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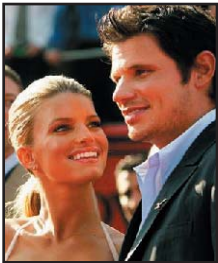
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Gaffney recognized as Educator of the Year



JENNIFER ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

After serving two years in office, President Paul G. Gaffney II was presented The Educator of the Year Award from the Research and Development Council of New Jersey at the 26th Annual Thomas Alva Edison Patent Awards Dinner on Thursday, November 3rd. The dinner was held at the North Maple Inn, in Basking Ridge, NJ, and at this location the President was commended for his contributions in the advancement of the science and engineering curriculum. The Research and Development Council of New Jersey is a non-profit organization which supports the advancement of research and development in New Jersey. Past winners of this award include presidents from Montclair State and Princeton. President Gaffney credits the University as whole for acquiring this achievement. "Any award from a highly reputable organization reflects well on the University," said President Gaffney. "While I received the award, it was really for the work of so many University officials and faculty who have helped us get several centers of distinction started." The centers of distinction that President Gaffney has presided over include the recent opening of the Urban Coast Institute which includes programs which will help sustain the quality of New Jersey coastlines, and the opening of the Center for Rapid Response Database Systems in Fall 2004 which was designed to manage technologies in the state to improve anticipation and response efforts in bioterrorism.

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One student's account of Katrina: 13 weeks later

MANDI HARDY
CONTRIBUTING WRITER



PHOTO BY: Mandi Hardy

MU Volunteer Tierney Verderami drops off supplies to a hurricane victim



PHOTO BY: Mandi Hardy

A Biloxi native sits on his front step, all that remains of his home after the hurricane

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Distinct MU bachelor

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

Monmouth University will soon have available an undergraduate degree in Spanish and International Business in the Fall 2006 semester. According to Chair and Associate Professor of the Foreign Language Studies Department, Priscilla Gac-Artigas, "We are the only University in New Jersey to offer this program. We are one of the very few to offer this kind of program at the undergraduate level." She added that most schools offer it on a graduate level. Professor Gac-Artigas developed the idea of having such a program for students. "I decided that the idea of combining international business with Spanish would give more opportunities to students to do something that will help them to be very marketable when they left college."

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Research grant

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

The National Institutes of Health [NIH] recently awarded Dr. Michael Palladino, Associate Professor of Biology at Monmouth University, with a grant for \$175,521 to fund his research project. "In this particular project we study how reproductive organs protect themselves from changes in oxygen level," explained Dr. Palladino. The grant became active this past September and will remain so until September of 2008. Dr. Palladino explained that his application for the grant was submitted in the spring of 2004 and took about a year and a half to be reviewed and approved for the grant money. "The goal of the work is to study genes and proteins involved in a condition called testicular torsion," described Dr. Palladino of the goal of the research he will be doing.

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World According to MU:

Senate hearings question recent gas prices

NATALIE B. ANZAROUTH
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Following the rise in gas prices after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the U.S. Senate held a hearing with five big oil company executives to question whether or not they “gouged” unfair gas prices to the public, according to a November 9th *Associated Press* article found on *USA Today.com*.

The five major companies, which include ExxonMobil, Chevron, ConocoPhillips, BP America, and Shell Oil USA, as reported in the article, collectively “earned more than \$25 billion in profits in the July-September quarter as the price of crude oil hit \$70 a barrel and gasoline surged to record levels after the disruptions of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.”

While oil companies increased profit, many Americans struggled to pay the demanding gas prices. The companies argued that while there was an increase in the cost of gas, their pricing was fair. Chairman of ExxonMobil Lee Raymond explained that, following the hurricanes, the company tried “to minimize the increase in price,” without neglecting to see that, “if we kept the price too low we would quickly run out (of fuel) at the service station.”

Assistant Professor of Economics/Finance Patrick O’Halloran commented on the impact both Hurricanes Katrina and Rita had on the economy. “Higher energy and gasoline prices increase inflation and can slow economic growth,” said O’Halloran, explaining that people need to spend more money on energy and in turn “have less income to spend on other goods and services.”

This caused lawmakers to raise the idea of regulating the cost of gasoline through a windfall tax on oil companies. Professor O’Halloran explained that price regulations were controlled in the late 1970s under the OPEC oil embargo. Under this, the government issued a price limit, causing a shortage in fuel. In response to this, the government rationed gasoline. “This policy of regulating the price of gasoline was a failure and hence abandoned. Price regulation typically results in shortages or surpluses and will cause markets to operate ineffi-

ciently,” he said.

The recent rise and decline in gas may also affect Monmouth’s commuters. “If gasoline prices were to increase to \$3.00 per gallon and remain there for an extended period (i.e., several months or years), I’m sure some students would start to reduce gasoline consumption by carpooling, buying a more fuel efficient automobile, or taking public transportation,” O’Halloran said.

“The Senate hearings with the big five oil industries probably had more to do with politics than a desire for substantive change in policy.”

JOSEPH PATTEN
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF
POLITICAL SCIENCE

Senior Communication student Aimee Sesely, said that she commutes about 25 miles to school, spending approximately \$50 a week on gas. “Gas prices haven’t dropped low enough to make a significant change. I feel that I am still spending a lot of money,” she said, adding that the hike in prices caused a financial strain. “...it’s a lot of money to spend every week. It adds up quickly.” Sesely, who has not opted to carpool to school said, “In order to do that, I would have to carpool with someone who lives near me and pretty much has the same schedule that I do,” something that she said is difficult to do.

Senior Michelle Cohen, a Social Work major, lives close to campus, but noted that the cost of oil was a challenge for her to balance. “Between my husband and I, we spent \$120 in one week on gas. So it was a little difficult,” adding that the recent decline in cost has not had a sufficient impact on her.

But the rise in the cost of gas, O’Halloran said, has been elevat-

ed in the past. “*Real* (i.e., adjusted for inflation) gasoline prices were actually higher during the late 1970s and early 1980s, except for the recent transitory spike resulting from Hurricane Katrina.” The tax that some Democrats and Republicans are proposing would raise the price of gas, pushing the tax towards the consumer. The long-term effect, according to O’Halloran, would result in the majority of the tax being placed on oil production, “as consumers adjust to higher gasoline prices by reducing demand.”

Executives listened to questioning from the lawmakers, as Sen. Pete Domenici, (R-N.M.) said, “The oil companies owe the American people an explanation.”

David O’Reilly, Chevron CEO, said, “I would much prefer to see streamlined permitting...than tax incentives.” James Mulva, chairman of ConocoPhillips, said “we are ready to open our records,” in order to dismiss charges of price gauging.

Assistant Professor of Political Science Joseph Patten commented on the significance of the hearing stating, “The Senate hearings with the big five oil industries probably had more to do with politics than a desire for substantive change in policy.” Patten explained that, “Republican lawmakers are aware that recent national polls suggest the Republicans might be vulnerable in 2006 mid-term elections.”

According to the article, Democrats requested oil executives to testify under oath, but Republicans opposed this. “Some say that Senator Ted Stevens (R-AK) decided not to put the oil executives under oath because it would unfairly project a criminal impression,” Professor Patten said.

While oil companies have increased their profit, many executives claim that their earnings have not exceeded the amount of money they spend in investments.

“When prices spike up, it is big news. When they fall back down, as they recently have, one never hears about it in the popular press,” O’Halloran commented.

Gas prices have come down in recent weeks. But, with mid-term elections approaching, the issue is something both Democrats and Republicans will continue to pay close attention to.

MU IN THE KNOW:

WEEK IN REVIEW

NATALIE B. ANZAROUTH
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Bird flu found in Indonesia’s poultry; Vietnam and China suffer latest outbreak

A recent discovery of the bird flu found in the poultry of Jakarta, Indonesia prompted the country to start to create Tamiflu, a drug to treat the virus. Roche Holding AG, a drug manufacturer based in Switzerland, explained that Indonesia will begin producing the drug after choosing to acquire “the raw materials from China or Korea,” according to

Health Minister Siti Fadilah Supari. The virus has reportedly spread in 23 of the country’s 30 provinces, killing seven people. Vietnam and China recently suffered new outbreaks, resulting in China’s second human death. It has spread to 19 provinces in Vietnam as of October.

(Source: *Associated Press*: Found in Nov. 26th *Asbury Park Press* and a Nov. 25th *A.P.* wpta.com article)

Pakistani man convicted of attempting to aid an al-Qaida member to enter the United States

Following his confession to the FBI, Uzair Paracha was convicted Wednesday, Nov. 23rd, for attempting to aid al-Qaida member Majid

Khan to enter the U.S. to execute a chemical attack.

(Source: November 26th *Asbury Park Press*)

Palestinians seize control of the Gaza border between Egypt

Palestinians are now able to pass through the Rafah crossing between the Gaza Strip and Egypt without going through Israeli security. This follows Israel’s disengagement from the Gaza Strip nearly two months ago, and the Palestinian government’s

initiative to establish their independence. They will secure their border with additional security support from European Union monitors.

(Source: *The New York Times* Nov. 26th and *Associated Press* article in *Asbury Park Press* Nov 26th)

First female president elected in Africa

Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf has recently been elected President of Liberia, Africa, receiving almost 60 percent of the vote. Johnson-Sirleaf’s win has been under investigation

for election fraud claims made by opponent George Weah. The National Electoral Commission of Liberia announced the honest victory last Wednesday. (Source: *CNN.com* Nov. 24)

Correction:

In an article titled “Scholinski sheds light on gender identity disorder” featured in the November 16th issue of *The Outlook*, Dylan Scholinski was misquoted in the pull quote. The pull quote should read “I think one of the reasons I’m alive is because I’m not afraid that I want to die.”

Freshman honor society inducts seventy six new members

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Seventy-six Monmouth University sophomores were inducted into Phi Eta Sigma, a national honors society for freshmen achievement on Sunday, November 20.

John Latona, a member of Phi Eta Sigma, opened the night by playing the grand piano, welcoming inductees, faculty, and guests into Wilson Auditorium.

In her welcoming remarks, Subrina Mahmood, president of Phi Eta Sigma, honored inductees and their parents in saying, “I believe that what should make you and your parents most proud is not the actual honor itself but what you

have to do to get it.”

In order to receive the honor, students earned a grade point average of at least 3.5 during their freshman year at Monmouth University.

Once a member of Phi Eta Sigma, students are encouraged to uphold three qualities symbolized on their golden key: a well-disciplined mind, a well-cared-for body, and an unimpeachable character. Members must practice “constructive thinking, clean living, and a character above reproach,” explained Mahmood.

The inductees vowed to uphold these qualities and answered the charge in unison, saying, “I will.”

After their oath, the chapter

roll was read and inductees were brought forward where they were presented with certificates and keys.

Dean Stanton Green, one of the guest speakers, asked inductees to reflect on their freshman year and feel proud about their academic success.

“Today’s induction certifies that you have made a successful transformation to becoming an independent learner. And as such, you have taken a major step in becoming a leader in your family, your community, and whatever professional endeavor you choose to succeed in.” Green said.

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PHOTO BY Erika Valerio

Dr. Brian Garvey speaks before the newly inducted members of the freshman honor society, Phi Eta Sigma.

Nationally renowned exhibitor speaks at Guggenheim Library

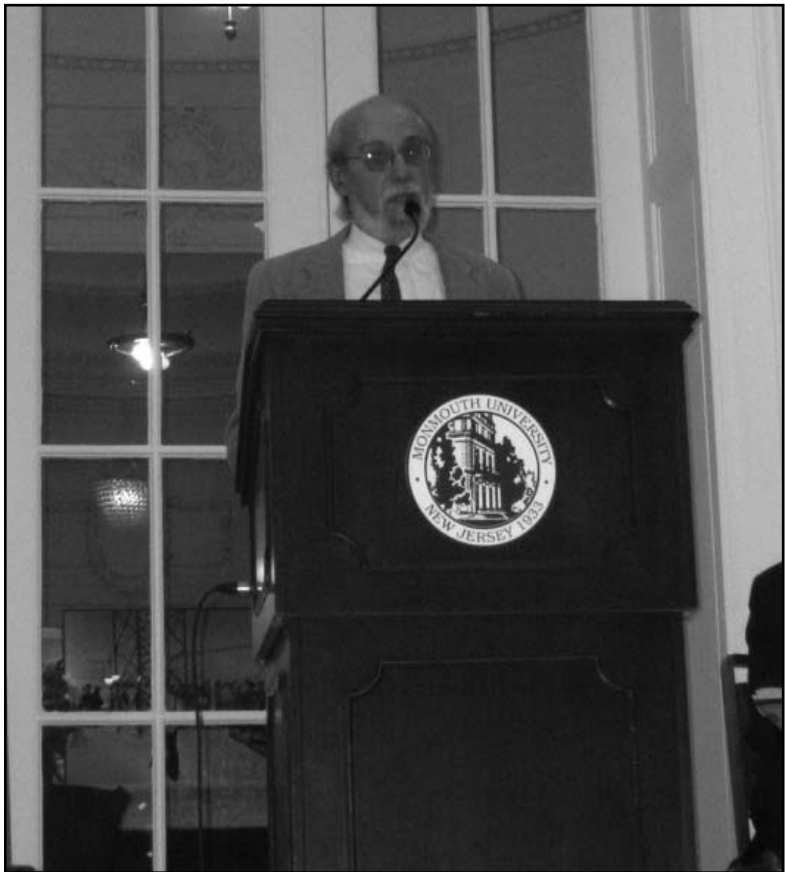


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Lawrence DiStasi speaks about his exhibit, “Una Storia Segreta”, on Monday, November 14 at the Guggenheim Library.

KATELYN MIRABELLI
STAFF WRITER

Lawrence DiStasi came to Monmouth’s Guggenheim Library on November 14th to speak about his exhibit, *Una Storia Segreta*.

Professor Douglass, of the history department, organized the event. She introduced President Paul G. Gaffney II who stated that this topic is a little-understood issue in history, but that “It is important for Americans to understand when we have made a mistake.” Gaffney noted in his introduction that DiStasi graduated from Dartmouth and New York University. He also said that DiStasi is a part of the Italian Historical Society, a lecturer at Berkley College, an author, and a nationally famous exhibitor and project director of *Una Storia Segreta*.

DiStasi began by pointing out that his presentation at Monmouth marked the first time the exhibit was used in an academic setting. He said that this project, created in 1994, was a difficult undertaking because the project was given no grants. In fact, the people who put the exhibit together had been turned down twice by the California Council for Humanities because it was said to have “limited appeal” eleven years ago.

However, today, *Una Storia Segreta* has visited over 50 sites nation-wide. He also said that New Jersey is second to California in terms of which state has hosted the exhibit most. He joked, “I literally slept with the exhibit,” because of how much time and energy he put into it, and how passionate he is about the topic.

He spoke about the restrictions that affected hundreds of thousands of Italian-Americans during World War II. On December 8, 1941, the day after the Pearl Harbor attack, Franklin D. Roosevelt made a proclamation that all 600,000 resident aliens of Italian descent were now considered enemies. This meant that they could be arrested without charges, have their property searched and seized, and possibly be deported (under the Alien and Sedition Acts). The idea of these provisions was to make Italian-Americans feel ashamed.

Further strains placed on this group of people included travel restrictions, curfews, and registration. Enemy aliens could not change addresses, visit military bases, or even go beyond a five-mile radius around their house. They also could not be out of their houses between the hours of 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.

In 1942, the government also required that enemy aliens carry a pink booklet at all times. The booklet contained two photographs, their fingerprints, and personal information about them. However, what is ironic about the pink booklets is that aliens already had to register with the government in 1940 under the Smith Act.

Also, on December 8, 1941, the FBI arrested “dangerous” resident aliens. They were considered dangerous because of documents held by the government, which usually stated that they were somehow tied to Italy.

For example, a teacher of Italian, a writer for an Italian newspaper, or a veteran of WWI could be arrested. DiStasi pointed out that it was ironic that they would call veterans of the First World War “dangerous,” because during that time, Italy and the U.S. were fighting on the same side. In addition, many personal possessions were taken from resident aliens during this time. Contraband, including swords, cameras, radios, flashlights, shortwave radios, Italian banners, and other things of that nature, could be taken after the FBI searched a house. In response to this, many Italians burned these things for fear that they would be arrested. When the FBI searched people’s houses, the government was in clear violation of the Fourth Amendment.

Fisherman were also restricted from docks and ports. This was a problem because many Italian-Americans were fishermen, especially in Boston, San Francisco, and San Diego. Furthermore, the Navy was suffering from a shortage of boats. Therefore, the government used the confiscated fishermen’s boats for patrolling and as minesweepers.

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SGA President’s Corner

Hello Monmouth University!

Welcome back from a much-needed break at home. The semester is quickly wrapping up, but there are still some things that need attention.

The SGA’s Giving Tree is now on the first floor of the R.S. Student Center waiting for you to pick a tag off of it! We request that you wrap your gifts and drop them off in Student Activities on the 2nd floor of the student center by Wednesday, December 14th. SGA will then deliver them to the families in need on Friday the 16th. Typically, SGA received 200-300 gifts. Let’s make this the best year ever!

There are a lot of events go-

ing on to wrap up the end of the semester. Take some time away from the books and relax before finals. Saturday, December 3rd is the College Bowl. This is where students test their knowledge and have the potential to make it to even bigger state and nationwide competitions. Good luck everyone!

Also, there are a few Greek events scheduled: Phi Sigma Kappa’s Dance Off on December 7th and Alpha Sigma Tau’s Variety Show on December 12th. These new events will be a great way to hang out with friends and get some amusing entertainment at the same time. Go out and support these two organizations and their philanthropies!

To all clubs and organizations: Your financial audits are due to SGA. Please refer to the letter in

your mailbox from Joe Bucher regarding the process.

Interested in SGA? Early next semester, there will be several open seats on the Senate. If you think this is something you are interested in, reach out to any Senator and ask them any questions, look around for fliers advertising the date, and/or email SGA@monmouth.edu with any questions. SGA is a great opportunity to help out your university in so many different ways! Speak up and have a say in your future – join SGA.

Have a great week everyone!

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SGA President
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Network 2005 Career Day

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

On November 30, the Placement Office, which is a branch of the LCAC at Monmouth University, will hold the Network 2005 Career Day in Anacon Hall from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

Will Hill, Assistant Dean of Placement and Student Employment, is one of the coordinators of the event.

"My staff and I plan, coordinate, and run the program from start to finish," said Hill. "Some of my specific duties include room preparation layout, overseeing the invitations to various employers and all the advertising for the event."

Hill explained the main purpose of the annual fall career day event.

"Career days are designed to bring a large number of employers together in one place at one time, so that it's easier for candidates to meet with five, ten, fifteen, or more in one day," said Hill.

He added that events like this are very advantageous for people to attend, because they have the opportunity to interact with employers.

"Because candidates are interacting with a real person, they can market themselves more effectively. They can also ask questions

about the job and employer, and receive instant feedback," Hill said.

Examples of employers that will be there are the *Asbury Park Press*, News 12 Networks, Fort Monmouth, Commerce Bank, Price Waterhouse Coopers, McGraw-Hill, and DYFS.

"Many employment agencies [Barbara Davis Employment, On-Assignment Lab Support, Office team, Nauticus Group, and Sneiling Personnel Services] will be there to offer temporary, part-time, and seasonal jobs for underclassmen," added Hill.

All Monmouth University students and alumni are invited to attend the fall Career Day.

"While most people think of career days as being for seniors only, I'd like to stress to freshmen through juniors that this event is for you, too. It can be a good way to connect with an employer for an internship or a part-time and/or upcoming summer job," said Hill.

The day of the event attendees will find 80 tables set up with each employer as well as information from them to offer to students.

"Students should expect to meet with many friendly representatives of local, regional and national employers," he said. "This is an opportunity for seniors, graduate

students, and alumni to 'network' with recruiters for possible future employment opportunities."

As far as undergraduates go, Hill said they have the opportunity to gain more information about jobs in their chosen career paths and also may be able to "make a connection for an internship".

In this year's Career Day, there will be a new feature.

"We will have volunteers from the School of Business Mentor Program, who will be on hand to direct and advise students on how best to take advantage of the career day. These mentors will be on hand to talk with students of all majors," Hill said.

Hill offers some tips on how one should prepare in order to have a successful career day. He said that first, people can visit the placement page to figure out which employers they want to meet with. Next, he said to think of questions that would be important to ask the employer.

