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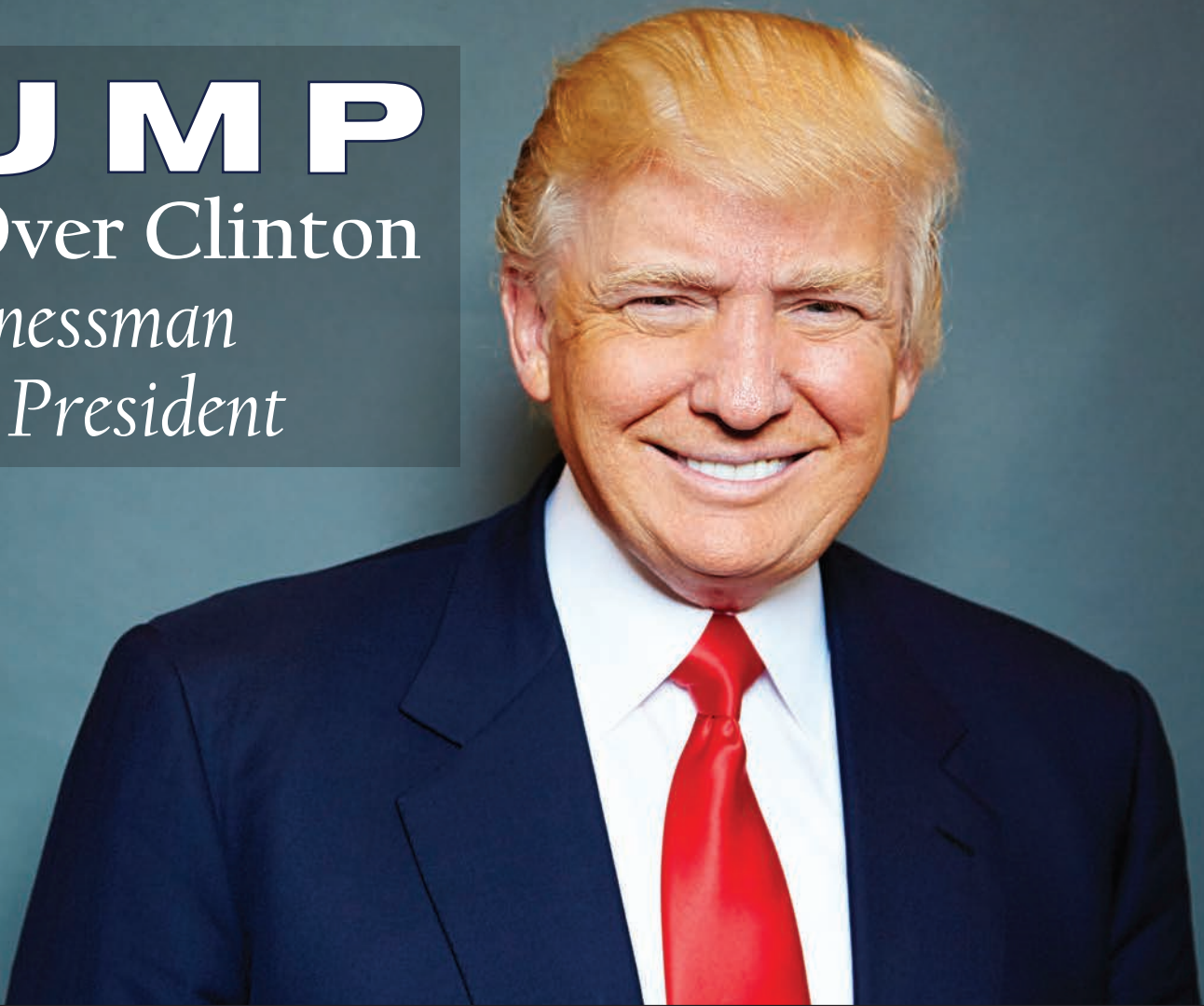


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Donald J. Trump has been elected as the 45th president of the United States of America on Nov. 8th 2016— performing a surprising victory as many polls and political pundits doubted his ability to gain the votes necessary to win the presidency.

This year, Trump was able to tap into the anger and frustration of the voters in a way that no candidate has been able to do in many years. Assistant Professor of Political Science

at Monmouth University, Dr. Stephen Chapman, said, "In an increasingly polar political climate, he's run a populist campaign that rings true to many Americans."

Americans that Trump resonated with were those who were disappointed with the political establishment in Washington D.C. Associate Professor of Political Science, Dr. Joseph Patten, said that if Trump wins, it will be, "because people hate Washington D.C."

Monmouth University alumnus and assistant campaign manager for the Pennsylvania GOP, Tyler Vandegrift said, "I voted for Trump because the country is moving in the wrong direction, and Clinton would only make it

worse."

Trump appealed was to many of the downtrodden families that are of the former middle class. This showed in the election results as he won swing states like Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. Chapman said that Trump "does not have a path without Pennsylvania." According to Trump, these are the areas that were affected by trade deals such as the North American Free Trade Agreement, otherwise known as NAFTA, and others that have led manufacturing jobs to other countries and out of the United States. This outflow of American jobs has been blamed on the career politicians of both political parties.

This campaign had become less ideological and much more cultural to lower middle class areas in these parts of the country. Associate Professor of Sociology, Dr. Nancy Mezey said, "There are many sociological reasons why white, working-class men in particular, but other groups as well, feel politically disempowered." She continued, "therefore, we cannot really be surprised that Trump's main supporters come from working-class white backgrounds."

Patten said, "People aren't really caring about policy." Mezey said, "Many Trump supporters were either willing to overlook Trump's misogynistic, anti-immigrant, racist rhetoric, or they

embraced such rhetoric."

Trump's opponent, Hillary Clinton, also helped pave his path to victory— even though he had high unfavorable ratings himself. Associate Professor of Political Science, Dr. Kevin Dooley said, "I think both parties nominated two incredibly unfavorable candidates and if you look at both unfavorable ratings with voters they are some of the highest in history."

However, he said of Clinton, "I think first it was the Clinton legacy was perceived by a lot of people as being negative" and that, "many people do not want that in the White House anymore."

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Sexual Assault Campaign Posters Captures Students' Attention

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Tacked and taped across University bulletin boards, locker rooms, and dormitory bathroom stalls are signs from this year's sexual assault poster campaign titled *It Happens* by photographer Yana Mazurkevich. The posters have been showcased since Hawks United Week in early October by the Office of Equity and Diversity, the General Council, and Student Life.

"Each year we have tried to run a poster campaign as part of the Hawks United Week of programming, and this was the poster campaign that we chose for this year. Last year it was *Tuned Into Consent* which took

song lyrics and made them about consent. This year we went with the *It Happens* poster campaign," said Nina Anderson, Director of the Office of Equity and Diversity.

It Happens is "because sexual assault 'happens,'" Mazurkevich told *A Plus* in an email. "It happens to anyone, regardless of skin color or sexual orientation."

The explicit nature of Mazurkevich's posters are intentional; she wanted the photos to make people uncomfortable — as uncomfortable as talking about rape and sexual assault is. "Sexual assault is not pretty," she said. "No one is going to put a pillow below your head and *then* rape you... The images are not supposed to be easy to look at, just like the subject itself is not supposed to be easy to talk about."

The campaign was discovered on social media by Mary Anne Nagy, Vice President for Student Life and Leadership Engagement. She said, "Believe it or not I actually saw the campaign posted up on Facebook. It was around the time that you were hearing a lot of coverage in the media about the situation with Brock Turner. When I saw the campaign on Facebook I was struck by it."

"I immediately recognized that the pictures were clearly edgy, but I was struck by the simplicity of the message; there were very few words, and it was all about the picture. I was also struck by the fact that the survivor in each picture was staring directly at the camera, and I was struck by how

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Polling Institute Earns an A+ Rating

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The quality and accuracy of polls released by the Monmouth University Polling Institute has earned the University an A+ rating from Nate Silver's widely respected news site, *FiveThirtyEight*.

The University ranked higher than many major media outlets and organizations such as *Fox News*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and *Gallup*, becoming one of only five polls to receive an A+ rating out of the 373 organizations reviewed by the site in August.

"This is a tremendous honor for everyone in our team at Monmouth," said Patrick Murray, the director of the Polling

Institute in an article by NJ.com. "We strive to be transparent in our methods so the public can be

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Narcan Used an Average of 21 Times a Day In NJ

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Narcan, a drug that halts the effects of an opioid overdose, has been deployed by New Jersey emergency officials over 18,000 times since its widespread implementation in 2014, according to an article by *NJ.com*.

As of 2016, the drug has been deployed an average of 21.8 times per day; it is expected that it will have been utilized nearly 8,000 times by the year's end, according to the *NJ.com* article. Data on opioid and heroin abuse in the state is difficult to pin down, but the use of Narcan by first responders in the field provides one of the clearest indications of how widespread it is.

Narcan, also known as Naloxone, is usually administered as a nasal spray. The drug, used in the case of opioid overdose, immediately blocks opioid receptors in the brain, allowing someone to recover in seconds, even if they aren't breathing. While the figures are not exact – in some cases, Narcan is deployed multiple times per patient, and the data does not include information from hospitals – but it does show how emergency officials constantly respond to a flood of patients who are suspected to be suffering from a heroin or opioid overdose.

"The Monmouth and Ocean County area has a large heroin problem," said William McElrath, Chief of the Monmouth University Police Department (MUPD). "Al-

though we do not see the typical signs of heroin abuse [on campus], it would be naïve to think that Monmouth University is not impacted. Based on the overdose and arrest rates in surrounding towns, there is no doubt opioid abuse is taking place."

Suanne Schaad, Monmouth University's Substance Awareness Coordinator, agreed with McElrath's assessment. "Monmouth County is one of the highest rated in the state for overdose facilities," she said. "I think every campus is dealing with addiction problems."

According to Schaad, every day in the United States 129 people die from an overdose from opiates.

Santino Timpino, a freshman finance student, recently witnessed the impact of drugs in his community. He said, "Just last week I attended a funeral for a twenty-six-year-old woman whose mother found her lying dead on her bedroom floor from a heroin overdose. She overdosed and died in front of her 1-year-old baby. And in my high school there were many cases of drug abuse."

According to the *NJ.com* article, deployment rates of Narcan have been highest in southern New Jersey, which has the highest per-capita opioid death rates in the state.

Alan Cavaiola, a Professor of the Professional Counseling Department, asserts that there are ways in which people can stay away from drug addiction. He said, "In order to avoid becoming addicted, it's often important to change 'people,



IMAGE TAKEN FROM Mountainx.com

Narcan is used by officials to save individuals from drug overdosage in NJ on a daily basis

places and things.' For example, if the only people you hang out with are people who get high, then you may need to change your friends or socialize with other groups."

Jesse Hernandez, a sophomore marketing and management student, agreed with Cavaiola's deductions. He said, "My stepdad overdosed when I was around ten, and they hit him with the Narcan and he survived. I grew up around drugs, and I'm pretty familiar with them, a lot of my friends did them and that's why I left the setting I was in to join the military."

"All of our officers are Narcan

trained and carry the kit in our MUPD vehicles," said McElrath. "Fortunately, we have not had to utilize the product."

However, according to Schaad, the drug has been administered several times in the area surrounding Monmouth. "We continue to raise awareness on opiates and all substances [on campus]," said Schaad. "We have presentations to Greek life, athletics, and first year students... anyone who will have us. We have a Students in Recovery Group, which supports students in recovery... We comply with state laws on the Good Sa-

maritan policy, which encourages people to ask for help if someone is at risk for an overdose, without risk of legal consequences."

Under NJ's Good Samaritan policy, both the caller and the individual overdosing would not be arrested or charged.

McElrath also recommended that, in addition to the Office of Substance Awareness, students could reach out to the Health Center or the Office of Counseling and Psychological Services to seek assistance. All services are free and confidential and easily available to students.

Polling Institute Receives an A+ Rating From News Site

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accurately reflected in all the work we do."

According to President Paul Brown, Ph.D., the A+ grade by *FiveThirtyEight* is calculated by analyzing the historical accuracy and methodology of the polls. He said, "This is really about the quality control and scientific approach utilized by Patrick Murray, the director of Monmouth University Polling Institute and his team. They have continued to make the Institute one of the nation's best resources for accurate public opinion research."

Ashley Medina, a graduate student and a research assistant who works at the Polling Institute, has found the Institute, very beneficial to her success as a student. "In my opinion, the benefits of having the Polling Institute on campus are twofold. Locally, it lends students the opportunity to engage with the political process and to understand political communication in a more concrete and hands on way," she said.

"It also offers opportunity to interested Monmouth students like myself who otherwise may not have the chance to work at such an acclaimed polling institution while in school. On a wider scale, the Polling Institute has helped to elevate Monmouth University's name recognition nationwide which ultimately, increases the value of my degree," Medina added.

