

SGA Event Funding Policy Updated

ASHLEY CHANDLER CONTRIBUTING WRITEI

Monmouth University's Student Government Association (SGA) has made the process simpler for student clubs and organizations to receive special event level it falls under. funding.

Due to the exceeding number of requests for funding towards student clubs and organizations, SGA President Brandon Bosque and Finance Chair Aaron Griswold have simplified the process of receiving money towards special trips and events.

While the differences are subtle, they do make an impact on both the organizations and SGA.

In the past, the SGA finance chair was only authorized to judge special event funding requests up to \$999. Any amount higher than this must go before tain, senior Lisa Urbanowicz, the senate at SGA meeting times to be decided.

Because of the increasing number of requests for higher amounts of money, the finance chair's limitation has been doubled to \$2,000. Little to no requests under \$1,000 were being made, leaving the finance chair will nothing to judge, and SGA meetings flooded with requests.

Now, a secondary meeting has

tween \$2001 and \$4000, the average amount of requests. All requests over this amount will go before the senate for decisions. The student group making the requests is still welcome to present their requests no matter which

"The old policy was outdated in terms of numbers," said SGA President Brandon Bosque. "As in our society, inflation causes us to see if our numbers are practical or workable in terms of the dollar amount limits."

The new policy has made it easier for the senate to allocate money to clubs and organizations that need it. While the changes are more focused on the management of SGA, the student groups are finding that their requests are being heard more efficiently.

Monmouth Dance Team Capsaid, "Although dance team hasn't utilized the new policy yet, we plan on doing so in the near future. But, it's good to hear that when we do, it will be processed in a quicker way."

While Bosque thinks the revised SGA policy is at its best now, he still believes that the event funding, in general, can always be improved.

"Of course, ideally we would mittee to decide on requests be- they request, but the pool of mon- tions.

ev is limited. If we can get a bigger budget through the university to help out more clubs it would be better," said Bosque.

SGA is in the process of finding more funds for the student organizations. According to Bosque, SGA receives the same amount of money every year from the Student Comp Fee to allocate for special event funding.

Although more and more clubs and organizations are forming and attempting to receive money from the special event fund, SGA continues to receive the same amount of money each year to allocate from the University. New clubs and organizations are attempting to gain a small amount of money, and those that have received in the past are now asking for more.

'We are working with the Board of Trustees and the Vice President of Student Services to help us get a bigger 'pie' to 'feed' everyone to satisfaction, which is our ultimate goal," said Bosaue.

The new policy has not only smoothed and simplified the process of receiving money for special event funding, but has also opened doors towards a higher goal of receiving more money from the University to spend on been made for the finance com- like to give everyone the amount the student clubs and organiza-

Lack of Physical Education Major Sparks Questions

MARYKATE WALSH CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Currently at Monmouth University, there is no physical education major offered and the thought of implementing one seems to be controversial among department heads and students.

Many students, especially student athletes, come to Monmouth unsure of which career they are

P.E. degree the student pursuing the major would double major in Health Studies and Education.

For Brittany Gibbs, a sophomore at Monmouth University, the idea of becoming a P.E major has just recently come to mind.

According to the information that the Education Department needs to be more communication has given Gibbs, "there is abso- so people like me can understand

about health, in order to obtain a there is a possible way in which a P.E degree can be achieved.

So when Gibbs was asked how she feels about being given the run around by different departments she explained, "I feel like the departments are unorganized and that there is a lack of communication between the two. There

National Broadcasting Society Honors Students



PHOTO COURTESY of Pamela Kneiphe

A few of the NBS members from L-R: Jerri Sirotiak, Rick Meeker, Frankie Morales, and Pamela Kneipher at the **Regional Convention.**

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At the 2007 National Broadcasting Society Freedom States Regional Convention, which was held from November 9th-11th at Bloomsburg University, a group of communication majors here at Monmouth, won a variety of awards in the electronic media categories.

The students were awarded first place in ten categories and six honorable mentions. The convention is open to colleges and universities from New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Vermont, Rhode Island, Delaware and New Hampshire. The Monmouth University Chapter of the NBS is co-advised by faculty members Chris Cavallaro, co-advisor for Hawk TV and Aaron Furgason, advisor for WMCX.

Cavallaro said, "The purpose of NBS is to bring students together from around the country, who all have a common interest

best work in several different audio and video categories. I look forward to seeing how well they do at the National convention,' notes Furgason.

One of the winners, senior Jerri Sirotiak noted, "The convention was really great. We got to meet a lot of professionals in the fields of television and radio. I feel honored to have won these awards. Now I'm just looking forward to Nationals and working on more submissions." Sirotiak won first place in two categories: Music Video and Audio Feature Segment. Senior Joseph Belfer tied with Sirotiak for first place in the Audio Feature Segment category.

"As an audio production teacher, it's so gratifying and underscores our program. We're very proud to keep this tradition going," commented Cavallaro.

Students who received an Honorable Mention include, senior Christopher Clairmont, senior Andrew Giaccone, junior Nick Sgroi, junior Pamela Kneipher, junior Frankie Morales, junior

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Furniture Added to Student Center Patio

KATIE ROBERTS CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Up until the weather got chilly, juniors Arin Shivoh and Christopher Weeks looked forward to sitting at the new tables Administrative Services, Faciliand chairs outside of the Student Center in between classes to have lunch.

of "The Pit" located outside of the Rebecca Stafford Student Center (RSSC) was flattened and resurfaced, new high-top bles are built to be outside in all picnic tables with umbrellas and chairs were added for students to congregate on the new patio weather", Patterson said. area once the academic year began.

Mike Patterson, Associate Director of Student Activities, said that the tables were installed to make the former "Pit" more useful and active.

"I think it will give students more of an opportunity to be people seem to use them and able to go outside and eat as additional seating for the cafeteria during the day," he said

for delivery and arrived in the themselves." beginning of the academic year. According to Patterson, the furniture was purchased from quite regularly. a budget by facilities management as part of the renovation project.

diately and the others were added later. Some assembly was gether and moved into their fi- caught at this time." nal location," he said.

the same, purchased from the the new patio area that matches formerly known as "The Pit" manufacturer, Boyce Associ- the picnic tables. These new fea-

was a part of the approximately support the college's academic, \$50,000 spent on this summer's student life and administrative "the Pit" capital improvement areas. project, according to Patricia

Swannack, Vice President for custodians assigned to the Student Center, will be in charge After the summer renovation of cleaning them. Patterson said they will not be getting stored away each night because they are too heavy to move. "The tathem getting damaged by the

> Mary Anne Nagy, Vice President of Student Services had similar remarks, "The intent is to keep them out there all winter because they are very durable the umbrellas for the winter".

Nagy added that not only do seem happy they are there but, "Students and others that use them seem to be 'self policing' Four tables were purchased the area and cleaning up after

> Patterson also remarked that students seem to be using them

He said, "I have heard students say they really like them and we are happy with their "We put two out there imme- usage, however, we have seen some damage to them by people already (particularly meltrequired, so it took some time ing some of the umbrella pieces for facilities to put them all to- with lighters). No one had been

According to Patterson, The tables and benches are all benches have also been added to

ates. The cost of new furniture tures were added to improve and

Nagy additionally stated "We wanted to make the area more functional and this was certainties management, including the ly a way to do so. It seems to be very well received. The new patio area has become a very popular social area and students, faculty and staff members have been delighted by these improvements".

Peter Rathjen, a history edweather, so I don't worry about ucation graduate student, believes that the new tables and chairs allow students to better utilize the area. "The tables are very beneficial. It also gives me a place to sit down, eat, and study" he said.

As far as future plans for outbut we will eventually take in side of the Student Center, Nagy replied, "I am not sure of any other specific plans, but we always look for opportunities to improve the area so you never know."

Patterson also added, "At this point, I don't foresee any additional furnishings for the area, but facilities management may make a decision to add more as they paid for the original ones."

Swannack commented that students have proven that the tables are very popular and were still using them last week, despite some chilly temperatures.

"If student use grows again in the warm weather we can always order more," she said.

With this new found space on campus, both Swannack and Patterson believe that the area will be utilized more.

Bookstore Hosts Annual Food Drive

ASHLEY CHANDLER CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Monmouth University Bookstore is hosting its fifth annual food drive for the holiday season to benefit the Long Branch Middle School.

From November first through December 18th, the bookstore will be accepting all non-perishable food. Items for holiday baskets like stuffing, canned vegetables, instant mashed potatoes, gelatin mix, pumpkin pie mix, canned gravy and cranberry sauce are requested. Any other food items are also appreciated.

Any student that brings five cans or packages of non-perishable foods will receive a coupon for 20 percent off any imprinted item in the bookstore, redeemable November 1 - December

The idea to donate food through the school started with Marilyn Ward, Coordinator of Service Learning and Community Programs. Although the idea had good intentions, the students were not donating as much as they could.

Kathy Booth, Assistant Manager of the bookstore, felt that she could help motivate students to donate. By moving the site of the donation bins to the lower level of the Student Center, and adding a 20 percent off coupon when donating five items, Booth was able to make the food drive a success. With Booth's help, the program has been doing well for the past five years.

"It really is a great thing that the bookstore is doing for the holidays," said Ward. "Everything we donate goes to the Long Branch Middle School food program, which helps them a lot."

The Long Branch Middle School participates in a food basket program that donates to needy families around Ferraina.

the neighborhood.

Theresa Falcone, Long Branch School Community Liaison and Head of Family Advocacy, said, "Each year, the Long Branch Public Schools collect food - complete with turkeys - for approximately 350 families at Thanksgiving and then again at Christmas."

The Superintendent of Schools, Joseph M. Ferraina, said, "The students, faculty and staff at the Long Branch Public Schools have been helping the community for over thirty years, but we can't do this alone. We need the help of others, such as those of you at Monmouth, who contribute so generously to our food and Christmas gift drives, so that we can reach as many families as possible."

While the food drive does benefit those in need during the holiday season, it also helps to benefit the bookstore. The coupon giveaway motivates students to donate food, as well as bring in more revenue during a usually slow time. "The coupon also helps students save money for holiday shopping for their friends and families," said Booth. Booth feels the food drive is a success because it happens at the same time every year, putting in the minds of students as something to remember for the holiday season. "We also benefit from the advertising done by Hawk TV, the radio station (WMCX), posters and student e-mails," said Booth.

Any items that students want to donate should be dropped off at the front registers at the bookstore, in the lower level of the Student Center. Coupons will be received at that time.

Students are encouraged to donate any food they have to this cause to help members of the community. "We are very grateful for all that you do. Please know that your donations make this time of year so much happier and less stressful for so many people," said



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Event Promotes Diversity Awareness

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"When The Gays Moved Into Mr. Roger's Neighborhood" was held in Pollak Theatre and hosted by S.A.B. on November 27 to helped promote diversity and awareness in the Monmouth community.

"The reason we hosted this performance is because we were hoping to raise awareness and diversity about GLBTQ issues, also we thought it was a good program that is fun but serious and done in an upbeat atmosphere," said Greg Montagnino, sophomore at Monmouth University and Head of the Diversity Committee of S.A.B.

The performance was given by Joe Bertolino and his partner Bil Leipold. Bertolino is the Head of Student Affairs at New York University and Leipold is the Dean of a different university. They have been together for about 15 years.

They presented their show by using a lecture format and a Power-Point as well as sharing their own individual stories. They started with a "Statement of Understanding" which talked about the audience promising to be open to the presentation and to try to learn something and then also went over some rules of the program.

stereotypes and asked the audience how people develop them and then different words people use to describe homosexual and bisexual people, negative and positive words.

Following that, they defined what homosexuality, bisexuality, heterosexism and other terms mean. Continuing that they gave out some statistics such as in 34 of the United States it is okay to fire a person because they are gay and that 60% of students said that they were not comfortable with the GLBTQ community.

Bertolino and Afterwards, Leipold shared their personal stories of when they first realized they were homosexual and how and when they came out to their families and close friends.

"The presentation they gave was very informative and it was wonderful that they shared their coming out stories. It was very insightful," said Sara Werner, junior at Monmouth University.

After the two shared their coming out stories they presented a homosexuality assessment, went over what not to assume when a heterosexual person meets a homosexual person and different heterosexual privileges that are still denied to homosexuals.

"What I like most about our presentation is the interactivity we have with the students. My favorite part is spending time with the students and providing them with information and perspectives. We have been presenting for ten years and the Monmouth audience was great and we really appreciate their hospitality." said Bertolino.