He also suggested, "Be friendly and open. Take down the name and e-mail addresses of the employers you will want to follow-up with. Don't forget to bring several copies of your resume if you have one."

Hill also added that though there is not a dress requirement, it is important to, "try to dress to impress."

For more tips, Hill advised to go to www.monmouth.edu/academics/lcac/placement/success_tips.asp.

Hill hopes that many students attend and that employers are impressed with those who attend.

"I hope there is a good turnout of students," said Hill. "I also hope recruiters are impressed with our students and choose to consider them for employment now or in the future. I hope students appreciate and take advantage of this opportunity. There will not be another event like it until the spring," he said.

SAB hosts Karaoke Night at Java City

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The Student Activities Board sponsored an entertaining Karaoke Night at Java City on Thursday night, November 17. The dimly-lit coffee shop was filled with a supportive audience eager to watch the performances.

Set up like traditional karaoke, the performers picked a song, and sang along as the prompter scrolled the lyrics across the screen. There were about 10 acts, some repeats, but anyone was allowed to go up and show the crowd what they were made of.

Senior Joe Bucher, the Vice President of Finance and Administration for the SAB here at Monmouth, helped organize this event. When describing Karaoke Night, Bucher said, "It's an event we do once a semester, that's fun for anyone who wants to come and sing in front of their friends. Along with a respectable turn out, Hawk TV was also there taping live coverage of the event. Some people even go up and perform five times."

One of the performances included an enthusiastic trio who called themselves "Sexshual Chocolate," made up of senior Genine Yarborough, a music industry major, senior Zena Bull, a social work major and junior Gennifer Stribling,

a marketing major. Two of the songs they sang were "Baby Got Back" and "Lady Marmalade." When asked if they enjoyed the event, the group responded with, "We think they all like us." Sophomore psychology major Ogechi Onwubu, another one of the performers, noted, "This is the first time I've heard about this, so decided to come. I would definitely do it again."

When asked about the event, freshman Stephanie Mandra observed, "It was a good time, very intimate. The trio of girls were very amusing and entertaining." Freshman Jackie Canali commented on the event by saying, "It was fun watching people perform, and you didn't have to go up and sing if you didn't want to."

Java City is a calm and comfortable atmosphere where people can come and just hang out, and even get some coffee while there. Karaoke Night was a way for people to show some talent, or just have fun on a Thursday night. The Student Activities Board has done a good job offering different events for the students to attend, and providing different activities around campus. SAB plans events that help students take their minds off of their stressful academic schedule, or put variety into the activities that they participate in. Karaoke night was a successful night for both the students at Monmouth and the Student Activities Board.



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The trio called "Sexshual Chocolate" performed at Java City during Karaoke Night.



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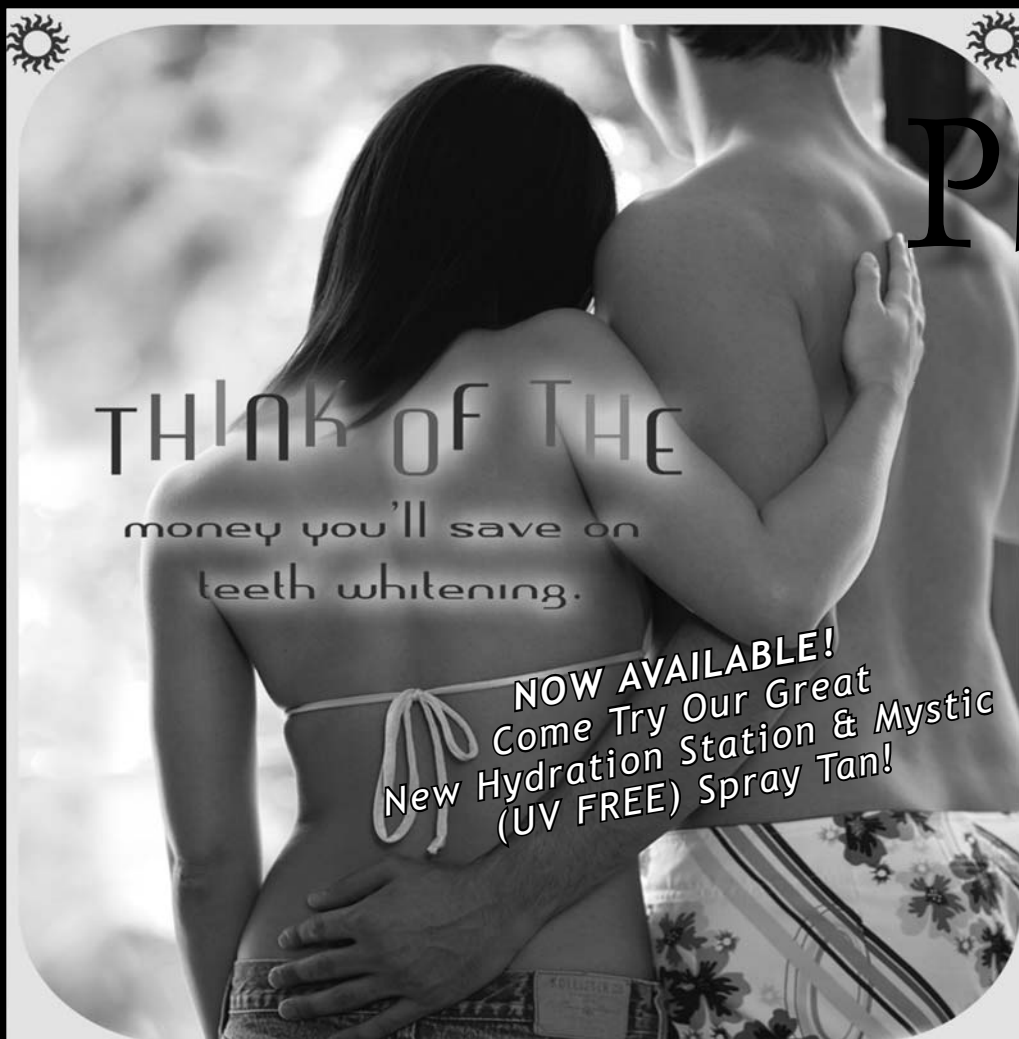


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Thursday, December 1
TNA
10:00 PM, Oakwood Hall Lounge

Women's Basketball vs. Princeton
7:00 PM, Boylan Gymnasium

Friday, December 2
Eatn Alive
7:00 PM, Wilson Auditorium

Weekend Movie Series - THE 40 YEAR OLD VIRGIN
8:00 PM, Young Auditorium, Bey Hall

Saturday, December 3
Weekend Movie Series - THE 40 YEAR OLD VIRGIN
3:00 PM & 9:00 PM, Young Auditorium, Bey Hall

College Bowl Tournament
7:00 PM, RSSC Anacon Hall

Men's Basketball vs. Rider University
7:00 PM, Boylan Gymnasium

Sunday, December 4
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Tuesday, December 6
Chuckleball Comedy Troupe
8:00 PM, Wilson Auditorium

Wednesday, December 7
De-Stress Fest
1:00 PM, RSSC Anacon A

Women's Basketball vs. Maryland
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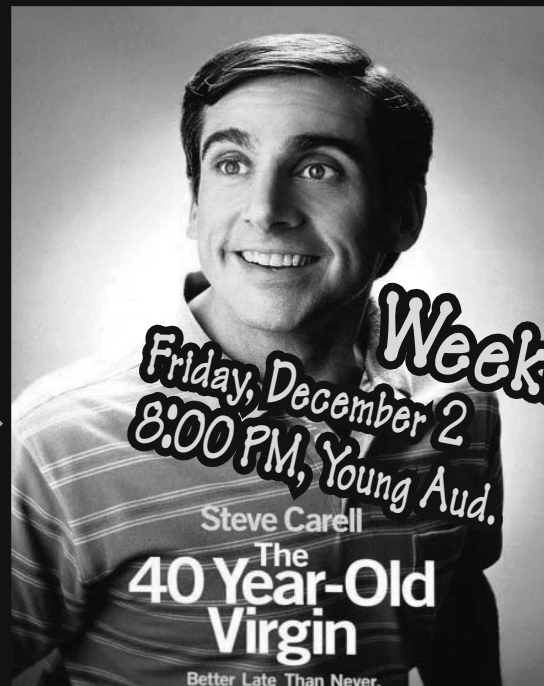


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2005 Holiday Shopping Guide

Local stores offer unique gifts at affordable prices

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You know the feeling...you've barely digested your Thanksgiving turkey and, already, you're bombarded with radio and television commercials, newspaper circulars, and e-mails from every online store you've ever shopped from letting you know exactly how few shopping days are left before the holidays arrive!

It's no secret that big time stores equal big time crowds. And who has time to fight their way through disgruntled fathers and mothers on a mission in order to buy something, *anything* for their loved ones for the holidays? Certainly not college stu-

offer unique items at reasonable costs (mobs and masses not included). Best of all, these stores are all just a two-minute ride from Monmouth University.

Local Hotspot #1: Pier Village

Pier Village, just off of Ocean Avenue in West Long Branch, is home to dozens of shops, cafes, and boutiques that offer a wide assortment of gifts at reasonable costs. While almost all of the stores at Pier Village are worth writing about, the following specialty shops are sure to meet the needs of both your gift-list and your wallet.

Nirvana: This youth-geared

large, trendy denim collection, but also offers various articles of clothing and accessories as well. Any self-respecting, cool person would absolutely love a gift from this shop, which features awesome brands such as True Religion, Ernest Sewn, Rock and Republic, Citizens of Humanity, Joe's Jeans, and select picks from Gwen Stephani's popular clothing line L.A.M.B.

Why battle your way through the crowds at the mall when you can find the latest fashions just a few short blocks away from school? The best part is, most items sold at *Nirvana* are affordable, and if you go to their Web site at www.shopnirvana.com, you just might find a coupon for 20 percent off your entire purchase of \$100 or more.

Anna: Anna is another great apparel store at Pier Village, and yet, so much more. While they offer a remarkable collection of clothing and accessories, their most popular items are their jewelry (Attention guys: great gift for mom and/or girlfriend).

Anna's jewelry collection is quite diverse, much like the shop itself. If you're shopping for mom or grandma, *Anna's* antique jewelry selection is sure to make a great "one of a kind" gift from the heart. The store also offers modern and contemporary pieces that complement today's fashions. Best of all, items can be purchased for as little as \$12, but for those with a little more cash to spare, fine jewelry is also available for a steeper yet reasonable cost.

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dents, who have the added burden of taking finals during the most critical holiday shopping week of the year!

This holiday season, save yourself time and money, *and* be this year's best gift giver at your family's holiday bash by utilizing the following shopping guide, which features local, independently owned and operated stores that

clothing shop offers a variety of contemporary apparel for both men and women. Have siblings or close friends that you'd like to purchase a gift for? If so, this is definitely a great place to start! Whether you buy them a gift card or handpick a present, it's almost impossible to go wrong with this store.

Nirvana: is best known for its

Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory: Here you are sure to find a gift for nearly everybody on your list; boy or girl, young or old. As evident by the store's name, *RMCF* features an assortment of fine chocolates, but these aren't just any fine chocolates; they're handmade fine chocolates. The difference is in the taste, which you will be able to judge for yourself by testing one of the many free samples offered as you watch the confections being made from scratch before your eyes.

RMCF is best known for its homemade fudge, although they offer a unique assortment of goodies ranging from caramel & chocolate dipped apples (with a topping of your choice), gigantic chocolate turtles, and chocolate dipped fruits, pretzels, and anything else that's edible. These sweet treats will make a great gift for anyone with a sweet tooth, and come with the guilt free knowledge that only fresh, wholesome ingredients are used. If you can't pronounce it, then the candies aren't made with it!

Best of all, you can cut down on your gift wrapping time, as most of the confections are "elegantly crafted and beautifully packaged in boxes, tins and baskets," as mentioned on their Web site (www.rockymountainchocolatefactory.com).

Hotspot #2: The Brighton Ave. Strip

The Brighton Ave. strip in West Long Branch might be best known for its bars, but this holiday season, venture out to a few of the

unique stores that only West Long Branch has to offer!

Pipe Down: This store is best known for its collection of tobacco products, but also offers great novelty gifts such as trinket boxes, incense accessories, and handmade glass-blown jewelry. If you're in a quandary over what to buy for the drummer who marches to the beat of his own drum, this store offers many off-beat items that you won't find anywhere else!

Absolute Necessities: This is a great little boutique a few stores down from *Pipe Down*, and offers an assortment of goodies for both ladies and men. Here you will find inexpensive yet unique items such as handbags, hair accessories, sunglasses and a plethora of bath and beauty products such as soaps and perfumes for guys and gals alike! Most of the items are priced between \$3 and \$20, making this shop a great place for those on a budget.

Hy' Spot: This antique store offers just about anything from generations past. Everything is a genuine antique, from the 1920s up to the 1980s. Here you will find jewelry, dinnerware, and accessories, as well as home décor items and odds and ends trinkets.

So there it is, the Monmouth University students' 2005 Holiday Shopping Guide. Who needs the mall when there's so many great local stores just a short distance from school? And with the variety and uniqueness these stores have to offer, you simply can't go

The Outlook's feature store pick: Anna

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Anna at Pier Village offers a diverse collection of items sure to please any girl of any age.

Owner Danielle Taglianetti was inspired by her grandmother's remarkable collection of versatile pieces of accessories, handbags, clothing and jewelry, and decided to perpetuate her grandmother's good taste by opening a boutique in her name, selling a wide assortment of items similar to those her grandmother loved.

That being said, *Anna* is certainly not just a store for grandmas! Some of the items are antiques, but a lot of the store's merchandise consists of trendy, fashionable items such as belts, earrings, scarves, necklaces and purses.

Attempting to categorize the store's wide selection of gifts is difficult, simply because their selection is so unpredictable and varied, which makes them our feature pick to begin with!

All of *Anna's* items are priced from \$12 to \$168. The majority of the pieces, however, range from

about \$20 to \$50, making these great items both unique and affordable gifts.

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about a store that offers all of this and excellent customer service!

As *Anna* employee and Monmouth University student Lauren Napolitano points out, "Men can feel comfortable enough to walk in and not feel intimidated that they are in a 'women's store,'" because all of *Anna's* employees are more than willing to carefully assist customers in choosing a great gift.

As mentioned on the store's Web site, www.annaatpiervillage.com,



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Pier Village, pictured above, does not feature your ordinary large national retailers such as Barnes & Noble or the Gap, stores that can typically anchor a shopping center. Applied Development, the company that built the 30 new shops and the 320 apartments surrounding them in the heart of Long Branch's beachfront development zone, filled Pier Village with shops and restaurants owned by people from New Jersey – many from Monmouth County – and New York City. David Barry, president of Applied Development, stated, "In this instance, we purposely did not pursue national retailers. We really wanted a local flavor, a unique flavor. We wanted to make it different than going out to the Monmouth Mall or the Bridgewater (Commons) Mall."

"customer care is [their] number one focus," and the respect and attention to detail that customers are welcomed with suggests that *Anna's* value of customers is sincere.

The store's large assortment of items can be somewhat intimidating, and that's why *Anna's* employees are more than willing to assist customers in making their purchase.

Unlike the big chain stores, which rush holiday shoppers in

and out of their doors, the employees at *Anna* are dedicated to taking time in understanding their customers' needs and often provide shoppers with just the thing they were looking for.

So while you're out amid the holiday hustle and bustle this year, stop into Anna, where you are sure to find a unique gift for a reasonable price, and feel pampered and appreciated while you do so!



IMAGE PROVIDED by www.annaatpiervillage.com

Anna was known for being a gentle soul with a notably strong and independent side. When Danielle and her husband, Larry, thought of naming the store, "Anna" was the obvious answer--a dedication to a remarkable woman of a close-knit family.

Traveling home for the holidays

Tips and advice to get you home to your family and friends safe, fast, and efficiently.



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Driving during the holidays may be stressful. If you experience any of the following symptoms while traveling in your car, pull over and take a break: Sore or heavy eyes, dim or fuzzy vision, you start seeing things, droning or humming in your ears, a sort of general tiredness, stiffness and cramps, aches and pains, day-dreaming, you notice delayed reactions, unintentional increases or decreases in speed, you fumble your gear changes, or your car wanders across the road. Some general rules for survival are sharing the driving if possible, stopping to take a break as soon as you feel tired, taking a 15 minute break every two hours to rest your eyes and refresh your alertness, and not driving for more than eight hours to ten hours in a day.

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“There’s nothing like being home for the holidays...” Unfortunately, getting home is not always a holiday. Traveling during the holidays can be a nightmare. In order to prevent oneself from being trapped in a travel tragedy, follow the following simple suggestions.

Here are some travel tips for drivers from AAA:

- Buckle up.
- Everyone in a vehicle should use a seat belt. Be sure to use child safety seats properly.
- Allow plenty of time to get to your destination.
- Check weather and traffic reports and plan accordingly. Follow posted speed limits and adjust for inclement weather.
- Plan your route prior to your departure.
- Map out routes before the trip to avoid distractions while driving.
- Stay fresh behind the wheel.
- Stop at least every three hours and rotate drivers, if possible.
- Don’t drink and drive.
- Designate a driver if alcohol will be consumed.
- Maintain your car to avoid car trouble.
- Check the battery, fluid levels, tire tread, and air pressure before departing.

Here are some travel tips for fliers from AAA

- Pack smart.
- Be careful about what you bring to the airport. Some common items that could be perceived as weapons, like knitting needles, are generally permitted, but may be refused at the screeners’ discretion. The TSA prefers needles made out of bamboo or plastic, not metal. Lighters are strictly prohibited and matches (up to four books) must be kept in carry-on baggage.

- Use an approved lock
- Screeners may have to cut off unapproved locks if your bag needs extra screening.
- Don’t wrap gifts. Leave gifts unwrapped because screeners may have to unwrap packages for security reasons.
- Take off your coat. A new TSA regulation requires passengers to remove overcoats and blazers or jackets before going through the metal detector.
- Take off your shoes. The TSA does not require passengers to take off their shoes, but you might avoid extra screening, and a delay, by putting your shoes on the X-ray belt.

The following ten tips are from the United States Department of State

- 1 Make sure you have a signed, valid passport and visa, if re-

quired. Also, before you go, fill in the emergency information page of your passport!.

6. Do not leave your luggage unattended in public areas. Do not accept packages from strangers.

7. Prior to your departure, you should register with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate through the State Department’s travel registration website. Registration will make your presence and whereabouts known in case it is necessary to contact you in an emergency. In accordance with the Privacy Act, information on your welfare and whereabouts may not be released without your express authorization. Remember to leave a detailed itinerary and the numbers or copies of your passport or other citizenship documents with a friend or relative in the United States.

8. To avoid being a target of crime, try not to wear conspicuous

clothing and expensive jewelry and do not carry excessive amounts of money or unnecessary credit cards.

9. In order to avoid violating local laws, deal only with authorized agents when you exchange

money or purchase art or antiques.

10. If you get into trouble, contact the nearest U.S. embassy.

Monmouth University’s psychological counselor, Kyle Barr states that students need to “mentally prepare for going back home where your family may have rules that you haven’t followed since coming to college. It may be a good idea to sit down with one’s parents and try to work out some compromises regarding curfews, etc.”

Barr also believes that it is important to stick to a regular schedule while on vacation. If you eat or exercise at a certain time continue that same cycle. Traveling for the holidays can be stressful enough without the added stress of fatigue. Keep up your strength with healthy food and exercise.

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KYLE BARR

Monmouth University Psychological Counselor

Holiday travel facts

According to the U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics, the number of long-distance trips increased by 54 percent during the Thanksgiving holidays and 23 percent during the Christmas–New Year holidays in 2001. However, the chosen mode of travel for those holidays did not change much from the remainder of the year. The share of trips made by personal vehicles was about 90 percent, which is the usual chosen mode of transportation.

The following chart displays how many people traveled during holiday and non-holiday time periods in 2001. During non-holiday time periods, the average number of people traveling each day was 6,694. During Thanksgiving, the average number of people traveling per day was 10,304 and during Christmas to New Years was 8,243.