According to Dr. Stephen Chapman, an Assistant Professor of Political Science and Sociology, collecting accurate data is no easy feat. He said, "The predictive power of MU polls is due to the stringent methodology employed behind the scenes by Patrick Murray, Tim Tracey, and other members of the staff. Accuracy has a lot to do with the sam-



IMAGE TAKEN FROM Monmouth.edu

The Monmouth University Polling Institute has been very involved in this years election, and has successfully competed with top polls in the nation.

ple size and how well that sample represents the larger population, how people are contacted, if the poll includes cell phones - a major factor for contacting younger portions of the population - among other factors."

According to Dr. Joseph Patten, Associate Professor of Political Science and Sociology, the Institute puts a lot of work into selecting participants for their polls to be sure the demographics they sample are an accurate demonstration of the actual population of American voters. He explained that in order to create an accurate poll, polling groups must have an understanding of how to predict who will show up on election day.

He said, "There's different groups in society and there are all

of these models about who votes."

Patten continued, "You have to look at these groups, these demographics, to try and understand what the final voting demographic will be, who is actually going to vote on Election Day. And you want to poll the same percentage of people who are going to vote."

The sample of people to be polled must include a valid percentage of each demographic present in the voter population. Patten explained, "If you polled 70 percent of men, that would be a skewed poll if women are 54 percent of the turnout. You have to match up what you think the final turnout will be with different social groups and demographics, and have a roughly same percentage of that demographic in your poll. That's called modeling – you

have to model what the ultimate voting population will look like."

The practice of modeling is just one of the many techniques students get to learn when they participate in the Polling Institute. "Our strategic plan emphasizes providing an intellectually challenging and rigorous academic experience. That's really at the core of what we do. The Polling Institute provides a range of opportunities for students to engage in impactful social science research at the highest levels," said Brown.

The skills students acquire from the Institute stick with them long after graduation. Chapman said, "I have had both undergraduate and graduate students who have worked with the Polling Institute. In those experienc-

es, they have developed a range of tangible skills such as learning how to collect and analyze data, honing their writing prowess, and improving their interpersonal skills. These transformative experiences equip students with marketable skills and lasting memories well beyond their years at MU."

The presence of the Institute on campus has proved to be beneficial to the entirety of the University community as well. President Brown said, "The Polling Institute has had such an extraordinarily positive effect on the University since it was established in 2005. Our name recognition and reputation has been enhanced significantly by the Polling Institute."

"I have heard from alumni all over the country, representing many different class years who have been thrilled so see Monmouth University mentioned so prominently in the national media," Brown added.

"Monmouth University clearly gains a lot of attention because of the Institute. It's difficult to watch any of the major news networks and not hear an MU poll mentioned. Aside from the obvious of offering MU additional publicity to attract new students, it is a positive for current MU students and the campus community at large," Chapman added. "Current students have the opportunity to engage with one of the top polling institutes in the country; a feature even many elite research universities do not have. It also contributes to the culture of Monmouth as it instills a feeling of pride knowing that members of our campus community are contributing to democracy in action."

Editor's Note: Patrick Murray, the Director of the Polling Institute, refused to comment to the *Outlook* for this story.

It Happens Posters Are Hung On Campus Because Rape Happens



IMAGE TAKEN by Jamilah McMillan

This years sexual assault poster campaign will be displayed throughout the University until the end of the academic year.

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powerful they were,” she added. Afterwards Nagy shared the link with Anderson, and the idea to display the campaign on campus quickly transposed. They obtained permission from the photographer, and received approval from John Christopher, the Vice President and General Counsel, and members of the President’s Cabinet. According to Anderson the campaign will stay up throughout the entire academic year.

The poster series was inspired by the Brock Turner rape case. In March 2016, Turner was found guilty of raping an unconscious woman behind a garbage bin at Stanford University. According to *Vice News* the case fueled a wide debate in the U.S. about rape culture, campus sexual assault, privilege in the criminal justice system, and campus safety.

Mazurkevich revealed the series the same day that Brock Turner was released three months ahead of his original six months’ probation time in September.

“I think the posters are very thought provoking especially on a campus like Monmouth, where rape isn’t really publicized or talked about,” said Moon Kim, a junior business student.

“The posters are not inappropriate, they are the truth. It’s life, and it happens. Sexual assault is a real thing, and sweeping it under the rug like it is nothing is not going to solve

the problem. That is why this campaign is good, because it forces people to think about it,” Kim added.

“It’s about what resonates with the students,” said Nagy. “If the campaign resonates with our students and it causes them to have conversations, and to ponder then that’s what is important. The more we make people aware of the issue, and get people to talk about it particularly our students, I am hopeful that we will begin to change the culture.”

Although the posters might draw students’ attention, Corey Wrenn, Director of Gender Studies Department and a lecturer of sociology, asserts that the University could be even more proactive in the fight against sexual assault. She said, “Vague posters do not make up for institutional support. The University is in the best position to make a real and lasting impact on the epidemic. Taking rape reports seriously, holding rapists accountable, taking meaningful proactive behavior, and working with students and faculty to create impactful and high-value programming is the strongest move forward.”

Wrenn also ascertained that research should be done to learn if the posters are truly impactful. “So often these types of awareness campaigns go out based on ‘common sense,’ status quo, traditional approaches to the problem, but fail to do the research to ascertain if they actually work,” she said.

“My concern is that the post-

ers that I have seen on campus rely heavily on shocking imagery without the requisite information on what power imbalances or predatory behavior caused the situation, or what bystanders or the targeted can do. We also live in a porn culture, heavily saturated with these very same images in a sexualized context; how do we know if they are even registering?” Wrenn added.

As many as one in four women experience sexual assault at college, though the vast majority never report it, according to a study of students at nine schools released in January by the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

The University is not immune to campus sexual assault. It is presently under investigation by the Office of Civil Rights for an alleged sexual assault case mishandling. Additionally since the start of the academic year, there has been two reported cases of sexual assault, according to Anderson.

If you or someone you know is a victim of sexual assault and wants to seek assistance there are a number of resources both confidential and non-confidential at the University. Confidential resources include the health center, psychological services, and the offices of Anderson and Nagy. Residential Life and Residential Assistants are available as well. Reports can be made with the Monmouth University Police Department. Off campus, there is the organization 180 Turning Lives Around.

Visting Writer Series Features Poet, Gerald Stern

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Monmouth University hosted another Visiting Writers Series eventson Tuesday, Nov. 1 at 4:30 p.m. in Wilson Auditorium. The visiting poet for this installment was Gerald Stern. Stern is an immensely popular poet who has published over a dozen awards for his writings and countless books of poetry with their content being both mind-opening and sentimental as well as witty and thought-provoking.

Michael Thomas, Associate Dean of Humanities and Director of the Visiting Writers Series, explained that Stern was selected for the Visiting Writers Series because “There are very few poets like him left. Also, Gerald Stern is an American Original, a poet who integrates history, both personal and political.”

The event itself started with opening remarks from Thomas. In these remarks, Thomas discussed the importance of art in daily life. “Art sustains us,” he had remarked. He emphasized the true positive effects that art, writing, painting, drawing, and other disciplines have

on any human’s state and wellbeing.

Thomas then introduced assistant professor of English, Dr. Michaela Moscaliuc, who offered some insight and introduction for Stern. Moscaliuc has done very extensive research on Stern’s collections of poetry; therefore, it was only proper and fitting that she gave an introduction for Stern as well.

When Stern finally took stage to start his reading, he announced that he would be reading from his books of poetry *Divine Nothingness* and his new novel to be released in February called *Galaxy Love*.

Stern read a large sampling of poems that ranged from the topic of teaching and humor to the serious and historic topic of the Holocaust. The poetry about the Holocaust tends to be some of Stern’s more popular works. This has a lot to do with the fact that Stern holds immense survivor’s guilt.

He explained to the audience that he writes on the Holocaust because he was a Jew who was spared. The Holocaust poetry that Stern writes is very much a comment on his survivor’s guilt and contains some of the most powerful imagery and

attitudes.

“Like many writers, he writes out of life-long obsessions and wounds. He writes himself in and out of them, again and again, perhaps as a way of working toward healing while also keeping the wounds raw,” Moscaliuc explained.

The question and answer segment followed immediately after Stern’s reading. The question of the author’s inspiration came up, as it usually does in the Visiting Writers Series readings, and to this Stern had a unique answer. He said, “Like many other things in my poetry, it just happens.”

Dr. Michael Waters, a professor of English, commented on Stern’s inspiration, “Stern doesn’t depend on inspiration as a triggering source for his writing; instead, he is constantly receptive as a creative artist.”

Moscaliuc also commented on Stern’s inspiration, “He was saying there’s so much to write about, always, when you try to live consciously, mindfully, that there’s no need to ‘wait’ for inspiration.”

The audience of this particular reading seemed to be very recep-

Largest Career Day in MU History

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The largest Career Day in the University’s history was held in the OceanFirst Bank Center on Wednesday, Nov. 2. Over 120 companies and over 350 students and alumni attended the event sponsored by the Career Services Office.

Jeffrey Mass, Assistant Director of Career Services, said there was a six percent increase compared to last year. “Career Services is very happy with both student and employer turnout, but we never want to stop trying to improve the event,” said Mass. “Someday I would like to see 150 employers visit the campus.”

The University had various companies attend Career Day for the first time including: Canon Solutions America; Department of Children and Families; Dr. Reddy’s Laboratories; New Jersey State Parole Board; Open Systems Technology; PNC Bank; Simon & Schuster; NJ Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services; Toll Brothers; United Methodist Communities; and USA Today.

According to Mass, the Office of Career Services strives to invite a diverse group of employers in order to offer a range of opportunities for all majors.

Renee Theobald, a physician recruiter at Hackensack Meridian Health, said, “We are looking for students with motivation and eagerness to start their career in a company, and we saw those qualities in people today. Students have to prove that they are go getters,” said Theobald.

Danielle Helmilinger, a recruiter and training specialist from Advancing Opportunities Inc. hoped to fill vacant positions within the company. This was Helmilinger’s second visit to Career Day and she was beyond impressed of how many resumes she had received this year compared to last year.

According to Mass, Career Day provides an amazing opportunity to meet potential employers and to acquire more knowledge about career related

options in a student’s field of study. To make the most out of Career Day, students are able to view the list of employers that are attending ahead of time on the University’s Career Services page. Mass suggests that students make a list of the employers and complete research on the company that they are interested in talking to. Mass said students should, “Put time and effort into planning their “elevator pitch.”

Zareen Shueib a senior business management student has visited Career Day multiple times. She said, “Career Day has been consistent every year I visited but I also have discovered great new companies every time.” This year she visited companies like Toll Brothers, Sterling Jewelers and many others.

Zareen did not plan on applying to Sterling Jewelers, but she claimed that a representative recruited her to the table and easily talked her into applying for an entry level position. “Students should have a background knowledge of companies they are interested in, but they should also be open minded about considering other corporations,” she said. Simply talking to employers, asking questions and picking up informational brochures can indeed take a person a long way.

Evan Watson, a junior business marketing student attended Career Day for the first time this year. “I applied at three different tables for internships related to advertising,” he said. Watson strongly recommends that students looking for internships or jobs should create a resume and print several copies to bring to Career Day along with creating a LinkedIn profile.

To successfully prepare for Career Day in the future Mass recommends that students can visit the Career Services office and get great tips on interviewing skills, or participate in a “mock interview,” job search strategies, resume and cover letter construction, and more. “The staff there will help them build the confidence needed to succeed,” said Mass.

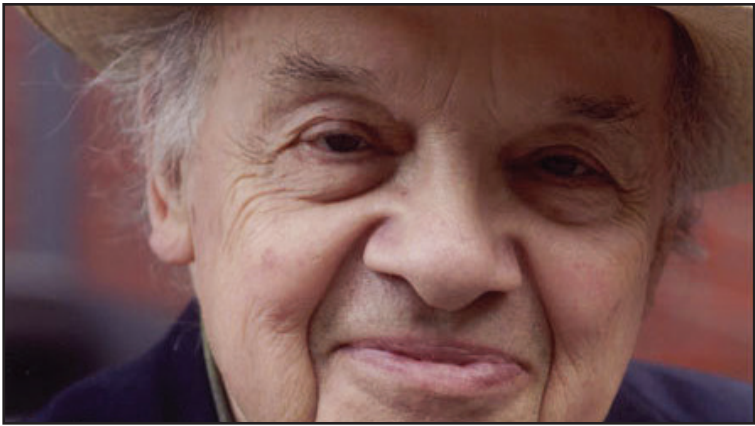


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Gerald Stern read his poetry at the University on November 1.

tive of Stern’s readings. Thomas claimed, “The audience was one of our best, not just in number—about 140 attendees—but more so in their precise attention.”

Ashley Grenger, a senior health studies student, said, “I really enjoyed seeing a poet present his work and seeing how the emotions in the poem were conveyed touched me.”

“He’s a very engaging writer who weaves comic and dramatic memories into his poetry,” commented Susan Schuld, a junior English and

education student. “His sharp wit and vivid imagery capture the audience’s attention and his thought-provoking work leaves them awestruck at his unique perspective.”

Students and faculty alike can mimic Stern’s passion. Now that he is retired and has time, Stern said, “When do I write? All the time.” Nothing stops Stern from writing because it is his passion; and he asserts that students and faculty should never stop doing what they have a passion for.