"The presentation was very interesting, It was a real eye-opener and I thought it was very interesting since it's a topic that affects a lot of the Monmouth community,' said Nicole Packo, Vice-President of Marketing & Membership of S.A.B. and junior at Monmouth University.

They finished by saying that the Then, they went over different GLBTQ community is not covered by laws, that they hope one day they will be granted equal rights not 'special' rights and for the audience not to assume everyone is heterosexual because one out of ten people are not heterosexual.

Finally, they answered any questions the audience had such as if either of them was Catholic and how they handled their religion and being homosexual as well as going over some common myths.

"The presentation was empowering, it was great! It is something our community has never seen before and I really think that it should be made a part of Freshman Orientation," said Justin Dickstein, a junior at Monmouth University.

JENINE CLANCY CONTRIBUTING WRITER

In a world of political correctness, there is a breath of fresh air when entering the world of Improv Jam. The improvisational group took Theatre.

Started thirteen years ago by creative director and C.E.O. Mike O'Keefe, Improv Jam is made up of interaction.

Improv Jam Teaches

Students to Have an

Open Mind

The show opens with the players snapping their fingers and singing to a single word that was shouted by an audience member.

made up of some of the players who wave their arms and answer the audiences' questions by each saying

a challenge to them with audience Wayne Brady. He got a gig at Pleasure Island and then they eventually opened their own improv theatre, bringing in over 350 people a night.

For personal reasons, O' Keefe had to leave Florida, and when he They also have "the oracle" which got back to Jersey he went to graduthe stage Friday night in the Pollak is a totem-pole like fixture that is ate school at Monmouth. He then became a teacher and opened up Improv Jam in Red Bank in 1992.

What Improv Jam means to him one word until they get to the end of is that "it kept him out of the bars for

"I think you should be able to laugh at almost anything or if you can't laugh at it, you should be able to understand how people could laugh at it."

DARREN DAMATO

Key Player in Improv Jam

young adults (including O'Keefe) the sentence. who think on their toes and make your stomach hurt because you can't stop laughing.

When one attends Improv Jam, as I did on Friday night, you have to have an open mind because a lot of the material is very offensive.

"I think you should be able to right to the dome," Weer recalls. laugh at almost anything or if you can't laugh at it, you should be able to understand how people could laugh at it." says Darren Damato, one of the key players.

The show is not just compromised

The show can get very physical because James Weer, another one of the key players, said that his most memorable skit was when he "bustget stitches."

"I gave him the Hogan leg drop

O' Keefe started doing improv because he went to college and "imbibed in a lot of substances that made him funny, or made him think he was funny."

After college he moved to Ordivided into different skits that have a job right with Street Theatre with Market Shopping Center.

the past 15 years and showed a lot of youngsters you can be funny."

Ricky Maher, a freshman at Monmouth University who is a frequent audience member, said "You guys ed Darren's head open and he had to could say the most offensive thing on stage and they keep so committed to the joke that no one backs down from it, you have to stay with the joke or you get a lack of respect."

If you missed Friday's show come check out the shows every single Friday and Saturday night @11:30pm at The Eatontown Playhouse, located at 37 Rt. 35 North. of back-and-forth dialogue, but is lando, worked for Disney and got Eatontown, NJ 07724 in the Tower

Organic Style Brings Environmental Awareness to Campus

JUSTINE NAZARRO CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Not too far from the Monmouth University campus, is revitalized downtown Asbury, where quaint little coffee shops and privately owned stores are located to bring some culture to the area. One of these shops, aimed at bringing environmentally safe products to the area, is an artful store known as Organic Style.

Run by owner, Nancy Ehrlich, the shop was inspired by her vegetarian diet and interest in helping the environment. All of the products that the store contains are animal and environmentally safe, and the products range from clothing and yoga wear to jewelry, makeup, and even handag Organic Style contains a number of Fair Trade products, which are made by people who are paid evenly and fairly. Most of the products are made to benefit people with severe needs, such as the Fair World Designs brand, which are products produced to help support women who have been sold into prostitution whose husbands were killed in war. There are also products such as bags, clothing, and jewelry, made by Global Mammas, which is another brand where products are made by underprivileged women in an African village for an equal profit. Organic Style is also a supporter of the Blessing Basket Project which is again, an organization where women sold into prostitution in Bangladesh, make baskets for a fair trade profit. Each of these product brands and organizations work toward helping underprivileged people through the profits made in stores such as Organic Style.





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Most of Organic Style's products are made to benefit people in need.

fordable prices. There is a selection of hemp bags and wallets, on Cookman Ave., also stay open candles, animal friendly cosmet- until 10 every first Saturday of carries nail polish that does not contain the ingredients that are shops and restaurants in the area, and note cards. All the products are perfect for college students, are organic, which means that looking a little bit of culture in there is no run off of chemicals the area. or pesticides.

Asbury Park is a tough area because of the beach and the history of the town."

It is open on Wednesdays, Thursfrom 12-9. The shop has the per- drive from the campus.

The shop contains a wide va- fect location in downtown Asriety of merchandise at very af- bury, which is holding a winter carnival in December. The shops ics and skin care. The store also the month where food and hors d'oeuvres are served. The coffee harmful to nails, and clothing, usually play live music. These and handmade paper journals small festivals every month,

Ehrlich takes pride in her stores environmentally conscious atin the winter, but it is cool and titude, and wants to spread that trendy," says Ehrlich. "The area along to any of the students at is perfect for attracting students Monmouth University who share similar interests. The online store will be available to anyone The store is located at 658 in about a week at www.organic-Cookman Ave. in Asbury Park. styleshop.com, so anyone interested should go online and check days, and Sundays from 12-5, out the products or visit the store Fridays from 12-7, and Saturdays which is only a fifteen minute

Theta Phi Guy Benefits Charity

KAYLA GAMBINO CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The sisters of Theta Phi Alpha held their second annual fundraiser, Theta Phi Guy, on Wednesday, November 28, 2007 in Pollak Theatre. The money raised benefits the community and Theta Phi Alpha's fight against homelessness.

Theta Phi Guy was a male beauty pageant where the contestants had to dress as women. They were judged on three different categories which consisted of casual wear, formal wear, and spirit wear. Throughout all of this the men dressed as women, sporting wigs, heels, and female accessories.

In order to participate in the pageant, the men had to have been from an organization or team. The Delicatessen for second place, and contestants consisted of Joe Pepe and Kevin Barnes from Theta Xi, Brian Gallina, Anthony Guimmarra, and Jeff Seyglinski from Phi Sigma Kappa, Pat Bocchino and Jerry Massana from Sigma Pi, Jack Dunn and Dave Owens from Alpha Chi Rho, and Seth Harrow from Sigma Tau Gamma.

Aine O'Carroll, Fundraising Chair for Theta Phi Alpha and Jim McElroy from Theta Xi kept the audience entertained as they hosted the pageant.

Megan Rondina, Meghan Pakalik, O'Carroll, "At first we were afraid Bubba Colatrella, Taylor Sparks, Lisa DeCesare, and Theta Phi Alpha's President Tia Freeland. The having more than enough. It really votes were tallied at the end of the turned out great especially with night which wrapped up around the help of my little, Kate Avello."

11:30 p.m.

Pepe won first place at the pageant, Brian Gallina won second, and Jerry Massana won third. All the contestants were extremely proud of their courage to go on stage and dress like a women.

"Wearing high heels was the hardest part. I don't know how girls wear them every night to go out," first place winner, Pepe, said.

The sisters of Theta Phi Alpha made a smart choice with the DJs, Pete Seligman from Theta Xi and Nick Collona. The two played popular music to keep the audience upbeat throughout the pageant.

The prizes were a \$75 gift certificate to Nirvana for first place, \$25 gift certificate to Brennan's a \$20 gift certificate to Brick Wall Restaurant for third place.

Backstage Coordinators, Jade Frank, Sam Manning, and Kate Page held the show together behind the scenes, dressing the men and keeping everything under control

"Backstage was like a comedy show. All of the guys were so confused as to what piece of clothing went where," said Frank.

`The pageant took up to a month and a half to organize. "Everything The judges for the evening were fell into place perfectly" said Aine we weren't going to have enough guys to do it, but we ended up

Issues of Violence

JAMIE KINARD CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Why are boys so violent in today's society? Violence amongst males has become an issue in America. Why are so many violent actions being committed by males? The movie, Tough Guise narrated by Jackson Katz, attempts to answer this question.

Katz reveals that men learn at an early age that masculinity means being respected, powerful, and tough. They need to gain respect through physical means. If men are anything but this, they are called names such as "sissy" and "wimp" amongst the male peer group. This "tough guise" is shown through mostly through media, and can have a huge impact on the minds of men.

In older movies, gangsters were shown with small pistols, where as in a more recent movie such as Rambo, the men are shown with much larger guns. Another major difference between older generations and now is the toys. Superman and Batman have gained much more muscular bodies over the years, and G.I. Joe's biceps (when scaled to a real human) have ing respect.

gone from 16" to 26" since the 1900's. This huge increase in muscles on the another problem. In horror movmale figure shows the changing view of masculinity, mainly of power and they are naked or somehow sexually respect.

Tough Guise Explores

In poorer areas of the nation, masculinity is commonly linked with violence. Men living in inner city areas usually do not have money or means of a high education, but they do still have their bodies. Thus, they attempt to gain respect through violence.

The sports industry and the sexualization of women are other factors that show violence and that can affect men. Kyle Seiverd, a freshman at the University, states that "Sports show aggression, which shows signs of dominance." Examples of this are shown in the fights involved in hockey and baseball. Another way of showing masculinity is when basketball players score a basket, they taunt the other players, showing that the players gain respect by disrespecting others. Another major sport is wrestling, which has become increasingly violent and gory throughout the generations. The wrestlers beat each other up both in and out of the ring, showing violence as a means of gain-

The sexualization of women is ies, women are usually killed when pleasing, so that way when the male audience is aroused, and after that the female actress is killed. This links violence and sexual arousal.

Male violence may come as a result of these things, and Katz believes that the only way to change the trend in violence is to change what is shown in media. Many violent crimes are committed my males: At least 90% of all violent assaults are committed by men; 94% of dating violence is against males, and 85-90% of child sex crimes are committed by males.

By showing the video, "[The] main focus is to encourage students to talk about the 'guise' of masculinity in today's culture and to perhaps think about ways to change these stereotypes" says Franca Mancini, director of counseling and psychology services on campus. Sarah Freeman, a student at Monmouth, stated that "I thought it was very interesting showing different sides of masculinity." This movie shows masculinity, as well as its evolution, in society today.

Graduate Honor Society Holds Inductions

Idea of P.E. Major **Raises Questions** Why is it that the Education De-

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door" method to getting a Physical Education Degree.

Mahoney explained, "One would need to complete the necessary credits for health studies here and then complete the process of getting ceroffers Physical Education."

This does seem to provide some inconvenience for a student that as- for Academic Support Services, of-

partment claims time and time again that they have no information regarding what it would take to get a Physical Education major at Monmouth?

The growing interest in Physical Education among previously undecided students is growing and the Education department better know tified to teach at another school that soon of what might need to be done in order to offer the major.

Tina Sevastakis, Assistant Director

"Right now there is no room to house a Physical Education program, but perhaps after the MAC center is built it will free up some room to have one."

JOSEPH GARIPPA STACEY GOLDSTEIN CONTRIBUTING WRITERS

Monmouth Upsilon Omega, the local chapter of Chi Sigma Iota - Graduate Honor Society for Counseling Students, had their annual induction ceremonies on Sunday, November 4, 2007 in Anacon Hall. The event featured some 75 new inductees and their guests in addition to faculty, administration and invited speakers.

Chi Sigma Iota is an academic and professional honor society for students in graduate programs of counseling. Students from the Graduate Department of Psychological Counseling and the School of Education's Counseling and Special Education Department are invited to join tion. the organization which requires a 3.5 GPA or higher, along with a minimum of 12 graduate cred-

The induction ceremonies featured keynote speaker Dr. Rich-Green of the McMurray School of Humanities and Social Sciences at Monmouth University.

Joseph Garippa, President of Mu that included the inductees and Upsilon Omega; and included their guests. Over 250 people remarks from Stacey Goldstein, attended the event, which is. President-Elect, and Dr. Kath- to date, the largest induction leen Armstrong, Faculty Advi- of Chi Sigma Iota's Monmouth sor of CSI at Monmouth.