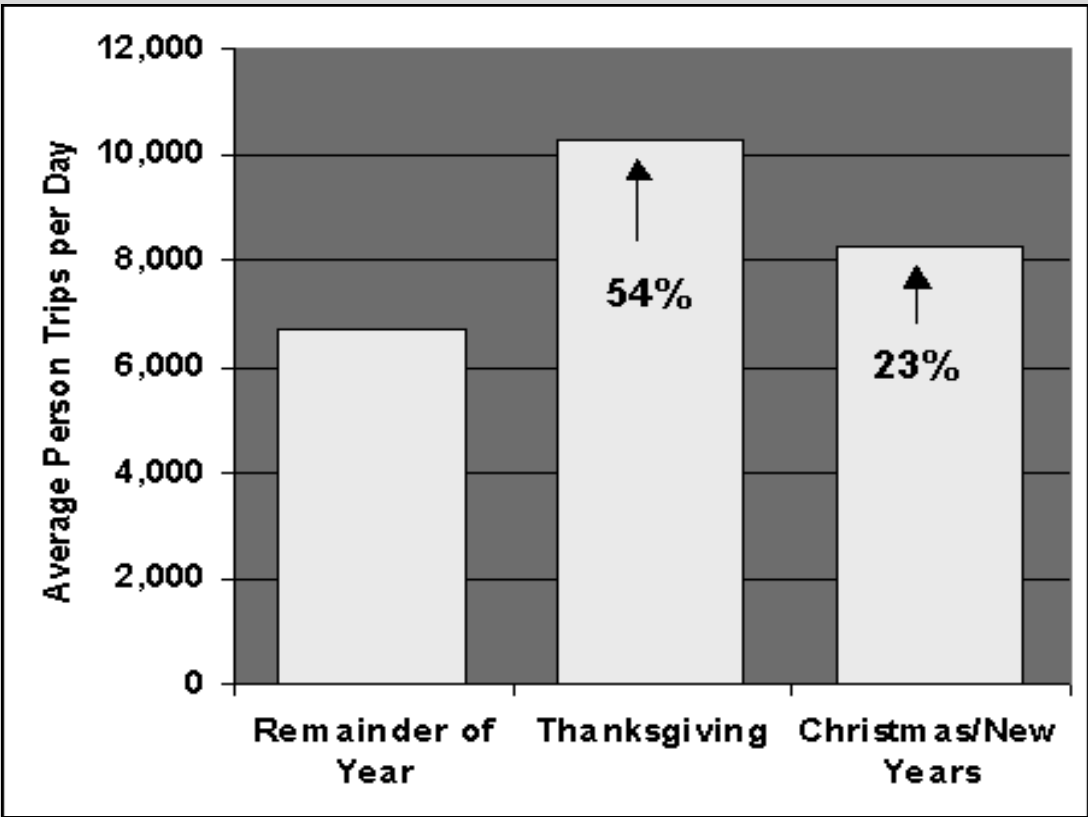


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A little time, a whole world of difference

Editorial

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Two weeks ago *The Outlook* received an e-mail from Mandi Hardy an MU student who was curious to know whether we would be interested in printing a story about a group of students who were traveling to Mississippi - and not for vacation.

The students who were traveling south were on a mission. They wanted to offer their listening skills, advice and hard work ethic to people affected by Hurricane Katrina.

This story was more than front page news. These students were doing something extraordinary for our fellow citizens, and they we're giving up their Thanksgiving break with family and friends to make a difference in someone else's life. Pretty amazing.

Everyone has put in their time as a volunteer in some shape or form. But an experience like this goes beyond the usual volunteer work. Although Hardy's article, Mission Mississippi, informs us of what her and other MU students did in Mississippi. I don't think enough words could express what they saw and how they felt when they entered the hard hit landscape of the southern US.

On Monday, a day after Hardy returned from her trip she came to the Outlook with a disc of pictures and a smile on her face. I

didn't have a lot of time to speak to Hardy about the trip except, "how was it?" She was all smiles and said she enjoyed her time down there. Although we only exchanged a few words it was truly an honor to shake her hand and meet someone with a heart like hers.

With the holiday's right around the corner the important things in life sometimes get forgotten. Everyone is so anxious to finish school and get home to family and friends, which of course is of great importance. Nevertheless, we have to take time and think about what we are going home for. We're given this break for a number of different reasons. But most importantly to enjoy the holiday and spend time with the people we don't often get to spend much time with.

But what about all of those other people who aren't as fortunate as you and me? Monmouth has a variety of students, some are rich, some are poor, and some fall right in the middle. But there are a lot of people out there that don't have the opportunity to spend money on school. And there are a lot of people out there that won't be going home for the holidays to see their loved ones.

So you ask, what can I do? Good question. I along with the rest of you might not have that extra time to spare. We have jobs, we have other priorities. But honestly, there has to be

something. There is, you just have to look around. Organizations all over campus are raising money, food, gifts and clothing for the needy during this special time of year.

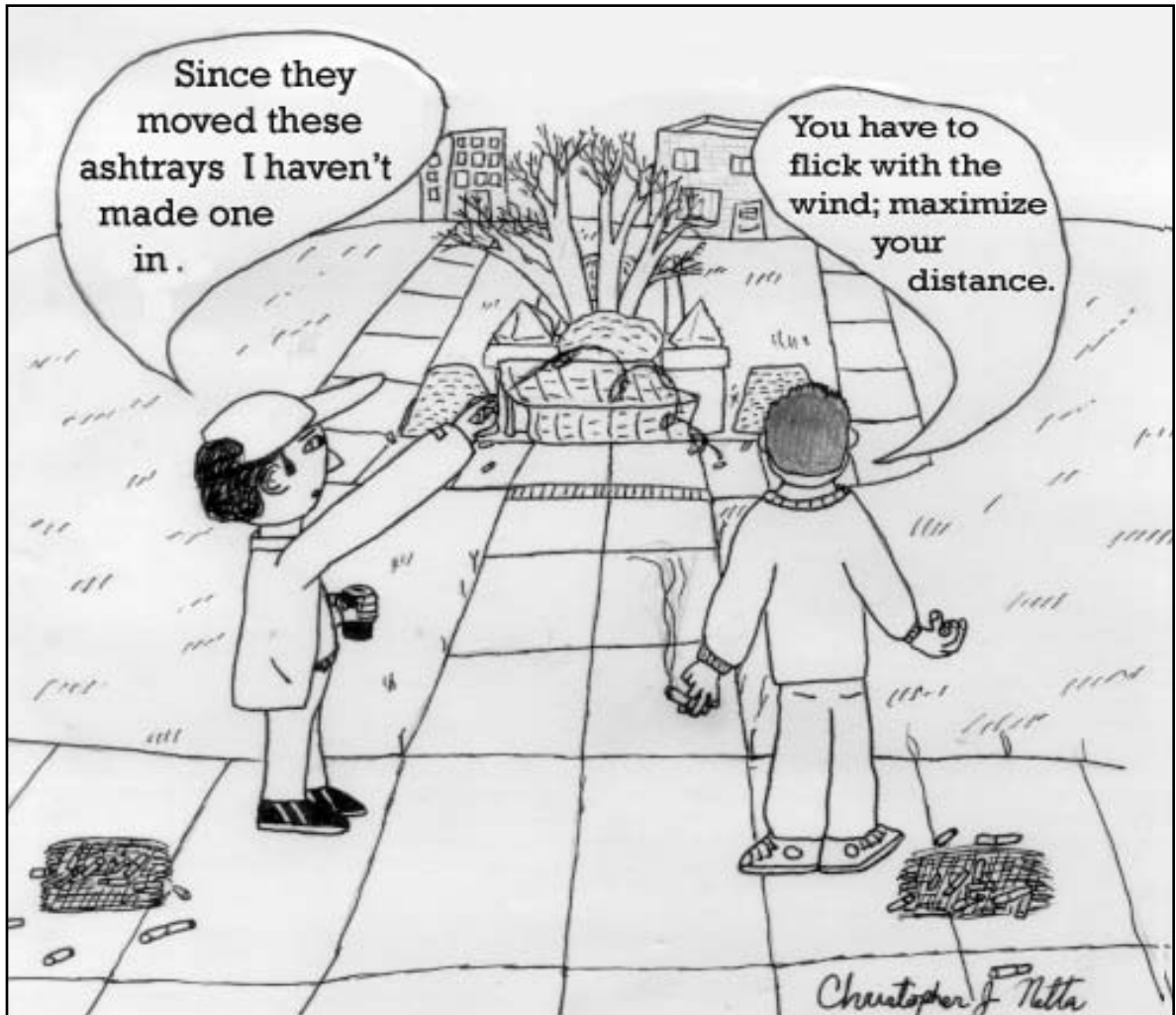
If you see that box sitting across the hall from your classroom, think about maybe grabbing some of that extra stuff you have sitting at home and throwing it in there. It only takes a little bit of effort to make a big difference.

On a larger scale - try to volunteer. Volunteering gives us an opportunity to change people's lives, including our own. It gives us the satisfaction of playing a role in someone else's life, helping people who may not be able to help themselves.

Think about that extra time you have over the holiday's and contribute a little a bit as well as some energy into helping others. You're bound to get more out of it than you put in. There are so many beneficial ways of getting involved in and giving back to your community. By giving up a few hours of our day to clean up the local community park, we may bring a lifetime of happiness in some child's life. Or provide shelter and warmth to a family who lives on the streets by volunteering to help in building them a home. Why not spend a little time helping others, because in the end, what goes around comes around.

Amused

By: CHRIS NETTA



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Control: reality or illusion

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To start off, I have to admit that I have always been a person who enjoys those conversations where there is no definite answer, but a million possibilities to ponder. Going along with a conversation, you obviously need another person with a voice to chime in who’s just as interested. In this case, my friend Jack-John fits the profile to a tea, and thinking about it, I should have mentioned him earlier being that most of the talks we have get my brain going and my hand writing.

Somehow in the midst of a cigarette break at work we got on the topic of control. At first I wasn’t sure where he was going, being a philosophy minor he was throwing around big words and ideas, I brushed it off thinking he was pumped about the past Sunday’s NASCAR race, but soon enough I started to understand. What we wondered most was, is the control we think we have over our lives simply just an illusion? The only control that actually exists in our lives is our ability to react to said outside events. Let’s face it guys, if we were in complete control of our lives would we be where we are now? As Jack and I continued our conversation I found myself questioning aspects of my life that to this point I thought were concrete.

The first thought that crossed my mind was to think about where I stand, present day. I am a junior in college studying journalism, working as a waitress to help support myself. After thinking about all of this I questioned why I am doing it when in reality there is nothing more I wish I could do that travel around the world enriching my life by means of other people and work when I needed to obtain money. Yet, this is somewhat impossible for almost anyone who does not have a steady supply of large amounts of money. As much as I thought I had control over my life, choosing a major that made me happy and being at a school I enjoy, I am not in control of the things I want most. Outside events such as me needing to support myself means I need a job, a good one, and most of the time this requires a good education. There is no way around that in today’s society being that money rules all and because of this I must comply with certain things in order to make it out there.

A lot of people seem to have a life plan that is either set up for them or one they chose to devise. For some this consists of getting a degree, getting a job, marrying somebody, and eventually having kids. When a person accomplishes all of these goals in this life plan they might think it is smooth sailing from there on out, everything is under their control. They have a great marriage, a steady income, and kid’s who they are proud to call their own. When it comes down to it though, does this person really have control over not only their life, but their job, marriage, and children? What happens when a person who believes their marriage has no flaws and than finds out their significant other is cheating on them with a complete stranger or for that matter someone they know well? While an income may be steady, the job industry is not, this being said when this person gets laid off, there is no way they could have

prevented it because they in turn cannot control the job industry. There is nothing now a woman or man can do accept react to the situation in the expected way and search for a new job in order to obtain that false control again. Furthermore, a parent may be able to control their child while at home, in their plain sight, yet there is no possible way for a parent to make a decision for their child when they are not present. So when a parent finds out their picture perfect teenager is pregnant they must go along with the string of events that follows, including accepting the fact they in reality, are not in control.

Let’s face it guys, if we were in complete control of our lives would we be where we are now?

In our world today there are many illnesses and ailments that the average person does not want to experience. This being said, somebody may go out of their way to ensure the life they lead is a healthy one including strenuous work outs and/or eating the right foods along with taking vitamins. By doing this one may put themselves under the false pretense that they will not suffer from any diseases or ailments being that they do not put themselves in harmful situations nor allow harmful substance in their body. So when this person is diagnosed with a terminal illness rather than someone who does not take care of themselves how do they make sense of it? Bottom line, a person while being able to control what goes **in** their body they cannot control what goes on **inside** their body.

Of course these are very general examples of how the illusion of control can affect a person’s life. Like most things in life, I don’t believe you could truly understand how a person feels until you are in that exact situation. The more I wrote about this, the more I thought the only way I could get across to other people was to talk about something more personal. In my life, my father has been the person that showed me that without a doubt there are things I cannot control. Unfortunately, somewhere along the line my dad developed a drinking problem that neither he nor anyone could fix. Yet, I took it in my own hands to try to be there for him, getting him in a program to make him better, the whole time thinking if I did this I could stop him from drinking. It wasn’t until recently, after years of relapsing I realized that no matter how hard I tried to help my dad I could not control him or his actions when a drink was present. It’s a hard thing to accept when you see that sometimes certain matters, no matter how important they are to you, are simply out of your hands.

What it comes down you is as a person can organize your life in a planner, you could take certain vitamins to ensure health, and you could make a plan for your life to make sure it goes the way you want. Yet, all of these things guarantee nothing because so many things are beyond our control such as disease, death, unemployment, divorces, the list goes on. For comfort, some people may implant in themselves this idea that they themselves have control over their own life and if it works for them, who is to say it’s wrong? In closing, there is not much we can do but wake up, live our lives, and play our best game at the hand we are dealt.

Stark Raving Bland

Weekly observations and ravings

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“How evil are you?” asks the computer screen in front of me. This question is followed by a list of questions...

What browser are you using to explore the Internet? Internet Explorer, Netscape, Opera (what the blast is “Opera?”), AOL, Neoplanet (no idea what that is), the human blood-created browser of evil (someone’s use of hyphens is better than their imagination), Other.

I chose “Internet Explorer”, mentally slotting myself as “slightly evil” with that choice for using a large corporation’s browser and not letting the poor starving people of wherever have a chance at getting any use from their browser. Okay, that’s just stupid, I’m still not evil.

Which of the following European countries is your favorite or do you most closely identify with? London, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Spain, Canada.

London doesn’t seem that bad; they are our friends even though we have better teeth and nicer cars. France? No way. The mental image of some grown man in a beret, silk neck scarf, and some pansy looking motorcycle saying that we should come back to his place for some “patisserie” so he can delight everyone with his wine knowledge is just scary. Germany? I don’t hold a grudge for to long, but I’m Jewish, nuff said. Italy? Ditto the French guy, just add soccer skills. Luxembourg? Wait a second; I thought Luxembourg only existed on Western Civilization midterms. I still don’t know anything about it so that’s a “no.” Spain and Canada? Neutral with no real feelings. I choose “London” with images of brave British pilots in World War 2, fighting above London, going thru my head. Yup, that’s how I think, go figure.

What social clique do you belong to? Goths, Jesus Freaks, Nerds, Preps, Skaters, Mass-Murder’s, I don’t classify myself.

Not a “Goth”, uncomfortable when someone uses the word “Jesus” more than five times to describe anything other than religion, slightly “nerd-like” at times but not strong enough to join a club for it, “Preps”, well my clothes do match and seem a little put together so yes, I’m closer to a prep than a “skater” though I do like watching people skate on TV and falling on their heads or areas that deal with their future children (a.k.a. “Jackass”). “Mass-murderer’s” isn’t even funny. I classify myself as “I don’t classify myself” which actually makes sense.

Which of the following names rings the loudest bell? Fredrick Engels, Habakkuk, Jeffery Katzenberg, Karl Adolph Giellerup, Michael Palin, Roman Dirge, Little hamster in my head.

Choose your weapon. Explosives, Guns, Knives, Mind Powers, Pen, Sword, Canada.

The only name that rings a bell is “Frederick Engels” to the slight joy of my History Professor and dismay of umm...people who teach classes where words like “Habakkuk” or “Giellerup” are thrown around, with people actually knowing what their saying. I choose Mr. Engels and with him, the idea that yes old timers, the Google generation doesn’t know a lot, but be careful because we will choose your nursing home (wow, I am evil).

Choose your weapon. Explosives, Guns, Knives, Mind Powers, Pen, Sword, Canada.

What would I choose? Strategies to combat everything from wombats to water chestnuts (contrary to popular belief, both are actually unnecessary in Chinese food, especially the chestnuts) are briefly considered. “Mind Powers” wins though, because with them you can convince anyone with weapons like “Guns” or “Canada” that they are small and that their parents never loved them or that you just saved a bunch of money on car insurance (whatever’s easier).

Which of the following is an ideal job to you? Actor, Army General, Executioner, Lawyer, Politician, Reverend, the job of evilness.

I once told my dad that I wanted to be an actor; he replied “whatever job you choose you will have to do some acting.” (Dad, I think Confucius wants his money back, but I do love you so I can’t be that evil). I go with “actor.”

What kind of music do you listen to? Classical, Gospel, Modern Rock, Oldies Rock, Pop, Rap, what is this “music” you speak of?

Since I listen to everything listed (that is a real choice) except for “Gospel”, “Oldies”, and “Pop” (though “Rap” is heading in that direction) I have to think about it for a bit. Then I visualize all the CD’s laying in my car outside, freezing their shiny butts off and I choose “Modern Rock” as it’s the most inclusive and “Joe Satriani” isn’t a choice.

Which of the following meats do you eat the most? Beef, Chicken, Fish (is a meat?), Pork, People, Turkey, None of the above, I’m a vegetarian.

I pick “Chicken”. Yay, that was a hard one. What is your favorite movie genre? Action, Comedy, Drama, Horror, Romance, Science Fiction, Movies of Evil.

Hmm...there isn’t an option to choose more than one. I choose “Action” after saying I’m sorry to “Comedy” and “Drama.”

Which of the following do you find yourself fantasizing about the most often? Entertainment, Glamour, Philosophy, Sex (Okay, this question is over), Violence, World Peace, How evil I am (enough with the “not funny last choice’s please!).



“Things do not change; we change.”

Henry David Thoreau (1817-1862)

“When the tyrant has disposed of foreign enemies by conquest or treaty, and there is nothing to fear from them, then he is always stirring up some war or other, in order that the people may require a leader.”

Plato (428-348 B.C.E.)

“I don’t use drugs, my dreams are frightening enough.”

M.C. Escher (1898-1970)

“I now have absolute proof that smoking even one marijuana cigarette is equal in brain damage to being on Bikini Island during an H-bomb blast.”

Ronald Reagan (1911-2004)

“A word is not a crystal, transparent and unchanging; it is the skin of a living thought and may vary greatly in color and content according to the circumstances and the time in which it is used.”

Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr. (1841-1935)

“Words are, of course, the most powerful drug used by mankind.”

Rudyard Kipling (1865-1936)

“If the newspapers of a country are filled with good news, the jails will be filled with good people.”

Daniel Patrick Moynihan (1927-2003)

“Neurosis is always a substitute for legitimate suffering.”

Carl Gustave Jung (1875-1961)

“Publishers are notoriously slothful about numbers, unless they’re attached to dollar signs - unlike journalists, quarterbacks, and felony criminal defendants who tend to be keenly aware of numbers at all times.

Hunter S. Thompson (1939-2005)

“The radical invents the views. When he has worn them out the conservative adopts them.

Mark Twain (1835-1910)

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BY SUZANNE GUARINO

The attendance at school-sponsored events is, for the most part, considerably low .

“In your opinion, what do you think accounts for the lack of student interest in school events?”



Rory junior

“The school needs to at least get semi-popular acts (for instance when Jamie Kennedy was here) so that students will want to see them because they are well known. Lesser-known acts are just not going to attract a crowd.”



Michael senior

“Some events may not be adequately advertised so students may not be aware that the event is happening.”



Alyx junior

“It’s because commuters can’t be here all of the time and people have classes all day (even at night). At night, especially, people want to just relax at home after a full day. Even if people do go to an event for the promise of food, they are usually disappointed with the quality of the food, not to mention the quality of the event itself.



Tyrone senior

“It’s not the school’s fault. Monmouth students and this generation in general is very apathetic.”



Mike junior

“It’s because nobody has any hobbies or interests. I enjoy being active in things. All they are interested in doing is partying. People need to do something else with their life.”

French riots and reasons

In the November 9 issue of The Outlook, editor Chris Netta wrote an article entitled “Riots in Paris continue to blaze.” The following week contributing writer Christine Restivo responded with an editorial of her own, entitled “Terrorism is not an uprising,” arguing Netta’s viewpoint. Following the holiday, The Outlook received these responses.