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Dear Mr. President

THE OUTLOOK STAFF

As you know, this election was like no other. It was the first time a woman was the presidential nominee of one of the two main parties, the first time we had a businessman with no political background as the presidential nominee of the other main party, and one of the most highly controversial elections our country has faced in years. There have been rumors of corruption, deception, and unlawful activity, but now, it's over. You've won. And now we have a few things to ask of you.

As a businessman in office, please represent us well. We have now altered history by electing a leader without a political background to office, so do your best to show us that this decision was a good one. This is a great opportunity to show our nation's youth that they can truly do anything they aspire to do as long as they work hard enough and believe in themselves. This group of children will grow up watching you lead this country, seeing firsthand that you can do anything if you work hard enough to get there. Be the model that shapes the upcoming generation to be a group of natural leaders and hard workers.

"I would like to see a true role model in the next president," said one editor. "It may seem cliché that we need a role model in life to look up to, but

I think that this next president truly needs to be morally stable in order to keep our country stable...a morally corrupt president could very well be our downfall, so this next leader must be a truly good person to be able to be a good leader."

See, you are entering office at a time when hate crimes are once again common, where Black Lives Matter needs to be a labeled movement for *change*, and gun violence has nearly tripled in comparison to other nations with the same socioeconomic status; this is a problem that multiple editors agreed was our country's biggest issue today and many Americans could likely concur. It is vital that you are fair and just to all groups and that you "Make America Great Agian" for all.

"The country's biggest issue at the moment is discrimination—whether it is Islamophobia or even racism in general," said one editor. "Both things are hot topics right now and it seems to be creating a lot of subsequent and webbing issues."

As a group of college students that will seek employment in the near future, please try to revive our economy. It is hard enough trying to find a job in and of itself, let alone find one with a high enough salary to live comfortably and pay off student debt.

"I think the biggest issue at the moment is the economy

because it tends to cause other problems," one editor said. "I think it helps create a divide between people... A bad economy creates the need for polarizing welfare programs that a lot of people disagree with, etc."

"With new agencies, spending programs, and a growing amount of government employees, our government has grown far beyond what the founding fathers envisioned," one editor added. "We need to reduce the size so the government is run by the people and not bureaucrats again."

As a welcoming gift from us to you, our new leader, here's a piece of advice.

"Restore the love for our country in the hearts of Americans," said one editor. "I feel that too many Americans are not proud of this country anymore. So many joke around saying that they are going to move to Canada and leave America behind. This president needs to make America a land that we are all proud to be a part of."

So, with your new place in American history, please do your best to bring this country back to a place where we can thrive and live peacefully. Help bring pride back to the people of this country who have lost it, jobs to those who are suffering, and safety to those who are threatened by gun violence.

Sincerely,
The Outlook Staff



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Monmouth Hawks: Is the University ‘Nest’ Safe? Reflecting on the Campus-Wide Lockdown Prompted by a Gun Incident

THE OUTLOOK STAFF

The University entered a campus-wide lockdown at 9:52 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 1 after police received reports of a man with a gun. According to an e-mail sent by University President Paul R. Brown, Ph.D. the following day, the suspect approached two female students with a gun and demanded their cell phones; they fled and called the Monmouth University Police Department (MUPD), prompting the lockdown.

The suspect was apprehended at 10:52 p.m. and the lockdown was lifted at 12:11 a.m. after the campus was thoroughly searched for evidence. Later, information revealed that the attempted robbery was committed by a freshman football player wielding a fake gun. The student, Keith Williams, was arrested and is being held in jail on \$100,000 bail with no 10 percent option.

No Monmouth students were harmed in the incident. However, it has brought back to light the issue of school shootings and campus safety.

“Typically, I feel pretty safe on campus,” said one editor. “We hear a lot about other schools, but I never really thought something like this would happen here. It’s when something like this happens where you start questioning the safety on campus.”

Several *Outlook* editors were in the *Outlook* newsroom, located in the Jules L. Plangere Communications Center, when the lockdown commenced. They were then stuck there, unable to leave, until the lock-

down was lifted just past midnight.

“Being pretty much barricaded in the *Outlook* office was frightening, to say the least,” said another editor. “You know, you always read stories of people calling their parents, such as in the massacre in the Orlando night club, or people calling loved ones on the flights during 9/11, and you never know how they feel. In no way am I comparing the magnitude of these tragedies to this incident, but I’m just saying there was this

“I haven’t been on campus since the event, but I do believe the situation was handled with care and was handled well,” said another editor. “Sending out the alerts through calls, texts, email, and social media helped everyone stay in the loop.”

However, one editor noted that there was a potential lag time from when the incident initially happened to when the campus lockdown began. According to the University website the two students reported

The editor continued, “During the two hours that we waited, we didn’t see one cop car, or hear a single siren, and that was disconcerting. Cops should have been checking on students all over campus as a safety measure.”

William McElrath, Chief of the Monmouth University Police Department (MUPD), explained the logic behind the decision to call a lockdown. “A shelter in place normally refers to asking the campus

campus community remain indoors, and not allow access to the north campus until the situation was resolved.”

Monmouth University’s Counseling and Psychological Services are always free and available to students; an email was sent out on Wednesday morning reminding students that there was always the option to talk to someone in that office.

However, most editors agreed that while their perception of campus safety might have changed, they weren’t really afraid to return to Monmouth’s campus. Many commented that they had always felt safe on Monmouth’s campus. The campus has often been ranked highly for campus safety according to Niche.com, which studies and ranks universities nationwide.

One editor said, “I would like to take this as a wakeup call if not for myself then possibly for others as well. We look at the news and social media and see these types of things happening on other campuses or even at elementary schools and think, ‘Wow what a shame, but I am glad that I wasn’t there!’ We often don’t believe it will ever happen to us or someone we know.”

The editor continued, “[Students] should be considered lucky that nothing extensively dangerous happened, but this isn’t something we can just skip past easily without any other second thought. This is a reminder to always be safe, mindful, and alert of your surroundings, and to not take anything for granted.”

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element of uncertainty that lingered. We had no idea what was going on, if we were safe, why we were still on lockdown, why no officers were patrolling our building and assuring us we’d be okay... it was just one of the eeriest moments of my life.”

However, most of the editors agreed that the situation was handled well, especially by MUPD.

“I think the alert system was great,” said one editor. “It was nice to be updated on what was going on through my phone, as that is the best way to alert me of anything.”

seeing a male wearing a hooded black sweatshirt and stocking mask, bearing a gun, at approximately 8:20 p.m. The students then fled the scene. The lockdown was not prompted until 9:52 p.m., well over an hour after the University reported the suspect fleeing “through the tunnel to the northside.”

The editor also pointed out that many students were on the academic side of campus during the lockdown, and although the incident took place on the residential side, “we still wished that there were cops around.”

community to remain inside while a possibly dangerous event is taking place,” he said. “A lockdown is similar in that you are requesting people to remain indoors until an all-clear is given. Both refer to a variety of threats to an area.”

McElrath continued, “Subsequent messages were sent out as a lockdown as the campus was also closed to incoming traffic until the situation was rendered safe. The initial email was sent out as a man with a gun. Once the incident was confirmed, a decision was made to request the

Life Lessons for a Hawk from the Presidential Election

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The meme-worthy, anxiety-inducing, and most anticipated presidential election we have all witnessed is chock-full of life lessons we can all take into consideration this year and every year after. Whether we relate these lessons to our life, career, or take them into consideration for our future. Presidential candidates, Mr. Donald Trump and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, have given us plenty to think about.

All throughout this election, we have seen both candidates debate until the death whether it be over policy conflicts, the economy, society, or other matters of importance. The one thing they have shown the people collectively is to not take anything at face value.

As Monmouth students, we have a wide array of options and resources to take advantage of as far as research is concerned. Whether it be utilizing the Commuter Student Lounge on the second floor of the Rebecca Stafford Student Center or spending all hours at our coveted library across campus, us Hawks are in a nest full of different assets to utilize. At times it may be hard to find “an ‘extremely credible source,’” as Trump would say, but at the library, we have hard-working staff and faculty members who will work around the clock to help you with any research.

Not to mention, these two memorable candidates have instilled in us the importance of doing research and making sure we are informed to the best of our ability about things that concern us as a whole.

Hand-in-hand with the many resources we can use, we also have limitless options and opportunities. People may think that there is only one option- for presidential candidates, for jobs, internships, career

choices or anything else. It is critical to remember that you create your own opportunities with the choices you make.

We all know the age old saying, “when one door closes another opens.” It may be cliché, but we get a million options each and every day. Even at Monmouth, we are faced with dozens of daily choices. Some choices may be as simple as “Do I want Jersey Mike’s or do I want pizza?” But, they could be as vital as “How do I choose which internship is best for my future?” and “Who am I going to vote for?” It is always necessary to keep in mind that our options are never limited and “we the

people” get to decide.

Another very important realization that has come about with the help of the election is that although social media may be an outlet, it could be our greatest downfall. We use social media for our own fun and games and to feel connected with the world. While that’s all well and good, at times, we may be saying too much. Professionals are able to look up any of your social media accounts anywhere from Twitter to Facebook to LinkedIn, and they will be able to take that into consideration when choosing whether or not to hire you for a position.

All of your information is public

knowledge and whatever has been laid out on the internet is likely to stay there forever. We all have heard the horror stories about teachers that haven’t been considered for a position because of inconsistencies found through their social media accounts. Due to what they have been posting and reacting to on social media, these candidates have reminded us to be mindful of what we post; we never know who might see it!

Last, but surely not least, we are reminded to continuously take our losses with grace just as we should win without overindulging our ego. Whether it is losing the presidential election, not being accepted

for a job, or not being qualified for a position, we should always take everything with a grain of salt. It is normal to be upset or even cry about not being accepted for something, it is essential to be aware of the fact that not everything will go our way, but, we have the ability to take the positives from a negative situation.

Regardless of if you were “With Her” or striving to “Make America Great Again,” this presidential election was one that taught us as fellow Hawks and as Americans plenty of lessons to take with us on our journeys to becoming better students and better citizens.

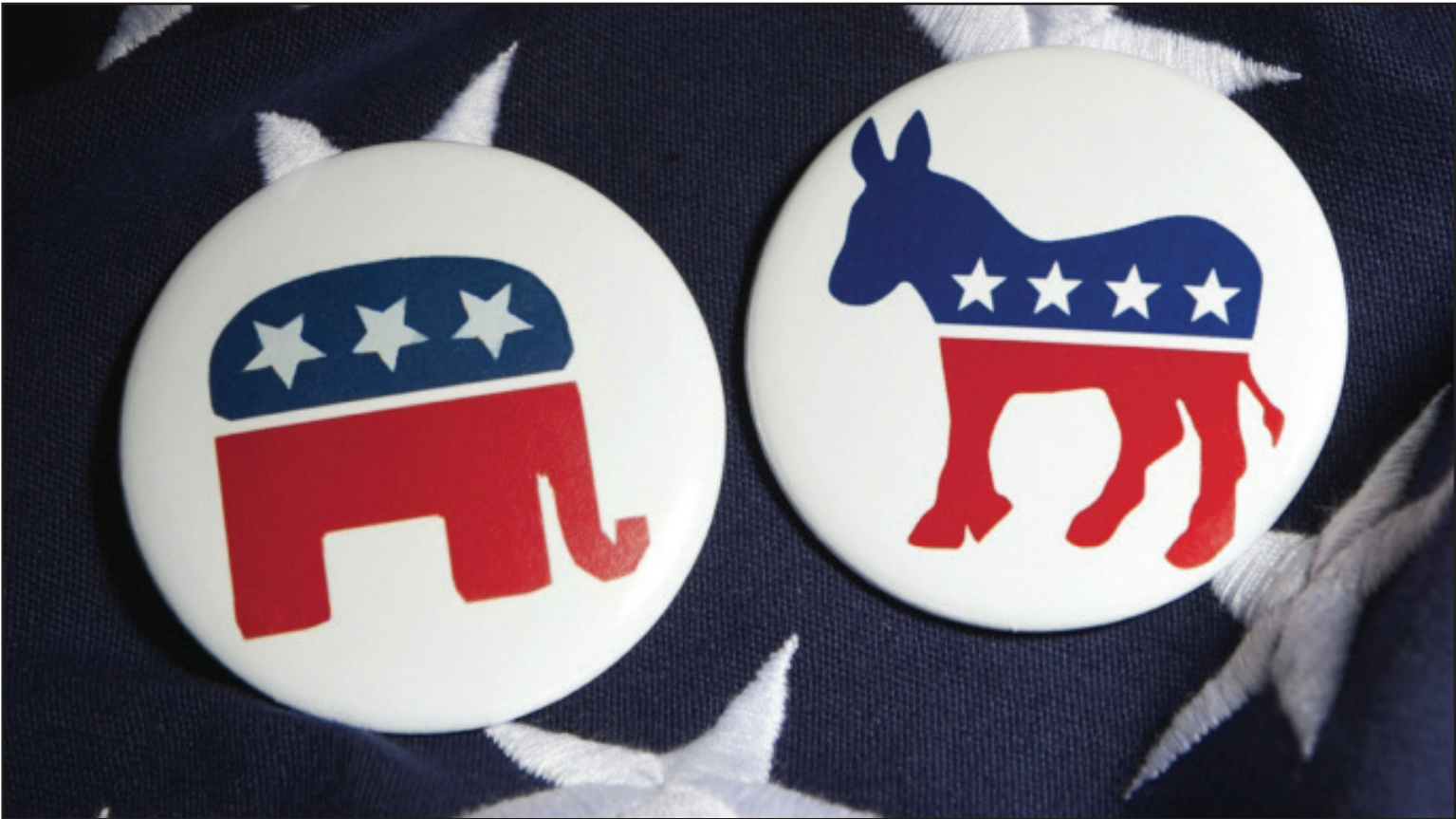


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The 2016 presidential election is an extremely interesting race that provides students with a multitude of life lessons including the fact that we have multiple options, both of great and minor magnitude, on a day-to-day basis.

