under-the-table and extravagant gifts from agents. This in theory would be eliminated upon the creation of a college wage system. Some arguers suggest that the players should also be allowed to delve into endorsements, and directly profit from them. This would mean that they would accept outrageous scholarship offers, make a salary and get paid through the endorsements they independently take part in.

Glenn Garvin's "Pay College Athletes: Show Me the Money" article stated that there are extreme advocates for the salaries, including NBA coach Stan Van Gundy. He told a *Miami Herald* reporter that "not only should college athletes get paid, but there should be no salary cap...the sky's the limit. They shouldn't be distracted by having to go to class either, or even having to read or write." This outrageous statement suggested that this system would benefit the players throughout their education and as they move on to professional sports. All in all, proponents suggest that this

is the only reasonable solution to compensate athletes for all they've done for a program. Suggestions have been made to NCAA officials, who according to the players' representatives, said changes are being considered.

Gaining much of my knowledge from two articles which caught my eye, CNN's "Should College Players Get Paid" and the *Miami Herald's* "Pay College Athletes: Show Me the Money," I have realized the severe down side to such a proposition. This creation would do much more harm to our beloved college game and would hamper all aspects of the NCAA.

The average NFL player makes about \$1.9 million per year, according to Bloomberg Businessweek. If the NCAA were to implement salaries, even salaries at a tenth of that NFL one, the University would be at a loss of paying millions of dollars per year to its players. For example, the University of Miami would need a payroll of \$16 million to cover its 85 scholarship players for the season. This is quite a heavy burden for a school supposed to be set on sending its finances to improving the lot of the attending students.

Another issue is taxes. Currently athletes do not pay taxes on their scholarships because the sports programs are tax-exempt. This would change once salaries are bouncing around campus. The IRS would need to be involved in wages, facing the school and the player with another setback. The tax would then dig into the scholarship, and with high tuition prices these days, the tax could be mounted way in the thousands.

With this in mind, one could say that this proposition is asinine. In no way should the integrity of the game be compromised to make sure athletes are compensated. They joined their college rosters to gain the experience, not to make money. Never mind the fact that this system would jeopardize education. Players would no longer be focused on education and would be dead-set on ways to make more money instead of keeping up their GPA. Also, the game would be at risk of being labeled just like any other professional organization. With that, you can expect on-the-field efforts to go down for those being paid nicely, a sharp decline from the current, natural college-sport spirit.

Legal issues, player disapproval, player scandals, salary cap and salary-based incentive issues would surely arise from this. Sound good athletes? The sport you currently play would be sent to shambles. Sure, it'd be nice to make a quick buck because of your talent, but wouldn't it be safer to know the integrity of the game is safe with the modern system? Our generous scholarships are already enough incentive for players to come out and play, as they should earn that scholarship value through hard work in the classroom as well. This happening is always hard to upkeep as it is, but would totally fall of the map with a salary system. Take a second to realize the spirit of college sports outweighs any sort of strange benefit of a "corporate" NCAA.



Running Away With It



Also in Sports:

The field hockey team's season came to a close with a 2-1 loss in the NEC championship game to Rider.

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The men's and women's cross country teams both finished in third place in the NEC tournament, while several athletes, including Jennifer Nelson (pictured above) earned individual NEC honors.

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