Re: Terrorism is not an uprising

C. PAUL LANDRI
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In response to the November 15th Article *Terrorism is not an uprising* Christine Restivo less than aptly describes the rioting in Paris as terrorist actions by Muslim youths. Aside from being completely misinformed, Ms. Restivo fails to use logic and facts in her argument. Instead, she calls appeals to her most basic emotions and her own fears to identify the true problem.

To those of you who wasted your time reading this piece, I, on behalf of all thinking people in this intellectual institution and thinking people around the world, apologize.

Imagine living in a ghetto and not having enough money for bare essentials.

The truth of the matter is, these riots, which should be denounced by civilized society for its violent tactics, is not by any means terrorism. If you look at the facts, instead of listening to those misinformed right wing television and radio hosts, you could understand the problem.

This is not an insurgency of Muslim youths based on Radical Islam. In fact, dear friends, this uprising has little to do with Wahabbism and more to do with the French Government.

Ms. Restivo, I challenge you to prove that any of this violence has

anything to do with radical Islamic fundamentalism. It seems as if you have tried, but lacking the facts to do so, you have resorted to the fear card that so many of our leaders are guilty of.

40 percent of these youths are unemployed and disenfranchised, meaning, they lack the right to vote. This is due mainly to rules and stipulations of the French government limiting suffrage to natural born French citizens. Unfortunately these youths did not have the advantage of being born in France, instead coming from Africa and Arabia to somehow attain a better life.

I suppose you overlooked that. You say the Pen is Mightier than the sword, but I ask you, how can anyone make headway if the government they live under has turned their back on them?

Imagine, for a moment, you are not a privileged youth living in America (if you can,) and think about how they must feel. Think about their anger and frustration and oppression. Imagine living in a ghetto and not having enough money for bare essentials.

Can you?

What sickens me is the real lack of information on the subject at large. Grouping these young people as members of a fanatical fringe group that has, through misinterpretation, stripped the beauty and knowledge out of a logical, rational, and peaceful religion. The way you come off in this article, you make it out to be that the Muslim population of not just France, but the world, believes in Wahabbism. I assure you, your Islamophobia is unwarranted, as a good 98 percent of the Muslim population of the world denounces terrorism as un-Islamic and in contradiction to the Greater Jihad (The inner struggle for a righteous life.)

This is the same kind of failed,

rotten, and ignorant logic that states that the reason there is crime within the African American population in this country is because they are African American.

I would like to inform the rest of the reasonable population of Monmouth University of some of the grand contributions of the Muslim world as a whole, in order to assure everyone that Ms. Restivo does NOT speak for all of us. At least, not those among us with enough intellect to see through this paltry excuse for an article.

•The great works of Muslim scholars, which lead to the European Renaissance including Ibn-Sina’s Book of Medicine which European physicians used until the 17th century. Also, the works of Umar Khayyam, who correctly calculated the solar year down to the fifth decimal place.

•The building, and improvement of, city life in the Middle East, which impacted European architecture in the form of monasteries and buildings (Particularly in Spain.)

•Successful state building beginning in the 7th century.

•Our system of numbers (borrowed from the Hindus and synthesized into Islamic Culture.)

•Algebra and geometry and advances in the science, which impact us to this very day.

•Secular nation building keeping religion and government separate. The idea of a theocracy began after World War 1 when the League of Nations split the Ottoman Empire into pieces.

•The use of soap and the cleanliest cities before, during, and after the crusades.

•A very literate population that translated ancient Greek into Arabic in order to expand on the knowledge therein.

There are many more contributions this society has developed over the centuries, but I do not have time to list them all, but I gather, by now, you’ve seen my point.

These youths in France have every right to be upset, but I will agree, the use of violence is a right no person should enjoy. I encourage everyone who read the previous article to take careful consideration into the dangerous language Ms Restivo uses to prove her point. Essentially, dear friends, she is simply espousing rhetoric from the White House, which is just as bad as the filth coming from the mouths of Islamic Fundamentalists. Both are subversive and hateful and serve no purpose save destruction.

I thank you, dear reader, and hope that you find this rebuttal a bit more logical and informative than the regurgitation of Fox news propaganda that Monmouth University’s *The Outlook* seems to allow. Always remember to ask questions and never take anything at face value. Find the true facts, and always remember to question authority. Especially one that can potentially play with your life.

P.S.- Ms Restivo, in case you are wondering, an inflammable liquid will not burn, Danes live in Denmark, Dutch live in Holland, and The Crusades were started by Pope Urban as a political maneuver in order to unite the Christian lands to consolidate his power and undermine the authority of the Eastern Orthodox leader.

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Kudos and complaints

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Hello again folks, I am writing in response and with great admiration of an op/ed that was written by Christine Restivo in the Nov. 16 edition of *The Outlook*. Her piece was one of the most intelligent, thoughtful and insightful articles I have read in the paper in quite some time (aside my own work of course). She pointed out that while some where referring to the rioting in Paris as an “uprising” by the “oppressed youths” it was in fact “another example of the barbaric actions taken by Muslim extremists...”. I applaud her for writing about this truth, but also question why the heck “reputable” news sources like the AP and others spun the story by not printing the basic facts. Naturally, I know exactly why the left leaning international press would spin this event and I am happy that others are seeing what is going on as well. Well done, Christine. My next qualm of the week is one that I have

been hearing and reading about for more than a year; that those in Iraq who are murdering their fellow Muslims, including women and children, are somehow justified in doing so. The media has gone so far as to label these scumbags “insurgents”, and left wingers like Michael Moore and someone who responded to one of my own pieces have equated them to the Minutemen of our own War for Independence. Libs, take note: IF YOU KILL INNOCENT PEOPLE BY BLOWING YOURSELF UP OR WITH A CAR BOMB YOU ARE A TERRORISTS! Any person who even thinks about putting these monsters in the same category as the citizen soldiers of 1776 are seriously deranged and in need of a history lesson. First, the terrorists in Iraq target, among other things, markets, police stations, polling stations, Iraqi armed forces recruitment depots, police academies, high traffic public roads and anywhere where there are large crowds of people. They are targeting everyday Iraqi citizens; innocent people who are trying to make a living and take part in their government. Nothing like that was ever carried out by American Minutemen, because true freedom fighters fight for freedom, not oppression. Another reason why these rejects are TERRORISTS

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is the fact that they are operating outside a government agency. Terrorists, by definition, are nothing more than very violent criminals who band together to spread fear and death. They live in the shadows and don’t have the courage to fight in the open against the American Liberators. The Minutemen, on the other hand, were authorized by the Continental Congress to fight the British, in the open. They did not target civilians or use cowardly tactics against a superior army, but fought with honor. If the patriots of the Revolutionary war had in fact attacked civilians and used terrorist tactics, their cause would have died and rightly so. The terrorists in Iraq today are seen by some as we see George Washington, but in fact they will be remembered more like Adolph Hitler, Pol Pot and Slobodan Milosevic. The bottom line here is that these vile creatures are not freedom fighters, insurgents, patriots, a militia or anything else, they are terrorist, and as such should meet the same grisly fate that terrorists should.

DAN: Unleashed and uncensored

DAN ROTH
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Well it's been two weeks, did you miss me? I hope everyone had a wonderful "stuff your face and get fat day" (i.e. Thanksgiving). Personally I can't stand turkey, but that's beside the point.

The other day I was thinking about what some of the biggest problems I have faced during my last four years at Monmouth. There are definitely some issues that any college student has to deal with. We have terrible food, our "best" delivery place gets you sick after you eat it, the incredibly high price that we pay (without warrant), dismal living quarters (with the exception of some new housing), and the fact that the university doesn't believe that it is their fault when a flood comes and ruins our cars. But hey these are all trivial dilemmas, well at least compared to this week's topic.

All of the things I have listed can be solved in one way or another, but having a bad roommate, now that's something that you can't get away from (sleeping in your car isn't a healthy option). In my four years here I've had five, yes, five different roommates. Out of those five, I'd say that I had one other besides the one I currently live with that I actually get along with.

In terms of the other three, maybe one I would consider both of our faults and that was my freshman year when I didn't know how to live with someone but the others were just repulsive.

The biggest problem with having a roommate that you can't

stand is that eventually you always have to go back to your room and in a place that is supposed to be your den of relaxation, it doesn't always happen that way. So let's take a page out of Jeff Foxworthy's book and make a list of the top ways to know if you're a terrible roommate.

#10: You know you're a terrible roommate when you blast music while your roommate is trying to sleep.

#9: You know you are a terrible roommate when you refuse to shower for days at a time.

#8: You know you're a terrible roommate when your alarm goes off for your 8:30 a.m. class on the weekend when only your roommate is there.

#7: You know you are a terrible roommate when you have your boyfriend/girlfriend sleep over almost every night without consideration for how your roommate might feel.

#6: You know you are a terrible roommate when you always have the TV onto shows that a normal person stopped watching at age 10.

#5: You know you're a terrible roommate when you steal all your roommates' food without asking or paying them back

#4: You know you're a terrible roommate when you purposely move into the room three hours before the rest of the school gets there just so you can procure your choice of beds.

#3: You know you're a terrible roommate when you always have friends over and they never clean up.

#2: You know you're a terrible roommate when you ignore your sick roommate and turn your thermostat all the way down.

#1: You know you're a bad roommate when in a drunken state you decide to fornicate on your roommates' bed.

The fact of the matter is that there are a million reasons and ways to be a bad roommate and frankly it is tough to find two people compatible enough to live together for an extended period of time. This is something I learned the hard way as I went a stretch of two years without having the same roommate for two semesters in a row.

In order to be a good roommate all you really need to do is be respectful and communicate with the other person. Even if you don't like them too much, you can still respect them and it will keep you both happy, because how hard is it to change roommates after one semester? It happens all the time and we as college students have enough stuff to worry

how good roommates get along come by my apartment sometime, or better yet go to Redwood and head up to my friend Jeff the Violent Drunk's apartment he'll show you how it's supposed to be.

You know you are a terrible roommate when you refuse to shower for days at a time.

Anyway, if you read this and your starting to realize that you have a couple of the bad qualities on my list, then start new, go up to your roommate and tell them your sorry, after all it's not your fault you're a spoiled little brat. Then after you make amends you can go and have a friendly round of Tequila and everything will be swell again.

To end I hope you all had a great "I ate so much I can't fit into my designer jeans day." This week's words of wisdom are ...

In my four years here I've had five different roommates.

about without being concerned that you're not going to be able to relax when you go back to your room. If you need an example of

"I found an angel, I had her for 8 months, I then found that angel became my best friend, and I pray I'll have her forever."

How evil

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At first, this is an externally easy one, but I do think about "World Peace", "Violence" that doesn't allow it, and "Philosophy" to get us back to the Peace option. I don't know what "Glamour" is but I know it's a magazine that I would not be caught dead reading unless I was "wearing a dress and baking fairy cakes" (a phrase I learned from a book titled "How I Love my Smith & Wesson" –cue Evil Buzzer.) I choose "Sex" because technically, I don't "fantasize" about "World Peace" or "Philosophy" unless it's grey and raining quite hard outside for some time.

I click "How evil am I?" to get my verdict and am greeted by a screen with a yellow box, in which Barney, the children's dinosaur on Zoloft, serves as a background for my results...

"You are GOOD. You are very tolerant towards things and are good natured yourself. You are pleasant to be around and it shows in your conversations. You are rarely inclined to do wrong."

It's of little surprise to me that a) the result is close to what my ego feels is the truth b) it only took an online quiz to make me feel good and c) "a" and "b" are slightly silly conclusions.

I'm done here. I close the quiz's page and listen to some music I did not pay to download, knowing that "If your music is that good, we will be that bad" is not an excuse, but comfortable with the fact that it brings me to a healthy level of evilness.

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SAMANTHA YOUNG
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After three years of marriage, pop star Jessica Simpson and boy band burnout Nick Lachey have decided to take a one-way trip to D-town.

Following months of speculation and rumors of infidelity, each has decided to go their separate way.

“This is the mutual decision of two people with an enormous amount of respect and admiration for each other. We hope that you respect our privacy during this difficult time.”

Sales of Simpson’s cosmetic line Dessert are projected to hit \$30 million this year and her debut film *The Dukes of Hazzard* has gone on to gross over \$90 million.

Lachey, still trying to recover from SoulO, has experienced some hard times when television executives passed on a pilot he shot for ABC. Nice job, Nick!



SIMPSON
LACHLEY

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Now that Simpson and Lachey have called it quits, who will support Nick and his downward spiral of a career?

Just Friends found many at MU

LISA PIKAARD
STAFF WRITER

Monmouth University students were fortunate enough to be able to screen the new hit movie *Just Friends* before it came out in theaters, thanks to the combined efforts of New Line Cinema, the Office of Student Activities and

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the Student Activities Board. The night went well, in spite of technical difficulties. Upon arrival at Pollak Theatre, students had to go through intense security. “I was kind of scared. I was frisked! I’ve never been frisked before!” said junior Noelle Martinez in a light-hearted manner. But security was tight; camera phones were not even allowed inside. However, the security measures were not bothersome to most students. “I think it was a good idea for SAB to run this, and it seemed like a popular event,” said sophomore Communication major Kelly Reynolds. In the end, there were approximately 375-400 students in attendance, deeming the night a success.

The movie is absolutely perfect for college audiences, especially those in New Jersey. The movie begins with a black screen and the words, “New Jersey 1995” written on the screen. As soon as this appeared, the entire audience cheered. The laughter began shortly after and continued throughout the entire film. The movie begins by showing the sad existence of high school senior, Chris (Ryan Reynolds), who was socially inadequate but best friends with a beautiful girl named Jamie (Amy Smart). After the brief introduction to the characters, the film speeds up to present day and the

current situation. Chris lost weight and is now a good-looking successful producer. He is dating an eccentric woman named Samantha James (Anna Faris) - a star at all she does, but who is absolutely crazy. The pair is attempting to fly to Paris for Christmas, but is forced to land in Chris’s New Jersey hometown, where he hasn’t returned to since he attempted to tell Jamie his true feelings. Chris always wanted a relationship with Jamie, but they were in the “friend zone.” The one time Chris attempted to make his feelings known, he was laughed out of town.

This is the first time they’re seeing each other since then, and the

true test begins. Can Chris finally take his relationship out of the ground, stated, “I am fairly pleased with the results. For a relatively low-cost event, there were a ton of students that came. There were a few minor glitches, but that always happens the first time you do something.” The minor glitch Paterson was referring to was the out-of-order presentation of the film. One of the rolls of film was unnumbered but the movie still went over very well. Despite the glitch, sophomore Communication major Kelli Callandriello enjoyed “I liked

the movie!” she said. “I thought it was really funny, and I think the character of Samantha James was just hysterical. Definitely the best for me, besides the relationship between Chris and his brother. I’d definitely see it again once it came out on DVD. If SAB did it again, I’d probably go. But, if the movie was out of order like it was last time, that would be the last time I went.”

Hosting *Just Friends* was certainly a great event idea, and the students of Monmouth University were very thankful for it. It is not every day colleges screen new hit movies. Students are looking forward to the next screening.



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Amy Smart and Ryan Reynolds star in the new movie, *Just Friends*.

GEORGIA BAND PPR IS PPU

LISA PIKAARD
STAFF WRITER

For those of you who never heard of the band PPR, you have no idea how lucky you are. PPR is a band from Atlanta, Georgia that is hoping to become famous (unlikely). To review this band is impossible due to the fact that this band, in every way, shape and form, bites. Their website www.pprppr.com contains mp3s from their album *Diarrhea*, a highly suitable title. The band also has a MySpace page at myspace.com/pprkills. My advice: stay as far away from those websites as possible.

The album is comprised of original tracks with an original sound. Not all of the tracks have vocals, helping to make them truly unique. The tracks that actually contain

“vocals,” however, are incomprehensible. They have absolutely no distinct pitch or notes to them. Actually, there are no notes in their songs. Their vocals, I’m assum-

“...this band, in every way, shape, and form, bites.”

ing, are inappropriate; however, I couldn’t tell you for sure, being that I cannot understand the songs. The titles are highly improper, they cannot even be written on the back of their CD, making them an issue for review, let alone in this paper. One track (that I can actually

write the title to), “HiLo,” is less than a minute long and consists of screaming at both high and low pitches. The only other track that I can write the title of is “Fearade,” the best rack on the album. There is a chance that someday I could figure out the lyrics to this track.

Basically, I’m not even sure if PPR could be considered a band. Their only slightly redeeming aspect is the heavy bass lines that are far from easy to produce.

If you are into “music” (and I use that term loosely) that is incomprehensibly “sung” by tone deaf musicians and has no beat, this band is for you! PPR recently headlined a show in Asbury Park as well as a few other shows in the surrounding New York area. How they booked these jobs is beyond me. You can check them out PPR if you want to

have profanities screamed at you, but do me a favor? Remind me to

stay as far away from them as possible.



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PPR performing in front of a modest crowd at a local venue.

IN SEARCH OF HIP-HOP

On the journey with Adversary: King of Maryland

JENNY ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

Adversary has set out to put Maryland on the map with his new CD *King of Maryland*. The 21-year-old emcee, whose influences include Big L. and Nas, has over 400 songs to his credit and a number of mixtapes. The word adversary is defined as “an antagonist, opponent, or enemy.” Adversary, the rapper, opposes the now dominant commercialism of hip-hop.

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He is a product of his community. In a state where the likes of Thurgood Marshall and Frederick Douglas once shaped nineteenth century American politics, it is only a natural progression that a hip-hop artist from Maryland could have as much of an impact. Adversary could be the third man to make such a statement, this time in the world of hip-hop. Adversary is an artist who bares his soul, but he is also a lyricist who excels at battle raps and formulating party anthems. It is this well-rounded resumé of skills that suggests he could accelerate to notoriety very soon. Adversary’s new album takes the listener on a journey into his life as an emerging artist. Each song radiates that of a hungry, hard-working emcee that will stop at nothing to gain a larger audience and to make his dreams a reality.

OUTLOOK: *Where are you from? How has this influenced your music?*

ADVERSARY: When I first moved here (to Silver Spring, MD) it was a real quiet place. When the train station came up, the area deteriorated. I was 6 or 7 when I came from the Bronx. I wasn’t exposed to everything at that time. When I started spending more time out of the house, I began to experience stuff. And as this happened, the music changed with it.

OL: *When did you decide to become an emcee?*

AD: I’ve been listening to rap since ‘94. But I didn’t get involved with rhyming until 2000. I never grew up sayin’ “I’m gonna be a rapper,” but I was always good at English and writing. I played with rhymes and that’s how I ended up getting involved with it.

OL: *What are you trying to accomplish with your new album?*

AD: Basically, it’s just an introduction to who I am to the world. I guess as far as music, it’s me - who I am, what I go through. I’m not here to be a savior, but I hope people listen to the music and get something positive out of it.

OL: *How would you describe your music?*

AD: A lot of the tracks are like painful. People come up to me and say “Damn, I can’t even listen it’s so real.” And I’m baring my soul in the sense. A lot of songs reflect growing up. It’s painful, but I write it in a way that makes you listen... I’m giving me. I’m not trying to mislead anybody or portray anything foreign to me. It’s my story.

OL: *There aren’t too many rap-*

pers from Maryland who have made it big. What separates you from other artists in M.D.?

AD: D.C and Maryland are more known for sports and R&B. What separates me is talent. These other guys out here really don’t have the skill to do it or know-how to build their craft; they’ve got a long way to go. They’re still at stage one. People either learn it, or are born with a gift. A lot of these guys out here are learning. What separates me...is just I guess my persona as an artist. I’m real quiet, I’m not flashy or all in your face. I’m the opposite of what a rapper is, I keep to myself.

OL: *You often criticize the current state of hip-hop in your songs. What exactly is wrong with hip-hop today?*

AD: When rap music in general picked up, it was innocent. People were rappin’ from the heart and even when the street element came out with N.W.A and Ice Cube, they still spoke what they knew. Then people started seeing the money there and the art disappeared. Where does the business end and the art begin? Now it’s all business. That’s the major issue. It’s an image, they market you and you’re an image, rather than an

artist. And many artists are portraying stuff that’s not them. People get like Fat Joe and Young Jeezy who are really in the streets like that. But then you have Fabolous and Chingy, who you can look at and see they are soft.