TRUMP

Is The 45th President of the United States of America

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Trump was continuously criticized by many who did not believe he had the temperament and qualifications to be president. Professor Patten said that if Hillary wins, “it will be because people feel Donald Trump isn’t qualified to president.” Patten continued, “this race is a little bit like the 1980 election when the big question was whether Ronald Reagan was made of presidential timber.” In the end, this election was analogous to that as Trump ultimately became the choice of the American people, as did Reagan.

Trump’s win came as a surprise to many and was certainly not what the polls have predicted. Just two days ago, the Monmouth University Polling Institute ran a poll that had Trump trailing Clinton by six percent nationally. Many polls had Trump losing by even more. The only state that could have been predicted by the polls was Pennsylvania,

in which the Monmouth poll found a statistical tie between the two candidates. However, no polls predicted Trump victories in the swing states that he flipped, such as Wisconsin and Michigan. Even polls that Republicans were more optimistic about such as North Carolina, Florida, and Ohio predicted Clinton having the slight edge.

Not everyone was pleased about Trump’s victory. Monmouth political science student, Kate McGuire, said, “I am very nervous because to me, he is more of a businessman. I don’t really think that he is someone who knows how to run the country, but I guess he will have to learn.” She continued, “honestly, because of his past comments... as president, he now has to focus on his anger and temperament because he is now the face of America. If he does one thing that really screws us up, we will have to deal with the repercussions for a really long time.”

Additional reporting was done by Danielle Schipani, Editor-in-Chief.



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FBI Reverses Course on Clinton Email Investigation as General Election Arrives

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FBI Director, James Comey announced on Sunday that there will not be criminal charges brought against Democratic Presidential nominee, Hillary Clinton over handling of classified information over her private email server. This comes as somewhat of a surprise as he just wrote a letter to Congress late last month that he would re-open the investigation. The latest developments are attracting much controversy and scrutiny because they are coming out so close to the election.

There is an apparent controversy in law enforcement as the Department of Justice and FBI had differing ideas when it came to the investigation circling around Clinton’s email scandal and the Clinton Foundation. At the center of the debate between the DOJ and the FBI is Robert Capers who is an attorney for the United States appointed by President Barack Obama. Deputy Director of the FBI, Andrew McCabe’s wife was a Senate candidate who received campaign funds from a long time political ally of the Clintons. Many fear that there is pressure to stop an investigation because of political roots. Conversely, the DOJ felt as if there is not enough evidence to make a conclusive case, according to multiple news outlets. The DOJ wanted the FBI to halt their investigation as it appeared they were pulling at straws trying to investigate right before the election. According to some sources, a top DOJ worker leaked information regarding the investigation to the Clinton campaign in order for them to heed the warn-

ing; almost as a heads up. Peter Kadzik, the Attorney General, sent a warning of the investigation to the Clinton Campaign a while back. On either side of the political spectrum, constituents are concerned that there may be some sort of conflict of interest.

FBI Director, Comey made a public announcement last week when new information was found regarding Clinton. Reports coming from either political party question the intentions of this statement since he did not have any conclusive information when he came out with the press release. Many are concerned that this information will have led to voter confusion on Election Day.

Lawyer and Professor of Political Science, Ryan Tetro said, “The recent events have impacted the election because it appears that the DOJ and the FBI are ‘playing politics’. In the current political climate, such action breeds mistrust and invites speculation so that either party can ‘write their own narrative’ with what little we actually know.” He continued “The long term implications can be significant if the DOJ and FBI do not restore faith and trust in the American public as those two entities are at the frontline of justice and security in this country.”

Comey made the statement that he would be renewing the investigation last week in connection to possible classified e-mails on Clinton’s longtime friend and top aide, Huma Abedin. While the DOJ wanted the investigation to be halted, or at least slowed down until after the election, a judge recently ruled that they want information to be released quicker. Also, Hillary Clinton has said



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on the campaign trail when this information came out that she would like to hear about the possibly classified e-mails since neither she nor her team were aware of any such material. Many speculate that there should be recusal on behalf of certain DOJ or FBI members as they have close political allies and friendships with Mrs. Clinton.

President Obama has been aiding the Democratic nominee along the way in her race to the White House. President Obama stated that he is mad that Comey spoke about the renewed election. This does not come as a surprise as the FBI and DOJ are at a standstill on this topic. FBI officials are going as far as threatening to resign if an investigation does not follow through. As of Sunday night, nearly forty eight hours

before the election, Mr. Comey issued a statement that the investigation against Mrs. Clinton has closed.

Senior political science student Kim Kallok said, “If they went through with pursuing the investigation it would probably have impacted the image of Hillary Clinton in a negative way. However, at this point people have pretty much made up their minds about who to vote for.” Then continued, “I’m not sure of the impact that the investigation actually had on the election since information came out so close to Election Day.”

Former Attorney General Eric Holder fears the possible criminal activity FBI official’s such as Comey may have put himself into. Various sources claim that there are many people that could be in

hot water. Holder mentions Comey in an article with Front Page Mag, “I fear he has unintentionally and negatively affected public trust in both the Justice Department and the FBI. It is up to the director to correct his mistake — not for the sake of a political candidate or campaign but in order to protect our system of justice and best serve the American people.”

Mallory Inselberg, senior political science and psychology major also mentioned, “I don’t think the investigation really changed voter opinions much since it was spoken about so close to the election. People probably had their minds made up already. One, a lot of people already sent in their absentee ballots and two, if the investigation over the summer did not change someone’s view, it probably wouldn’t now.”

#commtalks: POST-ELECTION MEDIA BREAKDOWN



Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 6:00 pm
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HOW WAS THE ELECTION COVERED THROUGH TRADITIONAL AND SOCIAL MEDIA?

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MEET THE PANELISTS:



Hollis R. Towns (moderator) is an award-winning senior news executive who has a passion for news and community interests. He is currently the executive editor and vice president/news of the Asbury Park Press and regional editor of Gannett New Jersey, a group of eight dailies and websites.



Aaron Katersky is an award-winning ABC News correspondent based in New York, who is a first-hand witness to some of the most significant global events of the last decade, including the Arab Spring, the war in Afghanistan and the beatification of Pope John Paul II.



Ben Moskowitz is a technologist and instigator who teaches at the Interactive Telecommunications Program at the NYU's Tisch School of the Arts and is Visiting Associate Arts Professor at NYU Shanghai.



Brian Carovillano is vice president for U.S. News at The Associated Press in New York and has an impressive career in Journalism, including overseeing bureaus and regional hubs across the 50 U.S. states.



Hadas Gold is a reporter at POLITICO, which has a wide range of experiences, from following trash pickers in Argentina with the Pulitzer Center to setting up blind dates and chasing fires at her college paper, The GW Hatchet.

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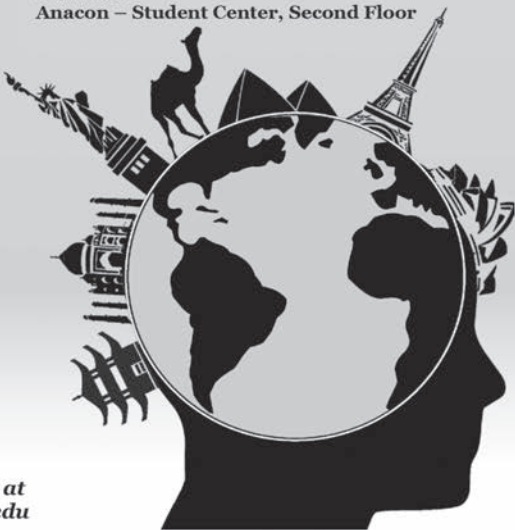
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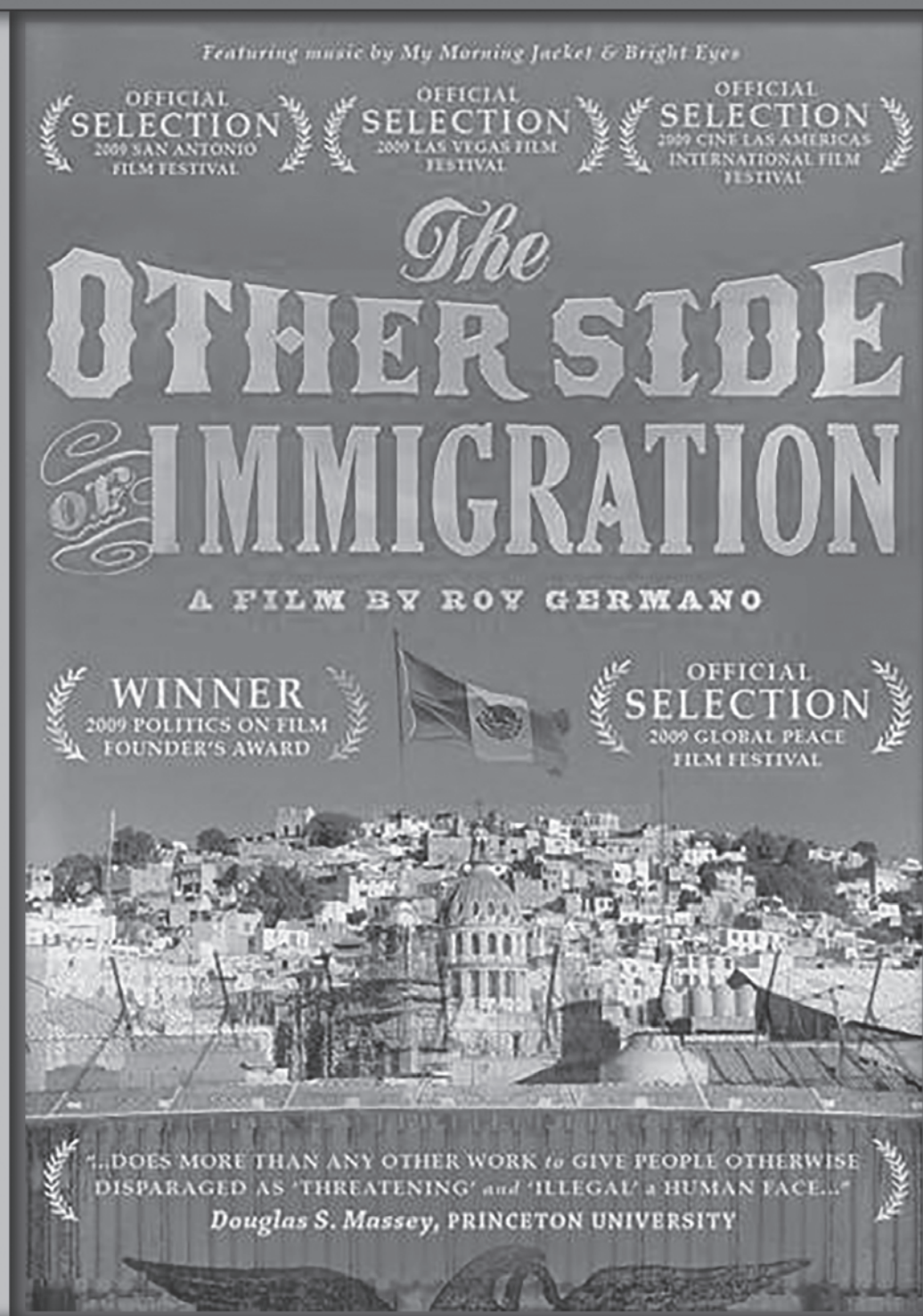
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Can Men Handle Birth Control?

KERRY BREEN
COPY EDITOR

A study focused on developing a safe and reversible form of birth control was published in the *Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism*. While the birth control tested had a 95.9 percent success rate, the study was concluded prematurely because several of the men were dropping out due to side effects.

According to the study entitled, *Efficacy and Safety of an Injectable Combination Hormonal Contraception for Men*, the research was collected across ten study centers in various countries and the subjects were healthy men, aged 18 to 45 years, and their 18 to 38-year-old female partners, both without known fertility problems. For the study, 320 men were tested; of that number, only four pregnancies occurred.