The pinning and certification ceremonies included Lisa Olson, Treasurer.

A special induction of Psychological Counseling faculty Chairperson Dr. Frances Trot- friends who have supported the man, and Specialist Professor, Dr. Joanne Jodry, preceded the deavors. The Graduate Departinductions of 75 new graduate student members.

Dr. Fernando Padro, Associate Professor in the Department ciety that promotes excellence of Educational Leadership represented the School of Educa-

The School of Education features a program in Educational Counseling which is directed by Dr. Jose' Maldonado, a forthe finest ever.

Presiding over the events was reception and fundraising event University Chapter.

Many of the guests invited to Monmouth included family Secretary and Deanna Stango, members of the inductees, in an effort to improve the graduate student experience through inclusion of family and close students in their educational enment of Psychological Counseling sponsored the event.

Chi Sigma Iota is an honor soin counseling, academic excellence, and community intervention and assistance. This is the second event that CSI has sponsored this year.

In September, CSI sponsored the Long Branch Back to School mer faculty advisor of CSI. Festival in an effort that raised The officers and membership over \$8000.00 for needy chilard Hazler of Pennsylvania State of CSI would like to thank Dr. dren in Long Branch. CSI is University. Dr. Hazler, formerly Trotman and the Department of busy planning a winter fundof N.J. was accompanied by his Psychological Counseling, and raising event, as well as workwife; Dr. JoLynn Carney; also the Department of Educational shops for the spring semester. a professor at PSU. Dr. Hazler Leadership for the help and sup- Anyone desiring additional was introduced by Dean Stanton port received, that contributed information about Chi Sigma in making this year's inductions Iota can E-Mail them directly at ChiSigmaIota@monmouth.

TINA SEVASTAKIS Assistant Director for Academic Support Services

pires to obtain a P.E degree, but well fers some hope in saying, "right now worth it if it is what one is passionate about.

It is true that there is indeed a lack of organization when it comes to speaking about implementing a Physical Education Program at Monmouth. The Education Department could not provide any information, but instead said the Athletics Department would have a better idea of what would need to be done in order for Monmouth to have Physical Education offered as a major.

Unfortunately this suggestion proved to be no help, for the Athletics Department would have nothing to do with organizing a major in Physical Education.

Mahoney explained that the Department of Education would have to be approved and certified by the state in order to start a Physical Education major at Monmouth.

there is no room to house a Physical Education program, but perhaps after the MAC center is built it will free up some room to have one."

According to Dr. Fritz Grupe who spoke with Gayle Ronan from MSN-BC, "80% of college-bound students have yet to pick a major.'

With such a large percentage of students unsure about which major they want to choose, how can a student be sure they are picking a college that is going to have the major they end up wanting?

For a growing number of students at Monmouth University, this has been the case when it comes to Physical Education.

With this growing interest, Monmouth's Education Department might want to consider putting into action a plan that will enable the school to offer a Physical Education program.

The event was followed with a edu.

Students Awarded for Work **NBS Convention** at

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the categories, News, Documentary, or Public Affairs Program and Promo, PSA, or Commercial (Audio). Fetchko also won first place in the Music/Entertainment Program (Audio) category. For the Promo, PSA, or Commercial (Video) category, Clairmont, Morales, and Giaccone won first place with their video. Giaccone also won first place for Station Imaging (Audio) and the Open Category (Video), along with

Clairmont and Morales, who also won they're in to," expressed Giaccone. first place in Video Program Opener.

of the best I have done and is a lot of fun being able to go out there and take an award! Our chapter sent in a lot on schools in something I am passionate about. It was also a blast to actually win some awards. I tend to have a judges and other schools. I was very negative attitude towards my stuff but proud of our chapter and to be a part to have it go out there and win against of Hawk TV. I love going because we other people's work is mind-blowing. get to meet with other schools and The competition standards are tough, check out the work they air on their but all depends on your judge and what campus stations."

Kneipher added, "There were "I felt that the work I did was some many respectable schools at Regionals, and I was very excited to get of great work, and it was great to get such positive feedback from the

DRUNK DRIVING Awareness Month

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"I Got A DWI"

The subject of this letter is about the changes in my life after being charged with a DUI. Over the last couple of years I have heard of kids that I went to high school with getting DUIs, and thought "what scumbags." Then I came to Monmouth University as a freshman. I didn't drink throughout high school so it wasn't until midway through the semester that I started to drink. In the beginning, I would not even think of driving after drinking. However, after getting used to the feeling of being drunk it did not seem to be an impossible feat. All the time I had the mentality that I would never get a DUI.

Now let's fast-forward to the first Thursday of the semester of my junior year. I drove to a party at one of my good buddy's frakemity brothers' house. I was having a great time drinking beers and taking the occasional shot. After partying for a couple of hours, the police showed up because of noise complaints. The homeowners received a summons for the noise so they asked everyone to leave. So after everyone cleared out, my roommate and I decided to leave. I did not even think twice about driving back to campus. So we get to my car and I drive back to campus. Long skory short, I made a left into my parking lot despite the Exit Only sign. I also did not see the police officer who was parked in the lot until it was too late. He came to the car and smelled the alcohol on my breath. I took the field sobriety tests and failed two out of the three according to the officer. He put handculfs on me and said that I was being charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. I could not believe this was happening.

Once inside the police station, I was asked a series of questions about the night. I was given the breathatyzer test and blew a 0.14, the legal limit being 0.08. So things were not looking good. After everything was linished I was told to walk back to my apartment. When I got back I was lurious as I told my roommates what had happened. The next day I had the worst feeling in my stomach. I didn't even do anything that day, all I could think about was how mad and upset my parents were going to be. Finally, I mustered the courage to call them the following day. My mother started crying on the phone. She sounded so upset and heartbroken that I began to cry too. Then I had to tell my Dad the story. His reaction was more yelling than crying. So needless to say, the rest of that day was not too good either.

The next day, my failher called again to tell me that we will get through this. That made me feel a little better. So, then the search for a lawyer began. We found a guy who charges a flat fee of \$2500. My parents had to take out a loan to pay him because we do not have extra money lying around. On top of that, the great state of New Jersey has a surcharge of \$1000 a year for three years for those charged with DUI. Don't forget to add court fees and your car insurance rate doubling, if they do not drop you. This is going to be very difficult for me to pay off; I am going to be in debt with my parents for a long time.

Besides the linancial aspect, I am looking at losing my driver's license for a minimum of seven months. Also, having a DUI on my permanent record is not something to be proud of.

Since the incident, I have not driven my car while drunk. I just take a little time before I go out to make sure I have a plan for either getting home or staying at the place where I drank. Other ways are to call taxi services and or decided with my friends who is going to be the designated driver for the evening. Now that I am 21, I have to also be careful about drinking with friends that are not 21 yet. I do not want to get in trouble again for drinking. So if anyone reads this and has the stated of mind that I used to, please believe that it can happen to you, even if you are just driving down the road. In hindsight I definitely would have rather stayed at my friend's house or spent and extra ten minutes by walking back to my apartment, than driving back and getting a DUI.

NOT NOW CHIEF, I'M YOUR TICKET

EOMB Pat Doyle VF Signa Pi Fratemity

As each school year begins we're all faced with a mountain of questions. Which major should I enroll in? How many credits should I take? Is that 5 star rating for my IT professor as crappy as Ell's performance vs. the Vikings? However, when all the school work comes to an end and the weekend begins, for most of us as early as Tuesday,one of the most important questions arises, how arn I getting home tonight?

Though this question is often tossed around in a joking manner by several, myself included, and that the most desired answer for several of us, is simply I just won't come home tonight. Now this may seem easy enough to accomplish at times, there is a high chance that you will not come home, ever. Upon entering or returning to college, we are all introduced to new many new experiences each year whether it is new clubs, inframural sports, new classes, or even fraternities and sororities.

However, all of the these new experiences aren't always positive, for some these new experiences litreaten our safety and even our lives. One new experience I was introduced to this year was how it felt to hit a guard rail at over 65 miles per hour. This particular accident wasn't caused by weather; the sky was clear, it wasn't caused by ice; the temperature was 85 degrees or a problem with the car; it was brand new. This accident was caused by me and my friends putting our livest in a friend who had had too much to drink.

Sadly this is the trend among college students these days, plan on how we're getting to the partybar/club and then figure out who's driving later. Though this may have worked for several of us several times, myself included, the risk is a lot higher than one might think. Though I was able to walk away with a few cuts and a splitting headache, several thousands each year don't walk away from very similar accidents at all. Every year over 17,000 people die and another 350,000 people are injured by accidents involving drunk driving each year. To put this in perspective, think of all your friends at Monmouth, add in everyone you see on your way to class, on the road, in your town and even those at Nelly's at 3:30am, now have them all die, you've just covered only a third of the dealths that happened each year. Morbid much?

The HERO Campaign, recently adopted by Monmouth, hopes to put an end to these staggering numbers. Now before you turn the page, thinking this is just another "drinking is the devil" article, my bar tab at Jack's this past Tuesday was \$63. Drinking is one of the most fun things to do both in college and elsewhere. It makes everyone around you funnier, gives you dance moves you never knew you had and even makes the current N.Y. Jets record of 2-9 that much easier to deal with. The HERO Campaign's goal is not to end drinking it is to end drinking and driving. We all make mistakes, whether its not studying for finals, waking up and saying where the heck arn I? or doing that that one last Jagerbomb

before going home to make love to your toilet. Don't let your mistake be driving or having someone else drive after either of you have been drinking.

Several bars in the area, including Jack's, have adopted the HERO Campaign, if you are the DD for the night soda and water are on the house the whole night.

It's simple, if your DD for the night was dancing on the bar or using the toilet as a pillow less than 5 minutes ago, chances are they are in no shape to drive.

Call a friend, a relative, or even a cab, Paramount's Number is 732-222-5300, and Shore's is 732 222-6688 put those numbers in your cell right now,

you won't! The \$10 you spend on that cab split 4 ways (\$2.50 for us non math majors) is more than worth putting your life at risk.

If you are interested in joining the HERO Campaign Committee to promote the use of designated drivers, contact the Office of Substance Awareness at (732) 263-5804 or <u>sschaad@monmouth.edu</u>





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- 2. \$5 bucks is cheaper than a \$19,000 D.W.I.!
- 3. A .08 Blood Alcohol Level is easier to reach than a 1.0 GPA!
- It's better to pick up your car where you left it last night than at the impound!
- 5. So you don't have to sit with Britney Spears in drunk driving class!



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Luck of the Draw

JACQUELINE KOLOSKI EDITOR IN CHIEF

The two dreaded words of any student that lives on campus is the housing lottery. It's one of those processes that make residents think they are doomed for the highest number of the lottery and living on-campus is a figment of their imagination. Trust me, I know. I've been there and received the high lottery numbers.

The one thing that I am looking forward to being a senior is the fact that I never have to go through the housing lottery again. I have only had luck one year, which happened to be this year. I figured it was about time considering I was dealt high numbers in the past.

Housing is an issue on any campus. The fact is there isn't enough of it. Our University continues to grow with each incoming class. Even though a new resident hall is on the horizon, it's hard to say if it will fix the problem. It will certainly help it a great deal, but to say it will fix it is a quick judgment.

Last week, Residential Life held an open forum concerning the housing lottery, what other students think of the process and ways to improve it. I also got an e-mail recently regarding giving additional feedback on the lottery through a Facebook group that was created. It's good to see that Residential Life is trying to find ways to improve the process of housing selection and how to make it less stressful for students. If they had something like this before, it may have been with a good number, you can't easier for students to deal with.

circumstances are different in that regards. Sophomore year I side at that time. was put on a wait-list and junior roommate. Like I said before, Seniors don't have many options, anyway, in regards to living on from Great Lawn, Garden, and addition to that, there are only select rooms because juniors live there as well.