OL: *How will you shape hip-hop differently?*

AD: The angle I’m taking is to try to get in the game and make a name for myself. Jay-Z said “I had to dumb it down to double my dollars.” With me, it’s not a money thing. You don’t want to sell yourself. This will be my first album I will shop to the labels. I had to dumb it down a little. You don’t want to be too complex from the gate, that will just alienate people.

OL: *Why should people buy your album?*

AD: Well, one ‘cause the music is lyrically hot. I’m not on no ABC’s, 1, 2, 3’s stuff. I’m not going to put Parental Advisory stickers on my album. On my mix tape it is more geared to the streets. On an album though, you present yourself to the world. When I’m writing songs I’m still gonna be real with the album, but I’m not going to put too much cursing on it. Just look for the album, and when it drops pick it up. It’s a breath of fresh air. I’m taking a basic formula that’s been used for years and I’m flippin’ it.

To learn more, or to preview tracks, go to: www.myspace.com/adv.



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Maryland rapper Adversary is hoping to revolutionize mainstream hip-hop.

on a track and they say they’re sellin’ drugs, they’re gangsta. But if you’re selling keys, why are you selling your mama’s house? Being gangsta doesn’t validate you as person. It’s okay if you’re not a gangsta or a thug, you can be yourself. For me, 1997 was the last year of hip-hop.

OL: *Is that a coincidence to Biggie and Pac’s death which occurred in 1996 and 1997?*

AD: I really think it’s a mix of both. They both died six months apart and it just so happened at the time they died, the industry made a shift anyway. Now there are artists

like Fat Joe and Young Jeezy who are really in the streets like that. But then you have Fabolous and Chingy, who you can look at and see they are soft.

OL: *How will you shape hip-hop differently?*

AD: The angle I’m taking is to try to get in the game and make a name for myself. Jay-Z said “I had to dumb it down to double my dollars.” With me, it’s not a money thing. You don’t want to sell yourself. This will be my first album I will shop to the labels. I had to dumb it down a little. You don’t want to be too complex from the gate, that will just alienate people.

OL: *Why should people buy your album?*

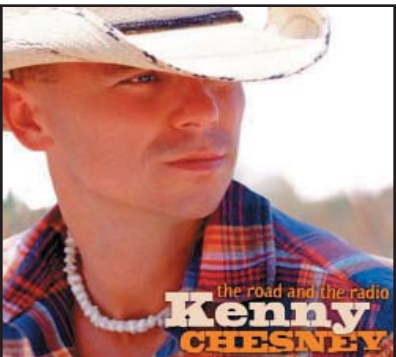
AD: Well, one ‘cause the music is lyrically hot. I’m not on no ABC’s, 1, 2, 3’s stuff. I’m not going to put Parental Advisory stickers on my album. On my mix tape it is more geared to the streets. On an album though, you present yourself to the world. When I’m writing songs I’m still gonna be real with the album, but I’m not going to put too much cursing on it. Just look for the album, and when it drops pick it up. It’s a breath of fresh air. I’m taking a basic formula that’s been used for years and I’m flippin’ it.

To learn more, or to preview tracks, go to: www.myspace.com/adv.

LYRIC LOUNGE

LISA PIKAARD
STAFF WRITER

Kenny Chesney’s latest album *The Road and the Radio* proves he is talented and not going anywhere. After his huge success last year with the track “When the Sun Goes Down,” from the album of the same name, people began to question if he could be that successful again. This album proves he certainly will be. Chesney has a fantastic voice highlighted on the title track, “The Road and the Radio,” as well as the track, “Somebody Take Me Home.” The album also has a really fun song entitled, “Living in Fast Forward.” For those of you who aren’t into country music, this album is a way to broaden your horizons. Country is really making it big, and it’s albums like this that explain why. Kenny Chesney’s talent is undeniable, and this album does a fantastic job showcasing it.



This country man proves his longevity and talent to the music world.

It looks like the list of artists who have a “greatest hits” album will continue to grow. Most recently added to the list is Limp Bizkit when they released *Greatest Hits* on November 8. The disc contains many of Limp Bizkit’s hits, as well as three new tracks, “Why,” “Lean on Me,” and a cover medley of two tracks entitled “Home Sweet Home/Bittersweet Symphony.” The new tracks aren’t bad, but nothing special. A few past hits on this album are “Faith,” “Nookie,” “N 2 Gether Now,” and “Behind Blue Eyes.” The compilation, overall, is an upbeat collection of fun songs, but most of the tracks are already owned by Limp Bizkit fans. The new bonus tracks, sadly, cannot save the album. The only reason to buy this album is if you want a place to keep all your Limp Bizkit hits together.



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Madonna’s newest album, *Confessions on a Dance Floor* is a returning to her roots. This is an all-dance album, as the title implies. There isn’t a single ballad, probably the biggest problem found on the album. The tracks are a cross between modern pop, techno and disco. Only Madonna could pull off this mixing of genres off. The first track on the album, “Hung Up On You,” is fun and kicks off the album the right way. Her newest single, “Get Together,” is probably the best track on the record. But, if you don’t appreciate that track, you will probably dislike the entire CD. This album is certainly a dance mix from a disco era, and doesn’t belong in today’s music scene, but it’s Madonna. She is probably the only artist who could make an album like this work.



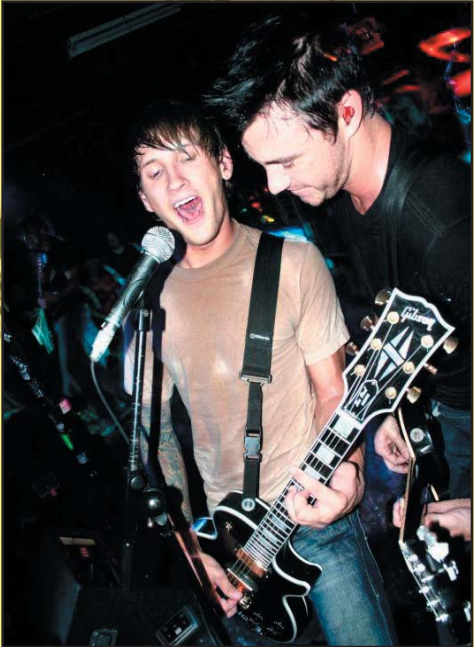
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Why is Saosin worth a listen?

CHAD ESPOSITO
STAFF WRITER

Saosin was formed in 2003 from former members of the band Open Hand. The members of Saosin are Cove Reber as the lead vocalist, Beau Burchell on guitar and vocals, Justin Shekoski, also on guitar and vocals, Chris Sorenson on bass and Alex Rodriguez on the drums. The guys have currently released two EPs titled *Translating The Name* and an EP released during the current Warped Tour. They currently signed with Capitol Records and are planning an alnum releasae next year. You can check them out on www.myspace.com or buy their EPs at any local music store.

I recently saw Saosin at a show at Obsessions in Randolph, New Jersey. Personally, I thought they were amazing, and lived up to my expectations. Death by Stereo, Stafford, and Screaming in Silence opened for them. Any fan can listen to them live if they pick up their EP from the Warped Tour, which is commonly referred to as the *Black EP*. On the *Black EP* they have three new songs, entitled “New Angel,” “I Wanna Hear Another Fast Song,” and “Bury Your Head.” They also have an acoustic version of “Bury Your Head,” and a live version of “Lost Symphonies” on the EP. You can catch them at their next performance on November 17 at Fat Tuesday’s in Spokane, Washington.



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Justin and Beau on tour in Providence, Rhode Island.

Seventh annual social work lecture

Social workers are enabling Mexico to overcome poverty

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At the seventh annual Social Work lecture held at Monmouth University on Nov. 15, the issues and difficulties social workers are faced within impoverished Mexican communities were discussed.

Guest speaker, Dean Carlos Arteaga, stressed the urgency for help needed in Mexico and the changes to implement plans to create a greater Mexico. Arteaga is a teacher of Social Work for the National Autonomous University in Mexico, which is ranked number one in Latin America for universities.

Dr. Golam M. Mathbor, Associate Professor in the Social Work department at Monmouth University, invited Arteaga to the University with the hopes of providing perspective social work majors with information and resources into the future of their profession abroad. The entire event was translated from Arteaga's native Mexican language into English with the help of Dr. Rosemary A. Barbera.

Arteaga voiced his strong views concerning the inadequacy of government aide as well as the lack of commitment from social workers. Social work has not always been seen as a disciplined science, especially in a country as under developed as Mexico.

With Mexico's ever changing economy, social workers needed to make changes to their policies and procedures in order to change with it. "Social workers need to have new objectives and they need to re-think the way they work given the new reality of context," Arteaga said.

Social workers were working with poverty stricken people who had no resources to get aide and who were looked down upon by those who have access to these resources. This makes the task at hand, which is uplifting the economy, even more difficult since they are grossly out numbered by those in need.

"We know a lot but we don't understand a lot. We have the knowledge but don't know what to do with it," Arteaga explained.

The situation in Mexico, over the last century has relied on the charity and kindness of the government. Consequently, this is

how the government has been able to maintain stern control over the lower classes. During the globalization of Mexico in the early 1900's, they had no idea of the implications to the community. The Neo-Liberal economic model gave a new perspective on the community. They wanted to do away with inequality but caused more to exist.

Currently, more than 60 to 70 percent of Mexico is living in poverty and extreme poverty, surviving on just dollars a day. With out these social work programs directed towards the indigent poor, these people will not be able to overcome their living conditions.

To make matters worse, over the next 10 years more than 24 percent will not have access to education or jobs if they do not get the help they so desperately need now. Social workers were put into place to help eradicate these inequalities in Mexican society.

"What we do as social workers is great. It affects family groups. We are convinced social work action with people is in the precise place to make change happen," Arteaga said.

The number of Mexican's earning income outside the state borders through out the 1900s averaged three million. Presently that number has increased greatly to eight million. This income is able to alleviate a few problems in Mexico by providing an additional income.

This way of generating income, working abroad and sending revenue back to Mexico, is the second largest form of income in Mexico. Knowledge is the power that society needs in order to break away from their poverty.

"They need to put the brakes on weakening of democracy and the authority of experts who are limiting citizens from being competent," Arteaga said.

These social problems are manipulated by the government and political parties in order to gain votes. The enthusiasms towards a better society quickly dwindles when the parties possess what they need from society. Dialogue between the classes would increase the ability to help those in need, creating a democracy through dialogue and communication.

Social workers need to recognize and re-commit themselves to the task at hand in order to make the society work for themselves.

"The interactions have become more complex in the community due to the gap created by the government," Arteaga explained. The social sciences have been criticized due to the lack of change generated. Consequently this has created doubt and suspicion from the government. It is the responsibility of the social work community to work together and become co-responsive in looking for explanations and solutions.

"Commitment, co-responsibility and respect are the three things that will help Social workers to become more efficient when working in the field," Arteaga stated.

The situation in Mexico is difficult to change given the amount of resources from the government as well as the inability for social work programs to provide the type of help needed.

"We must stop utilizing economic capital to solve world problems. Instead we must call on social capital to try and bridge the gap and create a linking across the regions," Dr. Mathbor said.

By using the communities to uplift themselves Mexico is enabling the poverty stricken millions a way to retrieve the knowledge they need to obtain financial freedom.

To conclude the lecture Dean Carlos Arteaga entertained questions from the audience. One question in particular stumped Arteaga for a moment, from Robin Mama, Department Chair for Social Work. "You have laid out an ambitious challenge; which I can see has two points, education and professional. How do you envision a program making academic changes and how do you plan to reach this goal?" Mama asked.

After a long pause and a short laugh Arteaga replied, "Put a lot of emphasis on practice, spending three years in community practice setting and one year in agency specialization, with 50 different placements in shantytowns and grass roots communities. This will help them to re-think changes made based on experiences in the community," Arteaga said.

Book knowledge is not enough due to the overly complex construction of society and the constantly changing structure. It is important to see and experience the Mexican lifestyle in order to overcome it.

"Sooner or later we will overcome," Arteaga said.

DiStasi speaks on exhibit



PHOTO BY Katelyn Mirabelli

President Paul G. Gaffney II (right) introduces Lawrence DiStasi (left), project director of the exhibit, "Una Storia Segreta".

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In the fall of 1942, some of the restrictions were beginning to be lifted. However, many naturalized citizens were being accused of holding Fascist or Nazi-like beliefs, which put these people into the exclusion program. After hearings were held, the people were forced to move inland because of General DeWitt's paranoia of spies and sabotage. When these cases were studied in 1943, it was found that there was no real necessity in moving the people inland because they were not in areas where they could spy. In fact, while in the evacuation location, there was more of a chance for sabotage. The evacuation was not only pointless, but had negative effects on many lives including conflicts with careers, social life, and family separation.

DiStasi pointed out that many of the people that were interned, had little reason for it. Many were farmers, factory workers, ship workers, and even shoe shiners who were not community leaders, and had little influence on others in terms of politics. Furthermore, there was no

utes, even if the family traveled from far away to see a relative. Many captives suffered from "barbed wire syndrome" because of the conditions. They felt depressed and ashamed, as if they had done something wrong, to deserve such harsh treatment. DiStasi said, "Many of these people carried this shame with them for the rest of their lives." This statement, shows how big of an issue this was, even though people have only started to understand its affects within the past decade.

This presentation gave a lot of information regarding the entire process that alien "enemies" had to go through during the World War II era. They dealt with restrictions, evacuation, searches and seizure of property, discrimination, and many other things that violated the basic civil liberties of the Italian-American community. Although a great deal of research has been done, and many stories have been uncovered there is still a great deal to learn. As DiStasi noted, "This experience, dealing with this exhibit, has been the biggest thing I've done in my life." However, of the 300 to 400 Italian-Americans that were interned, only about three to four-dozen cases

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JENNA GAUDIO
Monmouth Freshman

Phi Eta Sigma recognizes students' achievements

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Associate Dean Bea Rogers talked with the inductees about their future career choices, encouraging them to start thinking about Experiential Education opportunities.

Quoting author Kent Nerburn, from his book *Simple Truths*, Rogers said, "Find what it is that burns in your heart and do it. Choose a vocation, not a job, and your life will have meaning and your days will have peace."

Sophomore Lisa Buehler believes she has found her future vocation as an art teacher. She is majoring in art education and is excited about her accomplishments her first year.

"I was surprised," Buehler explained. "Freshman year is a hard time."

Kacie Hubbs also remembered the difficult transition she experienced her first year.

"It's an honor that I was able to



PHOTO BY ERIKA VALERIO

Inductees stood as they vowed to uphold the qualities of the honor society.

do this well freshman year. It's a big transition from high school to college," Hubbs said.

After graduating from Monmouth as a political science major, she plans on attending law school.

"I've known since fifth grade that I wanted to be a lawyer," explained Hubbs.

In closing, Dr. Garvey again

praised the students for their achievement. He encouraged inductees to get involved with the honors program and to choose a future career that will bring them fulfillment.

"Everyone should try and find work that they would do even if they weren't getting paid," said Dr. Garvey.

set pattern of how many people were interned from different areas. For instance, many Italian-Americans were put into internment from New York City and San Francisco, and only one was taken from Chicago. This sporadic evacuation shows how unnecessary and biased the government was at the time. Also, there was much more attention on the West Coast, when only ten shootings occurred after Pearl Harbor. Whereas, there were 400 to 500 U.S. ships sunk by German U-Boats on the east coast.

When people were in the detention centers, they had few privileges. They could only write twenty-four line letters, which could be censored at the discretion of the government. Also, people could not speak Italian when visiting family in the detention centers. The visits that the prisoners were allowed were very brief, about 25 min-

are actually known and documented. He even said that parts of his family had dealt with the harsh treatment, and he did not find out about it for years. This may be the case with many Italian-Americans today. People were ashamed to talk about it for years, so it is hard to discover the truth. The presentation was concluded with Professor Douglass reading the dedication to his book.

DiStasi gave an overall enlightening experience. He was thorough and gave plenty of personal examples of how people were affected by the government's choice to discriminate against "enemy aliens." Freshman communication major, Jenna Gaudio said of the evening, "It was a truly inspiring presentation, and I think it made students realize that there are a lot of historical events that they don't know much about."

SAB sponsors winter trip to Bahamas

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Forty-nine students and three advisors are about to set sail on a four day four night Carnival Fantasy cruise to the Bahamas, during a winter break trip sponsored by the Student Activities Board.

The cruise will take place from January 8th to January 12th and will stop at Freeport and Nassau in the Bahamas. Roundtrip airfare from Newark to Port Canaveral in Orlando, transportation, gratuities, meals and boat entertainment are all included in the price.

Last year’s trip to Disney World was SAB’s first winter break trip. Because of the success of last year’s trip, SAB has decided to try a cruise this year. “The winter break trip option has been a big attraction and has drawn a lot of interest from the student body...we had calls the first day of school this year to find out about this winter break trip” said Mike Patterson, Associate Director of Student Activities.

Leslie Cordasco, a junior, went on the Disney trip and is going on the cruise too said,“... It [the Disney trip] was very cheap and it included the bus ride, plane and three day Disney World tickets, including Pleasure Island.”

To go on a cruise, was the idea of Jill Banholzer, a junior and SAB’s vice president of events,

“...I was trying to think of somewhere where everything is included so the idea of a cruise came into my head.”

A Carnival Cruise was chosen because of its’ affordability for students. “...They were running a special and it brought the prices down to an affordable cost for students” said Patterson.

Banholzer added, “Carnival seemed to have what fit our needs.

They have group travel and affordable rates. Also the cruise dates and port were convenient for us.”

According to an email sent by Patterson, students had the choice of either the ocean view room or interior room. The ocean view room started at \$475 a package. The interior room started at \$425 a package. The prices also depended on how many people were in a room, between two and four students. Students had the option to bring one guest, that doesn’t go to Monmouth. For a guest the prices started at \$575 for the

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LESLIE CORDASCO
MU Junior

ocean view room and \$525 for the interior room package. In addition to this pricing, a \$100 damage deposit fee was required that will be returned February 1st if no damage has been done to the room. A \$49 vacation protection plan fee was optional, but will cover medical, accident coverage and baggage loss.

Patterson said, “There are nightly entertainers such as comedy shows and other specialty entertainment. There is a casino and a number of clubs on the boat...”

Banholzer added, “The cruise has many different things for all ages...a full gym, pools, dance and aerobic classes. While on board there is always more than one thing to do. Anyone on board

can find something that interests them.”

Though not included in the price, alcohol will be available for those over 21. Off-boat excursions will also be available for an additional fee. Banholzer said, “There are a number of options such as snorkeling, dolphin encounters, biking tours etc. prices and options change by season and are additional expenses to the students. This way students can build their own activities specific to their own interests. Excursions are anywhere from \$25 and up.”

The cruise itself, will not just be for Monmouth students. Patterson explained that there would be other people in the boat, such as couples.

The cruise tickets went on sale Oct 28th and have already sold out. However, Patterson said, “...We had to finalize arrangement with Carnival on November 11th, so I can’t add any other guests. I’m taking a waitlist, but if spots open up, they will have to take the room options I have open on the boat which has already been booked.”

Banholzer who also had fun last year at Disney is excited for the trip. “...I have never been to the Bahamas before and can’t wait to go. Also I went on a cruise a few years ago and had tons of fun so I can’t wait to enjoy another one.”

Cordasco added, “...I have never been on a cruise or even out of the United States. I have always wanted to go to the Bahamas, or any other island. I thought it was a great price and experience for me as a college student...”

Though the cruise is sold out, there will be another trip next winter break. Banholzer said, “The next major trip SAB will be planning will be for next year during the winter. No where is planned yet, we are opened for ideas.”

Catholic Centre reaches out to needy with Thanksgiving baskets

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This past Sunday, November 20th, Thanksgiving baskets for needy families were organized by the Catholic Centre and volunteers. Various items are donated to the Catholic Centre for Thanksgiving baskets to give to the needy including apple juice, canned goods, macaroni and cheese, and toilet paper for those in need. These various items that are contributed can vary from anywhere from. The

or five needy families. The sponsored families vary from an older woman who lives by herself to a single mother with four daughters. Even though Thanksgiving and Thanksgiving items are the main idea of the baskets, there is more than enough food for just Thanksgiving. “We want people to eat for at least a month; we don’t want to donate just for Thanksgiving.” senior Alyssa O’Donnell, a communication major and the vice president of the Catholic Center said.

After all of the food is col-

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NICOLE STEVENS
MU Freshman

basket items are from various locations such as the students of Monmouth University, local churches, and Delicious Orchards.