The most adverse reported side effects were acne (ranging in severity), injection site pain, increased libido, and mood swings. It was terminated following the recommendation of an external safety review committee after one subject tried to commit suicide due to depression that may have been caused or heightened by the hormonal birth control. However, the researchers in charge of the study said the majority of the side effects were not related to the hormones but declined to provide another reason.

The results of the study soon became controversial when it was realized that the side effects being reported were the same side effects that are experienced by women tak-



IMAGE TAKEN from www.wordpress.com

Although men's birth control proved to be effective, the study was concluded prematurely due to its side effects on the participants.

ing hormonal birth control.

"I think that the male birth control studies should be continued, without a doubt," said Natalie Toro, a junior biology student. "Us women have to go through a lot with our birth control, and it seems right to study a form of male contraception so it's not always dependent on the women."

According to Elisabeth Lloyd, a faculty scholar at the Kinsey Institute and a biology and philosophy adjunct professor at the Indiana University Bloomington, twenty percent or thirty percent of the women who take oral birth control pills experience depression, and have to take medication for it.

Annually, the risk of antidepressant use among the youngest group

of women taking hormonal contraception – those ages ranging from 15 to 19 – is between two and three percent. Meanwhile, only two men of the 320 studied were reported to have suffered from depression.

Lloyd also pointed out that women taking hormonal birth control are also at risk for potentially fatal strokes and blood clots. Results of that nature were not reported in the men's contraceptive study.

The other reported side effects in the study have also been reported for women, in much higher amounts. A junior biology student, Marisa Nardelli said, "Female birth control causes similar symptoms to male birth control. So why is there a double standard in that females have to deal with these symptoms, while

men get out of it? It doesn't make any sense."

Essentially, the women's birth control creates the same side effects but is widely available and promoted on the market. Women are also typically expected to be the ones using hormonal birth control, or attempting other long-term methods such as an intra-uterine device [IUD] to prevent pregnancy.

Heidi Bludau, Ph.D., an applied anthropology lecturer and affiliate with the gender studies department at Monmouth said, "I think that when we think about birth control for women, it was, and still is, a form of or tool for empowerment. We still have an almost universal idea that men prove their masculinity through their virility, their ability

to sire children. Restricting that is a form of emasculation for men."

Jennifer McGovern, Ph.D. an assistant political science, and sociology professor also pointed out that the problem could be financial as well. Many pharmaceutical companies are unwilling to put money behind male birth control, just as they once did not want to fund women's birth control.

"For years and years, women's birth control was not funded," said McGovern. "People would just not put money behind it. Some of the reason was deep religious beliefs and norms... some of it was cultural norms about women having sex. It certainly doesn't surprise me that they can't get a lot of funding [for male birth control], right up front, I think a lot of those same forces are still in place."

The risks for male contraceptive injections that were concluded from the study entitled, 'Efficacy and Safety of an Injectable Combination Hormonal Contraception for Men' seem to not be any more severe than the risks of female birth control.

Therefore, one can question if male contraception shots are not being reinforced for the lack of funding or the reinforcement of gender roles within our society.

For now, it is safe to presume that it will still be the woman's responsibility in a relationship to be on birth control.

But who knows what the future holds? Someday our gender bias might not stand in the way of holding both men and women responsible for birth control.

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Blue Hawk Records Spotlight: Gee and Bailey

NICOLE SEITZ
STAFF WRITER

Every semester, Monmouth's student-run record label, Blue Hawk Records, creates and records a compilation album featuring various artists on campus. The Applied Music Industry class creates and produces this album; this includes holding auditions in Lauren K. Woods theatre to releasing and promoting the album.

This semester, the class is working on their ninth compilation album, *Nine Lives*, which will be released Dec. 7 with a show held in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center. The album features six Monmouth University artists from varying genres.

This week, I met up with two of the artists on the album to talk about their tracks on it and their experiences as up-and-coming musicians.

Jamier Gee, a senior music industry student, spoke about his Hip-Hop song, "Tune In." Gee is also known as "Jax the Geenius," which he explained as a pun on his initials, JG. Gee came up with "Jax" while he was reading a mythology book where a character's name was

Jax, who was notorious for having "fire in his heart." He took this and compared it to the passion he has for Hip-Hop and music in general, and decided to incorporate that into his name. The "Geenius" part of his stage name is supposed to be a pun on his last name, Gee. Incorporating the word genius symbolizes his wit with words.

Gee is certainly a passionate and clever guy; he has had an interest in writing poetry since the sixth grade, which is where his love for music began. He would write poems and eventually performed them in a slam poetry style. After a while, this developed into rapping. Gee's love for music came from his family; his dad was in one of the original break dance crews in New York. Being exposed to this scene gave him a good sense of music and how it could make a person feel.

Some of Gee's greatest influences growing up were actually R&B groups, including Shai and Jodeci. It wasn't until later in his life that he really got into Hip-Hop. Some of Gee's other influences include Method Man and

Nas.

"Jax the Geenius" music could be described as Hip-Hop with an R&B flare. He started by just writing down how he felt about all that was going on in his life and transformed those thoughts into lyrics. Now, Gee has been producing music since he was 15 years old and performing since he was 17 years old. This past summer, Jamier even did a three-state tour with 22 shows.

Another artist on this semester's album is Trevon Bailey, a sophomore biology student. Bailey and Gee both believe that Hip-Hop is about being your authentic self. Jamier said, "There are so many imitations now, being the real you is so important for your fans and yourself." He continued to say, "It's especially important to be real in your music. Having a mix of fun songs and serious songs makes you a well-rounded artist."

Bailey explained, "Music is all about struggle and the realities of life."

Gee added to this and said, "Hip-Hop came from struggle. During the 60's and 70's, these artists who emerged felt that struggle and created music from it."

Bailey further talked about how meaningful music is through his influences. Bailey admitted that he first solely listened to 'commercialized Hip-Hop,' and he found that the messages in these songs were meaningless; this theme is not what he's about and he wanted to find more expressive music. His greatest influences are Chance the Rapper, J. Cole, and Kendrick Lamar. Bailey explained that he gets his musical influence from Chance because he "likes the feel and the different moods in Chance's music," while lyrically, he looks to J. Cole and Kendrick for inspiration.

Trevon Bailey was born and raised in Guyana, a country along the coast of South America. Bailey moved to Maryland when he was 13 years old, and it was around this age he began rapping. He started out by doing freestyle for "anyone who would listen."

Bailey began writing songs from his experiences when he was 15. In his sophomore year of high school, Trevon entered a competition at the University of Maryland. He was the only high school student in this competition, and he had to perform an original song. He then questioned who would want to listen to a "high school kid," but ended up winning the competition. This is what made him feel like he had to keep going. We're lucky he did because now we can hear his track, "I'm Good" on the album this semester.

Both Bailey and Gee's songs are about being yourself and being true to the art of Hip-Hop. Bailey described his track, "I'm Good," and said, "This song is essentially about being satisfied with what I've been through and where I am now. Despite all the crazy-

ness of life, you're going to be alright!" Gee

can relate to the struggle that Hip-Hop often talks about. He grew up in Trenton and explained, "Music was therapy for me because growing up in Trenton you were either on the streets or playing sports." He continued to talk about how he went to Princeton High School on a sports scholarship, and taught himself how to play the piano his freshman year.

While at Princeton High School, he often played around in the music room. For his junior and senior year, Gee transferred to Princeton Day High School for football. It was here that he met a highly influential music teacher who exposed him to a great amount of music and allowed his passion for music to grow. Gee eventually created his own system for playing the piano.

These struggles and real life experiences are what drive Hip-Hop, and both Bailey and Gee see and present that through their music. Jamier's track, "Tune In," serves as a reminder to tune out the nonsense of the radio and media.

Gee said, "'Tune In' is like the theme for Hip-Hop for me... I'm asking people to tune in to real music and the real world. This song is me bringing you real Hip-Hop."

In a world where Hip-Hop is often looked at as meaningless party music, both Bailey and Gee remind us of what real Hip-Hop is. You can see both of these artists in the Rebecca Stafford Student Center on Dec. 7 for the release of *Nine Lives*.

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Vanderpump Rules Tanks in its Fifth Season Premiere

ALLISON PERRINE
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Tears, screams, and rumors. Yes, *Bravo's* popular reality show, *Vanderpump Rules* returned on Monday, Nov. 7 for its fifth season, and certainly without a shortage of drama. I'm typically a fan of reality shows; I find the scripted drama of "reality" to be entertaining, which is a quintessential quality of this series. However, the first episode was a mere disappointment, as looks the rest of the season.

Vanderpump Rules is a reality show about a group of young people that work in an L.A.-based restaurant, Sur, under the ownership of Lisa Vanderpump, a star in one of *Bravo's* other reality shows, *The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills*. All of these people happen to be beautiful, and coincidentally, all have some type of history together. This first episode started by catching the audience up on the cast's lives. The same cast as last season has returned, which includes Lisa Vanderpump, Jax Taylor, Stassi Schroeder, Scheana Shay, Tom Sandoval, Ariana Madix, James Kennedy, Katie Maloney, Tom Schwartz, Kristen Doute, Brittany Cartwright, and Lala Kent. Between all of these people are webs of relationships, deceit, and other kinds of unnecessary drama.

We learn that Stassi, Katie, Kristen, and Scheana are all on good terms, which is hard to believe. We also hear Jax spread

rumors like wildfire about his girlfriend, Brittany, who evidently fooled around with one of the girls in the group, Kristen. I could tell instantly that this would be a central plot to the sea-

son, which was bothersome. It seemed incredibly scripted, and is a focal point that I do not care about. Jax proceeded to tell all of his friends this story, which Brittany and Kristen both said was almost entirely fabricated, especially at the *OK! Magazine* party that the group attended. This is

where most of the night's drama occurred. Out of pure cattiness, the group demanded that Lala and James leave their area as the hated duo approached the table.

job.

The group reacted back to these insults just as one could assume based on how this show operates: with more insults. The girls complained about the com-

settling their issues amongst themselves. Instead, they turned to their boss and expected her to fix it, as a young child would do.

This seemed to be the theme of the night: attacking others based on appearance and spreading gossip and rumors. It surprises me that this show has reached its fifth season and that audiences repeatedly ask for this type of drama in their entertainment. Continuously seeing this type of behavior only reinforces it in actual reality. It may give impressionable young teens watching the show the impression that tearing others apart for their physical appearances is just a part of life, when in reality, it should not be.

This was basically the entirety of the episode. Yes, this is a reality show so that should be taken into consideration, but I usually find parts of this show to at least be funny. Instead, I found that it dragged on, did not find anything said to be remotely funny, and was just waiting for something of substance to happen. Unfortunately, I was utterly disappointed.

As for the coming attractions for the rest of the season, I'd guess that 90% of it was solely about the Brittany and Kristen incident. This seems to be a real reach by the network to give the show some kind of plotline, but it's simply just a meaningless topic. If the only thing that will be discussed during the entire season is one rumor, insults, and negativity, you can surely count me out.



IMAGE TAKEN from E!

The first episode of the hit reality show, *Vanderpump Rules*, was a mere disappointment.

Things picked up rapidly when Lala retaliated by commenting on how the ladies at the table clearly hadn't been "working on their summer bodies," and James paired this statement by asking Katie if she was pregnant. Scheana then told the two to leave and James commented on her nose

ments, yet were quick to send them right back. They, too, were quick to tell their boss (Vanderpump) about what happened, which was then addressed with James. It was clear that this group of young people could not handle themselves in a mature manner and that they could not

WMCX Celebrates National College Radio Day

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From 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 4, MU's college radio station, WMCX, celebrated national College Radio Day.

College Radio Day is a day dedicated to the hundreds of college radio stations across the country and the students involved with them. MU's own station, WMCX, took advantage of this day and celebrated in the Jules L. Plangere Center with twelve hours of live band interviews, performances, and of course, pizza.

"This is the sixth year of WMCX participation in College Radio Day," said Aaron Furgason, Chair of the Department of Communication and WMCX's Advisor. "The day is important to alert the public of all of the wonderful counter-programming that non-commercial college radio stations offer the public – content they won't hear on traditional commercial radio."

Even President Barack Obama took note of this celebration. On Oct. 26, The White House released a statement by the President that announced his pride in "marking the 6th annual College Radio Day." The release continued to discuss how important radio has been in American history and culture. It has served as a medium that gives us constant information, news, music, and other forms of entertainment. The release ended with the statement, "On College Radio Day, we pay tribute to the ways radio has enabled students—and all of u—to help shape a more inclusive society." Yes, College Radio Day was even celebrated by our nation's President.



IMAGE TAKEN from collegerradio.org

On Nov. 4, the nation celebrated its sixth annual College Radio Day, which MU's own WMCX participated in and had twelve hours of live performances and interviews with local bands.

According to collegerradio.org, "The original idea for College Radio Day was conceived by Dr. Rob Quicke (General Manager, WPSC FM, William Paterson University, NYC market), and was founded in December 2010 by Rob, who worked with Peter Kreten (General Manager, WXAV FM, Saint Xavier University, Chicago market) to help develop the idea. The aim of College Radio Day is to harness the combined listenership of hundreds of thousands of college radio listeners throughout the world..."