It's a long, tedious process that the housing lottery needs to be improved a great deal so it can accommodate students if they desire to live on campus.

nothing quite like the anticipation one feels when they wait in that line in their designated resident hall to pick up their lottery number. Just by the looks of the students who leave the office, you can tell if they received a good number or not. You also see other students calling their friends to see what numbers they got and who they can pull into a the process this year. Hopefully, suite or an apartment. But even luck will be on your side.

necessarily breathe a sigh of re-On top of other things that lief until you are at your houscould be going on in a student's ing selection time and you have life, a student shouldn't have to that form in your hand, which worry about whether or not they officially states your housing aswill be able to live on campus if signment for the following year. they want to. I was fortunate to Last year, I couldn't believe I aclive on campus all four years, but tually was able to get an apartit was not easy to do so. Freshman ment that I wanted. I always feel year I applied Early Decision to as though in situations like this attend Monmouth so the housing I am unlucky, but I was very appreciative to have luck on my

One aspect of the lottery that year I was pulled in by another irritates me is the fact that many sign up for the lottery and hand this year was the only year that in a deposit even if they are not I received a number that I wasn't sure if they are going to live on worried about not getting a room. campus. Rather, they are waiting for a lease with an off-campus house to go through. To me, it campus. They only have to pick seems as though that flaws the system because that takes away Maplewood Apartments and in from someone who knows for sure they want to live on campus from getting a good number.

Also, the concept of the wait list for housing bothers me. I live is stressful on both ends. I think an hour and a half away from campus and it's not possible for me to commute to school if I could not get housing. I would have to rearrange my entire schedule and From my experience, there is not be as involved in the newspaper because of the long drives I would have to encounter daily. Luckily, everything worked out before I left for summer, but it's stressful to think that I may have to alter my involvement on campus because I couldn't get a decent lottery number.

With that in mind, good luck to everyone who has to deal with



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Sunday Night's Crying Game

ERIN O. STATTEL STAFF WRITER

Like so many millions of other Americans that are watching ABC's "Extreme Makeover Home Edition", every Sunday night I can be found choked up and crying on the sofa as Ty Pennington welcomes another American family to their newly built home. And while this is not something I can easily admit, I am sitting there in front of the television wiping my eyes and shaking my head, agreeing that the featured family of the week is more than deserving of the opportunity of homeownership.

Homeownership is something

American middle-class society.

Of course this dilemma that so many people experience is highlighted and used as the storyline on "Extreme Makeover Home Edition". And while these people may physically have a roof over their head, they do not own their homes and most of them either work two or three jobs or are laid up because of a physical injury.

The bottom line is that these people on this hit reality television show are poor. They aren't the visible homeless people sleeping on park benches in New York City, or pushing shopping carts full of cans in Chicago. They are everyday Americans who are not making it on their

Why have we let the housing industry become a controller of the people, judging who can afford to own and who can keep shoving in and out of work, day in and day out?

each week. In the United States, homeownership affords families the basic need of shelter, a foot in the door of the loan industry, and a direct link to countless other opportunities, one of them being higher education.

As I watch Ty Pennington, and company, surprise families week after week, I watch along with millions of other Americans as people from many different walks of life are shocked to the point of hysteria and short-term paralysis with the joy that they will not only have a functional, beautiful home, but that the building company has paid off their mortgage, as well.

A mortgage can be one of two things: a beacon of hope when you're credit has been approved for that two story center hall colonial, or a ball and chain when the party responsible for its payment is no longer making the salary that made the loan possible, a growing trend in

that millions of Americans cry over own. These are the people who are invisible in this society; they are the working poor who are filling lowertier service jobs to make the rest of our lives easier.

> And all we can do is let them submit a videotape to a television show so they might get a chance at home ownership?

> Something is very wrong within our housing and loan industry when, according to 2007 U.S. Census data, only 68 percent of Americans own their own home and only 56 percent of Americans could buy their own moderately priced home in 2002. These numbers could fluctuate of course, but as Money Magazine reports, foreclosures are up, meaning the number of Americans owning their own homes may fall. I wonder what this will do to the children of these people when it is time to pursue a college education; something that our nation says is necessary in order to make it in today's working world

If our government would better regulate the housing and loan industries that they started to with the introduction of the New Deal policies after World War II, we wouldn't need so many private charities to pick up the slack, because, hopefully, there would be less slack. Housing assistance organizations like Habitat for Humanity while noble in their cause and certainly helpful for those on the receiving end, simply can't fix the problem that about one-third of the United States (according to Habitat for Humanity's website) can't acquire or purchase their own adequate housing.

So, I guess what is nagging me, is if the housing industry is in such a slump and if it is such a buyer's market, why are the numbers of home owners in America so low? Why have we let the housing industry become a controller of the people, judging who can afford to own and who can keep shoving in and out of work, day in and day out?

Granted, our economy is not where one would hope it to be, but even still, people were foregoing their nice warm homes to camp outside of Best Buy the day after Thanksgiving, in hopes of reduced prices on a plasma screen television.

And while I am watching "Extreme Makeover Home Edition", I can't help but notice that, stores like Sears, are donating appliances and materials, while the builders, who have so graciously donated their time and manpower, are paying off mortgages or at least a year of taxes. I might be the only one that finds it ironic that the majority of the people featured on the show may be employed at a Sears, or a store like that, making eight dollars an hour, supporting a family with a few menial jobs, and are at the mercy of the very people who built their house, because the builder is a multi-million dollar corporation that controls the housing industry.

No wonder why I can't stand reality TV. I think I will tune into a holiday movie on Sunday nights instead, they seem more hopeful now that I think about it.

Correction:

In the November 28, 2007 issue of The Outlook, there was a misprint in the Politics section of the Side One Week Two debate. The correct article is printed below.

Destroying Embryos/ Life: Promising But Unnecessary

DANIEL J. WISNIEWSKI STAFF WRITER

My opponent posed very good questions last week. The crux of my opponent's argument was whether or not the federal government should continue funding embryonic stem cell research. Embryonic stem cell research (ESR) requires the controversial destruction of human embryos to essentially farm highly adaptable stem cells that can be used to cure or treat diseases. My opponent is of the opinion that to cease funding for the 2001 Republican embryonic stem cell law would be a mistake because it would, "halt any progress for finding diseases such as diabetes, Parkinson's, and Alzheimer's." She is absolutely correct! It is commonly accepted in the scientific community that ESR has the possibility of curing or providing relief for many diseases. However, adult stem cell research should be funded instead of ESR because not only has it already provided "cures/relief" for diseases, and it is not controversial because it does not require the creation and consequent destruction of human embryos to harvest cells.

In my opening argument, regardless of what some may say, I showed that adult stem cells have the same capacity as embryonic stem cells to "cure" diseases. Therefore this is not an issue. With new techniques using umbilical cord fluid, doctors are overcoming the only downside to adult stem cells, their scarcity.

Last week I provided an example of a "cure." This cure has nearly eliminated a person's entire paralysis which was from her upper-arms down. Before treatment the patient was not able to move her fingers. After treatment she was able to walk on a treadmill with leg braces.

So our question is this: Why should the government continue to fund embryonic stem cell research when, 1) it has provided no cures and, 2) a much better uncontroversial alternative exists? Stem cell research should be funded, but not *embryonic* stem cell research. As to

date, stem cells cultured from embryonic methods have produced no "cures" or "relief" for diseases.

My opponent also raised the argument that if research for ESR was halted, it would "be almost impossible" to resume research. My opponent makes this conclusion by providing two hasty assumptions. First, my opponent states that Democrats in congress will not continue funding for research because of the unbalanced budget. Second, my opponent believes "pro-life republicans" will not allow the future creation of embryos only to be consequently destroyed.

I will respond to her first point of Democrats not wanting to spend money for embryonic stem cell research. Taking into consideration that the Democratic congress has failed to pass a balanced budget since they've taken over in 2006, I strongly disagree that the congress will refuse funding to, in this case, adult stem cell research. Basically my point is this, if the Congress wanted to be fiscally conservative, they would have already done so, regardless of the project.

Second, "pro-life republicans" will not have to oppose stem cell research if embryos are not destroyed. Adult stem cell research remedy's this and many well known Republicans actively support adult stem cell research.

The debate over embryonic stem cell research is framed completely wrong. I don't know why this is. It could be some kind of partisan thing, but I don't think this is the case. All I do know is this: The issue over stem cell research is not that it is questionable whether the research is good or has potential. The issue is that roughly 40% of the populations morals are offend by its practices. We should respect other peoples beliefs, regardless of how view them, whether they seem odd to us or not. Being as there is a working alternative to ESR - adult stem cell research-stand with me and oppose ESR. Please do not decide by judging the morality of the research itself, but on a desire to respect the moral beliefs of your fellow Americans.

How Do You Say Hero In the Ukraine?

BRIAN BI ACKMON CONTRIBUTING WRITER

ter Olympics were threatened to Baiul's strength and courage, as pain (even after doses of aube eclipsed by the sensational- her ability to complete the com- thorized painkiller injections), ism of Harding and Kerrigan's petition was challenged when Oksana Baiul skated that night.

couraged her.

At a time when the 1994 Win- would further test 16 year old she remained in tremendous

won had always loved and en- ized in 1908, stating that "The important thing in life is not to The '94 Winter Olympics triumph but to compete." While Phi Sigma Sigma Goes Above and Beyond NICOLE GIANNOPOULOS CONTRIBUTING WRITE

On the Monmouth University campus various clubs and organizations enjoy alping the community and donating to different charities. However, Phi S Sigma, a national sorority, has found many ways to go above and beyond in their efforts to give back to the community. In the beginning of the fall 2007 semester the sorority held a Yankee Candle Fundraiser where they were able to raise \$1500 to donate to their philanthropy, the National Kidney Foundation. The sisters also chose to collect and deliver sugar-free items to the local dialysis centers in order to do something hands-on, rather than just raising and donating money. Delivering the sugar-free goods enabled the sorority to provide direct help for those in our community who are suffering from kidney disease. The need for hands-on support also inspired the sisters to visit the Senior Center in Long Branch to bond with the senior citizens. Since the sisters enjoyed their visits with the senior citizens so much, they also helped to organize a Halloween Dance at the Center. Beckie Turner, the Philanthropy Chair for Phi Sigma Sigma stated, "As a sorority, we feel that the time we spend with the senior citizens is more important than any money we could give." With this in mind, the girls will also be sponsoring a dance for the children of the graduates of Manna House which is a shelter for women and children who have been homeless. Lyndsay LaConti, one of the Community Service Chairs, recently visited Manna House. She stated "The house represents so much more than what an outsider can see. Manna House is an inspiring, heart warming program." In addition, the sisters of Phi Sigma Sigma have adopted two Manna House families for the holidays and will be purchasing gifts for the families. Blankets are also being made for Project Linus which is a strictly volunteer organization that creates, collects, and distributes blankets for children suffering from serious illness and trauma. To find out how your organization can help the community visit the Monmouth University web site and search the volunteer directory or email volunteer@monmouth.edu

rivalry, Ukrainian figure skater she suffered leg and back inju-Oksana Baiul (born in 1977 in ries after colliding with another training, of hopes and dreams, Dnepropetrovsk) was proving a skater during practice. While and all of her emotions and be-

"He can take a lot away, but he can give you that power. The power that comes from loving what you do". -Oksana Baiul, Secrets of Skating; 1997

many of her peers. Having lost in which she skated to Swan her mother to cancer only three *Lake*, had earned her second years earlier, the orphaned Baiul passionately embraced her day before; Baiul had to face art form, and with the help of Coach Galina Zmievskaya, beat Nancy Kerrigan for the 1993 World Championship in Prague. despite these devastating inju-Yet rather than become distracted by the need to beat Kerrigan a second time, Baiul focused on the Olympics' founder Baron de the intense desire to perform her Coubertin had envisioned when best for the cherished memory he began the Olympic Games of the mother and grandparents in 1894; and which he verbal-

place to Kerrigan's first the the possibility of never having a chance to compete in the next day's long program. However, ries, Oksana Baiul demonstrat-

level of heroics unimaginable to her memorable short program, liefs driving her on. She skated and won.

> Oksana Baiul continues to approach figure skating as an art form, investing it with a breadth of emotion and skill much envied within the profession, though never surpassed. She continues to demonstrate the possibilities of art and the human spirit, and remains a hero not only to her native country of the Ukraine, nor of her adopted homeland of the United States, but of the entire world.



Political Debate: In 40 years, how will Iraq look as history? (Week 1)

Here students debate political issues of the day. Week 1 students make their initial argument followed by Week 2 in which they respond to their opponent.