For the past six or seven years Thanksgiving baskets for the needy have been going around giving needy families baskets of food and other essential items. The Outreach Center at the university provides the names of the needy families to the Catholic Center. Each year, the Catholic Centre sponsors about four

lected and organized into baskets for each family, the Catholic Center delivers the baskets to the families themselves, adding a personal touch. When asked about the baskets for the needy, freshman Nicole Stevens, an education and history major, said, “It’s great to help out around the holidays. I’m sure many families will truly appreciate this food drive, all who donated, and all who helped at the Catholic Centre.”



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Go From Flab to Fab With 8 Diet Strategies That Really Work

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Everyone knows that a diet is difficult to maintain for a long period of time, but honestly girls it is the only means to obtaining your goal weight, unless you are at the gym five hours a day, four days a week, and let's face it getting a manicure is more fun. However, there are other ways one can lose weight, and still eat what he or she likes to indulge in such as chocolate cake. Instead of eating the entire cake have a slice and put the rest away. Portion control is the key and if you follow these eight strategies you will be in great shape, literally.

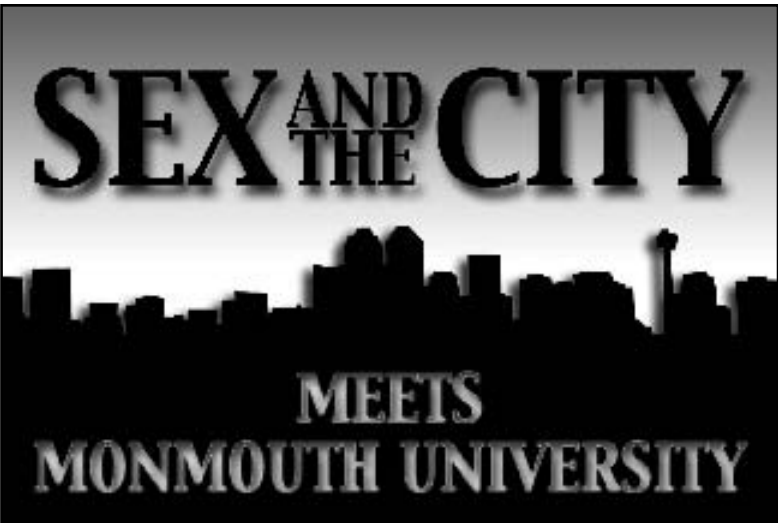
A helpful tip to beginner dieters is to begin each meal with a salad, and fill up on the veggies instead of the croutons and fattening dressing. One of the harshest truths of dieting is as you cut the calories; your metabolism decreases in an effort to hold on to fat. By choosing the right diet food, you can preserve that calorie-burning mechanism, and use it to your benefit. The key is to burn more calories with quality carbs. Next time you opt for turkey on white bread, switch to whole grain. New research from the Children's Hospital in Boston suggests that good fats and high-fiber carbohydrates could outwit a



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The first strategy and most important piece of information that is imperative, which you need to know are winning your diet war. Cutting-edge diet research is filled with hope and creative solutions for the most intractable weight loss predicaments. In order to have a successful diet, you need to be on a regimen that works for you and suits your dietary needs. Remember not every diet is right for you, and you need to choose the one that is. After you conquered the difficult part of half your battle, you will need to begin to cut your portions in half. The mantra less is more comes in handy here, because you will need to feel full on less. Several new studies indicate that choosing "smart calories" gives you a definite weight loss advantage. Instead of reaching for the Doritos's, snack on wheat thins, or cheese, which is a great source of protein. According to Gary Foster, Ph.D, a clinical director of the University of Pennsylvania's Weight & Eating Disorders Program, "by choosing different types of carbs, fats, and protein you can obtain different effects." If you really want to lose the weight and keep it off, it is recommended to incorporate nuts into your regimen. A recent study was conducted in which 52,000 overweight men and women followed a 1,000-calories-a-day diet for twenty-four weeks, and those who ate almonds at meals and snack time lost 18% of their body weight, while those who snacked on carbohydrate-based snacks only lost 11% of their weight. Researchers from the City of Hope National Medical Center in Duarte, CA, believe that the protein, fat, and fiber in almonds keep you feeling full longer. Another study that tested weight loss was conducted at Pennsylvania State University under nutrition expert Barbara Rolls, Ph.D. The results indicated that by reducing the calorie density of food, such as preparing macaroni and cheese with less butter and cheese, or by adding more veggies and less cheese to pizza actually cut 544 calories a day from the diets of 24 women aged 19 to 35. According to Rolls, "we eat roughly the same volume of food every day, and if you can reduce the calories by focusing on fruits and vegetables, you can keep the volume high and feel satisfied."

metabolic slowdown. Make certain that you are subtracting the high-glycemic foods when you add low-glycemic options, such as a banana or milk. Instead of gorging on chips substitute a handful of almonds instead. Another key ingredient to reaching your goal weight is exercising. Not only does exercise help you lose and maintain your weight, but it also decreases your risk for heart disease. University of Pittsburgh researchers recently discovered that dieting women who exercised five days a week for 50 to 60 minutes each time lost 15% of their body weight, which came to an incredible 23 pounds on average. However, the most obvious reason to exercise is the health benefits. Researchers at Cooper Institute have discovered that it reduces your risk for heart attacks, even if you are overweight. As you get older, the strength training will help prevent the natural loss of muscle density and the decrease in your metabolic rate as well. It is recommended that you eat lean meat, because by digesting more protein and fewer carbohydrates you will be able to shed more pounds. By eating skinless chicken, getting a good night's rest and practicing your yoga exercises can also help trim your waistline as well. Try to aim for a moderate portion of protein at each meal, and try to remain calm in stressful situations because it has been proven that stress can cause overeating. Physicians at the University of California, San Francisco have found that chronic stress increases the levels of cortisol, which leads to becoming overweight. Next time you feel your nostrils flaring, and your temperature rising, try to develop an inner sense of control that will allow you to eliminate the stress from controlling your life. After you have tried every diet known, and you still have not had success, then create a regimen that works for you. In other words you need to date your diet, and be fickle. Remember girls this is your body, and you will get out of it what you put in. If you really want to shed several pounds and this time willing to take extreme measures then simply follow these eight tips and you will be on your way to a newer and trimmer you.



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When it comes to matters of money, there are over a million people from which you can choose to hire someone to take care of your money for you. They are called financial analysts. They take a look at your previous money history, where you've invested it, for how long, etc. Then, they look at where you want to go with your money-do you need a short term investment plan or a long term, do you want to take more risk or less risk with your money? These people then plan out exactly how you should invest your money, so you make the most out of it. If you can find someone to take such good care of your money, why not your heart? What about a heart analyst? Most people, especially the young and hopeful, such as ourselves, would say that money does not equal success, they might even rather be happy than rich. So, for money, which does not necessarily equal happiness, there are tons analysts, people who spend their entire college career learning how to determine how to best invest money. However, for something like your heart or your relationships, which bring happiness no matter what (time period is what usually varies), there are no analysts. Wouldn't be awesome if someone could take a look at your previous relationship experience, where you want to go with your relationships, and then tell you how and with who to invest in your next relationship with? We try to learn from our previous money mistakes and not do the same, but if we can't, we can get someone who will guide us. Where is the help in something that actually means something, like relationships? Well, actually it could be out there. Everyone has seen them, match.com, perfectmatch.com, I believe even Yahoo! has its own personal meeting service. They promise to analyze you and your relationship needs and find you your perfect match. If we are all looking for that someone, why don't we sign up? Perhaps its because of the stigma that on-line dating has. If you can't meet Mr./Mrs. Right in person, out, how likely is it that you'll meet them on line? And even if you do meet someone who seems like Mr./Mrs. Right, what are the odds that they will actually turn out to be how they implied they were on line? A huge risk to take. In today's society, people see specialists for almost everything, half of them we can even see on line. You can see an eye, ear, foot,

tooth, back, nail, toe nail, lung, stock, bond, fitness, health, nutrition, math, cooking, specialist that can help you with any need you want. You can "see" a psychologist on line, you can look up your own symptoms and get an on line doctor to help diagnose yourself. We see specialists for everything, and do it on line. However, when it comes to matters regarding our heart, and not its health, we stay away from specialists. We just don't trust them. How can some random scientists/specialists hired by PerfectMatch.com actually analyze my heart, which I barely understand, and find me someone perfect for me? That sounds outrageous! It sounds outrageous because not everyone is signed up for something like that. So, of the limited number of people who actually sign up, the odds that your Mr./Mrs. Right have also chosen to sign up, can't be that high. But then I thought, well maybe if everyone did sign up, it might work. Then, you really could have an analyst going through everyone's personalities and relationship histories and preferences, and match them. It could happen then! But then I thought about my previous relationships. Fabulous and terrible, they were all different and all unplanned. Perhaps the best of them were those that crept up on me. Love isn't scientific, it's spontaneous and unplanned, uncalculated, and can't be understood. Americans try to define and industrialize everything, fix everything. You don't feel happy, see a psychologist or get yourself a drug! You think you're too fat, see a gym trainer or take a drug for that! There are people and companies trying to do the same with love; they are trying to standardize and solve the "love" factor of our lives through on line matching services. And the fact that Americans are rejecting this idea of seeing a relationship/heart specialist is an amazing feat. It means, that although we've become standardized, automated, and even workaholics, we haven't given up on love. Through everything, we still seem to believe that it's a random, magical feeling that can't be bottled, analyzed, or solved with an on line program. At such a young age, it appears that my relationships with boys are ending far more frequently than they begin. I don't wake up every day and automatically believe in love, but the realization that there are 1 million Americans out there that do wake up believing, shines an overpowering morning ray on the idea that love is out there for me, for us.

Love



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The Love Doctors Are In...
Wandering Eyes

Dear Lindsay & Suzanne,
It seems like I am attracting the wrong type of guys. I have noticed a continuing pattern among the guys I date. Every time a girl in a tight skirt walks by the guy I am with ogles her and makes a grunting noise, which I am not quite sure what that is about. How do I get him to notice me?

Sincerely,
Ugly Duckling

Dear Ugly,

The solution to your problem is not your weight size, or that your right arm is shorter than your left, it is simply to get back at him and make him feel insecure with his body. Next time you notice any man stare right through him as if you are going to burn a whole through him. Make your boyfriend jealous and look good doing it. Apply your make-up, wear clothes that fit you, and take pride in your appearance. As long as you are looking your best you will feel your best. By attracting the attention of other males the green-eyed monster will take over and he will stop looking at other women because suddenly your market value increased. If nothing you do seems to work, and the subtle hints you give are not getting through to him then slap him on the face, put a collar on him and pat him on the back like a puppy, in other words you need to train your man. Another issue that I find repulsive is when the guy you are with is ruminating about ex-girlfriends who supposedly resembled Cameron Diaz? If she was so attractive then why did you break up with her, (or perhaps she dumped you)? Make certain that you ogle every male with a criminal record and Harley, because it will make him wonder if he is not good enough for you. Thinking could never hurt a man, although he may get premature wrinkles on his forehead, which unfortunately won't be smart lines. The next time he arrives late to pick you up with a motorcycle thinking that was your attraction, tell him to fly off into the sunset alone, and maybe next time he will arrive time with flowers. Guys seem to think that the way to a girl's heart is to treat them like dirt then we need to do the same.

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Ninth annual Lip Sync competition

SAMANTHA YOUNG
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The Delta Phi Epsilon sorority hosted its ninth annual Lip Sync competition on November 16 at 10 p.m. in Pollak Theatre.

The stage was decorated with musical notes and bouquets of colorful balloons. Costumed performers were grouped in the aisles, anxiously awaiting their turn in the spotlight. The audience was abuzz with excitement and anticipation.

At 10:15 p.m., the show began. Lynsey White, president of Delta Phi Epsilon, took the stage to remind everyone of the cause behind the lip sync.

All of the proceeds from the event, which total \$1,300, will be given to cystic fibrosis, a genetic disease affecting approximately 30,000 children and adults in the United States.

“The Delta Phi Epsilon is nationally affiliated with the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation as our philanthropy and the Lip Sync is held every year so we can contribute to the foundation,” said White.

The hosts for the evening were Tina Iglesias, Vice President of Programming for Delta Phi Epsilon and Anthony Moscato of Theta Kappa Epsilon. In the front row sat the judges. Among them, Tyler Havens, Assistant Director of Student Activities for Greek Life and Greek Advisor, Katelyn McCook.

First act of the night was the Delta Phi Epsilon sisters, alluring the crowd with a remix of the songs “I Love Rock and Roll,” “Pon de Replay,” and Missy Elliot’s “Lose Control,” choreographed by sisters Marisa Scalfani and Cara Williamson.

Second to take the stage was Business Administration major, Erica Osterla, dancing to a medley of Britney Spears hits.

Third on the bill was Michael Hackett, emulating the late Ray Charles. This History and Education major experienced technical difficulties when the lyrics weren’t played through the speaker system.

Comic relief was found in the fourth act, when four Theta Xi

brothers took the stage, cloaked in women’s clothing, singing “Leader of the Pack.” During their performance, roars of laughter from the audience resonated throughout Pollak Theatre as the four brave souls donned high heels, capris pants and wigs.

A hard act to follow, the Zeta Tau Alpha sisters rose to the challenge. They took the stage in a routine resembling Diva’s Live. Jessica Simpson, Gwen Stefani, Mariah Carey and Madonna all took center stage in the form of different ZTA members. The performers’ lip syncing was greatly embellished by the lavish costumes and countless number of back-up dancers, working hard and putting on a great show.

Nearing the end of the show, the crowd was reinvigorated as last year’s defending champions, The Lovebirds, took their place under the lights. The high energy and intense physical exertion of the group was undeniable. Dancing their way through Outkast’s “Hey Ya,” Backstreet Boys’ “Backstreet’s Back,” the Jackson 5’s “One More Chance,” The Temptations’ “The Way You Do The Things You Do,” The Foundations’ “Build Me Up Buttercup” and ‘NSYNC’s infamous “Bye, Bye, Bye.”

The seventh act of the night was the MU Dance Team performing the cabaret hit, “Hey Big Spender.” Clad in black and red lingerie and using chairs as props, the eighteen girls on the team showed-off their talent, high-kicking and splitting in perfect synchronization.

The last two acts of the night were a Napoleon Dynamite impersonator and a man known simply as Sal, who also competed in MU Idol. After a rocky start, Sal ultimately won the crowd over with a Bruce Springsteen hit. The cheering and applauding only got louder when two female performers from other acts got up on stage and danced with him.

When all nine acts concluded, there was a 15 minute intermission in which a dance-off took place. As “Time of Your Life” came over the speakers both participants and audience members alike got onstage and entertained the rest of the patrons with their

dancing abilities. The \$10 cash prize for best dancer was given to none other than Sal.

As Tina and Anthony took the stage for the last time of the night, a hush fell over the theatre, while the winners were announced. Based on the overall lip sync, originality and creativity, the victors of this year’s contest was the MU Dance Team. Their hard work was rewarded with a \$100 prize. Second place, with a \$75 prize, were The Lovebirds, followed in third place by Theta Xi, won received \$50.

“We work really well together, we practiced three times a week for two and a half hours,” said Dance Team Co-Captain Lisa Urbanowicz, an English and Special Education major. There prize money will be put toward travel expenses. “We are going to Collegiate Level Nationals in Memphis, Tennessee on February 11,” she said.

Among the sponsors for the night were F&P Unlimited, University Subs, and W Hair Designs, all of whom donated \$75, \$50 and \$100, respectively.

All who were involved with the lip sync were pleased with the results.

“I think the quality of the shows were great. It takes a lot of courage for people to put themselves out there like that and it means a lot that they do so all to help out with Cystic Fibrosis,” said Iglesias.

To “keep the show moving, get the crowd into it, crack the eventual one liner and make sure that the acts knew when they were supposed to perform,” said co-host Moscato said of his responsibilities. It was a lot of fun and Delta Phi Epsilon’s organization of the event made everything go smoothly, he later said.

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Educator recognition

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Anthony Macdonald, the current Director for UCI, sees Gaffney as, “Instrumental in identifying a role for the Urban Coast Society as a part of the University’s plan.” “As a former Chief Oceanographer for the Navy and Member of the US Commission on Ocean Policy, President Gaffney provides the UCI with instant credibility,” said MacDonald. “President Gaffney worked with the UCI to establish Monmouth’s first “Ocean’s Hero Award” that was presented on October 6th to Admiral James Watkins, Chair of the US Commission on Ocean Policy, and the Honorable Leon Panetta, Chair of the Pew Ocean Commission. The President also took the lead in securing Congressional support for the UCI, and continues to provide guidance and be a vocal champion of the UCI efforts.”

President Gaffney ties the success of these programs to the efforts of his staff. “It is a set of projects like the Rapid Response Data Center, the Watershed Project

and the Urban Coast Institute all in the School of STE that helped,” said President Gaffney. “But also, great individual efforts of professors who are addressing important

research and technological education issues here at MU.”

Many students at Monmouth believe that Gaffney not only institutes good programs for the University, but that he has a concern for the well-fare of the student body. “He cares more about the students than the student’s care about themselves,” said senior Jeff Elisca.

“He’s a down to earth kind of guy despite his high position,” said sophomore Bob Danhardt. “He still has enough time to talk to you.”

According to President Gaffney, a strong leader is a person who enjoys their duties. “One must absolutely love, his or her job,” Gaffney said. He claims his favorite part of being President is the students he passes by on campus. “Yesterday, twice I was escorting VIPs on campus and students said hello or waved,” said President Gaffney.

“The VIPs were impressed; I was flattered.”

“I am proud of everyone here. In my job I get to tell the MU story many times every week,” said President Gaffney. “Every once in a while an organization (in our case, staff, faculty and students) needs to stop for a minute and reflect on the great job each part of the organization does. MU deserves to take that moment.”

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By Linda C. Black,
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The more old jobs you check off your lists this year, the better you'll be. You'll also get off much wealthier, a very nice fringe benefit.

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

Aries • (Mar. 21 - April 19) - Today is a 8
Figure out a strategy for spending money wisely. Give yourself a special reward, with all the money you save.\.

Taurus • (April 20 - May 20) - Today is a 8
You know what needs to be done. Get some help figuring out how. You'll do better if you include another point of view.

Gemini • (May 21 - June 21) - Today is a 6
Being well organized takes practice, and now's a great time to try. Any organizing at all that you do will be a big help.

Cancer • (June 22 - July 22) - Today is a 9
Talk it over with the people who mean the most to you. Earlier is better for planning. The action begins tomorrow, or late tonight.

Leo • (July 23- Aug. 22) - Today is a 8
There are things happening that would never have occurred to you. Listen carefully, but don't offer comments unless you're asked.

Virgo • (Aug 23 - Sept. 22) - Today is a 8
The objective is to have the skills you'll need, before you need them. That time is approaching rapidly, so practice!

Libra • (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23) - Today is a 7
Start by sorting and filing. Figure out what you have. Then, planning how to use it will be the fun part. There's enough.

Scorpio • (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) - Today is an 8
Be thinking about ways to improve your efficiency and increase your profits. You'll also get some pretty good ideas from a loved one. Ask.

Sagittarius • (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a 8
Don't expect others to come right out and tell you what they want. Figure that out and provide it, before you're asked.

Capricorn • (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) - Today is an 7
You don't have to tell everything you know. In fact, you shouldn't. Resist the temptation.

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- 1 Air problem
- 5 Century starter
- 10 Jessica of "Dark Angel"
- 14 Traditional bar mitzvah dance
- 15 Mild cigar
- 16 Natterjack
- 17 Angry states
- 18 Aldrin or Meese
- 19 Minute parasites
- 20 See 68A
- 23 Of the ear: pref.
- 24 Nice summer?
- 25 Ballerina Collier
- 27 "Polar Express" star
- 29 Tentacled mollusk
- 32 Ginger ____
- 33 European peak
- 35 Vert. bars on goods
- 36 Mislead: slang
- 37 See 68A
- 41 Half a 1987 Billy Idol hit
- 42 Telecast
- 43 P. Hearst's kidnappers
- 44 Banned insecticide
- 45 Examples of beefcake
- 47 Stravinsky and Sikorsky
- 51 Dog Star
- 53 1040EZ whiz
- 55 Ex-G.I.
- 56 See 68A
- 60 Photos
- 61 Market town
- 62 Rod's partner
- 63 ____noire
- 64 French river
- 65 Taking it easy
- 66 Yemen port city
- 67 Annual sports awards
- 68 Clue for 20A, 37A and 56A

DOWN

- 1 1862 battle site
- 2 "The Karate Kid" star
- 3 Crater Lake location
- 4 Deep cut
- 5 Bouquet

Two Dudes

THANKS FOR GETTING ME OUT OF THE HOUSE, DUDE.