"It's the forefront to many people's careers," said Hunter Farman, WMCX's general manager and senior student, in reference to the importance of having a College Radio Day. "It's where many students dis-

cover new music and new artists."

There were several performances, including local acts such as Halogens and Offtop. Each band had an hour time-slot of airtime. Farman estimated that about 20-30 people came through the office during those twelve hours, which he said made it successful and enjoyable.

"This is my fourth College Radio Day and I'd say it's the most successful one yet," Farman said. "Many people have showed up and the bands have been great."

"I thought it was very successful," said Steven Castellano, a WMCX e-board member and senior communications student. "Every radio show and live band performance was broadcasted as scheduled on our WMCX Facebook page."

Castellano continued to describe the day's importance and why people should take note of it. "It is where bands get the chance to share their music to people and listeners by doing live performances in college radio stations like WMCX. National College Radio Day is also beneficial for college students like myself because it is a special opportunity to get involved and gain experience... which will look great on a student's resume when applying for internship programs."

"This was my third College Radio Day and the event is always tons of fun," said Angela Zangari, WMCX's Public Relations Director and senior communications student. "It gives the students involved [in the event] a day to be recognized for all

the hard work they put into the station."

Even students outside of the communications field had an appreciation for this day. "I hadn't heard about it until the day of the event," said Cassie Stiansen, senior marketing student. "I think it's a good idea for students to be celebrated on this day because many of them don't get the recognition they deserve." Stiansen continued to say that even from a marketing standpoint, this is a good idea. "Bands can get themselves out there for free and could potentially find new revenue and attention through this outlet," she said.

This certainly wasn't the last College Radio Day, either, so be on the lookout next year!

Indie-Survival Beyond No Man's Sky

JOHN MORANO
STAFF WRITER

Indie survival games are an excellent option for consumers, particularly in terms of affordability; however, with the recent *No Man's Sky* debacle, some might be feeling a little wary of the indie games market. *No Man's Sky*, and indie/survival title, turned out to be an excellent example of all that's wrong with the indie games market; the game was incredibly overpriced, it released in an under-developed state, and it employed deceptive marketing strategies. Steam has actually changed its store policy as a result of *No Man's Sky*; there is a new rule that screenshots must represent footage captured in-game. Despite the disaster that was *No Man's Sky*, consumers should not allow themselves to be turned off of the indie market by a single game. There are a number of other titles that offer both affordable prices and immersive gameplay of survival sims.

Minecraft is considered by many to be the best indie game of all time, and those who feel this way have a strong argument. *Minecraft* offers two modes of gameplay, survival (the more popular one) and creative. In survival, one's goal is to survive through building structures which make survival easier. Some might argue that the goal of the game is to travel to "The End" and slay the Ender Dragon, but many play it without ever attempting this. Beyond this single-player experience, *Minecraft* allows its players to host and join multiplayer servers. *Minecraft*'s community has created something called "mod packs," which allow players to radically alter the game, changing gameplay and adding new items. For many, these mod packs add thousands of hours' worth of gameplay, preventing the game from becoming stale. *Minecraft* is priced at \$27, an excellent deal for what may be the best indie game of all-time.

Terraria is a survival game in

which building is essential, however, unlike *Minecraft*, *Terraria* is 2D, has a loot focus, and is designed to be played in multiplayer with several friends. Actually, in *Terraria*, the characters that a player creates exist separate from the worlds they inhabit. To illustrate this, let's say I make a character, Geoffrey, and a single-player world, Gaea, for him to play on. Later on, if I decide I'm bored of this world, I can make a new one, Terra, and bring Geoffrey, and as many belongings as I can carry, over to it. Following that, I can then move back-and-forth between Gaea and Terra as I choose; I could even make a new character and send him to one or both of those worlds. I could also send these characters into multiplayer worlds created by myself or my friends, and bring my gear with them. In my mind, this idea represents *Terraria*'s best feature, and makes it an excellent title to play with friends.

Starbound is another 2D multiplayer survival game, like *Terraria*,

but this one has a sci-fi theme. Personally, I feel like it both built upon and improved on what *Terraria* was, mainly because *Starbound*'s late-game offers much more to do. Not only do procedurally-generated weapons offer more depth in terms of loot, but various activities such as settling/building colonies on a virtually infinite number of worlds and capturing procedurally generated monsters give *Starbound* a longer shelf-life.

If *Starbound* sounds at all interesting, then *Planet Centauri* may also be worth checking out. Although it's much earlier in its development cycle, it promises to offer much of the same, along with a few unique twists, such as custom spell-crafting and more focus on a system of capturing and raising creatures. Both of these games go for \$15.

The Forest is a singleplayer/coop survival game (3D this time) with a somewhat darker narrative. The premise of it is unique to say the least. You, along with any players who join you, were in a plane which crash-landed on an island. Your job is to attempt to survive on this island while being attacked by the natives; these natives mutate over time, becoming more and more deadly. You start off dressed in rags, building simple huts, and defending yourself with a hatchet against naked barbarians. Eventually, you'll end up in a fortress, with siege-engines being attacked by multi-limbed/headed abominations that can smash through walls. I played *The Forest* several years ago, earlier in its development, and it was more buggy. After revisiting it, I feel that it has come a long way, and coop adds a lot. Quick warning though, this game is not for the faint of heart. It features mature (many might say perverse/twisted) themes such as cannibalism

and decoration by dismemberment. *The Forest* has a grotesque horror theme to it, and it takes this as far as I've ever seen.

Ark: Survival Evolved is a game that, quite honestly, I'm hesitant to recommend. *Ark* is a first-person survival game, the premise being that players wake up on an island populated both by dinosaurs and other players. Players then proceed to build structures, tame dinosaurs, and create alliances and/or wars with other players. It's a fun game with remarkable depth in terms of base-building and dino taming/breeding. On the other hand, it's a major time-sink. A Spinosaur, for example, can take almost 5 hours to tame, even if you use kibble, an expensive food which speeds up taming. My tribe has a base which, collectively, probably took several thousand hours to make. Honestly, it's a very well-made game, especially for an indie. That said, its graphics are poorly optimized and when a lot of people are online, there is a lot of lag; *Ark*'s developers, Wildcard, tend to display remarkably little consideration for their community. Also, *Ark* is currently incomplete, and the Wildcard has been quite inconsistent with adding promised content.

Ark recently received a DLC pack titled *Scorched Earth*, which gives players a new map to survive on, new resources/technologies to use, and new mythical creatures to tame. Ethically speaking, DLC for a prerelease title is quite questionable, and many would argue that this DLC is essential and makes *Ark* pay-to-win. *Ark*'s base game goes for \$30 and the DLC for \$20; half of me wants to recommend this game and its DLC unconditionally, the other half wants to suggest that you run away.



IMAGE TAKEN from imhogaming.com

There are some indie-games that give the category a bad name, but there are plenty of quality indie-games out there.

MOMENTS AT MONMOUTH



ABOVE:
SGA SITE CAPTAINS WHO WERE IN CHARGE
OF THE VOLUNTEERS AT THE BIG EVENT.
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ABOVE:
STUDENTS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL
CLUB CELEBRATED DIWALI,
THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS.
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ABOVE:
MONMOUTH STUDENTS VOLUNTEER
TO HELP WITH THE BIG EVENT.
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Panhellenic Council Unifies Greek Women through Events

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STAFF WRITER

The Panhellenic Council (PHC) hosted two events last week in order to increase fellowship and spread awareness about the Panhellenic sororities on campus. These events included their annual Sorority Bingo, and the annual Panhellenic holiday dinner. The Panhellenic Council is Monmouth University’s student representation from the National Panhellenic Conference, which

is an umbrella organization for 26 national women’s sororities. Last Wednesday, the ladies of the Panhellenic Council sponsored Sorority Bingo, an event open to all women both in Greek life as well as not in Greek life. The PHC invited these young women to come out and enjoy a game night while exposing the members of the Monmouth community to what the Panhellenic Council’s message is all about. The event began at 8:30 p.m. in Anacon Hall and ran until 10:30 p.m.

Each sorority had members from their own organization attend the function. The purpose of their attendance was predominantly to provide a sense of Greek unity among the women under the PHC. They also wished to provide information and a brief introduction of what their sorority means to them and what they represent and do on campus. This information was provided mainly for the women who are not in Greek life, so they can get to know these women, and to

help them understand what these organizations do for the school and each other. Every woman in attendance took a bingo board and were ready to play in the hopes that they would win the various prizes offered. Vice President of Recruitment, and communications student, Gina Crowell, planned as well as hosted the event. Crowell said, “It was great to see each sorority have fun and I hope the ladies who aren’t in a sorority had a good time getting to know us all. We are hoping for a great turnout for Spring recruitment and events like this help people to see a different side of Greek life and may possibly encourage girls to go out.” The Panhellenic Council hosts Sorority Bingo annually and there is always a great turnout. The event is informative, unifying, and most importantly fun. Michele Kaplan, Assistant Director of Student Activities for Fraternity and Sorority Life, commented, “These events are a good way for the sororities to get to know more about one another, as well as meet new women interested in joining a sorority.” The Panhellenic Council’s holiday dinner was also a unifying and fun experience. Last Thursday, the Council hosted a large Thanksgiving Feast at 6 p.m. in Anacon Hall with food catered by Gourmet Dining. The ladies of Panhellenic came together again to enjoy an Italian spread that many enjoyed. Vice President of Programming and sister of Alpha Xi Del-

ta, Haley Connell, put together the evening’s festivities, along with the PHC cabinet members. In addition to planning the dinner for the Greek women, the ladies were also collecting toys for the Toys for Tots charity. There was no fee for attending this event, however the Council requested that each woman in attendance bring a toy to donate for the cause. The Toys for Tots website states, “The mission of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during October, November and December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the community in which the campaign is conducted.” Connell said, “We thought the best way to show our thanks was to help out a great cause, such as the Toys for Tots Program, and it was a successful. We received two boxes full of toys and the Marines who attended had a wonderful time.” The Panhellenic Council strives to promote the four pillars of Greek life: leadership, fellowship, scholarship, and service. Through events such as these they strive to strengthen the Greek community, and the Monmouth community, and provide a network of campus leaders. The Panhellenic Council encourages women thinking about joining Greek life to seriously look into it and see the great opportunities being a member of Greek life brings.



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The Panhellenic Council serves to unify Greek women through charity events and promotes the benefits of Greek life.

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CLUB AND GREEK ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cinema Club

The Cinema Club would like to announce that for November the club will be will be showing action movies all month long. They will be starting this Wednesday, Nov. 9 in JP138 at 7:30 p.m. and they will be screening Legend of the Drunken Master, starring Jackie Chan. The club hopes that you can make it!

Monmouth University Oral Communication Club (MOCC)

The Department of Communication, the Communication Council, and the MOCC hosts #comMtalks Post-Election Media Breakdown, on Wednesday, Nov 16 at 6pm in Wilson auditorium. Join us for a discussion about how traditional and social media affected the way citizens received information about the election. This event is an opportunity for students to gain perspective on the challenges facing today’s media professionals when covering a presidential campaign.

The Outlook

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Phi Kappa Psi

The brothers of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity will be hosting their annual event, Monmouth’s Got Talent, on Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 10pm in Pollack Theater. The show will feature various performances from members of the Greek community as well as members of sports teams on cmapus. Phi Kappa Psi encourages all to attend and ensures that the event will be entertaining for every one. For more information contact fraternity President Joe Kellet at s0967080@monmouth.edu

Exploring the Hype Over the New Starbucks Cup

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Facebook blew up with furious complaints over Starbucks' freshly released green "unity cup." While Starbucks' Chairman and CEO Howard Schultz said the design's mosaic of more than 100 people drawn together in a single stroke was meant to "create a symbol of unity as a reminder of our shared values, and the need to be good to each other," my Facebook friends, and many people across all platforms of social media, did not feel the same.

One Facebook friend posted, "Right before the holidays? It's November third! People need to relax. Seriously, it's just a cup." Another said, "Please tell me what a green cup has to do with politics. People will read into anything just to find something to be angry about."

This new cup has been causing quite a divide amongst coffee drinkers and we're all wondering why. Why are these new cups such a big deal for people?

Mirta Barrea-Maryls, Department Chair of World Languages and Cultures, said, "I actually like the cup! Starbucks is an international icon when it comes to coffee, serving millions of people across the world. It makes sense that the company would make a diverse and eclectic cup for their customers as a symbol of unity and peace."

Our world is such a diverse place and the green cup promotes unity. Barrea-Maryls explained, "After all, what brings people together more than having a cup of coffee? Some people may complain, but after

all, it is what is in the cup that matters. The packaging won't change the taste of the coffee, but it sure makes your cappuccino much more interesting to

fee should NOT (and does NOT) come with political brainwashing. I dropped @Starbucks like a hot rock." It's unbelievable to see how a mere cup can instill

at the situation by posting an article entitled "Starbucks Unveils New Satanic Holidays Cups," which claimed, "Christian groups expressed concern

employee, said, "Starbucks is their own company and therefore has the right to put out any type of cup they want. I remember when I was working there, so many customers were so pretentious and particular about their coffee in general; it doesn't surprise me that they would be offended by this cup for no real reason."