Side 1: Iraq will be a turning point in history Side 2: Still Opposing the War

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In forty years the war in Iraq will be a thing of the past and a turning point in American history. We will see the war as a response to an organization and a group that wanted to destroy Americans. Although currently there is much negativity towards the war, history will look back and show that action had to be taken to defend America. American soil since 2001. That is because of our strong security, and the fact that these terrorist groups know that there will be consequences for their actions. Like any war there is always room for improvement. They say hindsight is 20/20 for a reason. Of course some decisions could have been different and we could have had some different tactics, but this is a new kind of war for us. We are no longer facing a specific country or leadership, groups of radicals. History will

ter September 11, 2001.

As the girlfriend of a deployed United States Marine I have heard from twenty year old servicemen that have volunteered to defend the country they love. They are deployed for a year or more at a time, and have no desire to leave their loved ones or wonder if they will ever return. Yet, they boldly deploy to danger zones and are proud to defend our way of life for us and for the future.

I recently came across a pic-There has not been an attack on ture of a big poster board that is in Camp Fallujah, Iraq with the 3^{rd} Battalion 3^{rd} Regiment Marines. The huge poster says in bold letter WHY WE ARE HERE. Then it lists all the attacks on America from terrorist groups. It reads the date, the location, and the American lives lost: Oct 1983 Marine Barracks Beirut, Lebanon 243, Dec 1988 Pan AM flight 203 Lockerbie, Scotland 244, Feb 1993 World Trade Center NYC, NY 6, Jun 1996 Khobar Towers Dhahran, we dissolved the Taliban leader- SA 19, Aug 1988 US Embassies ship, but now we face sporadic Kenya/Tanzania 224, October 2000 USS Cole Aden, Yemen 14, tacks just slide by especially af- that were funded by the Taliban and protect our way of life.

PHOTO COURTESY of Katelyn McMahor

along with other sources. To just let that slide by would be letting these terrorist get away with killing American citizens. America is the land of the free and the home of the brave for a reason. Because we stand up for ourselves as a country, and refuse to allow anyone to take not only our freedom but the lives of our citizens.

Forty years from now after this is all said and done. Americans will be proud that after September 11, 2001 our country and the leadership of our country had the courage to finally put an end to these attacks, and take a stand against an ongoing problem for the past 24 years. Americans will see that strength, courage, and perseverance are important traits that a country must possess. We can not just give up and call things a disaster when they get tough. We all supported the war and our government back in 2001. We need to support it now for the sake of our troops and our future so that in forty years America is still the land of the free and the home of the brave. We can never let anyone take look back and see the courage Sep 11, 2001 World Trade Cen- that away from us. As Americans and determination of a country that has been faced with terror-ist attacks by radicals since the **3,000** +. That totals to at the **11 attacks** that away from us As Allerheines we must always protect our free-doms and our citizens. When our children look back on our his-1980's. America had to take a very least 3,750 American lives tory they will be proud that we stand, and could no longer let at- lost due to these terrorist groups had the courage to take a stand

in Iraq 40 Years From Now

LINDSAY PLESNIARSKI JUNIOR, SGA SENATOR

I strongly believe that the United States should not be involved with a war in Iraq. I feel that, although there are reasons why we should be engaged with a war in Iraq, overall there are more reasons why we should not be. Some short, brief reasons why we should not be in war include: the fact that Iraq does not pose a clear and present danger, the lack of a relationship between Iraq and Al Qaeda, the lack of alattacking a country for control over natural resources, a war that makes the US less safe, and the killings of thousands on top of thousands of our American soldiers when nothing has cleared up as of yet!

I believe that this war was poorly planned and has unclear objectives; there was no realistic plan for the peace. First of all, Iraq has been labeled as a country that presents no real danger towards the United States mainly because of the fact that they do not have weapons of mass destruction. The White House has previously stated that we should invade Iraq to prevent Saddam Hussein from using weapons of mass destruction. Asides from all the lies about the WMDs, after numerous searches and investigations, no weapons have been found yet! Now, after capturing and killing Hussein, still without proof of WMDs in Iraq, we still continue to fight with them and cause more damage. I think that this is absurd!

A major issue of being engaged with war heavily depends on how many allies each country has. In regards to invading Iraq, the United Sates lacks many. Invading Iraq is isolating the US from the world and also shatters the principles of international cooperation, which are essential to US and global security.

Also, I feel that we should not be in a war because of one resource: of oil, but it is one of the main reasons! Ever find yourself wonfluctuating....mainly in an increas-Bush Administration's rationale petroleum. We should not attack

people in a distant country because we want their resources! Obviously we aren't getting anywhere lately because the price of oil has not been decreasing!

Obviously, we consider oil as an important resource in today's society; the main reason being that it fuels automobiles. However, one of the greatest things about technology is that we can find alternatives to many issues. With that being said, there has been research in fueling automotives with ethanol, which can be produced by corn! Ethalies supporting an invasion in Iraq, nol is an environmentally-friendly, high performance fuel blending component which is marketed as being the 'reformulated gasoline.' Corn is a plentiful and renewable resource that is produced in the United States that can reduce our dependence upon petroleum and foreign markets. Reformulated gasoline combined with ethanol is more affordable, reduces pollution, and decreases groundwater contamination compared to petroleum-based gasoline. The fact that we no longer have to rely on Iraq for oil because of this technological finding, on top of having it be better for the environment, is of great importance in why we should not be in war!

On top of everything, an absurd amount of American soldiers, as well as innocent people in Iraq, are being killed. In addition, Osama Bin Laden's capture has been a failure and he continues to run free. Other options besides war are available and have been overlooked! For example, when North Korea announced that it was close to constructing a nuclear weapon, the Bush Administration did not threaten war! Instead, they started cooperating with our allies in Asia to resolve the situation. The North Korean issue presents a way of dealing with weapons of mass destruction and proves that negotiations are preferable to war.

In conclusion, I strongly oppose the war in Iraq. I believe that the oil! I am not stating that the pri- United States should consider in mary reason of this war is because establishing a date in which we end this madness! The US soldier should gradually be sent to their dering why the price of gas keeps home to rejoin their families and continue on with their lives! The ing manner? The reason is that continuance of fighting is only go-Iraq has the world's second largest ing to cause an obscene amount of oil reserves! Some argue that the bloodshed and there is no guarantee of a 'solid victory' for the US. Our for war was to gain control over concern should be with the lives of Iraqi natural resources, primarily our soldiers and citizens! Stop the fighting and save more lives!

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A Freshman Perspective

JUSTINE VEAL FRESHMAN, POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB

Hey, everyone elections are right around the corner! The Political Science Club would like to hear from all freshmen on politics and international issues. To do this, the Political Science Club is adding a new article to the "Politics" page once a month. This article will contain freshman opinions and freshmen interests. You do not have to be a political science major to have a voice in the article; all majors are invited!

The article will be published in the newspaper at the end of every month. This is how it will work: Each article will initially start out

as a conference or debate including all students that are interested in giving input. We will meet twice a week with the Freshmen Liaison Officer (that's me) of the Political Science Club in Pinewood. The meeting will initially be held on Mondays at 9:30pm and will change as desired by future members. The discussions will run as long as needed and will be based on topics chosen by all participants. The first meeting will be held on the Monday after the first day of the spring semester - mark this down in your calendars!

The first topic will be on education in America and whether or not sexual education is necessary, and

why or why not. If a lot of members of the discussion have a topic that they are more interested in, I can adjust and change the topic. If you or your friends are interested email me at s0673323@monmouth.edu with comments and suggestions

There will be no names published in the articles without the permission of the speaker. If you are a commuter and would like to participate, I can work to accommodate you; contact me. If you are interested join the facebook group, "Word Up!", and email me. And for you MySpace freaks join the MySpace group Word Up. Please email me by December 18th 2007 if you're interested.

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Hello everyone! For those interested in writing for the Political News page of The Outlook, please contact Daniel Wisniewski, President of The Political Science Club to get started! You can contact him at daniel. j.wisniewski@monmouth.edu. All topics and viewpoints are welcome! Thank you!

STUDY ABROAD

THIS WEEK OVERSEAS.

LESLIE WEINBERG OVERSEAS CORRESPONDENT

In order for this part of the article to fully make sense, pretend you built a time machine and read this a week ago. Maybe if you are really good and don't misuse your time machine I will let you travel back to the future.

This year's thanksgiving was a slightly different than usual. Unless you were around other Americans or a professor brought it up, Thanksgiving would have been like any other day here. Missing the traditional family meal and not seeing all my friends definitely made me very grateful for everything that I have waiting for me when I return. Regents' refectory (DH, dining hall) did a pretty good job at preparing the feast only they forgot two major things. They didn't have enough cornbread and there was no pumpkin pie. Minus those delicious factors, they did a pretty good job creating a home away from home. So if you could ship some pie would be lovely, Leslie Weinberg Reid 327 Regents College Inner Circle Re- hop back into the time machine gents Park London NW1 4NS UK. Make sure to vacuum seal it so it stays fresh but not enough that is gets squished. Thanks.

The next day was my final weekend trip and it was a great one. It was my first time riding on the Eurostar and it was a very convenient, in the two hours it takes me to drive home from school we were in Paris. We attempted to do Paris from the highest point (a hot air balloon ride above the city) and the lowest point (catacombstunnels under the city) but since we have bad timing both were closed. It's probably for the best; otherwise we would have stolen the balloon and attempt to make it around the world in 79.5 days. Instead, we made sure to cover a lot of ground and see everything in between. We toured the Eiffel Tower, saw a memorial/ veteran service march through the Arc De Triomphe, climbed the high- Hard Rock Café and Buckingham est point in Paris-the bell tower of Palace. Sacré-Coeur Basilica, hung out at

back and gargoyles at Notre Dame, walked around the beautiful Parc-Andre Citreon, made friends at the Luxembourg Palace, saw the Pantheon which houses Voltaire's grave, played in the fountain and on the pyramid at the Louvre and ate plenty of cheese, baguettes and crepes.

After an intense tourist day, all we wanted was a quick and cheap place to grab some dinner. We headed over to a giant 7 floor, 3 sections shopping complex, Lafayette Galleries because we thought it would match our desires. Combine the Freehold, Pallasades, Garden State, Shore Hills, Rockaway, King of Prussia and Harrods and that is the Lafayette Galleries. We walked off the escalators and the first dress I saw was only €500 (almost 800 dollars). They had designers from all over the world, which we knew nothing about and left very quickly. All and all, it was a very fun and exciting weekend and a great end to my adventures in Europe.

Ok now is that time when you and go to the present moment. Be careful though, you don't want to go into the future and erase yourself.

My cousin and his friend came to visit this weekend and I got to play tour guide again. I feel like London has truly become my town and I love seeing everyone's reactions to it all. It is amazing how fast we adapt and become desensitized to everything. Just four months ago I would gawk in awe at Big Ben and now it just is completely normal. Since their visit was short, we had to do a very compact London tour and made sure to walk what felt like the entire city.

Our tour began at Abbey Road and then over to Tate Modern for some contemporary art. After that we hit up all the tourists spots; the London Eye, Parliament, Westminster Abbey, saw the pelicans in St. James Park, the original

the Moulin Rouge, saw the hunch- don by this point and took a little journey to Japan, North America, Egypt, Greece and Rome. Amazingly, it only took us about two hours to go everywhere. We did all this by heading over the British Museum to escape the jolly ol London rain (appropriate for our London tour day). It was a pretty amazing Museum that had everything from Egyptian mummies and hieroglyphics to the Rosetta stone to statues from the Easter Islands.

> The London tour wouldn't be complete without taking in a bit of theatre. We saw Monty Python's Spamalot and it was completely ridiculous and hilarious. This ludicrous show had it all; Spam, tap dancing, knights in wool tights, knights who say Ni, chorus lines, men in large skirts doing the can can and of course the Black Knight. My favourite part of the show is that it made fun of itself and ridiculous over the top musicals. Speaking of which, I saw Wicked this week for my theatre class. Don't get me wrong, it was a pretty decent show but the absurd hype and cult following aren't really necessary.

One of my good friends is studying abroad at Oxford for the semester and she was able to give us a grand tour of the town. The first thing we saw when stepped out of the bus was about a hundred people dressed up in Santa outfits, since there was a charity run (that's how you know it is going to be an interesting day). Oxford is a beautiful non- college college town that screamed I am a prestigious academic environment with quite the reputation. It was pretty cool to actually be able to have a town talk to us. It had beautiful and incredible buildings from the 1500s and cobblestone roads.