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IT'S NICE TO GO OUT TO THE MOVIES FOR A CHANGE.

A College Girl Named Joe

SO HOW DID YOUR TEST GO? WHEN WILL YOU KNOW IF YOU PASSED OR NOT?

THEY POST THE GRADES AT THE END OF THE WEEK, SO I'LL FIND OUT THEN.

SO YOU'VE GOT SOME TIME TO GO OUT BEFORE FRIDAY?

I DON'T KNOW. MY SCHEDULE IS PRETTY FULL WITH ALL THE PRAYING UNTIL THEN.

HAD KNOX BY LOUIS CAPPOLA

So, let me get this straight. Knox thinks he's going to die?

AND HE'S ALSO DECIDED HE MIGHT AS WELL DRAG SOMEONE DOWN WITH HIM?

HEY... BUDDY...

THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE I WANT YOU TO KILL.

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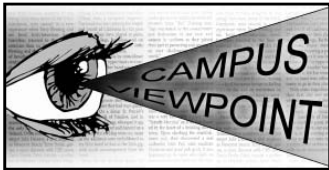
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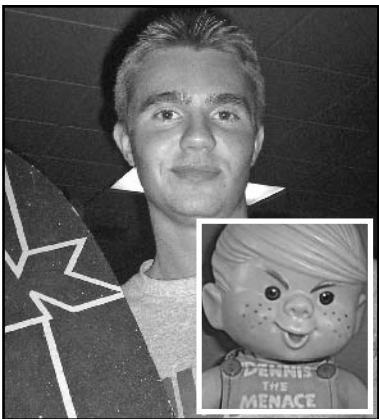
Laura
senior

“Going through customs in airports when I traveled to Austrailia, people thought I was Liv Tyler and asked for my autograph so I signed her name.”



Rashaun
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“I’m Rick James, b*tch...”



Dan
super senior

“Dennis the Menace.”



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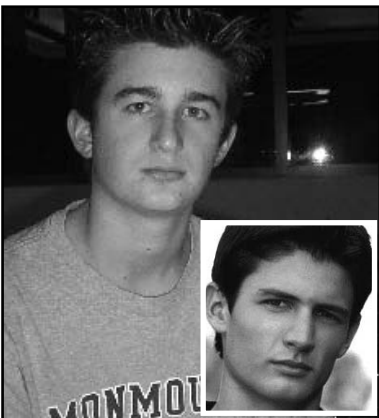
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“People think I look like Raven Simone.... but I don’t think so.”



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senior

“Mike from 112.”



Anthony
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“James Lafferty
(Nathan from *One Tree Hill*).”



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MU to the rescue

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There were times when it looked like the trip would not happen. Trotman spoke about the trials the team faced stating, “Then things began to fall apart and I was disappointed for the students, but I am so glad they were able to go in the end. I would have gone with them in a heartbeat.”

Dr. Trotman and Amanda Berger, another graduate student, would not give up on the idea. Dr. Trotman found a lead with an organization called Hands on USA, based out of Biloxi, Mississippi.

A meeting was planned for all interested and Berger, Kogos, Verderami and I attended. Unfortunately, in an 11th hour decision Berger was unable to attend. Commenting on the disappointment of her inability to participate, Berger said, “A really great group is going and I happy I was able to be a part of making it happen for them and the people they are going to help.”

The team of three drove over 20 hours to reach Biloxi. As we approached the area we knew we’d be able to see devastating remains of a hurricane that hit 13 weeks prior. But we had no idea to what extent the damage would be. Even an hour outside of Biloxi, broken trees and debris were visible along the interstate. After road closure delays we found our way to the volunteer center and received a warm welcome.

Shortly after arriving, the team was introduced to TC, who was thrilled at the idea of counseling students being available for the people of Biloxi.

Despite only being interns, he said, “It does not matter these people need to talk to anyone willing to listen. The training to bring to the table is a big help.”

TC took the crew around East Biloxi, showed us the destruction and devastation, and introduced us to some of the people displaced by the hurricane.

We all felt constantly overwhelmed by what we were seeing and hearing. One thing TC mentioned was that, “East Biloxi was forgotten long before the hurricane.”

It was sad to hear, yet an observable fact. This area of Biloxi was diverse yet impoverished. In the midst of poverty and destruction, East Biloxi is also home to many riverboat casinos, most of which are repaired and planning to reopen.

Simply seeing the town was overwhelming, but hearing the trials and tribulations of the people before and after the hurricane was more emotional than we anticipated.

“They so welcoming to us,” Verderami said when asked about her feelings before beginning work with the community. “I just want to let them know we’re here and they are not forgotten.”

Day 2 offered more in depth opportunities to work directly with the people of Biloxi. “They all are so grateful to see us and to talk to us about their experience,” Kogos commented on his expectation of resistance from the people. “Some share a lot with us right away, others are less willing to talk, but all of them are thankful and appreciative of our presence and that feels really good.”

The team encountered many different living situations and found people with diverse needs, many that were not being met. There are still many people who do not have proper shelter. Some are living in tents or in homes filled with mold, no heat, or electricity. We did not realize, as most people do not, that it is getting cold there at night. It is below 40 some evenings and these people have practically nothing to keep them warm.

“This experience has changed me forever. You can’t meet these people and talk with them and not be effected by their words,” said Verderami, who spoke about one man that she’ll never forget – Pastor Alvin Cook. “He talked to us and began to cry. He said he ‘didn’t feel human anymore’

and that volunteers like us came and gave their time to help him.

“He said, ‘they showed me love that I didn’t think existed in this world anymore because we don’t see it down here. They have given up so much to show us their love.’ I couldn’t help but cry as he looked at me with tears in his eyes and said thank you, and all I did was bring him water and listen.”

I met so many amazing people in such a short time. One woman, Inga, waited out the hurricane in her bathroom with her two small children. When the waters started rising, she had to stand on the back of the toilet and raise them over her head, so they could breathe. The waters got to be 9 ½ feet in under an hour.

There was another man, named Jack, who had practically nothing yet offered us some fresh shrimp and crab meat. He told us something he had admittedly never shared with anyone else, even with the two friends he sat on his porch with.

He said, “My saying to myself while I floated on that piece of roof was ‘devil, you’re not gonna steal my joy.’”

We were all so moved by the people we met. Their spirits just astounded us.

The team felt that just being there to listen and to show them that somebody cared about their story, their lives, and their experiences was enough of a therapeutic relationship to help these people. We all wished we could have stayed longer.

“There is so much work to be done here and so many wonderful people, I wish I could give more than just a week,” Verderami stated.

Kogos spoke for the group when he said, “The singleness of purpose, coupled with the plight of these people has changed his life forever.”

The team felt compelled to share their experience with others and we wanted to remind everyone that the hurricane may have come and gone, but the disaster is long from over.

The Hands on USA organization formed in 2004 after the Tsunami hit Southeast Asia. They are an organization of volunteers who do not require training or skills to help aid the victims of disasters. The organization willingly accepts anybody eager and able to work. Some days the work is hard physically, other days are trying emotionally, and some days it’s a lot of fun.

Darius Monsef, operations coordi-



PHOTO BY: Mandi Hardy

MU Volunteer Tierney Verderami provides Hurrican Katrina victims with donated supplies.

nator for Hands on USA, reminds people that many volunteers are college age.

“It’s a great way to spend a school vacation,” said Monsef. “We all have a good time together. It’s a great way to have fun and do something good

for others at the same time.”

Hands on USA will be phasing out of Katrina relief efforts in late January 2006, but welcomes any “willing bodies” before then.

For more information, visit their Web site at www.handsonusa.org.

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celebrities wear them: they're on Oprah's 2005 Favorite Things list, and *InStyle* magazine branded them 'in'. The comfort factor is also why these boots deserve bonus points. Meant to be worn without socks, the wool fleece inline of the boots is designed to mold to your feet and create cushion. Basically, they're glorified slippers you don't have to feel awkward about wearing in public.

CELEBRITIES & THEIR UGGS



LEONARDO DICAPRIO



SIENNA MILLER



BRITNEY SPEARS



GWYNETH PALTROW

The celebrity fad has turned into a Monmouth University cult. It seems as though M.U. students alone could keep UGG Australia in business. Around this time last year, the boots began to appear around campus in all their camel-colored glory. Worn with jeans -- either over them or tucked into them, UGGs were the 'it' item to strut your stuff in last fall/winter. If you didn't have them before winter break, it's likely you came back for the Spring 2005 semester with them in your possession. The weather is again turning chilly, and the boots have been removed from closets. They are still popular, so if you have them from last season, don't worry. You didn't just waste your money on a short-lived craze. You may even find yourself looking to buy another pair, since more colors and styles have been introduced. Whether your're for or against this UGG Australia epidemic you must admit, they're definitely a fashion trend that just cant be ignored.



BEACON, \$165



TASMAN, \$85



CLASSIC SHORT, \$120



HARBOR II, \$100

Some great people have come out of Australia. Olivia Newton-John, Mel Gibson, Heath Ledger, Naomi Watts, Nicole Kidman, and Russell Crowe have all graced the big screen and made a name for themselves within the United States. Does the name of Aussie Brian Smith ring a bell to you, though? Probably not. Does the name UGG mean anything to you? Most likely, the answer is yes. If you walk around Monmouth University for even five minutes on a chilly day, it would be safe to say that you have encountered a pair of UGGs.

Brian Smith is the man to thank for the UGG Australia epidemic on campus. Smith is the founder of this sheepskin boot and slipper enterprise that came about in 1978. A surfer himself, Smith knew he had to introduce his comfortable kicks to the United States market. While surfing in California, after his boots were already turned away in New York, Brian Smith found local surfers interested in the trendy sheepskin footwear. Now, more than 25 years into business, UGG Australia has booted rival, unoriginal footwear companies off the shelves.

So why all the fuss over UGGs? Perhaps half of the UGG Australia fascination is the fact that

WHAT M.U. THINKS OF UGGS

"UGGS CAN BE HOT AS LONG AS THE RIGHT GIRL IS WEARING THEM. MEANING, SHE HAS TO HAVE A CERTAIN SENSE OF STYLE."

JOSEPH DICRECCHIO
SENIOR



"THEY'RE TRENDY. BUT IF THAT'S ALL A GIRL IS WEARING, THEN THEY'RE SEXY."

DAN LIPTAK
SENIOR



"UGGS ON A WINTER DAY AT THE BEACH IN AUSTRALIA ARE FINE, BUT WEARING THEM WALKING AROUND CAMPUS IN THE FALL IS JUST WRONG."

ALLIE LOVENBERG
SENIOR



"I HATE THEM. AND WHEN GIRLS WEAR THEM TUCKED IN, I JUST WANT TO UNTUCK THEM AND BE LIKE 'WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?'"

NICK DENKER
JUNIOR



"THEY'RE CUTE, BUT TOO EXPENSIVE."

VANESSA GRUSZKA
SENIOR



"UGGS DON'T MAKE GIRLS ATTRACTIVE AT ALL. DO THEY EVEN REALLY KEEP THEIR FEET WARM? AND THEY ONLY GO WITH SKIRTS, SO A GIRL WOULD HAVE TO WEAR A SKIRT WHEN ITS COLD ENOUGH FOR UGGS. BUT WHY WEAR A SKIRT IN THE WINTER?"

MATT FRANGIONE
FRESHMAN



"UGGS ARE ABSOLUTELY ADORABLE, ESPECIALLY WHEN WORN WITH A MINI SKIRT."

KELSEY GABRIEL
SENIOR



"I THINK UGGS ARE REALLY CUTE WHEN GIRLS WEAR THEM WITH THEIR JEANS TUCKED IN. THEY LOOK MORE FASHIONABLE ON GIRLS, BUT IF A GUY WANTS TO STAY WARM BY WEARING THEM, THAT'S COOL TOO."

GINA ABRAMO
JUNIOR



"THEY'RE EXPENSIVE SLIPPERS THAT LOOK GOOD ON THE FLOOR NEXT TO JESSICA SIMPSON'S BED."

JASON ADDESSO
SENIOR

New bachelor degree

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She added that after that she talked with the Dean of the Business school, they then assembled the program.

Dean Frederick Kelly, of the School of Business Administration, said that he was approached by Gac-Artigas about the idea and at first the idea of developing the program as a dual degree was a possibility. However, that idea was dismissed due to the fact it would have been about a 150 credit program. Instead it was designed as an “integrated program” according to Dean Kelly.

Professor Gac-Artigas said that the curriculum for this new bachelor’s degree will combine the curriculum required for the Spanish and international business degrees.

“It would entail the curriculum for the international business program and the Spanish major...They will complete both curriculums in four years,” she explained.

Dean Kelly further explained that the curriculum is divided into four main parts. They are the general university requirements, regular business core courses, basic Spanish courses, and a series of courses in Spanish and international business that have been designed for specifically this curriculum.

Examples of the new courses include Business in Latin America, marketing to Hispanic community, and management practices and techniques in Latin America.

“We will also be encouraging

students to do a semester abroad program,” said Dean Kelly. “We think it will be beneficial for students.”

Professor Gac-Artigas said that even though the degree will not be available until next fall, current Monmouth students can still declare that as their major.

“Students that are already at Monmouth can still declare that major because some of them are already taking the Spanish courses or are in the business school,” said Gac-Artigas.

Both Professor Gac-Artigas and Dean Kelly said that students who become enrolled in this new degree will learn many skills.

“Language, how to do business in Spanish-speaking countries, the culture of those countries, the geography and history of those countries through the Spanish department. In the business area, they will learn the ways in which international business is done,” said Professor Gac-Artigas.

She also stated, “They will be very competitive with this degree.”

Dean Kelly said that in addition to learning the basic business and language skills, he said that students will learn to “be good listeners, good communicators.”

“We expect students to have learned how to work with a different culture,” he said.

This new undergraduate program will also have many advantages for students studying Spanish and international business.

“It opens a lot of possibilities for students to get jobs with in the marketing area, financial, all areas

that cover the business and they will be learning how to do business in Spanish speaking countries which is very important,” she said. “It is very important to know language and how business is done in those countries.”

Dean Kelly said that because the Hispanic community is rapidly growing, “it will give students graduating from our program a clear ability to work with those communities as well as the overseas communities.”

Because of the implementation of this bachelor’s degree in the University, Professor Gac-Artigas said, “It puts us at a position that we outstand in front of our peer institutions.”

Dean Kelly had a similar comment.

“It already increased the visibility of the University...It is a unique program,” said Dean Kelly. “[There is] a high expectation that we will be rendering a really good service to the New Jersey business community through this program in terms of our graduates.”

Professor Gac-Artigas and Dean Kelly have big hopes for this program in terms of its success.

“I hope that this program will increase numbers of majors in languages. I hope it will increase also the amount of students who come to Monmouth,” said Professor Gac-Artigas.

“I hope that we meet what I think our objectives are of delivering a high quality program to students who will have very marketable skills,” said Dean Kelly of his hopes for the new bachelor’s degree.

Students assist in biology research

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“In this condition testicular torsion what happens is in males, usually adolescent males, the testis rotates around itself which cuts off blood flow and oxygen supply to that organ.”

“If that is not reversed quickly then typically, in most boys and most men, it causes cell death inside the organ and that can lead to infertility or complete absence in fertility in some cases,” he said.

According to Dr. Palladino, this occurrence is “spontaneous.”

There are many controversies that lie in what should be done for this condition.

“We’re trying to understand what proteins are involved in this damage,” Dr. Palladino explained.

Three Monmouth University Biology majors will be assisting Dr. Palladino in his research.

Jonathan McNamara, a Monmouth Biology major, said participating in the research is a good opportunity in gaining experience for his future profession.

“The research grant awarded to Dr. Palladino enables students such as myself, to conduct research in the area of molecular biology,” said McNamara.

“As a Biology major with a goal of entering the field of research/medicine, the knowledge I obtain is priceless and will contribute to my overall educational experience at Monmouth.”

Preethi Pirlamarla, a junior Biology major with a concentration in

molecular cell physiology, commented on working on the research project.

“I greatly enjoy working in the lab on Dr. Palladino’s project. The work involved in the research is extremely interesting, and I have gained a tremendous amount of insight into the field of microbiology while working here,” said Pirlamarla. “It has been a very wonderful and rewarding experience.”

Students participating in the research project will as well “receive experiential education credit.”

“The nice thing about this grant is that it not only provides for the equipment and supplies that we need to do the research, but it also pays the students who are working a summertime stipend to be in the laboratory working on the project,” said Dr. Palladino.

The research will be performed on campus in “state of the art molecular biology labs.”

Overall, Dr. Palladino explained the goals he hopes will be achieved through the research of the genes and proteins that will be studied during the project.

He said, “By studying the genes and proteins that we study, it may be possible in the future for people to develop diagnostic tools to identify if tissue is really damaged,” which will lead to a more accurate diagnosis and also “develop treatments.”

“This grant is really designed to understand what proteins and genes respond to the changes in oxygen and how they affect the damaged tissue,” he added.

Fall 2005 Writing Proficiency Examination (WPE)

The Writing Proficiency Examination will be offered next on
Thursday, December 15, 2005, from 9:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and
Friday, December 16, 2005, from 5:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Check-in for the December 15th exam will begin at 8:45 a.m.
Check-in for the December 16th exam will begin at 4:15 p.m.

Check-in for both exams will be held in the lobby of Pollak Theatre.

Eligibility Requirements for the Exam

- In general, you are eligible to take the December 2005 WPE if and only if you meet all three of the following conditions:**
- 1. you are a current student at the time of the exam** (that is, you have a start date that falls before the date of the exam),
 - 2. you have previously completed EN 101 and EN 102 or their equivalents** (such as transfer equivalencies or Credit by Examination), **and**
 - 3. you have not previously attempted the WPE.**

Requirements for Attempting the Exam

The mandatory **reading set** for the WPE will be available at the University Bookstore for a minimal fee, beginning Wednesday, November 30, 2005. Before the exam, students must purchase and read the reading set, and must bring it to the examination.

In order to be admitted to the WPE, students must present a **Monmouth University Student Identification Card**. If you do not have an ID, you may obtain one at the ID Center, located in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center.

Resources for Preparing for the Exam

To prepare for the examination, students should pick up and read the Writing Proficiency Requirement **Preparation Manual**, available for no charge at the Writing Office (Wilson Annex Room 510) or online at <http://bluehawk.monmouth.edu/~eng/wpr.pdf>.

The Writing Office will offer **three information sessions** about the WPE at which the format and expectations of the exam are explained and at which you can ask questions in person. The sessions will be held on Thursday, December 1, from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, December 7, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.; and Monday, December 12, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. All sessions will be held in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, room 202B.

CLUB and GREEK

SISTERS! We did it! Thursday = ama-xi-ing! If only we could have “quietly reflected” a few minutes (that’ll never happen!). Congrats H.S., A.Q., N.M., M.D., A.B., M.F., N.P., S.M., J.P., J.H., D.M., J.B., K.T., J.O.!! THANK YOU Jenn and Jade for putting up with the “new girls” nerves!! S.I.G. is all grown up!! Praise Patrick!

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Hunger To Help

HASAN MEMON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Robert Foose, a Monmouth senior, was the winner of the Hunger For Help food eating contest. The contest consisted of three rounds: Marshmallows, Pasta and 15 Cupcakes. Foose claimed his domination in the eating contest from the start by finishing two bags containing 40 Marshmallows each in under 5 minutes. He held on to his lead by devouring five giant bowls of pasta in under eight minutes. He then grabbed victory by eating fifteen cupcakes in under ten minutes. He was given a crown, a ribbon, gift certificates, and a trophy gift basket full of food. "I have had a lot of practice," said Foose.

"We didn't think it would get this big...we had alot of help from a lot of volunteers."

JEN MORAN
MU Junior

Hunger to Help started as a project for a class in Small Group Communications, but quickly snowballed into a major event. Monmouth Junior Jen Moran, one of the organizers of the event, said "We didn't think it would get this big...we had a lot of help from a lot of volunteers." The event was organized by Monmouth Sophomore Kim Green, Moran, Monmouth senior Allyson Sproul, and Monmouth Junior Indira Jagoo. Hunger To Help was a charity fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House charities. Ronald McDonald house. The organizers of the event were very thankful to Robert Foose and his Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho to support Hunger For Help.