Similarly, Dave DePaola, a senior music industry and business management student said, "Businesses can do whatever they want, and if people don't like it, they don't have to do business there. I believe businesses are going to try and promote themselves in ways that do not cause controversy as to not lose customers over politics."

DePaola added, "The division being created by the 'unity cup' is nonsense; it is just a cup and says nothing political."

Barrea-Maryls commented, "I don't see it as a political statement at all, as some have expressed, but rather as an expression of good will to all on the part of the company for the holiday season."

At the end of the day, people will find something to criticize even off of a design about peace and unity during a time where an election has torn many people apart. We all need to take a step back and realize these cups are disposable items we toss as soon as we finish our grande lattes, and then we don't give them a second thought. So, take a sip out of the green unity cup, and prepare yourself for the outbursts you'll probably see on your Facebook feed as soon as the new holiday cups roll around.



IMAGE TAKEN from NBC News.

Starbucks released their 'unity cup' one week before the presidential election, sparking an outrage amongst some customers.

look at!"

Barrea-Maryls' views go along with what Starbucks was trying to promote. CBS reported, "Starbucks assures customers they are not pushing a 'political agenda,' but rather a promotion of peace." In this same article a tweet from a former customer was printed saying, "Screw you. My cof-

rage across the nation.

Many naysayers were unaware that the unity cup as not the new holiday season cup, a yearly topic of rage for Starbucks customers as well. Last year's debate on if Starbucks' simple red design was an attack on Christmas also made it all over the news.

The Babylon Bee, a satirical website, poked some fun

over the new design, but many believers were reportedly relieved that Starbucks was not promoting something like unity or tolerance with this year's cup design." This quote points out some of the hypocrisy in peoples' distaste in the unity cup design.

Kelly Currie, a senior art student and former Starbucks

Service Dog Acceptance at Educational Institutions

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The use of service dogs in educational institutions has recently been under attack. A service dog, according to the Americans with Disability Act, is "any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability."

Service dogs are usually thought of just for those with impaired vision of sorts, but they serve many more purposes than that. They can help with mental disabilities by keeping their human companions with severe anxiety, or other mental disabilities, calm and at ease.

Furthermore, some service dogs also aid in the detection of seizures in their human counterparts, which is a sensory skill that humans are incapable of.

Service dogs are very useful and quite essential in many humans' lives. A venue in which service dogs are especially necessary is at a school or university. For students who attend school every day, a service dog is extremely beneficial. That's why when the recent case of a girl who was denied the use of her service dog in school was sent to the U.S. Supreme Court, it was a mind-boggling concept for many.

While there are many concerns for service dogs in

schools such as allergies and other students' fears, schools should not be allowed to deny a student services that aid in the disability of a student. This recent case leads many to ponder the thought of service dog acceptance.

Jaime Kretsch, specialist professor and Department Chair of Computer Science and Software Engineering and proud Seeing Eye dog raiser, said, "Anyone bringing a service dog anywhere, regardless of whether it is a school or not, needs to feel that they and their dog will be allowed to function as the team that they are."

Kretsch further stated, "Part of the process for approval as a service dog evaluates the dog's behavior with people and other animals. [...] administrators can be confident that the dog will be fine around its students; it might be necessary for the students who are fearful to make choices that keep them away from the animal they are concerned about."

Here at Monmouth, it seems as though service dogs are accepted with open arms. Senior English student, Raven Culver, said, "I think that Monmouth is very accepting of service animals. My four years here I have seen multiple people with service animals and people who have them need them for a reason, be it physical or emotional."

Culver stated, however, "They do need to keep other kids' allergies in mind, but



IMAGE TAKEN from USNews.com

The Supreme Court heard a case regarding a school not permitting a service dog to be on school grounds.

people with service animals do need to get an education too, and they have the right to have the service dogs for a reason."

Kretsch also commented on the openness of Monmouth's campus to service dogs: "Monmouth University has had students with service animals throughout my time here, and we currently have several students with different types of service dogs."

Senior English student Meaghan Gotto had the same sentiments that Culver did. She said, "I think service dogs should be accepted at any school in general. Service dogs have a way of finding certain

individuals who are in need and support them no matter what."

It seems as though the students at Monmouth aren't only accepting of service dogs, but are encouraging of them. As Gotto and Culver pointed out, there is a true purpose for these animals. It is not just a student bringing his/her dog to campus for fun—these animals are working. This is their job, and by denying students this right, it would be a serious disservice not only to the human companion, but to the animal as well.

Callie VanWalledael, a student of Monmouth who has a seeing eye dog on campus, Misty, said of the acceptance

on campus of her and guide dog, "Misty is my seeing eye dog and she has been received very well at Monmouth. I feel like the students at Monmouth are much more accepting of her than some other places I have been." She continued, "The faculty and administration have treated us well."

Thankfully, Monmouth students are lucky enough to be on an accepting and understanding campus. Unfortunately, it is not like this everywhere and this Supreme Court case should solve the issue and allow service dogs to do their duties and give unconditional love and aid to their human counterparts.

Shooting for Success: Justin Robinson

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Some people are simply born to excel at something, whether it be in academics, politics, art, etc. For senior communication student and point guard Justin Robinson, basketball is what he was always destined to do. It's not easy to pinpoint the exact moment you figured out your passion, but Robinson knew when he was just a toddler.

"When I was about two years old, my mom put a blow up basketball in my crib and she said I would take it with me everywhere I went," Robinson recalled. "She said I would take it to the mall when my mom went to get her nails done, to my grandma's house, I always had the ball with me. So, I guess I naturally fell in love with basketball."

This toy led Robinson to an incredibly successful basketball career- one that he's worked diligently for his entire life. He is set to lead the men's basketball team to a victorious MAAC conference starting Nov. 11 against Drexel. For Robinson, this has been his plan since he was dribbling on the playground as a kid. He began playing basketball as soon as he could walk. "[My mom] would take me to the park and I'd run right to the basketball court," Robinson remembered.

Robinson's journey to becoming the unanimous pick for MAAC Preseason Player of the Year started in Long Island, where he was first noticed by former assistant coach Brian Reese. Two weeks later, King Rice, Men's Basketball Head Coach, noticed Robinson at a tournament in Philadelphia.

"[Rice] offered me to come down here for an official visit the week before my birthday, and I came down here and I loved it," Robinson said. "On my way home he offered me a scholarship. I said I'd think about it. Then, on my 18th birthday, I decided I was gonna come to Monmouth."

Rice has proven to be an influential coach to not only Robinson, but the whole team. Zac Tillman, a senior communication student and center on the team, said, "Coach Rice is a great role model and a standup guy to learn from and look up to. I'm really glad I came to New Jersey to play for him."

"Justin knows, for us to be the team we want to be, he needs to lead us," Rice told the Asbury Park Press. "Whether that means taking shots or getting people involved, he needs to be

our leader. He is the main guy right now. We have some other guys that are main guys, too, but Justin has shown to be our main guy."

"He's like another father figure," Robinson explained of Rice. "His primary goal is to make sure he develops young men before he develops basketball players, because he knows at some point the ball's gonna stop bouncing, and he wants to make sure we're prepared to take on the real world."

It's amazing to look at the progress the team has made since Robinson was a freshman. The men's basketball team has grown tremendously over the past few years, creating a name for itself. "We won ten games my freshman year, then my sophomore year we won fifteen, and last year it was a school record with 28 wins," Robinson pointed out. "So each year we've gotten better and more people have been coming out to support us, so it means a lot to look up in the stands and see the people that are behind us."

Attendance boomed last year and a sense of school spirit and pride pulsed through the bleachers during every game. The hype over the Monmouth Bench earned Monmouth a social media presence and even more positive coverage. "Those guys have something special going," Robinson said. "They boosted us up on another level, because if we were having success on the court and we look over at them going crazy it would build our momentum, and just drive us more. It coincided with each other; we fed off of them and they fed off of us."

"I feel as though everyone is excited to see what Justin will do this year based upon his performance last year," Natorye Miller, a senior communication student, said. "And, I am excited to watch the team work together as whole this year because I believe they will do amazing this year and are going to bring home a championship because they have been working so hard."

A huge part of the team's success has to do with the fact that they are a close knit group of men. "It's absolutely a brotherhood, we are one big family. It's very rare if you see one of us by ourselves," Robinson pointed out. "That just trickles down from Coach Rice, because ever since we got on campus he's always made it imperative that we develop a brotherhood, because these will be our best friends for the rest of our lives."

However, being a college athlete isn't just winning games and



IMAGE COURTESY of Justin Robinson.
Justin Robinson, center, hopes to lead the men's basketball team to a MAAC victory this year.

earning titles. Division 1 athletes undergo a lot of work behind the scenes. Between getting up to make a 6 a.m. practice, running to a morning class, heading to practice after, and then sleepwalking to night classes and study hall, it's a whirlwind. "It's doable, but it's definitely got its tough days," Robinson admitted. "You've gotta find time to do what's most important. A lot of people don't understand how much of a toll it really takes. You've got to go through it for a day to understand how taxing it really is."

When balancing basketball with everything else a college student endures gets to be overwhelming, Robinson knows he has some stellar people in his

corner. When asked who has helped shape him into the person he is today, Robinson immediately answered with his mother and stepmother.

"My mother raised me for the beginning part of my life pretty much on her own. Then when I was 12, I moved in with my dad and he definitely played a pivotal role in my life. But, my stepmother, Virginia Robinson, definitely played a big, big role in who I am today," Robinson recalled.

Robinson continued, "If it wasn't for her I probably wouldn't have come to college. There were a lot of nights where I just didn't want to do homework, didn't want to study for tests, and she would sit down on the couch with me and make sure that I was doing my homework and studying for tests, no matter how frustrated I got [...] she definitely kept me level-headed and made sure I did what I needed to do."

Because of the influential people in his life, his drive, and talent, Robinson is prepared for another incredible basketball season. While Robinson and the rest of the team look forward to earning many wins, a focus on brotherhood and comradery is the top priority for the team.

"No matter what ups and downs we may endeavor, it's that we stay together through everything," Robinson said.

This is a tight-knit team, but at the end of the day, they are Monmouth students as well. "Get to know us too, off the court, because we're not just the basketball players, we're

not just those snobby kids that everybody seems to think we are," Robinson explained. "We are very personable, we are very approachable and friendly, just come talk to us and get to know us."

For anyone not understanding the hype around Monmouth's basketball team, or any sports team for that matter, just know that it is more than a sport to these athletes. "Basketball is a gateway for me into the rest of the world," Robinson commented.

Kelly Valentine, Marketing and Promotions assistant for Athletics, urged students to come out and support the team at the upcoming games. She said, "Athletics is a huge part of the college experience, and you're fortunate enough to attend a school at the same time where the men's basketball team had a breakout success."

Valentine continued, "Now this year, with the loss of only one player, the same type of season is expected and who knows when that will ever happen again."

It's set to be a remarkable season for the team, and for the school. As the student body is anticipated to crowd the bleachers on Nov. 11 to watch Robinson shoot the ball for a perfect basket, keep in mind that this is the same person who was given a toy basketball at the age of two—and he is now leading his team to victory in his final collegiate year. Anything is possible, and for this team, it's looking good.



IMAGE COURTESY of Justin Robinson.
The men's basketball team won a record 28 games last year, and hopes to win more this season.

Field Hockey Crowned MAAC Champions

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The University's field hockey team secured the 2016 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) Championship. The title did not come easily for the Hawks as it was secured by winning back-to-back double overtime games over the Rider Broncos on Friday afternoon and the Fairfield Stags on Sunday morning.

Friday afternoon's 3-2 double overtime victory over the Broncos did not come easy. A scoreless first half featured only five shots combined with both teams playing tough defense. Monmouth's freshman stand out, forward Josephine van der Hoop broke open the scoring two minutes into the second half with a slick reverse shot goal.

Rider swiftly answered with a reverse shot goal of their own about three minutes later and the game was all knotted up. The game would remain tied until the 56th minute when a van der Hoop crossing pass was tipped in by a diving sophomore forward Kelly Hanna. However, a winner would not be decided in regulation as Rider sent the game into overtime on a thrilling corner goal with time expired.

Monmouth ratcheted up their attack in the first overtime, registering 10 shots to Rider's zero. The Broncos returned the favor in the second overtime, firing off five shots within the first five minutes. However the Hawks were the ones who came up with the winning shot, once again it was the sprawling Hanna scoring off a pass from junior forward Meg Donahue.

"My first thought was to dive, to give everything I have to put



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The field hockey team took a photo after winning the MAAC Tournament Championship over Fairfield on Nov. 6.

that ball in the cage. I really was not thinking too much when it was happening, I just went for it," Hanna said about the game-winning goal. "We had been working hard all week and knew we had to give it 110 percent this game."

Sunday's Championship faceoff against Fairfield was another arduous affair for Monmouth. Following Friday's grueling game the Hawks would soar to victory, winning the MAAC Championship 3-2 over the Stags. The Hawks were tested both emotionally and physically on their path to victory as the games did not

come without complications.