Oxford is quite an interesting university and best of all it has no classes! Well actually, they have tutorials and you have to meet one on one with your professor every week and do extensive research and papers on your own. Oxford University is the oldest We were getting sick of Lon- university in the English speak-



The Arc de Triumph in Paris, France.

self-governing colleges and halls. Every night they have hall where the entire college including the masters, professors and students all come together and are served a three course meal. They are very and only tenured professors are allowed to walk on them. The biggest out of any of their libraries is the Gottlieb Library and contains every single book in the world. We visited one of the oldest pubs in town where both J. R.R Tolkien and C.S. Lewis discussed tour of the beautiful and stunning Christ Church. Christ Church just so happens to be the buildings where <u>Harry Potter</u> was filmed. So I guess we went to Hogwarts? I didn't really see too many wizards but they do wear robes at Oxford. We had a pretty amazing way to perspective. Cheers!

PHOTO COURTESY OF Leslie Weinberg

ing world and composed of forty end the weekend but here's a little background first and just forewarning it's grim. During World War II, my grandmother and her family lived in a very small German village. Since she was 18 and her father was able to get her a strict about their beautiful quads job, she was fortunate enough to get out of Germany on the Kindertransport. The rest of her family was sent to Majdanek (a concentration camp) in Poland and only one of them survived. She left everything in Germany and she had to become a caretaker for a family in Oxford. Well, after walking for an their books. Also we got a grand hour and covering more than four miles, crossing large highways and finally a taxi ride, we got to go there. It was absolutely incredible and something actually real and visible in my grandmothers very secretive and unmentioned past life. It definitely put things in

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ALEXANDRA JOHNSON STAFF WRITER

Leaving room for the floor to transform into a mosh pit, or be engulfed by a sea of crowd surfers, used to embody the very essence of a successful rock concert, that is, before the hype was ignited that blew up the genre. Over the past few years, the rock music industry has generated a spark that has resulted in a larger scene and an ever-growing number of listeners. Keeping crowds to a minimum by opting to rock smaller venues and not pushing merch sales proves that these Long Island natives are in it for the music. Standing firm behind their creative interests and choosing routes towards self-fulfillment over commercialism has helped this band bring forth true-fan pleasing anthems.

Brand New is one of those bands that are prone to leave you in astonishment after a live show. The band embodies strong stage presence and delivers their live music even better than in the studio. With songs that resonated their talent throughout often jump back and forth between sedative guitar riffs and amplified thrashing beats, their sound is refreshingly original. Jesse Lacey is one of today's most talented lyricists. His poetic content, expressed through his uniquely dark vocals, is mesmerizing and catchy.

ents have grown both musically and lyrically since they originated in 2000. Their transitions are apparent and recognizable from album to album, always producing better and better music that their fans cannot get enough of.

With their latest album The Devil and God Are Raging Inside Me marking their return from a hiatus, it also put fans loyalty to the test. Enduring the drought of new material and lack of tour dates only gave fans greater anticipation for what the band had in store. The musical transformation allowed the band to express themselves through a sound they felt stronger for, and their passion became apparent when they hit the stage.

The energy given off through the music and presence of Brand New at their shows is more than enough to leave concert goers demanding an encore.

On December 1st, Brand New the House of Blues in Atlantic City, NJ. The band opened the show with "Sowing Season", the first track off their latest album, filling the room with the very angst and intensity that personifies the song. With a swarm of fans screaming their favorite lyr-

The band's interests and tal- ics in unison back at Jesse Lacey, and their bodies moving as a visual representation of the notes that make up the songs they love, you could feel their commitment to the music like a bass drum that climbs up through the floor and rattles your bones.

Choosing to fill the set list with the music from their most recent album, the boys let themselves get lost in the sound

could feel. Every song evoked an untamed cheer

the crowd.

Lacey, often pounding away at a bass drum, or playing the guitar with his teeth, is a compelling artist, making it nearly impossible to tear your eyes away from Alongside was guitarist Vin Accardi, whose high-leveled energy allowed him to own the stage and the attention of the crowd as well.

"The Shower Scene", an energetic track from their first fulllength album, was one of the few



and produced music you Brand New pose goofy together.

and spiteful lyrics conceived to that invaded the venue, until the be screamed out, the sound sumnext song demanded to captivate moned intense moshing and beatsong possessed the crowd and gave them a taste of what originally conjured an interest and appeal towards the band's music.

Jesse's solo rendition of Morhim, afraid to miss his next move. rissey's "Why Don't You Find Out For Yourself", was riveting. The cover, which slowed the tempo, really did the original justice; and although it was apparent that the song, it received as positive of a response as any other. After old songs Brand New performed. revealing his inclination toward Driven by a heavy drum beat Morrissey's work in previous preciation for good music.

songs and interviews, it made perfect sense for Jesse to render his own version of this song on the tour. With the lights down low and the fans swaying with the music, it was unmistakable that Jesse successfully tackled his adaptation of a song initially performed by one of his most noted musical influences.

Walking off immediately after "Jesus" left fans' almost-shot voices chanting for even one more song. Taking

the stage for a final time with the powerful instrumental "Untitled", synchronized fist pumping. The allowed the band to showcase their musical talent and give the fans what they pleaded for. Riding on the energy given off by the crowd, Brand New played hard as they allowed their bodies to succumb to the music one last time that night.

Fans left the venue on a musical high, still reciting the lyrics that moved them during the concert. The talent that the band exemplinot everyone was familiar with fies is undeniable after being in the presence of their music, making their live show a must-attend for anybody who possesses an ap-



Keira's Awards and Nominations

Academy Award



Nominated - Best Performance by an Actress in a Leading Role for Pride and Prejudice in 2006

DANIELLE DECARLO FEATURES EDITOR

She's been a damsel in distress, a pirate, a sweet girl, a to fame when she was in "Star premier of "Pride and Prejudice,"

mean girl, a girl in love, a bounty hunter, a soccer player, a rebeldaughter, lious and much more, all before the age of 23! We've seen her "Bend it like Beckham," battle "Pirates," with and fall in love without "Pride and Prejudice." She is Keira Knightley, an Academy Award winning actress who has singlehandedly taken over Hollywood



Keira of

as it didn't interfere with her education.

all Trades

Wars: Episode I."

to pursue her acting career as long University and it seems that she has taken over Hollywood by storm! I had the privilege of meet-Keira finally got on the road ing Keira a few years ago at the and she is probably one of the She played the role most down-to-earth, level-headed of Sabe, the de- people I have ever met. She is trucoy queen. After ly an inspiration to young people

Keira's latest movie, "Atone-

limited release. Keira plays along-

sees something that she does not

based off of the book by Ian McE-

of World War I where two lovers

Golden Globe Award



Nominated - Best Performance by an Actress in a Motion Picture - Musical or Comedy for Pride and Prejudice in 2006

People's Choice Awards



Won - Favorite On-Screen Match-Up with Johnny Depp for Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest in 2007

with her wonderful acting skills roles such as "Love Actually" with are torn apart by a secret. and a British accent.

Keira was born on March 26, 1985 in South London. She is the daughter of an actress/playwright and an actor, which is Prejudice" (which are just a few to derful acting skills, and her abilwhere she gets her talent from. She got an agent at the young age "A Village Affair" when she was 9. However, she was only allowed



PHOTO COURTESY of www.google.com Keira looking glamorous at a red carpet event.

> Liam Neeson and Hugh Grant, the name!).

of 6, and was in her first movie, much fame and success at the show that if you are persistent and young age of 22. Keira is no older really follow your dreams you can than any of us here at Monmouth accomplish anything!

that, she played a everywhere.

few low-key parts in movies such as ment," is coming out in theaters "Oliver Twist" and this Friday, December 7 with its "The Hole."

Keira's "break- side James McAvoy as Cecilia through" role was Tallis. Her younger sister, Briony in "Bend it Like Tallis, is an aspiring writer who Beckham." The movie was a greater understand, and it ends up blurhit than expected, ring the line between someone's and this is when innocence and guilt. This movie, Keira's career really took off. Af- wan, is being talked about for Oster this movie, her car nominations. It is a touching career took off and romance/tragedy set in the time she starred in many

Keira is one of the most sucwell-known smash hit "Pirates of the Caribbean" series, "Domino," "King Arthur," and "Pride and around the globe with her wonity to still remain humble about It is hard to fathom having that all of her success. It just goes to

She Has the Best of Both Worlds

KRISTEN RENDA ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

By day she's Miley Stewart, nah your average teenager trying to lead a normal life. She has two best friends, Lily and Oliver, an annoving older brother, Jackson, glasses and no and a really cool Dad. She seems one knows the normal right? Well if having an alter-ego of a world famous pop star is normal, then yes...she is normal.



Hannah Montana singing away at one of her concerts.

Miley is also Hannah Montana, the Britney Spears from 1999 of right now. The only difference is that no one knows she's Hannah whole storyline is that the act-Montana except for the people ing and production values are ten

I just mentioned. Miley wanted times better. fame, but she also wanted to lead

Montana she simply puts on a long blonde wig and sundifference. Basically, she wanted to get the "best of both worlds,'

and she has. Miley and Robby Ray have Hannah Mona serious talk. tana began as a Disney Channel show that would have its 60 episodes and be retired like all other

classic Disney Channel shows. It was never predicted that this children's show would be as successful as it has become. With already 46 episodes, I have a feeling this will be the first live action Disney Channel show to exceed its 60 episode limit. (Kim Possible is the only show that has exceeded the limit due to its success and the de-

mand to keep it going.) Hannah Montana is what I like to call the new and improved Lizzie McGuire. All of the characters are very similar, and the show appeals to the same demographic. The only difference aside from

The show gets great guest stars a normal life. When she's Han- such as Heather Locklear, Brooke Shields, Dolly

Parton, Vicki Lawrence, and lots more. On top of all of those stars, country singer Billy Ray Cyrus plays the role of Miley's father, Robby Ray. He doesn't PHOTO COURTESY of www.google.com

> father though because Miley/Hannah is played by Billy Ray's real life daughter, Miley Cyrus.

> What's really cool about this show is that because of it, Hannah Montana has turned into an actual pop star in the real world. Her concert tickets for her current tour sold out instantly and are the most wanted tickets by people everywhere. She has two CDs out and her songs are even on popular radio stations like z100. The show has even branched out to viewers into their twenties and even older. I bet many of you on campus have watched at least one episode, and for those of you that live on campus, you are probably upset that Monmouth doesn't get the Disney Channel.

Hannah Montana Tour Dates in the Area

December 17th--Philadelphia, PA--Wachovia Center

December 19th--Hartford, CT--Hartford Civic Center

December 27th--Uniondale, NY--Nassau Coliseum

December 28th--Uniondale, NY--Nassau Coliseum

December 29th--Newark, NJ--Prudential Center

December 30th--Newark, NJ--Prudential Center

January 5th--Atlantic City, NJ--Boardwalk Hall





KRISTEN RENDA ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The Spice Girls are back and they kicked off their reunion tour on Sunday night in Vancouver.

The five girls, Victoria (Posh), Mel B (Scary), Mel C (Sporty), Emma (Baby), and Geri (Ginger), have grown up tremendously since their last world tour in 1998. All of them except for Mel C have had babies and started a family, and most of them have tried their hand at a solo career. While some have the show is very burlesque-like. done better than

others, I think it's

show with three of their big singles from the 90s. "Spice Up Your Life," "Stop," and "Say You'll Be There." 16,000 fans were in the audience screaming and singing every word right along with the girls.

Most of the people in the audience were in there twenties or late teens, and they were dressed up as their favorite spice girl. They were all there to relive an era of their life that they obviously loved.

Concert goers have also said that

Another fun thing is that each girl sang one of their solo songs for the crowd, including Mel C's hit "I Turn to You."

The Spice Girls head to our area soon, and it's sure to be an excellent show. If you were lucky enough to get tickets, it is almost guaranteed that you'll have a great time spicing up your life.

Their set list is awesome, and if you're wondering what it is keep reading.

1. Spice Up Your Life 2. Stop

safe to say that their girl power is better used when they are all together.

Having been to a Spice Girls concert almost ten years ago, I can say that the girls definitely put on a great show. This tour is bound to be filled with surprises for the fans and it will no doubt be a great night of reliving the past.

Having their outfits for the concert designed by a good friend of Victoria's, Roberto Cavalli, they sure looked fabulous on stage. He even designed some traditional happy to be back on stage, and outfits such as a leopard print one they must have been thrilled with for Mel B, and a Union-Jack dress for Geri.