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Hawks finish 1-2 in the Carrs/Safeway Great Alaska Shootout

PRESS RELEASE

Senior co-captain Tyler Azzarelli led Monmouth to an 80-68 win over Southern Illinois University in the opening round of the Carrs/Safeway Great Alaska Shootout last Thursday evening at Sullivan Arena in Anchorage, Alaska.

Azzarelli, who was tabbed the Carrs/Safeway Player of the Game, tallied a game-high 22 points as he hit 6-of-9 from the field, including 3-of-4 from 3-point range.

Monmouth held a 32-31 lead at halftime after they closed out the half with a 13-3 run to erase a 28-19 deficit, Southern Illinois' largest lead of the game. The run was keyed by back-to-back 3-point field goals by Azzarelli and Dejan Delic and Whitney Coleman closed the deal with a 3-point field goal and jumper.

Southern Illinois briefly held the lead twice in the second half. The Salukis' final edge was 38-36 with 16:21 remaining in the game before the Hawks went on a 15-2 run over the next 4:01 to give the Hawks a 51-40 lead.

Monmouth's shooting was uncanny in the second half as the Birds hit 12-of-16 (75.0 percent) from the field and 22-of-27 (81.5 percent) from the free throw line.

Azzarelli led all scorers with 22 points. Delic posted 19 points and led Monmouth with seven assists and added six rebounds.

The very next night, in the second round of the Carrs/Safeway Great Alaska Shootout, the Hawks squandered a 17-point second half lead and dropped a 62-56 decision to Southeastern Conference foe University of South Carolina at Sullivan Arena.

The Blue and White opened up a 42-25 lead with 16:00 remaining in the game, but an 18-2 run that featured three 3-point field goals by the game's leading scorer Tarence Kinsey.

South Carolina grabbed the lead for the first time in the second half six minutes later as Kinsey logged a dunk off an assist by Tre' Kelly,

giving the Gamecocks a 52-50 edge.

Monmouth recaptured the lead briefly when Dejan Delic logged a 3-point field goal, staking the Blue and White to a 53-52 lead, but South Carolina scored the next eight points to pull away to a 60-53 lead.

Monmouth, playing without senior co-captain Tyler Azzarelli who had appeared in all 92 games since his arrival in West Long Branch, including 90 consecutive starts at point guard, took a 33-20 lead at the intermission as five different Hawks sank 3-point field goals and Delic went 6-of-6 from the charity stripe.

Monmouth's defense caused 10 South Carolina turnovers and held the Gamecocks to 0-of-7 shooting from 3-point range in the first half.

Delic led the Hawks with 17 points and Whitney Coleman contributed 10 points.

South Carolina's Kinsey led all scorers with 22 points. Brandon Wallace registered a double-double with 10 points and 14 rebounds. Renaldo Balkman supplemented the attack with 14 points.

Finally, against Oral Roberts, who many considered the tournament favorite coming in, Oral Roberts jumped out to a 19-point lead midway through the first half against and was able to overcome multiple Hawk rallies and a down game from their leading scorer Caleb Green to take a 62-54 win.

Monmouth limited Green to nine points including just two in the second half.

The Golden Eagles jumped out to a 25-6 lead within seven minutes. But the Hawks responded with a 16-5 run over the final seven that was capped by a 40-foot buzzer beater by Mike Shipman to pull within 30-22.

After the Monmouth run, Oral Roberts opened the second half with a three-minute 9-4 run to go up 39-26 but the lead would be the biggest of the half for the Golden Eagles.

The Hawks made numerous

Caporaso, Lyles lead Hawks

Both men and women finish 24th overall

ALEXANDEDR TRUNCALE
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Monmouth University Hawks cross-country team took place in the NCAA Regional meet this Saturday. Both the men and women finished twenty-fourth overall in there respective fields.

The women's team was led by Malia Lyles, who continued her standout season by finishing 49th overall, the second best finish by a Monmouth runner at the event. Tara Losito finished 47th overall back in 2002. Lyles' time of 21:58 was also the second fastest at Lehigh's six mile course. "Malia ran very well," said coach Joe Compagni.

The next runner to finish for Monmouth was Jessica Jones, who came in 145th. She was followed by Nayda Pirela (161st), Melissa Vientos (163rd) and Asha Arneith (165th). Katina Alexander, Monmouth's top runner this year,

was injured during the race and did not finish. "She was dehydrated," Compagni said.

On the men's side, the Hawks were led by Matt Caporaso, who

"We had some individual performances that were tremendous."

JOE COMPAGNI
Head Coach

ran the ten kilometer course in 32:45. On his performance, Caporaso commented, "It was a big improvement for me since last year, but I kind of wanted to do better. As a whole our team didn't

do very well, but we intend to make up for it at the IC4A Championships at Van Cortland Park this Saturday."

Other Monmouth finishers included Ryan Madrid (132nd), Steven Chennells (139th), Randy Hadzor (145th) and Dustin Coleman (146th).

"We were not happy with our team finish," said Compagni, but added, "We had some individual performances that were tremendous."

On the women's side, Princeton won the overall event. Villanova and Georgetown finished second and third, respectively. On the men's side, Georgetown won while American University finished second and Princeton finished third. Next week, the Hawks run one final time for the 2005 season, traveling to Van Cortlandt Park in New York City to compete in the ECAC/IC4A Cross Country Championships.

mini-runs but Oral Roberts had an answer each time.

Monmouth was not leaving Alaska without a fight, though. A Marques Alston lay-up capped a 6-2 Hawks run to make it 57-52 with 1:18 left but the Golden Eagles went 5-of-8 at the line to seal the win.

Corey Hallett overcame a second-half spill on the sideline to score 12 of his game-high 20 points for the Hawks.

Marques Alston chipped in 12 points and Whitney Coleman finished with nine for Monmouth.

Notes: Southern Illinois is ranked #9 in the College Insider Mid-Major poll and has reached the NCAA Tournament in each of the four years, including a second round appearance in 2005.

The South Carolina game was the Hawks' first non-NEC championship game to be televised on ESPN or ESPN2.

Monmouth was the first team in NEC history to participate in the Great Alaska Shootout.

The Hawks have a week to rest upon their return to New Jersey before taking on the Rider Broncos in their home opener on Saturday night.

... every team has players that contribute to success without always receiving headline recognition...sometimes one play or player can change a game, or someone enjoys personal success under the radar, for them we recognize...






































The Outlook Unsung Hero of the Week



Tyler Azzarelli

Hawks guard, and senior co-captain Tyler Azzarelli, had a career game in the first round of the Carrs/Safeway Great Alaska Shootout, as the Hawks upset Southern Illinois. Azzarelli finished with 22 points, and was 3-4 from 3 point range before leaving with a foot injury in the 2nd half.

Outlook's Weekly NFL Picks - Week 13

	Away	Atlanta Falcons	Buffalo Bills	Dallas Cowboys	Cincinnati Bengals	Minnesota Vikings	Washington Redskins	Denver Broncos	New York Jets
	Home	Carolina Panthers	Miami Dolphins	New York Giants	Pittsburgh Steelers	Detroit Lions	St. Louis Rams	Kansas City Chiefs	New England Patriots
 <div>Eddy (5-3 Last Wk) (45-27 Overall)</div>									
 <div>Craig (5-3 Last Wk) (38-34 Overall)</div>									
 <div>Lauren (6-2 Last Wk) (36-36 Overall)</div>									
 <div>Alex (6-2 Last Wk) (47-25 Overall)</div>									

Women's Basketball

Hawks drop pair of games to St. John's, Lehigh

CRAIG D'AMICO
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Following a 50-44 loss to Delaware State and an 88-79 victory over Navy in the season opening FAU Tip-Off Classic, the Monmouth Hawks women's basketball team returned to New Jersey for the first time since their 75-68 loss to Quinnipiac in last year's NEC Quarterfinals.

The Hawks welcomed in the St. John's Red Storm for a Thanksgiving eve home opener last Wednesday night. The Storm comes from the powerful Big East, which has five top 25 teams and had eight teams finish with a winning record last year, including Louisville and DePaul who come over this season.

Last year the Red Storm finished with 20 wins for the first time in 17 years, and made it to the second round of the WNIT tournament.

With most of their starters returning from last years team, the Storm jumped out to a 13-2 lead just minutes into the game. But through forcing turnovers and finally settling down, the Hawks were able to draw within two points, at 21-19 with eight minutes to play in the first half. That would be as close as they would get.

St. John's went on a 24-0 run to close the first half. They were led by Danielle Chambers, who had her feast a day early on the glass, by wrapping up 12 rebounds by halftime, including eight on the offensive glass which led to second and third chance opportunities. The run would eventually extend into half number two, and grow to a 29-0 run, before Brianne Edwards scored on a lay-up.

Despite trailing 45-19 at the break, there was no quit in the Hawks as they kept fighting. They

actually outscored St. John's in the second half 30-27, and shot much better, 43 percent as opposed to 30 percent in the first half, something to build on for their game against Lehigh and for conference tests down the road.

Senior Niamh Dwyer, the reigning NEC Player of the Week following only the second triple double in school history against Navy, led the Hawks for the second straight game with 13 points. LaShaunda Merriweather had a career high 12 points off the bench, her first points of the season after being shut out in Florida.

Besides Dwyer's 13, the Hawks starters struggled against the Storm, as they combined for only two field goals, and nine points. Dwyer has over 900 career points in 60 starts

which led to easy second chance buckets for Lehigh. Rebounding has been a problem for the Hawks, as they have been significantly outrebounded in all three losses this season. Also, Mountain Hawk Sara Ellis heated up from downtown, drilling six first half three pointers.

In the second half, Lehigh was able to pull away, as the Hawks went on one of their scoring droughts that have become a trend in their three losses. They were held scoreless for the last five minutes against Del St., the final eight minutes of the first half against St. John's, and went six minutes without scoring midway through the second half against Lehigh.

Ellis tied a career high with 26 points, and nailed eight three pointers on the evening, as Lehigh defeated the Hawks 64-45.

Dwyer struggled from the field, shooting 3-17 and finishing with nine points; however things the box score won't show was that she was very aggressive on defense and set up her teammates to score with some brilliant passes, as she finished with seven assists.

Nyaimah Ware led the team with 10 points, and Rachel Ferdinand, who celebrated a birthday on Tuesday, finished with six points and had a great game defensively in leading the Hawks with three steals.

With the losses, the Hawks drop to 1-3 on the young season. They will host Princeton on Thursday night at Boylan Gym in a rematch of last year's opener that the Hawks dropped in overtime 57-52.

With the Hawks up by three, Tigers then-junior, Katy O'Brien, made a three pointer from the right corner as regulation expired to send the game into the bonus session.

There was no quit in the Hawks as they kept fighting. They outscored St. John's in the second half 30-27.

for the Hawks, and needs just six points in Monmouth's next game against Princeton to move up to 14th on Monmouth's all time points list. The Hawks bench poured in 27 points. Monmouth's last win over a Big East school came back in 1987.

The Hawks got out to a much better start on the road, on Monday, at Lehigh University. Monmouth was able to jump out to an early lead, and hold that lead for the majority of the first half.

The game was tied at 24 all with four minutes remaining in the first half, when the Mountain Hawks went on an 8-2 run, to take a six point lead into the locker room.

The most eye opening first half stat was that the Hawks were outrebounded 25-3 in the first half,

Hawks freshman Whitney Coleman honored as the NEC Rookie of the Week

PRESS RELEASE

Monmouth University freshman Whitney Coleman (Salem, Conn./East Lyme (St. Thomas More Prep) was named Choice Hotels NEC Rookie of the Week, as the Northeast Conference office announced its weekly award winners on Monday afternoon. Coleman started in two of the Hawks' first four contests this week as they opened 1-3 on the 2005-2006 campaign. This marks the first time a Hawks' player received this honor since junior forward Marques Alston (Neptune, N.J./Neptune) in 2003.

The freshman guard made a stellar debut in the Blue and White's 70-66 opening game loss to the University of San Francisco. Coleman came off the



bench to net 11 points on 4-of-6 shooting from the field. He also had two assists, a block, and a steal.

At the Great Alaska Shootout, Coleman started two of the three games, as the Hawks were without senior co-captain Tyler Azzarelli (Tampa, Fla./H.B. Plant) after an injury in the opening win against Southern Illinois.

In the 80-68 win over the Salukis, Coleman came off the bench to contribute eight points, seven boards, two assists and two steals.

After the injury to Azzarelli, Coleman got the starting nod in the Hawks' next two contests in the tournament. In the 62-56 loss to Southeast Conference power South Carolina, he tallied 10 points and two assists in 32 minutes of action.

He netted nine more points, a rebound and a steal in a 62-54 defeat at the hands of Oral Roberts.

Monmouth finished in fourth place at the Great Alaska Shootout last week, posted a 1-2 record in the eight-team tournament.

The Hawks knocked off Southern Illinois in the opener on Thursday, 80-68, then fell to South Carolina in a semifinal game televised on ESPN2, 62-56, and Oral Roberts in the third place game, 62-54.

For the week, Coleman averaged 9.5 points and 2.0 rebounds while shooting 56.0 percent (14-25) from the floor, 62.5 percent (5-8) from beyond the arc and 83.3 percent (5-6) from the charity stripe.

Monmouth returns to action on Saturday night, when the Hawks host in-state rival Rider University at 7 p.m. at Boylan Gym.

Last season, the Broncos were able to come away with a victory at Rider, this year they will meet at Monmouth.

Rider promoted assistant coach Tommy Dempsey to Interim head coach this season as eight-year coach Don Harnum works as Riders' Interim Director of Athletics.





PHOTO BY Jim Reme
Niamh Dwyer has led the Hawks in scoring in two of the four games played this season, and will lead the Hawks into a rematch against Princeton from last year's season opening, overtime loss, on Thursday night at Boylan Gym..

2005-2006 Monmouth Hawks Basketball at Boylan Gym



**Thursday, December 1st - 7pm
Women's Basketball**

**(2-2) Princeton Tigers vs.
(1-3) Monmouth Hawks**

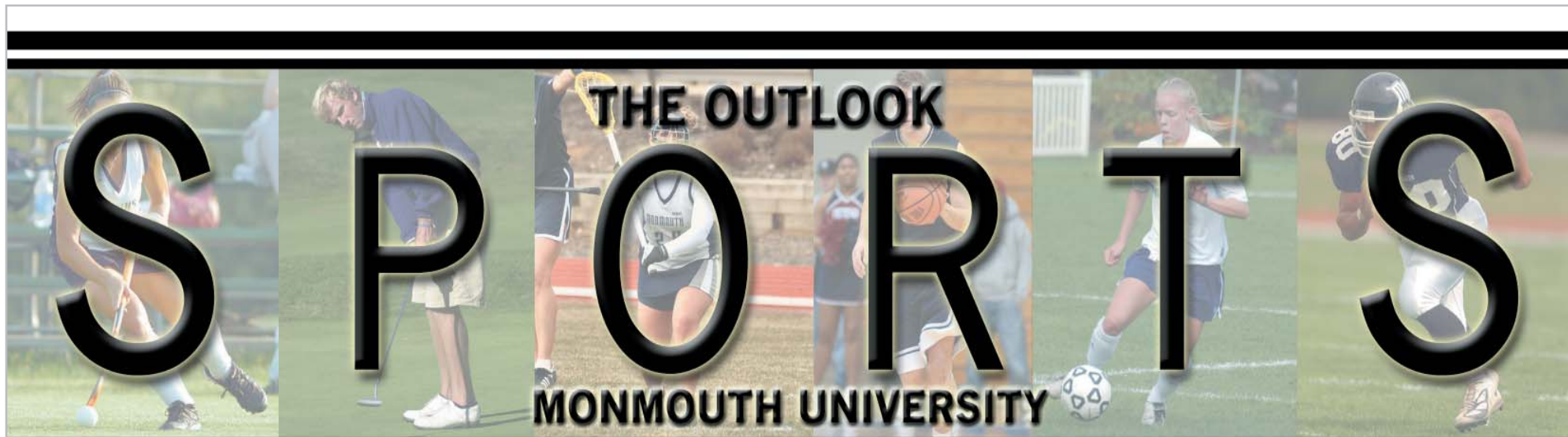


**Saturday, December 1st - 7pm
Men's Basketball (Home Opener)**

**(2-2) Rider Broncos vs.
(1-3) Monmouth Hawks**

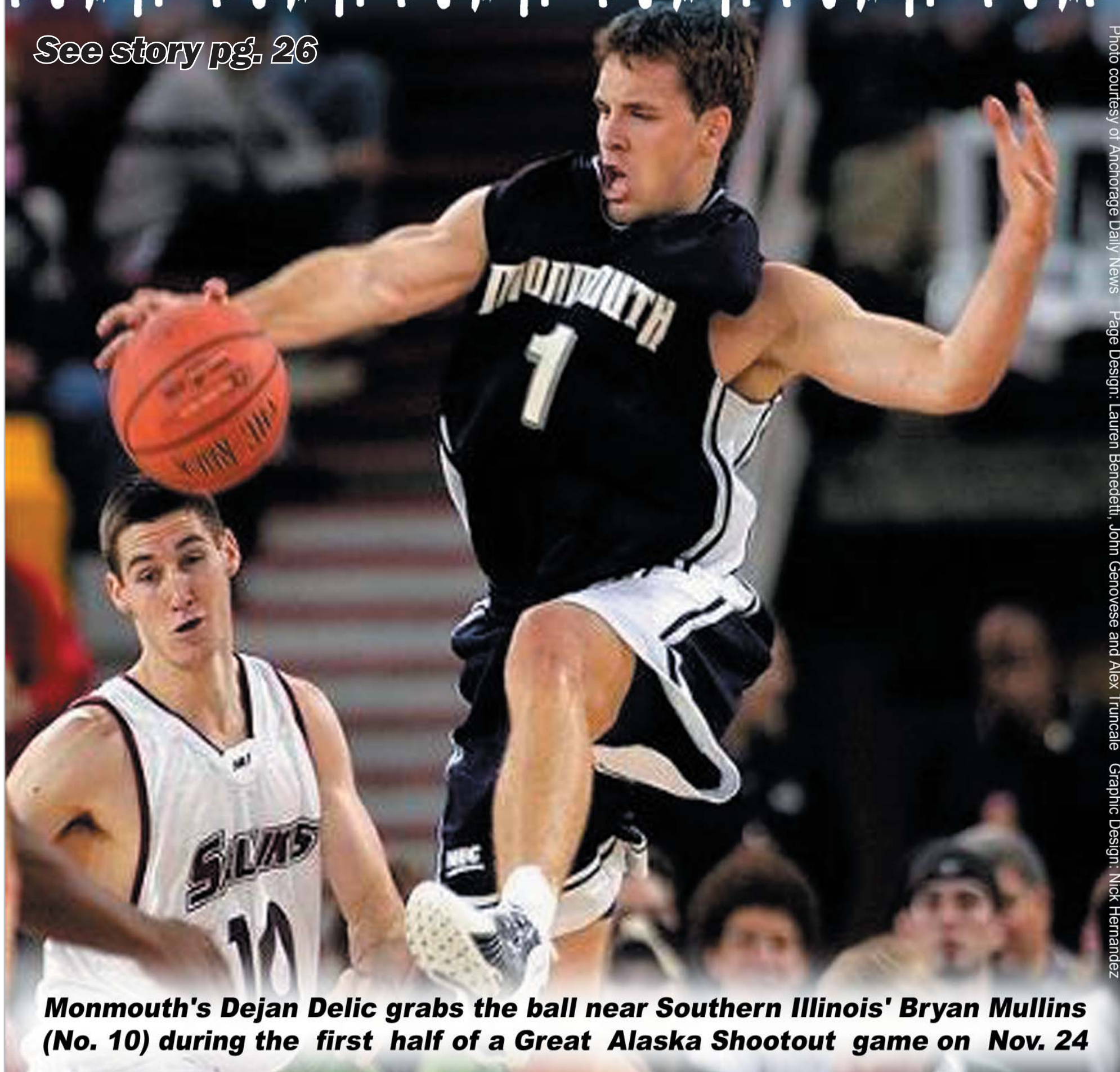


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Monmouth's Dejan Delic grabs the ball near Southern Illinois' Bryan Mullins (No. 10) during the first half of a Great Alaska Shootout game on Nov. 24