A first half featured Monmouth leading in the shot department but with nothing to show for it. About 15 minutes into the second half, it was none other junior defender Julie Laszlo who initiated scoring on an assist from junior midfielder Rachel Konowal.

Fairfield would answer quickly and score two goals in two minutes and the Hawks found themselves down 2-1 with 20 minutes to go. For the first time since Sept. 23, the Hawks found themselves trailing and having to mount a comeback. Monmouth applied

the pressure ripping off shot after shot with none finding the back of the net.

The season came down to one last corner opportunity and with the goalie pulled and crowd cheering, sophomore defender Georgia Garden Bachop answered. With ten seconds left on the clock for she tipped in a Julie Laszlo shot to send the thrilling game into overtime.

Fairfield's defense stood tall in the first overtime following a barrage of opportunities including a big time save on a penalty stroke. The Hawks were faced with an

adverse situation in the second overtime as Hanna received a yellow card. After successfully defending a player down, the Hawks earned another golden corner shot opportunity.

The exhilarating game reached its conclusion when senior forward Alyssa Ercolino won it by deflecting a Juile Laszlo shot into the net.

"It is amazing, it is the icing on the cake," Ercolino said on her goal and the team's win. "The team has been working so incredibly hard over the years to reach this point and to finish out the year like that is awesome."

Monmouth had to withstand two grueling double overtime games to win it all and Coach Figilio offered her thoughts on the heart her team showed on their path to the victory. "Honestly, I have said it a few times this year. We prepared so well physically in the summer that we were able to do this. I really do not think that if the girls did not put so much emphases on coming in fit and ready that we would win these overtime games. I mean it is a physically and emotionally exhausting experience, but the girls wanted it so bad."

With the win the Hawks earn the right to play in the NCAA tournament for the second time in team history. Following the game Casey Hanna was named MAAC Championship's Most Valuable Player and Laszlo, Ercolino and Kelly Hanna were named to the All-Tournament team.

The Hawks will host The University of Massachusetts in an NCAA Tournament Play-In Game today at "So Sweet A Cat" Field at 1 p.m. The winner will take on Nov. 2 seed Maryland on Saturday, Nov. 12.

Women's Soccer Wins MAAC Championship

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The Monmouth University women's soccer team hosted the 2016 Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) tournament this past weekend after clinching regular season conference champs. The Hawks brought the same focus, energy and fire from the regular season into the first round of tournament play, beating Marist in the semifinals 4-1.

The Hawks' leading point scorer, redshirt freshman forward Madie Gibson, scored first for Monmouth after drilling the ball into the goal. She was assisted by junior forward Rachel Ross and sophomore midfielder Alli DeLuca. MU ended up scoring once more in the first half, while Marist remained scoreless.

Redshirt senior forward Rachael Ivanicki headed the ball into the net after Gibson crossed it, making the score 2-0. The Hawks were first to strike again in the second half after Ross beat the goaltender one-on-one, advancing Monmouth's lead to 3-0. Marist quickly responded by scoring a goal off the cross bar around the 83rd minute, changing the score to 3-1.

But Monmouth wasn't done yet, Ross scored at 89:43 to make the final score 4-1 and advancing the Hawks into the championship game.

"It was a great team performance tonight. We capitalized on opportunities and defended extremely well. We are looking forward to competing for

a MAAC title on Sunday," said Head Coach Krissy Turner.

On Sunday, the Hawks became MAAC Champions after defeating Quinnipiac 5-2 in front of a large home crowd at Hesse Field on The Great Lawn.

"It was an amazing win from a team that has worked so hard this year. It is well deserved and I couldn't be any prouder to be

a part of it," said senior Captain Defender Julie Spracklin.

The blue and white played confidently yet again scoring first and playing solid defense throughout the whole game. DeLuca fired a shot from the penalty area around the 22nd minute mark, putting Monmouth in front 1-0. DeLuca wasn't finished yet as she as-

sisted Ivanicki's right-footed boot, advancing the Hawks 2-0.

Monmouth scored again roughly 10 minutes later. The MAAC tournament Most Valuable Player and junior defender, Miranda Konstantinides headed a ball into the net after being assisted by Spracklin and freshman forward Anna Lazur. Konstantinides knew she had

another goal in her, considering she has scored two goals in every game that she has scored in. Senior forward Alexis McTamney crossed the ball to Ross, Who eventually assisted Konstantinides for her second goal at 49:53 in the game.

"It's an incredible feeling to win the MAAC championship on our home field. Earning the tournament MVP came from a total team effort and for me to be able to score those goals was just a great feeling in the championship," said Konstantinides.

Marist eventually got on the scoreboard, finishing a penalty kick at 52:28 in the second half, making the score 4-1. Roughly 10 minutes later, Gibson finessed the ball into the net after being assisted by McTamney, advancing the Hawks 5-1. Marist answered late in the second half, scoring off a free kick from 40 yards out, making the final score 5-2.

"We had a tremendous performance in all phases on the game. We left no doubt that we are the best team in the MAAC. I am very proud of every player, coach and support staff member in our program who worked extremely hard to allow us to hold up the trophy today," said Head Coach Krissy Turner.

The Hawks received the MAAC's automatic bid to the 2016 Women's Soccer Championship. It will be their fourth NCAA appearance in program history and they will travel to Charlottesville, VA to take on the Virginia Cavaliers in the first round. The game will take place on Friday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m.



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The women's soccer team posed for a photo after winning the MAAC Tournament Championship over Quinnipiac on Nov. 6.

Men’s Basketball Prepares for New Season

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The men’s basketball team put together one of the most exciting seasons in program history a season ago. They finished with a 28-8 record, winning the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) regular season title and came within a three-pointer of forcing overtime in the MAAC Tournament title game. There is definitely buzz around campus surrounding the Hawks’ upcoming season. The team was even selected to win the conference as voted on by the league’s 11 head coaches, garnering nine of the first place votes.

Head Coach King Rice, who is entering his sixth season leading the Hawks, cautions fans not to get too far ahead of themselves early on.

“We had a great summer, but since practice has started, we have a long way to go,” Rice said. “The kids are working hard, but I don’t want to compare anything to last year because we are not the same team.”

The blue and white return seven seniors, including reigning MAAC Player of the Year Justin Robinson, who was also unanimously selected to the Preseason All-MAAC First Team and was named the unanimous Preseason MAAC Player of the Year.

“It just puts a target on my back because every team is going to be scouting me even more than they were last year,” Robinson said. “Players are going to want to shut me down and it’s just going to put a chip on my shoulder to play harder.”

Robinson started all 36 games last season and averaged 19.3 points per game and set the Monmouth single-season scoring record with 693 points. He posted a career-high 36 points in a 93-87 win at Siena on

Feb. 1.

Also returning this season are senior guards Je’lon Hornbeak, Collin Stewart and Josh James and junior guard Austin Tilghman. Rice likes what he has seen from them so far in practice.

“Je’lon is a senior this year and he’s been playing great and Collin has been playing well. Josh is our best defender and Austin has been working really hard for us,” Rice said.

Senior center Chris Brady also returns from last season, as does sophomore guard and reigning MAAC Rookie of the Year Micah Seaborn, who started all 36 games and averaged

13.2 points per game a season ago and was named to the Preseason MAAC All-Second Team.

“Micah started a little slow this season but we’ve seen major improvements. His maturity on and off the court have been tremendous and we’re excited about the things that he’s going to do this year,” Rice said.

The Hawks welcome two freshmen to the team this season in guard Ray Salnave and forward Sam Ibiezugbe.

“They’re two young guys and we’re loving what we’re seeing from them, but sometimes everybody starts talking about freshmen before they’re ready and it puts pressure on

them. Ray and Sam have both been awesome so far,” Rice said.

The Hawks made their first appearance to the National Invitation Tournament (NIT) last season and advanced to the second round, but fell to the eventual champion George Washington Colonials. This year, fans are hoping they can advance to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2006. Their journey begins on Friday, Nov. 11 when Drexel visits the newly re-named OceanFirst Bank Center for a 7 p.m. tip-off.

“Just get me to Nov. 11. I’m ready,” Robinson said.



PHOTO COURTESY of Monmouth University Athletics

Senior point guard Justin Robinson was voted the unanimous Preseason MAAC Player of the Year.

Football Falls to No. 18 Coastal Carolina

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SPORTS EDITOR

The University’s football team took a 17-10 lead into half-time, but No. 18 Coastal Carolina went on a 28-0 run and came away with a 38-17 victory over the Hawks in front of 7,123 fans at Brooks Stadium in Conway, SC on Saturday afternoon.

Redshirt freshman quarterback Kenji Bahar led the blue and white on a 53-yard scoring drive to open the game, completing all three passes to redshirt sophomore wide receiver Reggie White Jr., who concluded the drive with a 14-yard touchdown to give the blue and white a quick 7-0 lead.

They added to that on their next possession when junior kicker Matt White converted a 45-yard field goal, a yard short of his career high, extending the Hawks’ lead to 10-0. Monmouth extended their lead to 14 early in the second quarter when Bahar connected with sophomore tight end Jake Powell for his first career touchdown, a seven-yard score, to extend the Monmouth advantage to 17-3 with 12:54 in the first half.

But Coastal Carolina scored 35 unanswered points from that point on to pull away with a 38-17 victory. The Hawks fell to 4-6 (0-4 Big South) on the season while Coastal Carolina improved to 7-2 in their first season as an independent as they transition to the Sun Belt Conference and Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) football.

“We got off to a good start on both sides of the ball, and were able to take a lead into half-time,” Monmouth Head Coach



PHOTO COURTESY of Willis Glassgow

Redshirt freshman quarterback Kenji Bahar threw for 200 yards and two touchdowns in the Hawks’ 38-14 loss to Coastal Carolina on Saturday.

Kevin Callahan said. “At the start of the fourth quarter it was a one score game, but were not able to finish the way that we started. I thought that we played extremely hard and tough.”

Bahar finished 23-43 for 200 yards with two touchdowns and three interceptions while senior running back Lavon Chaney gained 58 yards on the ground on 17 carries. White Jr. had 10 receptions for 146 yards and a

touchdown. His 785 yards is the seven most in school history for a single season and his 59 receptions is third most. Junior safety Mike Basile led the defense with 16 tackles, a season-high and one shy of his career mark, and recovered two fumbles.

Coastal Carolina gained 333 yards on the ground, led by senior running back Kevin Daniles (13 carries, 133 yards)

and freshman wide receiver Ryan Lee (16 carries, 121 yards, two touchdowns), who become just the fourth duo to rush for over 100 yards in a game in school history.

The blue and white have their bye this weekend and will put a close to the season on Nov. 19 when they travel to Boiling Springs, NC to take on Big South opponent Gardner-Webb for a 1:30 p.m. kickoff.

SIDE LINES

M Soccer: The men’s soccer team saw their season come to an end in the quarterfinals of the MAAC Tournament. They fell to the No. 3 seed Siena Saints 3-1 in penalty kicks after the two teams played to a scoreless tie through two overtime periods.

“Congratulations to Siena. It was a typical, hard-fought conference tournament game,” Monmouth Head Coach Robert McCourt said. “Our guys have worked really hard all season. I am very thankful to our seniors. They are disappointed right now. However, when they look back at their Monmouth careers, they will realize what an amazing four-year experience they have had as Monmouth Hawks.”

Senior goalkeeper Eric Klenofsky ends his collegiate career with 36 wins, good for second all-time in the MAAC behind only Iona’s Nils Binstock (38).

Bowling: The Monmouth University women’s bowling team finished sixth at the FDU New Jersey Jamboree. They went 11-1 in the three-day event, including perfect 5-0 records in Baker and Traditional play on Friday and Saturday. The team next competes on Nov. 18-20 at the UMES Hawk Classic at Millsboro Lanes in Millsboro, DE.

UPCOMING GAMES

Wednesday, November 9
FH vs. UMass
NCAA Tournament Play-in
“So Sweet A Cat Field”
West Long Branch, NJ 1:00 pm

Friday, November 11
Men’s and Women’s XC
NCAA D1 Mid-Atlantic
Regional Championships
Penn State Golf Course
State College, PA 12:00 pm

*Men’s and Women’s Swim**
Iona
West Long Branch, NJ, 5:00 pm

MBB vs. Drexel
OceanFirst Bank Center
West Long Branch, NJ 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 13
WBB at Robert Morris
Sewall Center
Moon Township, PA 1:00 pm

Tuesday, November 15
MBB at South Carolina
Colonial Life Arena
Columbia, SC 6:30 pm

Wednesday, November 16
WBB at St. Francis Brooklyn
Pope Physical Education Center
Brooklyn Heights, NY 7:00 pm

Friday, November 19
Bowling
UMES Hawk Classic
Millsboro Lanes
Millsboro, DE

MBB at Syracuse
Carrier Dome
Syracuse, NY 7:00 pm

**conference games*

THE OUTLOOK SPORTS MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY



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The Monmouth University field hockey team (top) and women's soccer team (bottom) celebrate after winning their MAAC Tournament championships.

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