Sunday night, the girls opened the during the performance.

PHOTO COURTESY of www.perezhilton.com The Spice Girls kick off their world tour with a bang.

> At one point Mel B is carrying a whip, and picks a male volunteer from the audience to be put into restraints.

The girls seemed to be really the response from the fans. It was reported that Posh Spice even got According to concert goers from very emotional a couple of times

3. Say You'll Be There 4. Headlines (Friendship Never Ends) 5. Lady is a Vamp 6. Too Much 7. 2 Become 1 8. Who Do You Think You Are (extended version with Victoria's solo) 9. Are You Gonna Go My Way (Mel B's solo) 10. Maybe (Emma's solo) 11. Viva Forever 12. Holler 13. It's Raining Men (Geri's solo) 14. I Turn To You (Mel C's solo) 15. Let Love Lead the Way 16. Mama 17. Celebration Medley 18. Goodbye 19. If U Can't Dance 20. Wannabe 21. Spice Up Your Life (Reprise)

December 8th, 9th, and 11th - Las Vegas January 30th - Boston January 31st - Worcester February 6th and 7th - Long Island February 10th and 11th - Newark February 13th - East Rutherford February 16th and 17th - Chicago



Mel C, Victoria, Emma, Geri, and Mel B all sing the night away.

The Art of Attraction

LISA PIKAARD MANAGING/ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

made me laugh. If you approach



Depending on the person you are trying to "pick up," some pick up lines may work and some may spell disaster. Make sure you have the right moves and words before you try to use one of them!

under the mistletoe? Well pickup their lips. A word of advice lines like "You're a lot smarter for both men and women is to than you look," and "Did it hurt, stand up straight. Good poswhen you fell from heaven?" will ture equates to confidence and not help you out.

opposite sex. This past summer women, don't lay on the floral there was a show dedicated to scents. how to pick up a woman entitled, What do you say when ap-"The Pickup Artist." The show proaching a new woman? Well, was about how one man, Mystery, the only line that ever kept me taught eight men the skills to pick talking was when a man grabbed up women. To spend one day my hand and wrote NO! on it. training with Mystery will run He told me to turn my hand upthe average man anywhere from \$5000 to \$10000.

Looking for someone to kiss they are attracted to, and lick confidence is attractive. Bio-There are countless studies, ar- logically, smell is also one of the

'ion' and he said, "It's because There are some basic tips for I've got my eye on you." The flirting and basic information line only worked because it

someone with a line and expect it to work, it better make the person laugh and you better say you're just joking. A more effective way of flirting with someone is to simply say "Hi, my name is..." Compliments also work well. Women tend to compliment men's clothing or ask for assistance. Men like to be needed and asking them a question gives them a purpose. Men, on the other hand, compliment a woman's physical features. To be different, compliment her clothing, perfume, or accessories. This proves that you are attentive to the small things and are talking to the woman as a person. Women tend to be more subtle in flirting so watching the small things is very important.

How aggressive should your flirting be? Well, young people are more aggressive and based more on sexual attraction. For flirtation to be successful, it's important to converse on a deeper level than about each others' looks.

Men and women look for someone they have chemistry with. Initial flirtation is a great way to find out if there is compatibility between two people but connections have to ticles, post boards, and websites greatest attraction factors. Men be more than skin deep. Complidedicated to how to attract the are attracted to edible scents so ments begin conversations while pickup lines provide a quick laugh and an even quicker exit. Be aware of who you are flirting with because people tend to flirt with the wrong people and in the wrong places. A bar may seem like the easy place to hit on someone but the connection you make may not even make it out side down and read it. It read the door. To attract a person you can connect with on multiple levels, pay attention to people in your typical hangouts whether that is the gym, the bookstore, the coffee shop, a concert, or the park. The fact that they are at a place you are always at, a conversation is easy to start. If they are new to your hangout, ask what brought them in or if they're also a regular, ask them their name and say I've seen you in here before what do you order or what machine do you usually use?

There are many signs of attraction if you know what to look for. If you do a simple google search for tips on flirting there are many words of advice but be wary, when a woman or man is not interested, move on and learn from the rejection. One last word of advice, pickup lines don't work unless they make the other person laugh and even then, you're still probably better off saying hi my name is.

Information gathered from Men's

THE BEST, AND WORST PICK UP LINES!

- IS THAT THE SUN COMING UP? OR ARE YOU JUST LIGHTING UP MY WORLD?

- LET'S MAKE LIKE A FABRIC SOFTENER AND SNUGGLE.

- IS YOUR LAST NAME GILETTE? BECAUSE YOU'RE THE BEST A MAN CAN GET.

- CAN I CHECK YOUR SHIRT TAG? I WANT TO SEE IF YOU WERE MADE IN HEAVEN.

- THEY CALL ME "MILK" BECAUSE I DO A BODY GOOD

- IS THERE AN AIRPORT NEARBY OR IS THAT MY HEART TAKING OFF?

- ARE YOUR LEGS TIRED? YOU'VE BEEN RUNNING



- FLIRTING

- DILATED PUPILS

about attraction that everyone should know. Eyes are the key to the soul. One way to tell if someone is attracted to you is if their pupils dilate. This is based on biological facts. An article in Men's Health explains, "Gaze is extremely important as partners come together. We learn that gazing stimulates us sexually. Our pupils dilate, blurring critical focus, and that makes us even more attracted to others." Experts warn that eye contact is very important but stick with an on and off approach. Staring someone down does not work but catching their eye, a soft smile, and then walking by provides the perfect opportunity to say Hi!

There are a lot of physical signs

Health "The Biology of Attraction" and "The Joys and Dangers of Flirting" Ebony.



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of attraction other than eyes. Obviously this date isn't going very well. Confidence is key Women tend to flip their hair, when asking people out. If you are not confident, chances cross their legs towards the man are everything will just be downhill from there!

THROUGH MY NIGHT ALL NIGHT LONG.

INFORMATION COURTESY OF PICKUPHELP.COM

Pep Band

3rd Floor of the Student Center

Wednesday Dec. 5th - Practice at 8 Saturday Dec. 8th - Women's Game - be there 2:15 - be there 6:15 - Men's Game Tuesday Dec. 11th - Practice at 7:30

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Real life stories of how drugs landed three young inmates in jail... and changed their lives forever.

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If your graduation date is incorrect, please contact the Financial Aid Office at (732) 571-3463 or via e-mail at <u>dorsey@monmouth.edu</u>, or you may visit us in person in Wilson Hall, Room 108.



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CLASSIFIEDS





Writing Proficiency Examination (WPE)

The Writing Proficiency Examination will be offered next on Friday, December 14, from 5:15 to 7:30 p.m. Monday, December 17, from 9:45 a.m. to 12 noon

Students who have used eCampus to check in for the typed exam should report directly to their assigned classrooms during the hour before the exam starting time.

All other students should report to Pollak Theatre's lobby during the hour before the exam starting time for check in for the handwritten or typed exam.

Eligibility Requirements for the Exam

In general, you are eligible to take the December 2007 WPE if and only if you meet all three of the following conditions:

- you are a current Monmouth University student at the time of the exam (that is, you have a start date 1. that falls before the date of the exam); and
- you have EN 101 and EN 102 or their equivalents (such as transfer equivalencies or Credit by 2. Examination); and
- you have not previously attempted the WPE.

Requirements for Attempting the Exam

The required reading set for the WPE will be available at the University Bookstore for a minimal fee beginning Wednesday, November 28, 2007. Students must purchase and read the reading set before the exam, and must bring the reading set to the exam.

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 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 or online at http://www.monmouth.edu/writing_office.

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 information sessions will be held on the following dates:

Thursday, November 29, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, December 5, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Monday, December 10, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

All information sessions will be held in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center, 202B

Additional information is available from the WPE Information Line at 732-263-5491 and from the Writing Office in Wilson Annex Room 510.





Ashley sophomore "I'm busy writting the 8 papers that I have to do... then I'll worry about studying."



Jen sophomore "I'm studying alot and studying much time in the lab."



Jessica sophomore "Rereading my notes and reviewing old essays because I'm an English major."



Drew sophomore

I'm waiting until the last second to cram... to make sure that I remember everything."



D.J. freshman "I'm procrastinating... studying... procrastinating... studying."



Aaron senior

"I'm going to Miss Cleo, the psychic, for all the answers."



Christopher sophomore "I saved up all of my tests to use

them as my guides."



Andrew freshman "I'm gonna hit up the library a lot."



freshman "I'm spending a lot of time in the library, and I'm working on all my art projects that are due."



Stasia junior "Studying is overrated."



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

Semi Annual Psychology Student Conference • Bey Hall Monmouth Mall Shuttle • 12:00 - 5:30 PM • Departs from Birch Hall Loop Women's Basketball vs. Sacred Heart • 3:00 PM • Boylan Men's Basketball vs. Pennsylvania • 7:00 PM • Boylan NJ College Comedy Festival Finals • 7:00 PM • Pollak Theatre Rock Out! • 8:00 PM • Anacon Hall

How are you preparing for exams?

COMPILED BY: SARAH ALYSE JAMIESON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

Legally Blonde Trip • Departs at 10:00 AM • Tickets \$50 with MU Student ID Winnie the Pooh Christmas Carol • 2:00 PM • Pollak Theatre

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

Winnie the Pooh Christmas Carol • 10:30 PM • Pollak Theatre Project Pride • 5:00 PM • Wilson Auditorium Philosophy Philm Phorum "Letters from Iwo Jima" • 7:25 PM • Turrell Movie - EverythingIlluminated • 8:00 PM • The Underground

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Winnie the Pooh Christmas Carol • 2:00 PM • Pollak Theatre Hannakuh Lighting Ceremony • 3:30 PM • RSSC Patio Monmouth's Got Talent • 9:00 PM • RSSC Fireplace Lounge

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

Last Day of Classes De-Stress Fest • 12:00 - 4:00 PM • Anacon Hall Choose a Major Workshop • 3:00 PM • RSSC 202A



3:30 PM 4:30 PM 5:30 PM





Basketball

Men Come Up Short in Back-to-Back Contests Fall at St. Peter's 72-62, lose home opener to Sacred Heart 80-53

ERIC WALSH

Even with Jhamar Youngblood's average of 18.5 points per game in the past two games, the men's basketball team could not pull out a victory. The Hawks lost to St. Peter's 72-62 in Jersey City on November 28, and dropped the home opener 80-53 to Sacred Heart on December 2.

The team, which reeled off consecutive wins at the University ket from the corner. of Virgin Islands Paradise Jam

UIIMAIT

PHOTO COURTESY of David Beales Whitney Coleman had a team-high 13 points in an 80-53 defeat at the hands of Sacred Heart.

The Hawks drop to 2-5 overall and two free throws from Nick Del-0-1 in the NEC with the losses to Tufo, but could only score two St. Peter's and Sacred Heart.

On November 28, the Blue and utes, losing 72-62. White traveled up north to Jersey City to take on in-state foe St. Pe- 25 points, with R.J. Rutledge and cut the Peacock's lead to just four for MU.

points with 2:10 left in the game, but could not pull ahead, losing 72-62.

The Hawks opened the game's scoring with a lay-up from George Barbour, but gave up five unanswered points to trail 5-2 with 17:36 left to go in the first half. Whitney Coleman hit a three from the corner to tie the game at 5-5 just 20 seconds later, but Darrell Lampley pushed the St. Peter's lead to 11-7 with a three point bas-

against Wichita State and Char- until the halftime break, with St.

Peter's taking the lead into intermission, 36-32. The Peacocks scored their final six points of the first half from the foul line over

a 4:27 span. Barbour scored the first points of the second half to bring MU within two points of the home squad, but the Peacocks pushed the lead to eight with back-to-back offensive rebounds and put-backs

from Todd Sowell The Blue and

lotte, has now gone 0-2 since then. lead to four at the 3:11 mark with more points in the remaining min-

Monmouth, which had played its first six games of the season away from Boylan Gym, was out-rebounded in the game 43-30.

The Hawks returned to action this past Sunday to play its first game of the season in Boylan Gym. Sacred Heart, the preseason NEC favorite, came into the game against MU an unimpressive 2-6 overall on the season, but did not fail to impress against the Blue and White, running away with an 80-53 win.

The Pioneers opened the game The game was back and forth with three consecutive three-pointers, and added an old-fashioned three-point play to go up 12-0 by the 15:22 mark. The Monmouth scoring drought was not aided by the 0-6 start from the field for the Hawks, who finally got on the board at the 15:00 mark with a Whitney Coleman jumper.

MU went scoreless for the last 5:35 in the first half, with Sacred Heart putting in the final 10 points of the half to lead 39-11 at the break.

SHU pushed the lead to 32 points early on in the second half with a fast break dunk from Rvon Howard. The Hawks pulled to within 23 points of the Pioneers with three minutes to play, but watched as SHU went on a 9-5 run to end the game up by 27, 80-53.

Coleman led Monmouth with 13 points, and Youngblood added another 12, as the team shot just 13.6 % from the field in the first half. Sacred Heart, which hit 58.7 % of their shots from the field, hit 10-25 shots from behind the arc.

The 27-point defeat was the worst league-loss for the Hawks since its 28-point loss at the hands of Farleigh Dickinson on January 17, 1998.

Monmouth will host Penn in their ter's. In a tight game, Monmouth DelTufo adding nine points each next contest on Saturday, December 8, at 7 p.m., in Boylan Gym.

Women Drop Two Games In Five Days

PRESS RELEASE

University's women's basketball team eventually fell 71-48 to St. John's Wednesday night in Boylan Gym.

St. John's built on its four point halftime lead to 11, outscoring the Hawks 7-0 in the first two minutes of the second frame. The while MU struggled offensively. Jen Bender got Monmouth's first points of the second putting back her own miss, but the damage was done as St. John's still held a 43-29 lead with just four minutes expired in the half.

Veronica Randolph scored the Hawks second bucket of the half as MU managed just four points through seven and a half minutes in the second stanza. Randolph then scored five straight putting the Hawks back 17 with 10:18 to play. Monmouth could not get it closer, eventually losing by a 71-48 margin.

MU is now 6-35 all-time against members hailing from the BIG EAST conference.

Randolph finished with 10 points, while guard Marbely Montas chipped in seven. Ferdinand had eight rebounds and five points on the night. Monique McLean had 16 points for St. Johns, while Sten finished with 15 and Lindsay Sky had 13.

Monmouth held a 47-32 advanseason high 34 turnovers on the night.

The Monmouth University women's basketball team then dropped a 67-51 decision to American University on Monday night at Bender Arena in our nation's capital.

American got off to an early 7-4 lead behind five points from forward Stephanie N'Garsanet, including a traditional three-point play to open the game's scoring at the 19:05 mark of the first half. The Eagles extended their lead to drought.

Veronica Randolph scored five straight points for the Hawks, in-Despite heading into halftime cluding a three-point field goal back four points, Monmouth from the top of the key, to cut the American lead to 24-14 at the 7:34 mark of the first half. The Hawks got the American lead back into single digits after a Brooke McElroy left corner three-pointer cut the deficit to 32-23 with four minutes left before halftime.

The first half ended with Red Storm continued to pour it on Nyaimah Ware pulling down a rebound off a Liz Hayes shot for American and firing a length of the court bullet pass to a streaking Jennifer Bender for a lay up to beat the buzzer and cut the Eagles halftime lead to 36-26.

The Hawks were led by McElroy's nine points and seven rebounds in the first half, while Marbely Montas and Randolph each added five points. MU shot 33.3 % for the first half, while American connected on 56 % of their first half field goals.

After a Montas lay up cut the American lead to 41-33, Hayes responded for the Eagles with a left corner three-point field goal to boost the host's lead back to double figures at 44-33 with 13:27 left in the second half. American extended their lead to 53-38 as Sahar Nusseibeh scored five straight for the Eagles, the last a put back off an offensive rebound at the 8:00 mark of the second half. Randolph knocked down consecutive threepointers for Monmouth to cut the American lead to 57-44 with just tage on the glass but committed a under six minutes left in the game. American extended their lead to 65-46, their largest advantage of the game, after a Talicia Jackson bucket at the 3:00 mark of the game.

> Randolph led MU with 15 points, while Montas scored a career-high 14 points. McElroy ended up with nine points and nine rebounds. The Hawks shot 30.3 % from the floor, and AU shot 52.0 % and was led by Hayes' 18 points.

Monmouth returns to action this Saturday, December 8 when they host Sacred Heart in their North-14-4 at the 13:00 mark before a east Conference opener at 3:00 Marisa Jimenez breakaway lay p.m. The women's game is the up ended a 9-0 American run opener of a doubleheader this Satand a five-minute Hawk scoreless urday with the Monmouth men's team.

Outlook's Weekly NFL Picks - Week 14

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	Away	New York Giants	Cleveland Browns	Pittsburgh Steelers	Indianapolis Colts	Carolina Panthers	Miami Dolphins	Dallas Cowboys	Minnesota Vikings
NFL	Home	Philadelphia Eagles	New York Jets	New England Patriots	Baltimore Ravens	Jacksonville Jaguars	Buffalo Bills	Detroit Lions	San Francisco 49ers



White cut the

Youngblood led all scorers with



A Word on Sports

Toss Up: What's more pathetic: Eli Manning trying to play quarterback or the Knicks trying to play basketball?

ALEXANDER TRUNCALE STAFF WRITER

During the last couple of weeks, it's been hard being a New York sports fan. The Giants Browns. Now he gets paid to hold are free-falling back to earth, the Jets were underdogs to a winless seriously considering mortgag-Knicks.

But while Jets fans can look in the world. forward to yet another high draft pick, and the Yankee fans are assured that their team will spend enough money to equal the GNP of Brazil, Knicks and Giants fans don't have anything to look forward to.

but that still won't take care of one glaring problem. I'll give you a hint as to who it is: he's the Eli Manning in person and he is once in a while to play quarter- It's not an indictment against him back for the Indianapolis Colts. personally. But those of you who Yes, I'm officially declaring the Eli Manning experiment over.

Many will disagree with me, NFL. One thing you must underaren't enough quarterbacks to go quite some time. Still, for someone that the Giants gave up Philip Rivers, a first round pick, and a third and fifth round pick for, Eli Vikings, he was no where even Manning, overall, has been nothing short of disappointing.

in 05, the Eagles game last year, and even their opening day loss liance", thus giving him a pass.

Flashes of brilliance or whatever cliché you want to use doesn't automatically equal a good quarterback. Tim Couch had flashes of brilliance when he was with the a clipboard.

What's comical is that I know team, the Yankees are actually exactly what Eli Kool Aid drinkers will say the problem is. It's ing their future for one pitcher, not Eli, it's the coaching. He's not and the Knicks are, well, still the surrounded with good coaching. Coaching makes all the difference

Really? Would Eli have some kind of epiphany if he had a better coach? The guy was tabbed as the next John Elway. The next great passer. A franchise quarterback. Now you're telling me the situa-tion has degenerated to the point Sure, the Giants may sneak where the Giants have to bring into the playoffs again this year, in someone to teach him how to properly throw a football?

I've had the opportunity to meet younger brother of a TV com-by and large a very nice guy, a lot mercial superstar who finds time nicer, than say, Michael Strahan. think he has yet to reach his potential are gravely mistaken. He is a mediocre quarterback, and saying that Eli is better than a lot will always be a mediocre quar-of the other quarterbacks in the terback. He will have games where he throws for 300 yards and stand about the NFL is that there four TDs, and he will have games where he throws for 53 yards, and around. It's been this way for four picks, three of which may go the other the way for scores. Accept it.

As bad as Eli looked against the in close to how bad the Knicks looked against the Celtics, and There are times that Eli has well, every other time they step played well: the Broncos game out onto the court. If Nate Robinson's last-second prayer from half court doesn't go in, it would have to the Cowboys. These are all been the fewest points the Knicks games in which Eli supporters have scored since the NBA intro-say he showed "flashes of bril-duced the shot clock.

Knicks owner James Dolan has

taken one of the greatest fran-chises in the NBA, and has completely run it into the ground. No wonder his father won't let him run Cablevision. The World's Most Famous Arena has turned into The World's Most Empty Arena when the Knicks play at home. It's sad to think that Knicks fans aren't angry. They just don't care anymore.

When I talked to my dad back home, he said "It's hard to think that every time we pay our cable bill, a portion of it goes to Stephon Marbury and Isiah Thomas." Yet another reason to get DirectTV. But that isn't even the real issue. It's not that everything Isiah Thomas touches turns to garbage, and it's not the plague that is Starbury. It's owner James Dolan's refusal to put out a team each night that will be competitive and enjoyable to watch. The Knicks are not competitive, and nobody en-joys watching them, unless they are a fan of self-torture.

Dolan won't let go of Isiah Thomas, a man who can't coach, can't manage, and looks so disinterested it's almost as if he'd rather be living in North Korea than coaching this team. Star-bury might as well be nailed to the floor, as the Knicks would have to give him \$42 million (not a misprint) or 2,800,000 pairs of his sneakers to go away. Compared to the Knicks, Congress actually looks fiscally respon-sible. Scary right?

Watching James Dolan run the Knicks and listening to people tell me Eli Manning will as good quarterback has given me an eyesore and a headache. I don't have the patience to continue playing a game in which the fans always come out as the losers. And I have a feeling many people feel the same way.

Hawks Impressive in First Winter Meet

ALEXANDER TRUNCALE STAFF WRITER

In their first indoor track meet of the 2007-2008 campaign, the three Hawks earned births in the IC4A championships at the Seton Hall Open.

The team was led by Ed Skowronski, whose weight toss of 59' in the event. Chris Keller took second place, while Ryan Connell and seventh, respectively. Last 11" leap. year, Skowronski qualified for the IC4A championships in the hammer throw.

NCAAs in the shot put. His throw individual performances.

and Reginald McLeod finished third and fifth. On the Women's side, Kelly Dantley placed second in the shot put while senior Tiffany Hahn took third and Laura Ankrom took sixth. Ankrom also took fourth place in the weight throw, and Dantley finished just behind her in fifth.

In the 60 meter hurdles, Latasha ³/₄, earned him a first place finish Leake finished fifth with a time of 9.71 seconds and MaryKate Walsh gave the Hawks a fifth place finand Tom Ciccoli finished fourth ish in the long jump, tallying a 16'

With the first competition of the winter track season under their belts, head coach Joe Compagni Keller would qualify for the said he was pleased with his team's



PHOTO COURTESY of MU Sports Information

Ed Skowronski's weight toss of 59' 3/4 earned him a first place finish in the event.

of 51' 9 1/4" earned him a second place finish while Ciccoli was just short of the Monmouth freshman record in the event with a toss of

On the track, Dan Fitzpatrick finished eighth in the 60 meter hurdles with a time of 9.06 seconds. In the high jump, Julio Rodriquez the Princeton Invitational.

"We brought most of our throwers and jumpers and a few of our short sprinters to open the season today, and they did a good job of getting some solid early-season marks," he said. Compagni added that he was looking forward to having the entire team compete at



Sports Arena, 1215 Wyckoff Road, Farmingdale, NJ (732-919-7070). Lots of extra give-aways and prizes will be available at these special events:

Home Opener: Support the team at their opening home game on Sunday, October 7th at 7:00 PM. Your admission ticket stub will be entered into a drawing for door prizes given away during intermission (Bose headphones, t-shirts and more). Alumni Game (with NHL Prizes): Take a break before exams and come watch as your current IceHawks team takes on some great players from the past in an exhibition game on Friday, December 14th at 9:00 PM. There will be a skills competition before the game and door prizes for NHL Tickets, Autographed Memorabilia, Great Collectibles and Gifts.

Date October Sunday 7th Saturday 20th Sunday 21st Friday 26th Saturday 27th November Saturday 3rd Saturday 10th Sunday 11th Saturday 17th Sunday 18th December Saturday 1st Saturday 8th Friday 14th January Saturday 19th Friday 25th

Monmouth IceHawks Game Schedule Opponent

Farmingdale George Washington Shippensburg Stockton Albany

Widener South Connecticut Lehigh Penn State East Stroudsburg

Shippensburg Rutgers Alumni Game with NHL prizes

East Stroudsburg Rutgers

Time Location

7:00 PM Home Opener 8:15 PM Home 1:45 PM Hershey Arena 8:30 PM Home 6:00 PM Albany Arena

5:30 PM Home 5:30 PM Home 2:00 PM Bethlehem, PA 8:15 PM Home 5:00 PM Whitehall, PA

8:15 PM Home 5:30 PM Home 9:00 PMHome

5:30 PM Home 8:45 PM Pennsauken, NJ



